Whether you’re looking for wonderful cultural treats, historic gems or gastronomic delights, you’ll find an abundance of treasures waiting to be uncovered in the Kingdom of Fife. Use this four day itinerary to give you some ideas for planning a group holiday to this incredible part of Scotland.

Your gateway to Fife is as majestic as you’d expect from a true Kingdom with over 100 miles of amazing coastline. The iconic Forth Bridge, Scotland’s newest UNESCO World Heritage Site, encapsulates the heart of Scottish engineering, and will soon see the addition of a new bridge- Queensferry Crossing. It’s the perfect place to explore Fife’s connections to Queen Margaret and start your heritage journey across the Kingdom.

Begin your trip in North Queensferry at Deep Sea World, Scotland’s National Aquarium, then go for a spin at Knockhill Racing Circuit, Scotland’s National Motorsport Centre. Change pace and head to the Royal Burgh of Culross with a visit to the 16th century palace and its beautiful gardens. Explore Dunfermline’s Heritage Quarter and discover the fascinating stories of Robert the Bruce at Dunfermline Abbey, the Andrew Carnegie Birthplace Museum which explores the life and works of this World famous philanthropist and the new Dunfermline Carnegie Library and Galleries. Complete your first day with a visit to one of the oldest stone castle in Scotland, Aberdour Castle & Garden.

On Day two, head to the East Neuk of Fife and enjoy the fine interiors and beautiful gardens of Kellie Castle, discover traditional craft of cheese-making processes at St Andrews Farmhouse Cheese then explore the history of Fife’s fishing industry at the Scottish Fisheries Museum. Continue to Kingsbarns Distillery and Visitor Centre and learn more about Scotland’s national drink then end your day at the picturesque Cambo House Estate, famed for its snowdrops.

Spend day three in St Andrews, the home of golf. Enjoy the largest collection of golf memorabilia in Europe at the British Golf Museum. Visit the magnificently preserved ruins of St Andrews Cathedral and St Andrews Castle and discover the town’s historic roots then enter an underwater world of discovery at St Andrew Aquarium. Complete day three in a plant-lovers’ paradise at St Andrews Botanic Gardens and at Eden Mill, a distillery and brewery where the famous Haig family made whisky, gin and beer for most of the 19th century.

Finally enjoy a game of historic Hickory golf at Hill of Tarvit Mansion House, and then see the famous Wemyss Ware® at Griselda Hill Pottery. Follow in the footsteps of Mary Queen of Scots and enjoy the many beautiful gardens at Falkland palace then round off your trip by sampling some delicious local produce from Pillars of Hercules Organic Farm Shop. Finally stop off at Fife’s newest attraction, Lindores Distillery and Visitor Centre where the first recorded production of whisky in Scotland took place in 1494.

For more ideas and contacts go to www.visitscotlandtraveltrade.com or email traveltrade@visitscotland.com

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Day 1

Deep Sea World – open all year round, groups of any size are welcome and visits can be tailored to suit. Home to the longest underwater tunnel in the UK, letting you get up close to one of the largest collection of sharks in Europe! Discounted admission for groups of 15 with free site coach parking, coach driver and group leader required free entry.

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www.deepseaworld.com/planning-your-trip/group-visits

Knockhill Racing Circuit, Scotland’s National Motorsports Centre – open all year round. Enjoy a group action day out doing some fabulous motorsport activities, from racing cars to rally driving experiences, at Scotland’s National Motorsport Centre. Group activities can be especially tailored. Coach parking on site. Advance booking required.

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Royal Burgh Culross – Culross Palace – historic Culross is one of Scotland’s most picturesque towns. Explore the beautiful refurbished Culross Palace which dates from 1597 and imagine what it would have been like to live within the splendid interiors. Recently Culross has found fame as a film location for Outlander.

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Day 2

Falkland Estate. – The village of Falkland also featured in Outlander. Falkland Palace was the favourite residence and home especially Mary Queen of Scots who of St Margaret, Scotland’s only female saint. Discover more about Dunfermline, one of Scotland’s ancient royal capitals, in the newly opened Dunfermline Carnegie Library & Galleries. Hear of the world’s richest men at the Andrew Carnegie Birthplace Museum. Groups welcome, please advance book.

E: Dunfermline Abbey – travel@hes.scot
Museums & Galleries – dgn@fife.gov.uk

Day 3

St Andrews Botanic Gardens – one of Scotland’s most picturesque towns. Explore the beautiful refurbished Culross Palace which dates from 1597 and imagine what it would have been like to live within the splendid interiors. Recently Culross has found fame as a film location for Outlander.

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King's Barns Distillery and Visitor Centre – based in a charming 18th century farm steading, the visitor centre offers a range of different tours and tastings from the Wemyss Malts collection of Scotch whiskies as well as exhibitions and gin experiences. There is a whisky and souvenir shop and café. Groups welcome, coach parking on site.

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Day 4

Hill of Tarvit Mansion House & Falkland Palace – one of Scotland’s finest Edwardian mansion houses, home to an amazing collection of furniture, antiques and paintings. Surrounding the house are 279 acres of gardens, woods, and parkland. Within the grounds, the 9-hole Kingarrock Hickory Golf Course has been reinstated giving golfers the chance to play the game as it was many years ago.

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Falkland Palace & Garden – Falkland Palace was the favourite retreat of the Stewart dynasty, especially Mary Queen of Scots who visited for the hunting, hawk and tennis. The Palace sits in nine acres of beautifully maintained grounds. The village of Falkland also featured as a location in the Outlander TV series.

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Griesdale Hill Pottery – a 4-star visitor attraction, where pottery work can be seen in progress. The ‘Wemyss Ware® name has had a long and distinguished history and is probably the most highly collectable and sought-after Scottish pottery, collected by many, including Queen Elizabeth and Elton John. Advance group booking required.

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