

# SCOTTISH DREAM

ENGLISH LANGUAGE COACH TOUR 2009

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Scottish Cabaret & Dinner
- Glasgow's Kelvingrove Gallery
- Loch Lomond Scenic Cruise
- Bonnie Prince Charlie's Downfall at Culloden Moor
- Visit Stately Crathes, Glamis & Edinburgh Castles
- St. Andrews — Home of Golf

## ITINERARY

### Day 1: Glasgow City Tour

Arrive in Glasgow Airport where your CIE Tours tour director or representative will greet you. Complimentary group transfers depart Glasgow Airport at 8:00 am, 10:00 am or 12:00 noon. Passengers arriving later will transfer to the hotel at their own expense. Your hotel is centrally located near Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow's main pedestrianised shopping thoroughfare. At 3:00 pm take a coach tour to see the main attractions of Glasgow including red sandstone Victorian buildings, delightful parks, Glasgow Cathedral and the River Clyde, once famous for shipbuilding. Visit extensive collections in Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum, originally opened in 1901 and recently refurbished. Chat with your tour director and fellow travellers over a welcome drink before dinner. (D)

### Day 2: Loch Lomond Cruise & Glen Coe

Depart Glasgow and drive north along the banks of Loch Lomond with views of Ben Lomond and other Highland peaks.

Pause at the quaint village of Luss with charming cottages, which stretch to the lochside. At Tarbet embark on a short cruise to appreciate the beauty and peacefulness of this famous loch and admire panoramic views. Return to your coach and journey across mysterious Rannoch Moor. Drive through

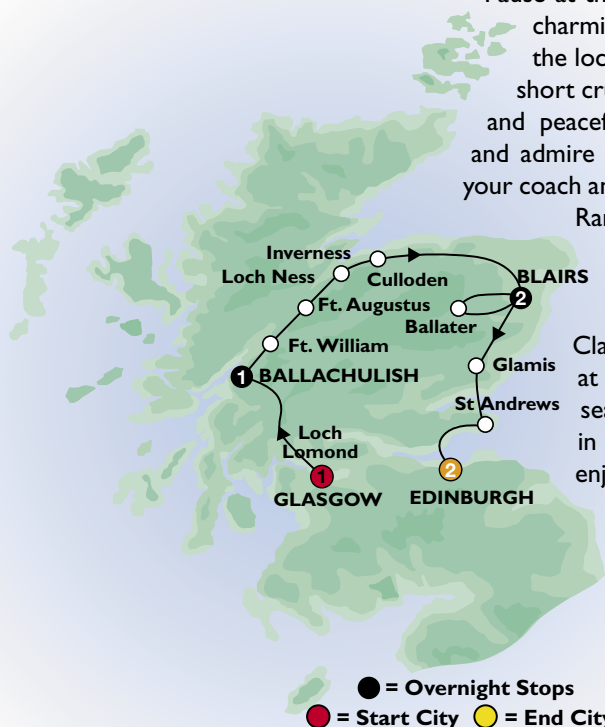
Glen Coe, a spectacular glen made famous by the Campbells' massacre of the Clan Macdonald in 1692. Arrive at Loch Linnhe, an inlet of the sea, and check into your hotel in Ballachulish, where you can enjoy magnificent views or relax in the swimming pool. (B, D)

### Day 3: The Great Glen & Culloden Battlefield

Drive to Fort Augustus, which sits at the southern end of the famous Loch Ness. Travel beside Loch Ness, keeping an eye out for the famous monster and enjoying the scenic views of Scotland's largest inland body of water. Drive through Inverness, capital city of the Highlands, and on to Culloden Moor to tour the Visitor Centre. Walk around the battlefield where, on 16th April 1746, British Government forces defeated the army of Prince Charles Edward Stuart in just one hour and ended hopes of restoring the Jacobite Stuarts to the British throne. The brutal measures imposed after the battle signalled the end of the distinctive Highland way of life and culture. Drive to Blairs on the outskirts of Aberdeen to your elegant 19th century mansion in time for dinner. (B, D)

### Day 4: Crathes Castle & Afternoon Tea

Depart your hotel mid-morning to visit Crathes Castle, a fairytale Renaissance castle completed in 1594 with a wealth of fine furnishings. See the wonderful gardens before driving along the River Dee Valley, favoured by Queen Victoria and most of the Royal Family since her era. Stop in the attractive town of Ballater where many shops show a royal warrant, indicating patronage by the Royal Family. Near the village of Banchory stop at the Falls of Feugh, a charming tea shop, which is popular with people in the area. Sample afternoon tea with delicious freshly-baked scones. Return to Blairs in time to relax before dinner at your hotel. (B, D)



## Day 5: Glamis Castle & St. Andrews

Travel south through the lush countryside of Aberdeenshire to visit Glamis Castle, the legendary setting of "Macbeth" and childhood home of the late Queen Mother. Drive across the modern Tay Bridge to St. Andrews, the "Home of Golf." See the famous Royal and Ancient Clubhouse and the Old Course and enjoy free time to visit the British Golf Museum or browse through the medieval town with its cathedral and castle. Drive south into Edinburgh, Scotland's capital. At this evening's Scottish cabaret sample local specialties, including haggis, and enjoy bagpipes, traditional music, singing and dancing. (B, D)

## Day 6: Edinburgh Castle & City Tour

This morning discover Edinburgh on a sightseeing tour. Drive along Princes Street, the main shopping thoroughfare. Compare and contrast the wide streets and elegant mansions of the Georgian 200-year-old "New Town" with the narrow lanes and medieval townhouses along the Royal Mile, the oldest part of the city, and together forming a World Heritage Site. Learn about many prominent Scottish inventors, doctors and writers. Finish your tour at the imposing Edinburgh Castle where you can see historic buildings and enjoy a splendid view of Edinburgh. The afternoon and evening are free for independent activities. On August 03 to 24 departures enjoy the Military Tattoo at Edinburgh Castle. (B)

## Day 7: Depart Edinburgh Airport

Your tour ends with a group transfer to arrive at Edinburgh Airport by 6:30 am or 9:00 am. This will allow you plenty of time for check-in procedures and duty-free shopping before boarding the aircraft for your return home. A transfer to Glasgow Airport will be provided on request at a cost of €50 per person. (B)

### YOUR TOUR INCLUDES:

- ❖ Group airport transfers on arrival and departure
- ❖ Sightseeing by luxury coach throughout
- ❖ Services of a professional Scottish tour director
- ❖ Superior first class hotels with private bath/shower for 6 nights
- ❖ Full Scottish breakfast daily (B)
- ❖ 5 dinners (D) including
  - Scottish dinner with entertainment in Edinburgh
  - 4 table d'hote dinners
- ❖ Welcome get-together drink
- ❖ Sightseeing tours of Glasgow & Edinburgh
- ❖ Scenic cruise of Loch Lomond
- ❖ Afternoon tea and scones at Falls of Feugh
- ❖ Reserved seats for Edinburgh Military Tattoo on departures August 03 to 24
- ❖ Visits and admissions to Kelvingrove Art Gallery & Museum, Culloden Visitor Centre, Crathes Castle, Glamis Castle, St. Andrews and Edinburgh Castle
- ❖ All local taxes, hotel service charges & portorage for one suitcase per person

### YOUR HOTELS:

Stay at the following (or similar):

- ❖ Thistle Hotel, Glasgow (1 night)
- ❖ Isles of Glencoe Hotel, Ballachulish (1 night)
- ❖ Ardoe House Hotel, Blairs (2 nights)
- ❖ Holyrood Hotel, Edinburgh (2 nights)

### DEPARTURE DATES & SELLING PRICE FOR 2009 SEASON

|           |        |      |
|-----------|--------|------|
| April     | Mon 6  | 1035 |
|           | Mon 13 | 1035 |
|           | Mon 20 | 1035 |
|           | Mon 27 | 1035 |
|           | Wed 29 | 1065 |
| May       | Mon 4  | 1065 |
|           | Wed 6  | 1065 |
|           | Mon 11 | 1065 |
|           | Wed 13 | 1065 |
|           | Mon 18 | 1065 |
|           | Wed 20 | 1065 |
|           | Mon 25 | 1065 |
| June      | Wed 27 | 1125 |
|           | Mon 1  | 1125 |
|           | Wed 3  | 1125 |
|           | Mon 8  | 1125 |
|           | Wed 10 | 1125 |
|           | Mon 15 | 1125 |
|           | Wed 17 | 1125 |
| July      | Mon 22 | 1125 |
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|           | Mon 29 | 1125 |
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|           | Wed 8  | 1125 |
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| August    | Wed 15 | 1125 |
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|           | Wed 22 | 1125 |
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|           | Wed 29 | 1125 |
|           | Mon 3  | 1245 |
|           | Wed 5  | 1245 |
| September | Mon 10 | 1245 |
|           | Wed 12 | 1245 |
|           | Mon 17 | 1245 |
|           | Wed 19 | 1245 |
|           | Mon 24 | 1245 |
|           | Wed 26 | 1245 |
|           | Mon 31 | 1125 |
| October   | Wed 2  | 1125 |
|           | Mon 7  | 1125 |
|           | Wed 9  | 1125 |
|           | Mon 14 | 1125 |
|           | Wed 16 | 1125 |
|           | Mon 21 | 1125 |
|           | Wed 23 | 1125 |
| November  | Mon 28 | 1125 |
|           | Wed 30 | 1050 |
|           | Mon 5  | 1050 |
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|           | Wed 14 | 1050 |
|           | Mon 19 | 1050 |
| Mon 26    | 1050   |      |

Single Room Supplement €299.00.  
All Rates in €