

8-DAY TOUR!

## SCOTTISH DREAM

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

Scottish Cabaret &amp; Dinner

Isle of Mull, one of the Inner Hebrides

Whisky Distillery Tour &amp; Tasting

Crathes Castle Gardens &amp; Tour

St. Andrews, "Home of Golf"

Tea &amp; Scones at an Aberdeen Angus Farm

Stately Stirling &amp; Edinburgh Castles

No hidden extras!

All visits and meals included  
as per itinerary

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE COACH TOUR 2006

## ITINERARY

## Day 1: Glasgow Arrival

Arrive in Glasgow Airport where your CIE Tours guide or representative will greet you. Complimentary group transfers depart Glasgow Airport at 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 12:00 noon. Passengers arriving later will transfer to the hotel at their own expense. At 3:00 pm take a coach tour around the main attractions of Glasgow. See red sandstone Victorian buildings and some delightful parks. Pass Glasgow Cathedral and the River Clyde, once famous for its shipbuilding industry. Visit the **Burrell Collection**, which contains priceless art collections of all types. Chat with your guide and fellow travellers over a **welcoming drink** before dinner.

## Day 2: Stirling Castle &amp; Glen Coe

Depart Glasgow and visit **Stirling Castle**, perched on a rocky crag overlooking the Forth River Valley. When first erected 900 years ago, this strategic location was vital. The castle was also used as a royal residence for the House of

Stewart where Mary, Queen of Scots, was crowned in 1543. Drive through the Trossachs, a scenic region of wooded hills and small lochs that is associated with the heroic outlaw, Rob Roy MacGregor. Cross into the Highlands and journey across mysterious Rannoch Moor. Drive along 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.

## Day 3: Isle of Mull &amp; Duart Castle

Drive down the coast to Oban and **take a ferry to the Isle of Mull**, one of the Inner Hebrides. Visit **Duart Castle**, one of Scotland's oldest castles overlooking the Sound of Mull. For centuries the Castle was home to the Chief of Clan Maclean. It fell into ruin but was extensively restored in 1911. Travel through the island to see open hills and delightful coastal views around Loch Na Keal and Sound of Mull. Drive to the colourful harbour town of Tobermory. Take a ferry to discover the scenic Movern Peninsula and another **short ferry** to return to Ballachulish on the mainland.

## Day 4: The Great Glen &amp; Whisky Tasting

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 this delightful body of water. Take a break in Inverness, a popular marketing town, and stop for photos at Culloden Battlefield. Continue to the Spey Valley where many whisky distilleries are located due to the plentiful supply of pure water. Stop at one of the **prominent distilleries** to see how malted barley and water combine to make whisky and sample a "wee dram." Drive to Blairs on the outskirts of Aberdeen to your elegant 19th century mansion in time for dinner.



## Day 5: Crathes Castle & Farmhouse Tea

Depart your hotel mid-morning to visit **Crathes Castle**, a fairytale fortress dating from 1323 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. Visit a farm to sample **freshly baked scones and tea** and learn about Aberdeen Angus cattle. Return to Blairs in time to relax before dinner at your hotel.

## Day 6: 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** where golf originated. See the famous Royal and Ancient Clubhouse 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 **entertaining cabaret** sample Scottish specialties, including haggis, and enjoy bagpipe music, dancing and storytelling.

## Day 7: Edinburgh Castle & City Tour

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

## Day 8: Depart for Home

Your tour ends with a group transfer to either Edinburgh or Glasgow Airport early this morning. This will allow you plenty of time for check in procedures and duty free shopping before boarding the aircraft for your return.

### YOUR TOUR INCLUDES:

- ❖ Transfer between Dublin Airport and hotel on arrival and departure (if arrival is before 12:00)
- ❖ Sightseeing by luxury coach throughout
- ❖ Services of a professional Scottish tour director
- ❖ Superior first class hotels with private bath/shower for 7 nights
- ❖ 7 full Scottish breakfasts
- ❖ 6 dinners including
  - Scottish cabaret with dinner in Edinburgh
  - 5 table d'hote dinners
- ❖ Welcome get-together drink
- ❖ Ferry excursion to the Isle of Mull
- ❖ Whisky tasting and tour at a Speyside Distillery
- ❖ Tea and scones at a Scottish farmhouse
- ❖ Reserved seats for Edinburgh Military Tattoo on certain departures in August
- ❖ Visits and admissions to Burrell Collection, Stirling Castle, Duart Castle, Crathes Castle, Glamis Castle, St. Andrews and Edinburgh Castle
- ❖ All local taxes, hotel service charges & portage for one suitcase per person

### YOUR HOTELS:

Stay at the following (or similar):

- ❖ Millenium Hotel, Glasgow (1 night)
- ❖ Ballachulish or Isles of Glencoe Hotel, Ballachulish (2 nights)
- ❖ Ardoe House Hotel, Blairs (2 nights)
- ❖ Roxburghe Hotel, Edinburgh (2 nights)

### DEPARTURE DATES & SELLING PRICE FOR 2006 SEASON

April	Fri 7	€1075.00	
	Fri 14	€1075.00	
	Fri 21	€1075.00	
	Sun 23	€1075.00	
	Fri 28	€1075.00	
April	Sun 30	€1140.00	
May	Fri 5	€1140.00	
	Sun 7	€1140.00	
	Fri 12	€1140.00	
	Sun 14	€1140.00	
	Fri 19	€1140.00	
	Sun 21	€1140.00	
	Fri 26	€1140.00	
May	Sun 28	€1233.00	
June	Fri 2	€1233.00	
	Sun 4	€1233.00	
	Fri 9	€1233.00	
	Sun 11	€1233.00	
	Fri 16	€1233.00	
	Sun 18	€1233.00	
	Fri 23	€1233.00	
	Sun 25	€1233.00	
	Fri 30	€1233.00	
	July	Sun 2	€1233.00
		Fri 7	€1233.00
Sun 9		€1233.00	
Fri 14		€1233.00	
Sun 16		€1233.00	
July	Fri 21	€1233.00	
	Sun 23	€1233.00	
	Fri 28	€1233.00	
	Sun 30	€1345.00	
	August	Fri 4	€1345.00
		Sun 6	€1345.00
	August	Fri 11	€1345.00
		Sun 13	€1345.00
Fri 18		€1345.00	
Sun 20		€1345.00	
Fri 25		€1345.00	
Sun 27		€1345.00	
September		Fri 1	€1233.00
	Sun 3	€1233.00	
	Fri 8	€1233.00	
	Sun 10	€1233.00	
	Fri 15	€1233.00	
	Sun 17	€1233.00	
	Fri 22	€1233.00	
	Sun 24	€1233.00	
	Fri 29	€1233.00	
	October	Sun 1	€1105.00
		Fri 6	€1105.00
		Sun 8	€1105.00
		Fri 13	€1105.00
Sun 15		€1105.00	
Fri 20		€1105.00	
Fri 27		€1105.00	

Single Room Supplement €302.00.  
All Rates in €

