# Imperial Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce presents... Discover Scotland

with Optional 3-Night London Pre Tour Extension

## March 10 – 19, 2024



# Upgrade to Elite Airfare! see inside for details





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10 Days • 15 Meals: 8 Breakfasts, 7 Dinners

**HIGHLIGHTS...** Bagpipe Lesson, Whisky Distillery, Isle of Skye, Armadale Castle, Loch Ness, Orkney Islands, Dunrobin Castle, Sheepdog Demonstration, Choice on Tour, Edinburgh Castle, Scottish Cooking Experience

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Day 1	Overnight Flight		
Day 2	Maldron Hotel Glasgow, Glasgow		
Days 3, 4	Ballachulish Hotel, Ballachulish		
Days 5, 6	Pentland Hotel, Thurso		
Day 7	Best Western Palace Hotel Inverness, Inverness		
Days 8, 9	Radisson Blu Edinburgh, Edinburgh		
	On some dates alternate hotels may be used.		

**Day 1: Sunday, March 10, 2024 Overnight Flight** An overnight flight transports you to a country of stunning landscapes, lively cities and stirring history.

**Day 2: Monday, March 11, 2024 Glasgow, Scotland - Tour Begins** Your tour opens in Glasgow, Scotland's Victorian city. Start your Scottish adventure with a visit to the National Piping Centre. After a demonstration and lesson with a renowned piper, it's your chance to give it a go! Then, join your fellow travelers for a lively welcome dinner at the Centre's farm-to-table restaurant. (D)

**Day 3: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 Glasgow - Loch Lomond - Fort William - Ballachulish** This morning, bid Glasgow farewell as you travel to Loch Lomond, located in the Trossachs National Park, with its breathtaking scenery, and onto Fort William. Here you visit one of Scotland's renowned whisky distilleries. Taste and see for yourself why Highland malt whisky is considered the world's finest. Admire the verdant green hills and mountainside waters as you arrive at your remote countryside hotel situated on lovely Loch Linnhe. (*B*, *D*)

Day 4: Wednesday, March 13, 2024 Ballachulish - Isle of Skye -Ballachulish Take a stunning drive along the "Road to the Isles" past Eilean Donan Castle and over the Skye Bridge to the legendary Isle of Skye, also known in poetry and song as Eilean a' Cheò (The Misty Isle). Enjoy dramatic views of the Sound of Sleat. Then, visit Armadale Castle & Gardens\* and the Museum of the Isles to learn about island life and the history of Skye. Conclude your visit with views of the isle from yet another vantage point during a ferry crossing back to the mainland at Mallaig. Returning to Ballachulish along the same road, pass through Glenfinnan where Bonnie Prince Charlie rallied the clansmen for battle during the 1745 Jacobite Rebellion. (B, D)

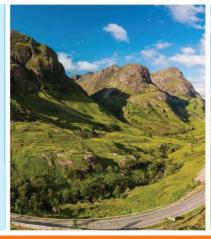
**Day 5: Thursday, March 14, 2024 Ballachulish - Loch Ness -Thurso** Today, enjoy stunning and unspoiled landscapes as you journey further into the Highlands. Travel through the Great Glen, famous for its many lochs (lakes). Visit the striking ruins of Urquhart Castle before enjoying a cruise on Loch Ness, one of Britain's most scenic bodies of water. Keep your eyes open — you never know when Nessie will appear! Travel off the beaten path to Thurso, one of Scotland's most remote towns on the North Coast. Embrace the rustic environment of the Scottish Highlands as you settle in for your 2night stay. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 6: Friday, March 15, 2024 Thurso - Orkney Islands - Thurso** Grab your windbreaker – it's time for an adventure on the Orkney Islands.\*\* Ferry to this former Viking stronghold off the northernmost coast of Scotland, where artists admire the everchanging clouds rolling across the sky like a time-lapse at double speed. On the crossing, feel the wind in your hair as you view the abundant bird life and, if you are lucky, porpoises and seals. A local guide introduces this ethereal place that few visitors to Scotland get to experience. Visit Skara Brae and discover the remains of a Neolithic village built at the same time as the Great Pyramids in Egypt. Continue on toward the prehistoric Standing Stones of Stenness, reported to be older than Stonehenge. Make your way through the town of Viking Kirkwall before returning to the mainland. *(B)* 

**Day 7: Saturday, March 16, 2024 Thurso - Inverness** As you make your way back from the northern coast, visit the majestic Dunrobin Castle\*\*\* which dates back to the 1300s. The Castle is built in the style of a French château and is home to the Duke of Sutherland. Take in the breathtaking views as you drive along the windswept cliffs of Scotland's east coast. Enjoy an overnight stay in Inverness, capital of the Highlands. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 8: Sunday, March 17, 2024 Inverness - Pitlochry - Edinburgh** Begin your day with a visit to a family-run farm set in the heart of the Highlands. See sheepdogs at work while surrounded by the mountain wilderness of Cairngorms National Park. Continue on to the vibrant





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Victorian town of Pitlochry for some time at leisure to explore on your own. End your day in Scotland's capital city of Edinburgh. (B, D)

**Day 9: Monday, March 18, 2024 Edinburgh** Today visit Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels. Then, **it's your choice!** Choose to get acquainted with this regal capital on a locally guided tour of the Old Town and New Town via motorcoach, **-OR-** for a different perspective you may join a local expert and explore the Old Town and Royal Mile on foot. This evening, give traditional Scottish ingredients a modern twist. Enjoy a lively and interactive cooking experience at one of Scotland's premier culinary institutions. With a "wee dram" in hand, toast the end of a wonderful journey. (B, D)

**Day 10: Tuesday, March 19, 2024 Edinburgh - Tour Ends** Your tour of Scotland comes to a close today. *(B)* 

#### Experience It! The National Piping Centre

Now it's time for some distinctly Scottish music as we visit the National Piping Centre. From your very first steps into this remarkable building you'll be charmed by the unique sounds of the bagpipe. Join an expert who will lead you through the museum to gain insight into the history of this intriguing instrument. Discover its true importance to Scottish culture, past and present. After a short demonstration, give it a try for yourself. Receive your chanter (the piece of the bagpipe that creates the melody) for a bit of practice. Once you get the hang of it, you'll have the opportunity to try out the full instrument. Now that you have worked up an appetite, enjoy dinner at the Centre's lovely farm-to-table restaurant. Savor a modern take on traditional Scottish cuisine and then cap off your evening like a true Scotsman — with a wee dram of whisky!

## **EXTEND YOUR VACATION WITH**

## **Optional 5 Days 3-Night London Pre Tour Extension**

Rate: \$899.00 USD per person, double, land only

For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1148054

#### PLEASE NOTE:

## Book Now rates valid until Sep 11, 2023, valid on air inclusive packages only. IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Days and features are interchangeable.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at prescheduled times.

Guests arriving in Edinburgh from August 4-26, 2023, will receive tickets to Edinburgh's famous Military Tattoo show.

Due to the remoteness of the Highlands region, hotels are carefully chosen, yet also reflective of the rustic nature of the landscape. The hotels in Thurso, Wick and Ballachulish are 3-star properties. Most of the hotels do not have elevators, requiring guests to navigate stairs to reach their room. Rooms in these hotels are smaller than average.

\*Armadale Castle and Gardens is open from April to October. On other dates a visit to Eilean Donan Castle will be substituted.

\*\*Weather conditions may sometimes prevent operation of the ferry to the Orkney Islands. In these cases, your Tour Manager will substitute activities on the mainland. \*\*\*Dunrobin Castle is open from April to October. When it is closed you will visit Fort George or similar.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. You feel confident walking at least 30-45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains – from cobblestone streets to easy pathways; a couple of hills or a few flights of stairs. You're comfortable walking a few city blocks at a time but need some time to unwind and relax.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Our air passengers will arrive into Glasgow airport. Our arrival transfers will depart from this airport for your hotel.

Our air passengers will depart from Edinburgh airport. Our departure transfers will depart from your hotel for Edinburgh airport.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of September 04, 2023 are based upon availability. Final payment due by January 10, 2024. Deposits are refundable up until September 11, 2023.

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#### **CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM**

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#### **Available Options**

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

#### Edinburgh



Scottish Cultural Show: A Night of Food, Song & Dance \$125 USD

Join us for a rollicking evening of tastes, sights and sounds that are classically Scottish. Feast on a banquet prepared from a selection of local recipes. Your taste buds will savor the true flavor and goodness of this distinctive country. Tonight will be filled with entertainment including Highland pipers and dancers, who deliver the very best in Scottish music, song and dance. Be prepared for a Scottish night of food, fun and many fond memories! This option will not be offered on departures that include the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours*. Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

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EXTENSION: I wish to purchase "3-Night London" ( ) Yes ( ) No

#### ON TOUR ACTIVITIES: Please choose one of the following on tour activities

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3 Meals: 3 Breakfasts

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

You're on your way to the United Kingdom. Begin in England and enjoy a 3-night stay in London.

#### Day 2: London, England- Extension Begins

Experience London, the esteemed capital of the United Kingdom. Often described as a world within a city, London is a sophisticated metropolis with a timeless style all its own.

#### Day 3: London

Navigate the city with a local expert. Using your included Oyster card, hop on the famous underground Tube. Take a walking tour along the Thames River, where you can see St Paul's Cathedral, the Tate Modern Art Gallery and Shakespeare's Globe. End at Borough Market, London's premier food market, with history dating back around 1,000 years. You will love independently strolling the small, specialty produce stalls and sumptuous street food traders. Enjoy the afternoon to further explore the city. *Today breakfast will be included.* 

#### Day 4: London

See London your way today! Be sure to take advantage of your included ticket to the Tower of London to peek into the city's storied past and uncover the secrets of this 11th-century fortress. *Today breakfast will be included*.

#### Day 5: London - Glasgow, Scotland

Wish London goodbye as you take a high-speed train through the English countryside to Scotland. Today breakfast will be included.

Please Note:

Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

During this extension, you can expect to have a **hosted** experience or two, with a local representative revealing more of what this destination has to offer. Enjoy a mix of independent exploration and guided sightseeing and experiences.

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 4 passengers is not met to operate.

The overall activity level of this extension is a level 3. This means walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal for you. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, Zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure.