



# **SCOTLAND'S GREATEST**

Outdoors  
sample itinerary

## Day One

### Glasgow Bike Tours

Glasgow Bike Tours offer a range of cycling tours throughout central Glasgow from a couple of hours to full-day tours. They specialise in bespoke tours, concentrating on your **client's** areas of interest, whether that be history, architecture, music, craft beer or anything else. Glasgow Bike Tours can cater for up to 40 people and can also include electric bikes and mountain biking at the nearby Mugdock Country Park.

Glasgow Bike Tours  
Drygate Brewing Co.,  
85 Drygate,  
G4 0UT  
Glasgow

W: <https://glasgowbiketours.co.uk/>



### Comrie Croft – Mountain biking activity

Comrie Croft is a former farmstead set amongst the Perthshire hills. Now a luxury hostel with a cosy, relaxing atmosphere and bags of character, it is the ideal retreat from the city. Edinburgh and Glasgow are both an hour away by car. The courtyard is ideal for barbeques and you can walk to waterfalls, our private loch or climb 3000ft Ben Chonzie. Comrie is a pretty village and thriving community with cosy pubs.

Comrie Croft  
Braincroft by Crieff,  
Perthshire,  
PH7 4JZ

W: <http://www.comriecroft.com/>



### Splash White Water Rafting

Based in Aberfeldy, Perthshire, Splash White Water Rafting offers Rafting, Canyoning, Bugs, Duckies, S.U.P, Paintball, Climbing and Abseiling. They also provide activities for charity & corporate events, schools, stag & hen parties. Splash can provide services to enhance packages for your clients and work within excess of 80 travel trade partners and are proactively looking to work with more.

Splash White Water Rafting  
Dunkeld Rd,  
Aberfeldy,  
Perthshire,  
PH15 2AQ

W: <https://rafting.co.uk/>

### Outdoor Explore

Outdoor Explore offers mainly kayak tours across Central Scotland. They specialise in providing very comfortable, stable and easy to manoeuvre tandem kayaks for those who like focusing on the journey, wildlife and surrounding views. If your client is an experienced paddler, or would like to

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learn some paddling techniques, they offer single kayaks too. All trips are guided by experienced instructors. These ventures are suitable for everyone age 12 and over.

Outdoor Explore  
Commercial Street,  
Alyth,  
Blairgowrie,  
PH11 8AF

W: <http://www.outdoorexpl.org.uk/>

## Day Two

### Glenshee Ski Centre

Glenshee, which takes its name from the Gaelic 'Glen of the Fairies', certainly offers one of the most magical skiing experiences in Scotland. The largest resort in the UK, it covers an area of more than 2,000 acres extending across four mountains and three valleys and boasting 21 lifts and tows. The longest single run, Glas Maol, extends to a fantastic 2 kms of skiing, while the extensive snow-making facilities means the centre is often open for longer.

Glenshee Ski Centre  
Cairnwell,  
Braemar,  
Ballater,  
AB35 5XU

W: <http://www.ski-glenshee.co.uk/>



### Royal Lochnagar Distillery & Visitor Centre

Royal Lochnagar distillery is situated on the south side of the River Dee close to Balmoral Castle. Age old traditions and craftsmanship produce one of Scotland's most exclusive whiskies. A visit to Royal Lochnagar can include a distiller tour, tasting or warehouse tour with group offers available, all including a taste of.

Royal Lochnagar Distillery & Visitor Centre  
Crathie,  
Ballater,  
AB35 5TB

W: <http://www.malts.com/en-row/distilleries/royal-lochnagar>



### Stonehaven Paddleboarding

A unique a fun activity with a range of sessions, lessons and tours from Stonehaven harbour. Although their base is in Stonehaven, the business is mobile with the ability to operate wherever there is water – Lochs, Rivers, Canals, Swimming Pools delivering activity to suit your **clients'** requirements.

Stonehaven Paddleboarding  
Shorehead,  
Stonehaven,  
AB39 2TJ

W: <https://shpb.co.uk/>

Ballogie Estate

Ballogie is a place of stunning natural beauty lying on the south side of the River Dee in Royal Deeside, Aberdeenshire. Whether your clients are looking to stay at one of the luxury self-catering properties, or enjoy field sports or salmon fishing, their aim is to ensure that the experience is both special and memorable.

Ballogie Estate  
Ballogie  
Aboyne  
AB34 5DS

W: <http://www.ballogie-estate.co.uk/>



### Day Three

Pirate Boats Ltd

Seafari trips on a fast rib boat. Trips to see local sights and the incredible resident Bottlenose Dolphin population. Pirate Boats offer private and commercial boat charter based on the Tay Estuary. Your clients can design their own Tay water experience. Our Boats are Trailer based so can be taken anywhere in Scotland.

Pirate Boats Ltd  
Castle Approach,  
Broughty Ferry,  
DD5 2TF

W: <http://www.pirateboatsltd.com/>



Scone Palace

Scone Palace was the crowning place of Scottish kings where Macbeth, Robert the Bruce and Charles II were once crowned. It is the family home of the Earls of Mansfield and the ancient crowning place of Scottish kings on the stone of Scone. See where the Stone of Scone, known as the Stone of Destiny, once stood. It now resides in Edinburgh Castle. Your clients can wander down the Long Galley where King Charles II strode to his coronation in 1661. During the Jacobite rebellions, **the 'Old Pretender' spent three weeks** at Scone while his son, Bonnie Prince Charlie, visited in 1745.

Scone Palace  
Scone,  
Perth,  
PH2 6BD

W: <http://www.scone-palace.co.uk/>



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## Willowgate Activity Centre

Open all year round, Willowgate offers water-based & land-based activities as well as events and equipment hire. Willowgate can cater for individuals to large groups over 150. A wide range of activities including stand up paddleboarding, aqua zorbing, archery, highland games, Tay river kayak trips and much more. With brand new onsite facilities and a café, the Willowgate Activity Centre is great day out for small or large groups as well as individuals.

Willowgate Activity Centre  
Stockgreen Lodge,  
Kinfauns,  
Perth,  
PH2 7JU

W: <http://www.willowgateactivitycentre.co.uk/>

## Action Glen at Crieff Hydro

Action Glen is an outdoor adventure centre located in the middle of the Strathearn Valley, in Crieff – just one hour from Glasgow and Edinburgh. As part of Crieff Hydro, they have also got a history that goes all the way back to 1868. Then there is their very own 900-acre estate – complete with 18-hole golf course, off-road sand and gravel quarry and treetop ropes course.

Action Glen at Crieff Hydro Hotel  
Strathearn House,  
Ferntower Road,  
Crieff,  
PH7 3LQ

W: <https://crieff.actionglen.com/>



## Dun Eideann Sea Kayaking

**Thanks to the Firth of Forth's unique geography and environment**, Dun Eideann are able to offer a varied selection of trips to suit all, taking in some amazing wildlife, geology and history on their journeys. They offer a range of trips for groups ranging from introduction sessions, half/full day trips and evening trips in summer. Dun Eideann are able to leave from marinas in North Berwick, South Queensferry and Aberdour.

Dun Eideann Sea Kayaking  
Shore Rd,  
South Queensferry,  
EH30 9SQ

W: <https://www.duneideannseakayaking.com/>

## **VisitScotland's Themed Years**

### Year of Scotland's Coasts and Waters 2020

In 2020, Scotland celebrates its Coasts and Waters with a year-long programme of events and activities which will shine a spotlight on these vital elements of our landscape.

From our beautiful natural features including coasts, lochs and rivers to our industrial heritage such as our canals, mills and the creation of our national drink – **whisky**, **Scotland's Coasts and Waters** have shaped our culture, our stories and our way of life.

So, whether you want to navigate your way around distant isles or canals, experience

**Scotland's maritime heritage at a visitor attraction, enjoy Scotland's abundant natural larder or discover Scotland's wildlife on a local boat trip - Scotland's coasts and waters are perfect for get-away-from-it-all adventures.**

For more info [www.visitscotland.com/ycw2020](http://www.visitscotland.com/ycw2020) and join the conversation using #YCW2020



### **Year of Scotland's Stories 2022**

**Scotland's Year of Stories 2022 will shine a spotlight on the richness of our stories, past and present; celebrating our literary icons and heroes, diverse voices, stories that have leapt from page to screen and stage, the richness of our myths, legends and local tales - and the places that have inspired them.**

The words of Robert Burns are known and celebrated across the world, as are works by Sir Walter Scott and Robert Louis Stevenson, while stories by modern Scottish authors, such as JK **Rowling's Harry Potter tales, are inspiring today's generation.**

The story of real-life legends such as King Robert the Bruce, Sir William Wallace, Mary Queen of Scots have inspired poems, books and even Oscar winning movies.

Stories of magic, ghosts, witches, haunted castles and tales of mystical figures such as Kelpies abound, **and there are the oral traditions handed down through generations in Scotland's many diverse communities. We invite visitors to join us in exploring the rich history of Scotland's stories in 2022, including a programme of events which will take place across the year.**



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Destination Education Programme [www.visitscotlandtraveltrade.com/scotsagent](http://www.visitscotlandtraveltrade.com/scotsagent)

VisitScotland consumer site [www.visitscotland.com](http://www.visitscotland.com)

Information on travel trade website

- Inspirational itineraries
- Downloadable e-brochures and maps
- Link to multimedia library for images and videos
- Online destination education programme
- Opt-in to receive our monthly travel trade e-newsletter.
- A comprehensive directory of Scottish companies who have committed to special rates, discounts and commissions exclusively available for the travel trade.

General websites

Britrail	<a href="http://www.britrail.com">www.britrail.com</a>
News & Weather information	<a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/weather">www.bbc.co.uk/weather</a>
British Train information	<a href="http://www.nationalrail.co.uk">www.nationalrail.co.uk</a>
Scottish Train information	<a href="http://www.scotrail.co.uk">www.scotrail.co.uk</a>
Bus information	<a href="http://www.citylink.co.uk">www.citylink.co.uk</a>
Historic Environment Scotland	<a href="http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk">www.historic-scotland.gov.uk</a>
National Trust for Scotland	<a href="http://www.nts.org.uk">www.nts.org.uk</a>
Scottish Tourist Guides Association	<a href="http://www.stga.co.uk">www.stga.co.uk</a>