Main Program: August 12, 2023 – August 21, 2023
Pre-Tour: August 10, 2023 — August 13, 2023
Post-Tour: August 21, 2023 — August 23, 2023

STUNNING SCOTLAND: HIGHLANDS & ISLANDS

From windswept highlands to serene islands, home to revered castles and iconic towns, Scotland is a vibrant country overflowing with rich history, inspiring landscapes, and proud and welcoming locals. Celebrate all this small but impactful nation has to offer through cultural and historical experiences curated to engage your senses.

NOTE: This program information is current as of 7/14/2023.
Program Highlights

- Discover Glasgow at leisure during a hop-on/hop-off bus excursion, including points of interest such as the Gallery of Modern Art, Glasgow Cathedral, and Barras Market.

- Visit a local distillery to learn about whisky making from professionally trained guides followed by a tasting of their creations.

- Explore impressive Stirling Castle, situated on a volcanic outcrop on the River Forth, and hear of the castle's turbulent history, featuring great figures from Scotland's past, such as William Wallace, Robert the Bruce, and Mary, Queen of Scots.

- Learn about the history of the bagpipes and the tradition they served for battle and the clans.

- Behold Inveraray Castle, home of the Duke and Duchess of Argyll and their young family. It's the ancestral home of Clan Campbell.

- Enjoy a relaxing excursion cruising the infamous Loch Ness.

- Stroll through the ruins of Urquhart Castle—an iconic structure rich with over 1,000 years of dramatic history.

- See Culloden Battlefield, which was the site of the final battle of the Jacobite Rising.

- Visit the Palace of Holyroodhouse—the official residence in Scotland of the late Queen Elizabeth II. Founded as a monastery in 1128, this property was once the home of Mary, Queen of Scots, from 1561 to 1567.

- Experience a special welcoming followed by an exclusive, behind-the-scenes tour at breathtaking Glamis Castle. This castle is the legendary setting for Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, the childhood home of Queen Elizabeth's mother, and the birthplace of Princess Margaret.

- Embrace the charming town of St. Andrews—home to Scotland's oldest and most prestigious university and the birthplace of golf, first played 600 years ago.

- Witness the impressive showcase of military pipes and drums, Highland dancers, and marching formations of the celebrated Edinburgh Tattoo.

- **What's Included:** 8 nights hotel accommodations; 8 breakfasts, 2 lunches, and 6 dinners including a special welcome and farewell dinner; full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director and expert local guides; private motor coach transportation; admission to all locations listed on the 10-day itinerary, including the performance of the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo; all ferry fees; gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, drivers, porters (where available), and wait staff for included meals; and airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times.
Itinerary

Day 1: En Route from U.S.
Saturday, August 12, 2023

Day 2: Arrive in Glasgow, Scotland
Sunday, August 13, 2023
Fàilte gu Alba! Welcome to Scotland!

Today before gathering with fellow travelers, discover Glasgow's landmarks and attractions during a self-guided, hop-on/hop-off bus tour, featuring stops at the Gallery of Modern Art, Glasgow Cathedral, St. Mungo Museum of Religious Life & Art, Merchant Square, Barras Market, the People’s Palace and Winter Gardens, and the Glasgow Science Centre, to name a few.

Tonight, enjoy a welcome dinner with fellow travelers to delight in convivial conversation about the adventure to come.

Overnight: Radisson Blu Glasgow (D)

Day 3: Glasgow / Isle of Arran / Glasgow
Monday, August 14, 2023

After breakfast, take a scenic drive to the seaside town of Ardrossan, where a ferry is ready to whisk you away to the Isle of Arran. On board, draw in the fresh Scottish air while admiring the passing views—the rocky coastline and green rolling hills converging into mountainous terrain.

Today have a delicious lunch at a local bistro and explore about for shopping and absorbing the local
Return to the mainland by ferry, arriving at the hotel this evening.
*Overnight: Radisson Blu Glasgow (B,L)*

**Day 4: Glasgow / Stirling / Glencoe**
**Tuesday, August 15, 2023**
Continue the journey north to Stirling, where the Lowlands meet the Highlands, for a self-guided tour of stately Stirling Castle and its lovely gardens. Known as one of Scotland’s grandest castles, it looms over many of the most important battlefields in Scottish history. View Stirling Bridge—the site of William Wallace’s victory over the English in 1297. See Bannockburn, where Robert the Bruce defeated the same adversary in 1314.

Often regarded as a symbol of Scottish independence and national pride, Stirling Castle has seen the life and death of almost every Scottish monarch up to the Union of the Crowns in 1603.

In the village of Killin, enjoy a special stop to a family-owned business. At the Falls of Dochart Smokehouse, there are two simple, guiding principles: "to produce and to serve the finest whisky smoked salmon." Delight in a talk on the smoking process and learn about the local treasures of salmon, the countryside, and the River Tay system.

To produce their unique, subtle whisky taste, the Falls of Dochart Smokehouse sources the finest aged whisky casks and pounds them into dust. This dust creates an aromatic smoke, which gives the salmon a rich, full-bodied flavor. The small, local team passionately cares about every step of the process, from curing and smoking through to the slicing and packaging. All is done by hand and to order.

Salmon are reared by ethical and sustainable suppliers in the waters of the Hebrides and the sheltered lochs of north east Scotland. Savor a selection of canopies featuring both whisky smoked hot and cold smoked salmon, plus whisky smoked pate and cheese with locally made chutney.

Later, return to the hotel for dinner.
*Overnight: Kingshouse Hotel (B,D)*

**Day 5: Glencoe / The Scottish Highlands**
**Wednesday, August 16, 2023**
Today, see Inverarary Castle, located on the western edge of Loch Fyne in Argyll. Its gardens include approximately two acres of formal lawns and a stunning collection of flowers. Guests enjoy the many fine tree specimens planted throughout, including Cedrus Deodars and Sequoiadendron Wellingtonia.

The castle is a magnificent, towered mansion and the ancestral home of the Duke of Argyll, Chief of the Clan Campbell. The structure houses many interesting and lavishly decorated rooms, with collections of tapestries and paintings, and superb displays of weapons. Rob Roy MacGregor’s sporran and dirk handle are on display.

Enjoy a brief stroll through the picturesque town of Luss. Famous for its quaint slate cottages with decorative hanging flower baskets, the village also boasts panoramic views of Loch Lomond.

At Loch Lomond, sit back and relax on a cruise. It is the largest expanse of fresh water in Great Britain
and is Scotland’s third deepest loch. While cruising the waters, take in the landscape of the magnificent Ben Lomond, stately homes and castles dotting the shoreline, close-ups of several islands, and chances to spot wildlife. In 1999, Loch Lomond and the surrounding area were given the distinction of becoming Scotland’s first national park.

Today concludes with a lovely dinner at the hotel followed by a restful evening.  
*Overnight: Kingshouse Hotel (B,D)*

**Day 6: Loch Ness / Inverness**  
Thursday, August 17, 2023

After breakfast, continue farther north to the famous Loch Ness to visit Urquhart Castle nestled on shore. Urquhart Castle was once regarded as one of the greatest in all of the Highlands, having borne witness to some of Scotland’s most dramatic historical moments. Control over the medieval fortress passed back and forth between the Scots and the English during the Wars of Independence. As those forces departed, the last government troops who occupied the castle destroyed it during the Jacobite Risings, leaving behind the ruins that stand today. Peer into medieval life—learning of the area’s history from nearly 1,000 years ago—while observing a full-size trebuchet and a prison cell that is thought to have held the Gaelic bard, Dòmhall Donn.

Embark upon a serene, narrated cruise exploring the deep, mysterious waters of Loch Ness, which holds more fresh water than all of the lakes in England and Wales combined.

Later arrive to the idyllic city of Inverness on Scotland’s northeast coast for brief leisure time in town. Many know Inverness as the capital of the Highlands, though it doesn’t officially hold this title. Inverness has only been considered a city since 2000. The name comes from the Gaelic “Inbhir Nis,” which means “Mouth of the River Ness.” Inverness Castle is the site where Macbeth murdered King Duncan in Shakespeare’s play.

After an enriching day of exploration, enjoy a relaxing dinner and a peaceful slumber at River Ness Hotel.  
*Overnight: River Ness Hotel (B,D)*

**Day 7: Inverness / Aberdeen**  
Friday, August 18, 2023

This morning, experience Culloden Battlefield—the site of the final Jacobite Rising. One of the most harrowing battles in Scottish history, the Battle of Culloden only lasted an hour but would change Scotland and Highland culture forever. Inside the Culloden Visitor Centre, learn more about the conflict from both sides through interactive displays and artifacts before walking the actual battlefield. Reflect on this rebellious event while viewing the headstones of clansmen who gave their lives for the Jacobite cause.

Following lunch, journey to a Scottish distillery. Did you know? According to the Scotch Whisky Association, Scotland is home to more than 130 malt and grain distilleries, making it the greatest concentration of whisky production in the world. Discover the environment of a distillery with a warm welcome from some of the people who bring this iconic product to life.

Retreat to Norwood Hall Hotel for dinner and this evening’s stay.
Overnight: Norwood Hall Hotel (B,L,D)

Day 8: Aberdeen / St. Andrews / Edinburgh
Saturday, August 19, 2023

Today visit Glamis Castle—a living, breathing monument to Scottish heritage. Here at the family home of the Earls of Strathmore and Kinghorne, an exclusive behind-the-scenes tour awaits. Enjoy refreshments in the 16th-century kitchen. See why Glamis Castle, a stunning architectural treasure, is rich with colorful vitality—from remarkable paintings to unique furniture pieces and precise architectural details. This castle was gifted by Robert the Bruce to the Bowes-Lyon family in 1372 and was originally a royal hunting lodge. It’s perhaps best known as the childhood home of the Queen Mother, the birthplace of Princess Margaret, and the setting of Shakespeare's Macbeth. Visitors are impressed with the estate, comprising more than 13,500 acres and are intrigued by the mysterious, strange, and ghostly tales attached to it. Secret chambers have always been associated with Glamis. It's said if one counts the windows on the outside and compares that number with the windows counted on the inside, there are two windows missing, indicating at least one secret room.

Later, at charming St. Andrews, drive by the Old Course and explore the local cafés and boutique shops during leisure time. Admire the medieval architecture of the university and marvel at the perfectly manicured golf courses here, at what is considered to be the birthplace of golf. Gazing towards the water, notice an iconic piece of Scottish landscape—the West Sands—famous for the opening sequence of Chariots of Fire.

This evening presents an unforgettable performance of one of the most iconic events on this city's calendar—the Edinburgh Military Tattoo—as the sun sets against the backdrop of Edinburgh's grand castle. The Tattoo has a proud Scottish history, stretching back almost seven decades and initially inspired by a simple show called "Something About a Soldier" performed in 1949 at the Ross Bandstand, which is still located in Princess Street Gardens just below the Castle. This event celebrates the skills of military bands and display teams from the British Armed Forces, the Commonwealth, and military teams throughout the world. Prepare for goosebumps as the strains of bagpipes fill the night air along the beating of drums. Lit torches, flying flags, an impressive light display, dancing, colorful dress, and intricate marching formations complete the emotionally stirring pageantry. The Top Secret Drum Corps of Switzerland is a spectator favorite. Their talent and precision is a marvel to behold and must be seen to be appreciated. In a previous performance, the Corps' drumsticks also served as flutes! Cheer and clap along with the crowd at this first-class synchronized and entertaining show. Be sure to dress in layers for the outdoors as the seating in the esplanade is uncovered.

Overnight: Kimpton Charlotte Square Hotel (B)

Day 9: Edinburgh
Sunday, August 20, 2023

This morning, after a hearty breakfast, join a guided panoramic city tour of Edinburgh—Scotland's beloved capital since the 15th century—through its Old and New Towns. This UNESCO World Heritage Site teems with remarkable architecture, medieval fixtures, and Georgian-inspired buildings, all converging at Princes Street with a unique view of Edinburgh Castle. See Calton Hill and its National Monument, rightfully giving Edinburgh its nickname: the "Athens of the North."

Afterward, visit the Palace of Holyroodhouse, the previous residence of Mary, Queen of Scots, that was founded as a monastery in 1128. This property once hosted other royalty, including the Bonnie Prince
Charlie and the late Queen of England, Elizabeth II. Tour the 14 historic state apartments and imagine life of yesteryear while marveling at the intricate drapery, old wood paneling, and ornately designed ceilings. The Queen’s Gallery at the Palace of Holyroodhouse hosts a program of changing exhibitions from the Royal Collection. Behold the natural beauty of the palace gardens’ rolling lush green pastures, vibrant flowers, and Wentworth Elm trees, which were previously thought to have been extinct.

Enjoy free time to shop and sightsee before this grand adventure concludes with a special farewell dinner to reminisce over the past week’s travels and bid soraidh ("farewell" in Gaelic) to Scotland. Overnight: Kimpton Charlotte Square Hotel (B,D)

**Day 10: Edinburgh / Depart for U.S.**

Monday, August 21, 2023

After breakfast, guests departing during the suggested times take the complimentary transfer to Edinburgh Airport for flights home. (B)

B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

(Itinerary subject to change.)

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**Activity Level**

**Moderate**

Activities are generally not very strenuous, but a fair amount of walking can be expected. It is our expectation that guests on this program are able to follow a guide through paved and unpaved streets of even and uneven terrain at an average pace for two hours. Guests should have the ability to walk up and down stairs without assistance. Due to the nature of some structures, handrails may not be present, and facilities for people with disabilities may be limited. Participation in itinerary activities is up to the individual.

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**What’s Included**

- 8 nights hotel accommodations
- 8 breakfasts, 2 lunches, and 6 dinners, including a special welcome and farewell dinner
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director and expert local guides
- Private motor coach transportation
- Admission to all locations listed on the 10-day itinerary, including the performance of the
Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo

All ferry fees

Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, drivers, porters (where available), and wait staff for included meals

Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

Accommodations

Radisson Blu Glasgow

August 13 - August 14

Glasgow’s iconic Radisson Blu Hotel provides central access to shops and restaurants along with comfortable, modern rooms, and wellness facilities.

Room Amenities: Individual climate control, work desk and chair, flat-screen TV, Wi-Fi, phone, coffee and tea maker, safe, and en suite bathroom with sundries and hair dryer.
Kingshouse Hotel

August 15 - August 16

With panoramic views of the Highlands of Scotland, the iconic Kingshouse Hotel is surrounded by peaks, pools, and rivers. Guests of the property rave not only of the unrivalled views of Buchaille Etive Mor, Scotland’s most photographed mountain, but also about the comfy rooms and accommodating staff.

Room Amenities: Flat-screen TV, writing desk and chair, WiFi availability, phone, coffee and tea maker, and en suite bathroom with sundries.

River Ness Hotel

August 17

The River Ness Hotel is conveniently located in the city center, minutes away from a walk to the River Ness, the Inverness Museum and Art Gallery, and the Victorian Market. A member of the Radisson Hotels, the River Ness features modern guest rooms and an onsite fitness center, bar, and restaurant.

Room Amenities: Individual climate control, work desk and chair, flat-screen TV, Wi-Fi, phone, coffee and tea maker, mini-fridge, minibar, safe, iron and ironing board, and en suite bathroom with sundries and hair dryer.
August 18

Built in 1881 on the site of the 15th-century Pitfodels Castle, this magnificent Victorian mansion exudes character and charm, with roaring log fires, sweeping staircases, and classic décor.

Situated amongst seven acres of secluded gardens and expansive woods, the property offers modern amenities, award-winning facilities, and welcoming hospitality.

Room Amenities: TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and en suite bathroom with sundries and hair dryer.

Note: This property does not have air conditioning.
Kimpton Charlotte Square Hotel

August 19 - August 20

Ideally located beside New Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, this property—which features seven interconnected Georgian townhouses—overlooks one of Edinburgh’s prettiest private garden squares. Excellent service blends with a newly renovated interior of handsome woods, plush fabrics, and rich pops of color. During leisure time, take advantage of the indoor pool or well-equipped fitness room.

*Room Amenities: Individual climate control, TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, coffee maker, minibar, safe, and marble en suite bathroom with premium sundries and hair dryer.*

*NOTE: Numerous points of interest on this program are in remote locations, therefore accommodation options are often limited. The properties selected are the best available.*

*(Accommodations subject to change.)*
Optional Pre-Tour

DECIDEDLY DUBLIN: TOURS, TOASTS, AND TALES

Famous for its craic (“crack”)—a mixture of repartee, humor, and intelligence—Dublin has attracted visitors for centuries. Embrace the Emerald Isle’s time-honored traditions, and discover present-day modernizations during a hop-on / hop-off tour of the city, visits to a museum and brewery, and an evening filled with lively storytelling and music.

Itinerary

Day +1: En Route from U.S.
Thursday, August 10, 2023

Day +2: Arrive in Dublin, Ireland
Friday, August 11, 2023
Welcome to Ireland! Enjoy a hop-on / hop-off tour of lively Dublin, named “Europe’s friendliest” twice by TripAdvisor and one of Lonely Planet’s “Top 10 Cities in the World” to visit.

Dublin is a city with a soul—a place that retains and appreciates the importance of genuine human interaction. Founded in 841 by the Vikings, the area’s interesting past and many monuments tell of its fascinating history. Today, this cosmopolitan capital of the Irish Republic is host to more than one million residents. Taking advantage of its compact size, the informative and entertaining hop-on, hop-off tour of Dublin allows visitors to soak in the captivating atmosphere and buzz at their own pace.

Start with a dedication to Ireland’s most famous literary son at the Oscar Wilde statue in Merrion Square. Continue past the sprawling campus of Trinity College, and pause at the imposing gates. Stop at the Molly Malone statue to hear the part mythological, part historical tale of Molly Malone, who was immortalized in the famous song named after her. See Christchurch Cathedral, Dublin’s oldest working structure, which has been welcoming pilgrims for more than 1,000 years. Continue through the Temple Bar area, a pleasant cobbled area full of restaurants and shops during the day and a lively warren of bustling bars after nightfall.
Finally, cross the River Liffey by the unique, white-arched Ha’penny Bridge.

Later, experience an unforgettable evening of dinner, live music, and dancing at The Merry Ploughboy Irish Music Pub, or a similar venue. Touted as "the only pub in Ireland owned and run by traditional musicians," this establishment is an award-winning place that brings life and gaiety to a city steeped in history and culture.

Afterward, check into The Davenport, our home for two nights.

Overnight: The Davenport (D)

Day +3: Dublin

Saturday, August 12, 2023

Awaken and indulge in a full Irish breakfast at the hotel followed by time to explore Dublin at leisure in the early morning. Perhaps visit a café for Irish coffee and conversation with the locals, pop into one of the charming shops on Grafton Street, or simply meander the cobblestone roads and take in the picturesque sights of this bustling city.

Mid-morning today, visit EPIC, The Irish Museum of Emigration. This state-of-the-art, interactive, and award-winning facility is located inside the beautiful vaults of the 1820 Custom House Quarter building in Dublin’s Docklands—the original departure point for so many of Ireland’s emigrants. It inspires and guides a journey of discovery with stories of Irish emigration around the world, from early times to modern day. Over centuries, some 10 million people have left the island of Ireland. Step through 20 themed galleries to learn why people chose to leave, see how they influenced the world, and feel the connection between descendants and Ireland today. Via engaging displays, short movies, and interesting artifacts, remarkable stories of sacrifice, endurance, and adventure are brought to life. EPIC is a must-see to learn more about Ireland, and for those interested in personal Irish ancestry, the Irish Family History Centre also is located here.

On tap this afternoon is Guinness Brewery’s exclusive Connoisseur Experience at the Guinness Storehouse. Back in 1759, an enterprising brewer named Arthur Guinness took a 9,000-year lease on this brewery for an annual rent of £45. Opened in 1904, the Storehouse was an operational plant for fermenting and storing Guinness. Today, the brewery is Ireland’s most popular tourist attraction and Europe’s largest stout-producing brewery. It also features a very fine exhibition dedicated to the Guinness story.

Throughout seven floors, guests learn the craft of making this quintessential brew—the ingredients, brewing process, time, and passion. One exhibit illustrates how the brew has been marketed and sold in more than 150 countries.

At the Guinness Academy, learn the art of pulling a pint of Guinness—a six-step ritual as legendary as the beer itself—taking 119.5 seconds from iconic surge of the pour to the eventual settle. In the private Connoisseur Bar, relish a personal Guinness tasting like no other. Taste the different types of Guinness while an expert guide/barman orchestrates a journey right to the heart of the black stuff. Raise a glass and toast Sláinte!—an Irish expression meaning "to good health."

The remainder of the evening is on your own to perhaps meet some locals and share a pint in a cozy pub.

Overnight: The Davenport (B)
Day +4: Dublin / Flight to Glasgow / Main Program Begins
Sunday, August 13, 2023
After breakfast, guests departing during the suggested time will take a complimentary group transfer to Dublin Airport for the flight to Glasgow, Scotland, to join guests for the main program. (B)

B = Breakfast, D = Dinner

This pre-tour is not escorted by an Orbridge Travel Director. Included sightseeing is accompanied by a local guide. Space is limited, so it’s recommended to reserve early for best availability.

(Itinerary subject to change.)

Activity Level

Moderate

Activities are generally not very strenuous, but a fair amount of walking can be expected. It is our expectation that guests on this program are able to follow a guide through paved and unpaved streets of even and uneven terrain at an average pace for two hours. Guests should have the ability to walk up and down stairs without assistance. Due to the nature of some structures, handrails may not be present, and facilities for people with disabilities may be limited. Participation in itinerary activities is up to the individual.

Accommodations
The Davenport

August 11 - August 12

The Davenport is a traditional, stylish boutique property located in the heart of Georgian Dublin and reimagined with outstanding 21st-century facilities. Built as a church in 1863, it still retains its original neo-classical exterior frontage and recreates the elegance and charm of that era. The hotel features 114 guest rooms, an on-site restaurant, and a bar that’s frequented by guests and locals. Conveniently located in Merrion Square, it’s within minutes of Grafton Street, O’Connell Street, Trinity College, city centre museums, and Dublin’s galleries.

Room Amenities: Individual climate control, spacious sitting area, TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, phone, coffee and tea maker, iron and ironing board, and en suite bathroom with sundries and hair dryer.

(Accommodations subject to change.)

What’s Included

- 2 nights accommodations at The Davenport (or similar), with a full Irish breakfast each morning
- Hop-on / hop-off city tour of Dublin
- Admission to EPIC, The Irish Emigration Museum
- Admission to the Guinness Storehouse, including the Connoisseur Experience
- Dinner and live Irish music at The Merry Ploughboy Irish Music Pub (or similar)
- Gratuities to local guides, drivers, porters, and wait staff for included meals
- Group airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times (airfare to Glasgow not included)
Optional Post-Tour

ST. ANDREWS

Famous for its golf links, stunning coastline, and architecture, St. Andrews is a beautiful university town worth considering to cap off your travel adventure in Scotland. En route to St. Andrews, see the Falkirk Wheel, one of the greatest examples of modern industrial design in the world. Then, while in St. Andrews, enjoy a walking tour at the Old Course with leisure time to independently explore ancient ruins and a vibrant shopping scene and museums, or indulge in the craft gin, bespoke whisky, and small-batch beer.

Itinerary

Day 10: Edinburgh / St. Andrews
Monday, August 21, 2023
En route to St. Andrews, visit the Falkirk Wheel.

Standing 115 feet tall, the Falkirk Wheel is an exceptional feat of modern engineering and an inspirational work of art. Designed to reconnect the Forth and Clyde Canal with the Union Canal, this remarkable and elegant mechanical marvel is the only rotating boat lift in the world. The Falkirk Wheel lies at the end of a reinforced concrete aqueduct that connects, via the Roughcastle tunnel and a double staircase lock, to the Union Canal. Boats entering the Wheel’s upper gondola are lowered, along with the water in which they float, to the basin below. At the same time, an equal weight rises up, lifted in the other gondola. Visitors enjoy "The Falkirk Wheel Experience," using special "trip" boats at the site. The distinctive new visitor center gives an absolutely sensational viewpoint from which to see things in action.

Continue to St. Andrews—the Home of Golf—and enjoy lunch at a local pub/restaurant. The food scene here is on point!

Afterward, walk the legendary Old Course. A bucket list pilgrimage site for golf lovers, follow in the footsteps of legends, and experience why pro golfer Jack Nicklaus said, "I fell in love with it the first day I played it. There's just no other golf course that is even remotely close."
The remainder of the day and evening are at leisure.
*Overnight: Old Course Hotel (L)*

**Day 11: St. Andrews**
*Tuesday, August 22, 2023*

After breakfast, enjoy St. Andrews "your way" with optional activities available for purchase or independent exploration. Scheduling permits guests to golf in the morning and also partake later in afternoon tea time should you so choose.

**Golf Tee Time ($350/person):**
Golf enthusiasts may choose to play a round on St. Andrews' Duke's course. The Duke's is highly regarded as one of the finest championship courses in the British Isles and a must-play course for any golfer. Its style demands accuracy and inventive play, as well as power golf. And, with five separate tee positions at every hole, The Duke's has the flexibility and challenge to appeal to golfers at every level. The venue was chosen to host the 2014 International European Amateur Championship, one of the four majors in the world of amateur golf. (Includes greens fee, golf cart, rental clubs, and roundtrip transfers between the hotel and course.)

Note: Tee times and the course are subject to availability at time of booking.

**Afternoon Tea Time ($95/person):**
Consider choosing to experience an award-winning afternoon tea with desserts at the Old Course Hotel, featuring a delicious selection of delicate pastries and cakes, including homemade scones as well as strawberry and pink champagne preserves.
*Overnight: Old Course Hotel (B)*

**Day 12: St. Andrews / Edinburgh / Depart for U.S.**
*Wednesday, August 23, 2023*

After breakfast, bid a fond farewell to Scotland. Guests departing during the suggested times take the complimentary transfer to Edinburgh Airport for flights home. *(B)*

B = Breakfast, L = Lunch

*This post-tour is not escorted by an Orbridge Travel Director. Included sightseeing is accompanied by a local guide. Space is limited, so it’s recommended to reserve early for best availability.*

*(Itinerary subject to change.)*

**Activity Level**

**Moderate**

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downstairs without assistance. Due to the nature of some structures, handrails may not be present, and facilities for people with disabilities may be limited. Participation in itinerary activities is up to the individual.

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**Accommodations**

**Old Course Hotel**

August 21 - August 22

Bordering the renowned 17th "Road Hole" of the Old Course in the Home of Golf, the Old Course Hotel boasts a spectacular location overlooking the famous links courses, the West Sands beach and the beautiful Scottish coastline. This prestigious five-star hotel has 144 rooms and is recognized as one of Europe’s leading resorts. The Old Course Hotel features a combination of classically elegant and contemporary interiors, and French designer Jacques Garcia designed many of the hotel’s suites. Located just a short stroll from the historic university town of St Andrews, it’s a great vacation spot for golfers and non-golfers alike.

*Room Amenities: Individual climate control, writing desk, interactive flat-screen TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, phone, coffee and tea maker, minibar, robes and slippers, and en suite bathroom with sundries and hair dryer.*

*(Accommodations subject to change.)*

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**What’s Included**

- 2 nights accommodations at the Old Course Hotel
- 2 breakfasts and 1 lunch
• Admission and fees for included activities
• Gratuities to local guides, drivers, porters, and wait staff for included meals
• Private transportation
• Airport transfers for guests departing during the suggested times

Terms and Conditions

THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS ARE EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022.

Note: Travel credits and transfers are subject to the Terms and Conditions agreed upon at the time of the original reservation.

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Rates. Program rates are based on minimum participation levels, current fares and costs (air, water, land, rail), tariffs and currency values. While Orbridge does everything possible to maintain the listed program rates, they are subject to change effective immediately upon posting unless otherwise specified by Orbridge. In the case of invoicing errors, we reserve the right to re-invoice with the correct pricing.

Reservations, Deposits and Final Payment. To secure your reservation, deposits are due upon placing a reservation as follows: (1) $850 per person per program and $500 per person per pre-tour and/or post-tour except for programs noted in (2) and (3); (2) $2,500 per person for Antarctica Discovery and African Expedition and $500 per person per pre-tour and/or post-tour; (3) a non-refundable $750 per person is due for Tanzania Wildlife Safaris’ Rwanda pre-tour. Orbridge accepts payment by check, automated clearing house (“ACH”), wire transfer or major credit card.

Final payment, including any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives, is due for: (1) all programs except Antarctica Discovery and African Expedition—no later than 90 days prior to the program’s scheduled departure date; (2) Antarctica Discovery and African Expedition—no later than 195 days prior to the program’s scheduled departure date.

If your reservation is made between the final payment due date and the program’s scheduled departure date, the full cost of the program, plus any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives, is due at the time of registration.

If final payment is not received by Orbridge by the final payment due date, Orbridge may, at any time and with or without notice, cancel your reservation in its sole discretion with no right of refund.

Reservation Grace Period. Reservations made no sooner than 120 days prior to all programs’ scheduled departure date, except Antarctica and African Expedition, and no sooner than 225 days prior to Antarctica’s and African Expedition’s departure date may be cancelled within 30 days following the reservation date (“Grace Period”) for a full refund.
Reservation Changes. Reservation changes (including, but not limited to, name changes) are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. Reservation changes will not incur an administration fee except in the following cases: 1) Reservation changes completed 90 or fewer days from the program’s scheduled departure date for all programs except Antarctica and African Expedition will incur a $150 administrative fee plus any third-party penalties and/or charges. 2) Reservation changes completed 195 or fewer days from the program’s scheduled departure date for Antarctica Discovery and African Expedition will incur a $150 administrative fee plus any third-party penalties and/or charges. In addition, any reservation changed from double occupancy to single occupancy will be charged the single occupancy rate, which will be due at the time of final payment or upon receipt of an updated invoice if received after the tour’s final payment due date.

Reservation Cancellation and Refunds. Notice of cancellation must be submitted to Orbridge in writing either via email or mailed letter. The date of receipt will be used for the effective date and the cancellation will be processed as follows:

(a) For all programs except those noted in (b) and (c), if the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge more than 90 days prior to the program’s scheduled departure date, all monies paid to Orbridge for the main program and for any pre-tour and/or post-tour will be refunded less an administrative fee of $350 per person for the main program and $200 per person for a pre-tour and/or post-tour. If the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge between 90 and 76 days prior to the scheduled departure date, a 25% cancellation fee will be applied to the full cost of the program, including any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives, and the balance will be refunded. If the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge between 75 and 61 days prior to the scheduled departure date, a 50% cancellation fee will be applied to the full cost of the program, including any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives, and the balance will be refunded. If the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge between 60 and 46 days prior to the scheduled departure date, a 75% cancellation fee will be applied to the full cost of the program, including any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives, and the balance will be refunded. If the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge between 45 and 31 days prior to the scheduled departure date, a 100% cancellation fee will be applied to the full cost of the program, including any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives.

(b) For Antarctica Discovery and African Expedition, if the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge more than 195 days prior to the scheduled departure date, all monies paid to Orbridge for the main program and for any pre-tour and/or post-tour will be refunded less an administrative fee of $950 per person for the main program and $200 per person for a pre-tour and/or post-tour. If the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge between 195 and 150 days prior to the scheduled departure date, a 25% cancellation fee will be applied to the full cost of the program, including any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives, and the balance will be refunded. If the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge between 149 and 120 days prior to the scheduled departure date, a 50% cancellation fee will be applied to the full cost of the program, including any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives, and the balance will be refunded. If the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge between 119 and 90 days prior to the scheduled departure date, a 75% cancellation fee will be applied to the full cost of the program, including any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives, and the balance will be refunded. If the cancellation notice is received by Orbridge between 89 and 31 days prior to the scheduled departure date, a 100% cancellation fee will be applied to the full cost of the program, including any pre-tour and/or post-tour, optional excursion(s) fees and optional electives.

(c) All payments made for Tanzania Wildlife Safari’s Rwanda pre-tour are non-refundable.

A 100% cancellation fee applies to all non-refundable airfare. Refunds, if any, will be processed within 30 days of our receipt of your written notice.

Travel Insurance. Orbridge strongly recommends that you purchase travel and cancellation insurance to protect your investment in the event of unexpected or unforeseen circumstances. In addition, we recommend that you consider obtaining a policy(ies) that will cover emergency medical evacuation insurance and cancel for any reason insurance. Travel and cancellation insurance policies and dates by which policies must be purchased vary by provider/insurer, maximum coverage (including cancel for any reason) is generally only available for purchase within 14 days of your reservation being confirmed. It is advised to determine your insurance needs and make necessary arrangements soon after reserving on tour. If you do not have, but are interested in purchasing, travel and cancellation insurance please contact us.

Program Cancellations or Postponements. All programs are subject to cancellation or postponement by Orbridge prior to the scheduled departure date for reasons such as, but not limited to, insufficient participation, or logistical problems that, in Orbridge’s sole judgment, may impede program operations or represent conditions or events that may expose program guests and/or Orbridge to undue risk of harm, injury, damage or inconvenience. In the event of program cancellation or postponement by Orbridge, Orbridge may offer you alternative arrangements such as the option to join the same tour on a different date or a different tour. If the price of your alternative booking is lower than your original booking price, Orbridge will refund the difference within 30 days of the alternative program’s departure date. If it is higher than your original booking price, Orbridge will invoice you the difference and you will be responsible therefor. Transferring guests are subject to the terms of the original tour. Except for force majeure, if a program is cancelled or postponed by Orbridge, Orbridge will refund all payments made within 30 days of notice of program cancellation or postponement if an alternative arrangement is not offered.

Itineraries. Accommodations, the itinerary, travel directors or expedition leaders, lecturers, hosts, faculty or organization representative, and arranged excursions are subject to change or substitution at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or circumstances beyond Orbridge’s control. Reasonable efforts will be made to operate programs as planned, however adjustments, substitutions and changes may occur after the final itinerary has been issued. Orbridge may, in its sole discretion, withdraw a program or any part of it, make such alterations or substitutions to the itinerary or program inclusions as it deems necessary or desirable, and pass on to program participants any expenditures or additional costs caused by any such adjustments, or by delays or events beyond its reasonable control.

Not Included. Unless otherwise specifically noted in the itinerary, program prices do not include the following expenses, which if applicable are your sole responsibility to pay and satisfy: trip cancellation insurance and passenger travel protection plan;
domestic, international, and internal airfares except as indicated in program inclusions; transfers and luggage handling fees except in connection with scheduled group flights; costs associated with obtaining passports or entry visas; airport departure taxes; airline ticketing fees; airport transfers when arriving/departing on other than scheduled group dates; excess baggage charges; any new value added taxes or other taxes added to program costs by applicable governmental authorities; gratuities to drivers, guides, or ship’s crew not specified; meals and beverages other than those specified as being included in the itinerary; sightseeing not included in the itinerary; personal expenses such as laundry, communication charges and optional activities (which are subject to availability); ship, air, or transportation fuel surcharges, if applicable; any items not on the “included” list of the tour documents.

Health and Fitness to Travel. Through your participation in your tour, you assume responsibility for your own health, safety, and welfare and acknowledge that Orbridge cannot absolutely guarantee your safety or health. Your physician can provide guidance on your personal health risk and precautions to take while traveling. Some programs include physically active elements. To enjoy these programs as intended, a minimum level of fitness is required and Orbridge will require all guests to follow local, state, national and/or World Health Organization health and safety mandates. Accordingly, you must be in good physical and mental condition to participate. You represent that you have no physical, mental or other condition, impairment or disability that may or will cause or create a risk of injury or other hazard to yourself or others in respect to any aspect of the program you have selected. Orbridge may, in its sole discretion, limit, restrict or prohibit from participation in any aspect of any program any individual that it considers in its sole discretion to be impaired or unsuitable due to fitness level. In addition, Orbridge may, in its sole discretion and at the participant’s sole expense, remove the guest from the program, or restrict the program-related activities of any individual whose physical or mental condition may or is likely to cause a hazard to himself/herself or others, or otherwise impair the enjoyment of other program participants. Any physical condition requiring special attention, diet, or treatment must be reported in writing to Orbridge at the time a program reservation is made. Should you have any questions or need any clarification about a specific program, please ask for details at the time of registration. Orbridge will try to accommodate your situation if possible.

Accessibility. Orbridge cannot guarantee that the transportation, lodging, and entertainment/sightseeing accommodations will be accessible to all persons regardless of their physical and mental condition. In addition, many of the activities involved in each program are physically demanding or the like for some distance on uneven ground or pavement or moving water as well as the ability to walk up and down stairs without assistance. Should any individuals seeking to participate in a travel opportunity need special accommodations to ensure their enjoyment of the trip, kindly provide notice at the time the reservation is submitted, and we will see if your participation is feasible. Please understand that the Americans with Disabilities Act is inapplicable outside the United States.

At the time of reservation, Orbridge needs to be notified to determine if the special needs of an individual traveler can be met through special arrangements. It is possible that minor modifications to the services can be provided, but only if Orbridge is made specifically aware of anticipated needs. This notification should be made in writing no less than two weeks prior to the planned travel. Neither Orbridge nor any of the providers of transportation, lodging, or other services can provide special accommodations without this advance notice.

Where an individual with certain specific needs will be traveling with a group, it is necessary for other members of that person’s group to be available to assist as necessary. Neither employees of Orbridge nor any suppliers of services can allow any of their employees to provide physical assistance to any guests.

Travel Advisories. The State Department and the Centers for Disease Control periodically issue statements and advisories about risks to travelers. These statements are country specific and contain important information. The State Department information can be found at www.travel.state.gov, and the CDC statements can be found at www.cdc.gov. Orbridge highly recommends everyone to review these sites.

Children. Orbridge welcomes the participation of children in most of its programs. However, in the event you do include your children or other minors for whom you serve as legal guardian ("Dependents") in your travel plans, you hereby agree that you are and shall be at all times solely responsible for their care, actions, safety and protection during the program and any pre-tour and/or post-tour. Should you have any questions whether a particular program or inclusion is possible or suitable for your Dependent(s), please contact us.

Baggage. Program rates include the price of one piece of policy-compliant baggage per person during the land, cruise or rail portion of the program only unless specified in the itinerary. Air carriers and motor coaches often impose significant other restrictions or limitations on the number of pieces, size and weight of luggage and may reject or impose additional fees on baggage exceeding such limitations or restrictions. All such fees are your sole cost and responsibility. In addition and regardless of location or transportation method, your baggage and personal effects are and shall at all times be at your sole risk throughout the entire program. Please check with your air carrier for other applicable baggage restrictions and limitations.

Travel Documents. All guests are responsible for possessing and maintaining necessary travel documents. These documents shall be valid under state and federal law and as required by foreign countries being visited. Orbridge is not responsible for invalid travel documents and repercussions thereof.

For U.S. citizens, valid passports are required for travel to foreign destinations and some countries require specific visas prior to entry. Please direct any questions in respect to visa requirements to Orbridge, which shall use commercially reasonable efforts to provide answers as a courtesy, provided that it shall remain your sole responsibility and obligation to obtain and verify that you have all required travel documents, including visas, necessary and appropriate for the program location(s) and sufficient blank pages in your passport for visas and immigration stamps. In addition, some countries require your passport to have an expiry date of not less than six months after your anticipated return to the United States. All future participants acknowledge that they have been advised of the requirements and are responsible for obtaining all necessary travel documents and visas in connection with their participation in the program. Orbridge highly recommends that you review the official website of the United States Department of State and the United States Department of Health and Human Services or the World Health Organization website to determine specific travel and health requirements of the countries to be visited. Orbridge cannot be responsible for any delays caused by the unavailability of travel documents or visas.

Photos and Videos. Orbridge may take photographs and/or video of its trips and participant grants Orbridge permission to do so and for it to use such for promotional or commercial use without payment of any compensation to participant. In addition, Orbridge may use, without compensation, any photographs or video taken by tour participants and submitted to Orbridge or to
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Other. Dates, program details and costs are based on tariffs, exchange rates and other information current at the time of printing, but are subject to change at any time. While we do not anticipate material revisions of the itinerary or its included features, we do reserve the right to substitute accommodations or modes of transportation and to make any changes in the itinerary Orbridge, in its sole discretion, deems necessary and in that case any additional expense or cost will be paid by the individual guest. Your baggage and personal effects are your sole responsibility at all times. It is prohibited by federal law and Orbridge policy to bring illegal drugs, firearms, or other contraband (including marijuana for medical or recreational purposes) on any program.

Orbridge may at any time and without notice modify these terms and conditions, and any modification so made will be effective for all reservations made from and after the posted Effective Date.

In the event any term in these terms and conditions is deemed unenforceable the unenforceable clause shall be interpreted to give effect to the parties’ intentions to the greatest enforceable extent, and all other provisions hereof shall remain fully enforceable according to their terms.

Binding Arbitration. I agree that any dispute concerning, relating, or referring to this contract, the brochure, or any other literature concerning my trip, or the trip itself shall be resolved exclusively by binding arbitration in Seattle, Washington, either according to the then existing commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association or pursuant to the Comprehensive Arbitration Rules & Procedures of the Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services, Inc. (JAMS). Such proceedings will be governed by substantive (but not procedural) Washington law. The arbitrator and not any federal, state, or local court or agency shall have exclusive authority to resolve any dispute relating to the interpretation, applicability, enforceability, conscionability, or formation of this contract, including but not limited to any claim that all or any part of this contract is void or voidable. By agreeing to these terms and conditions, both parties are waiving their right to a trial by jury. Any arbitration commenced against Orbridge must be on behalf of only the individual(s) to this Agreement and his or her immediate family members traveling with them, such as a spouse or child. Under no circumstances can participant be part of a class or other joint action.

Acceptance of Contract. ANY PAYMENT TO ORBRIDGE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO DEPOSITS OR FULL PAYMENTS, CONSTITUTES YOUR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AND AGREEMENT TO THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH ABOVE AND IN MORE SPECIFIC TOUR DOCUMENTS.

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