



Farms Experiences

sample Itinerary

Day One

Craigie's Farm

At **Craigie's farm**, there is plenty of activities to enjoy for both adults and children. "Pick Your Own Fruits" is the most popular one with families, who gather all year around and enjoy picking seasonal product, including strawberries, raspberries, award winning cherries, gooseberries, blackberries, rhubarb, and more. During autumn your clients can even pick pumpkins! The group can also stroll on and around **Craigie Hill**, **cycle around the farm's lanes**, **do some bird spotting or tackle** the Nature Detective Trail. For food lovers, **the team at Craigie's organise** tastings, demos, workshops and other tasty events including Jam Making classes.

Craigie's Farm

West Craigie Farm,
South Queensferry,
Edinburgh,
EH30 9AR

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



Swanston Farm

Nestled at the base of Caerketton Hill, one of the most striking peaks in the Pentland Hills Regional Park, Swanston Farm is a working farm where your clients can enjoy bespoke farm tours, including a walk tour of the farm and lunch or dinner at Swanston Brasserie. Visitors to Swanston Farm can see Highland Cows if they are prepared to take a little walk up the hill. Swanston Farm has a variety of low ground hills to suit all sorts of activities including hiking, biking and pony trekking and it has also FootGolf, DiscGolf and golf, suitable for all abilities and ages. Swanston Farm Holiday Cottages were skilfully renovated from an old farm steading into six beautiful cottages in 2001.

Swanston Farm
111 Swanston Rd,
Edinburgh
EH10 7DS

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



Edinburgh Honey co.

Edinburgh honey co. is an independent, family-owned company with 60 years of beekeeping traditions. The honey is being sourced in the sustainable and responsible way both from their own apiaries in **Perthshire, Scotland and their family's in Poland**. They specialize in rare, high-quality raw honey, that is hand-packed with recycled materials only and it is 100% plastic free. Their aim is to promote their beekeeping tradition and passion in Scotland by creating new beehives families and through educational activities.

Edinburgh Honey co.
178 Easter Road,
Edinburgh,
EH7 5QQ

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

Fluffy Moos

Fluffy Moos is a unique offering on a working farm in the beautiful Scottish Borders. Home of the famous Romany Poll Hereford Cattle, Fluffy Moos offers farm trailer tours, bespoke group experiences including show animal training, sheep dog demos and much more. They are also providing high quality catering, showcasing home-grown & local produce in the converted stable block, which is available for hire and seats up to 40 guests. Home-baking, lunch, three course meals, BBQs with **the farm's** beef & field picnics can be organised.

Fluffy Moos

Cowbog,
Morebattle,
Kelso,
TD5 8EH

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

The Borders Distillery

The Borders Distillery is the first Scotch Whisky Distillery in the picturesque Scottish Borders since 1837. Located in the middle of Hawick, it is housed in a fully restored Victorian industrial buildings. Great care was given to preserve the built heritage of the site and your clients will learn about the design and operation of the distillery during a tour. Bespoke and private tours are also available.

The Borders Distillery

Commercial Road,
Hawick,
Borders,
TD9 7AQ

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



Day Two

Born in the Borders

Born in the Borders is an award-winning brewery and local provenance based visitor centre located near Jedburgh. A showcase for the very best of Borders food and drink, the centre offers a cafe, farm shop, gin distillery and outdoor activities including grass sledging, river walks and an Osprey viewing camera. A range of additional visitor options are available, including brewery tours, gin schools, tutored tastings and beer and gin matching private dinners.

Born in the Borders

Lanton Mill,
Jedburgh,
Roxburghshire,
TD8 6ST

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

Kirkwood Cottages

Kirkwood is a farm in the heart of South Scotland, a beautiful, unspoilt, lowland area with rolling hills, oak woods and lush pastures. A holiday at Kirkwood is a real farm experience, encompassing natural beauty,

peace & quiet, rural walks and countryside activities. There are seven holiday cottages at Kirkwood, and the Luxurious Dalton Green Farmhouse, which can be used as a base for exploring beautiful countryside, fishing, attending courses and schools classes.

Kirkwood Cottages
Dalton,
Lockerbie,
Scotland,
DG11 1DH

W: <http://www.kirkwood-lockerbie.co.uk/>

Cream O’Galloway

The Finlay family have been farming at Rainton since the 1920s and with each generation comes new priorities and new approaches to producing food from this beautiful part of Galloway. They offer a public tour of the farm starting from the visitor centre each Monday to Friday between the end of March and the end of October. Also, **Cream o’ Galloway is one of the UK’s most loved artisan ice creams. Made with natural ingredients, from organic cows with calf, Cream o’ Galloway has one of the highest cream contents in the country**

Cream O’Galloway

Rainton,
Gatehouse of Fleet,
Castle Douglas,
DG7 2DR

W: <https://www.creamogalloway.co.uk/>



Kitchen Coos & Ewes

At Kitchen Coos & Ewes your clients can enjoy a guided experience of farm animals in their natural environment and see highland cattle and sheep closely from the safety and comfort of the purpose-built trailer. The trailer has padded seats and it is wind and watertight. Your clients can finish off with tea/coffee/juice and home baking fresh from the farmhouse kitchen. There are different tours that your clients can experience, from an introductory experience that gets them straight out on to the hill among the beautiful Highland Cows to a longer tour.

Kitchen Coos & Ewes
High Airyolland,
New Luce,
Newton Stewart,
Wigtownshire,
DG8 0AU

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

National Museum of Rural Life

The Wester Kitchochside Farm at National Museum of Rural Life was owned and run by the Reid family for more than 400 years. The tenth and last Laird of Wester Kitchochside left the farm to the National Trust for Scotland and it is now run in partnership with National Museums Scotland. In the museum, your clients

can learn about the land, people and ways of working that have shaped Scotland's rural history, and discover Scotland's largest collection of tractors, combine harvesters and other farming machinery.

National Museum of Rural Life
Philipshill Road,
East Kilbride,
G76 9HR

W: <https://www.nms.ac.uk/national-museum-of-rural-life/>

Day Three

Shemore on Loch Lomond

The Lennox family have been farming at Shantron and Shemore since the 1750's and are working together on the farm, the cottages and farm experience tours. They have designed the Barns which Dougie has been building at the farm. Farm tours can be arranged for larger groups with capacity for up to 50 people and space for a 52-seater bus in the yards. Tour can be tailored for your clients depending on the level of expertise or what the group are interested in.

Shemore on Loch Lomond
Luss,
Alexandria,
G83 8RH

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

The Haggis Experience

A unique, entertaining and insightful introduction to haggis, Scotland's National Dish. Your customers can join on a centrally located working sheep farm and explore the history, folklore and culture which surrounds this iconic food, including links to Robert Burns, **Scotland's national bard**. Your clients can discover how world-famous haggis is made, cooked and traditionally presented as well as new diverse contemporary interpretations of this delicious and surprisingly versatile dish. Then more importantly, sample the great taste of haggis. Interactive sessions are available where your clients will get to make their own haggis. Corporate events can be catered for.

The Haggis Experience

4 Dominie Park,
Balfron,
G63 0NA

W: thehaggisexperience.com



Old Leckie Farm

Nestled beneath the Gargunnoch Hills, 7 miles west of Stirling, Old Leckie is surrounded by lush grass and age-old trees and has been run by the family for over 100 years. A small 300-acre family farm they are proud to care sustainably for the animals and the environment so that they can grow the very best in fresh, local produce. Your clients are welcome to the farm as guests in the 5-star rated holiday accommodation, as part of the farm experience tours and to buy their award-winning produce. The Farm experience will include a show round of the farm. Bespoke tours available.

Old Leckie Farm
Gargunnoch,
Stirling,
FK8 3BN

W: <http://oldleckie.co.uk/>

Great Time Scotland

Your clients can visit a 17th Century hill sheep farm in Rob Roy country and they can have lunch or dinner **in MacGregor's Barn (1604)**. During the meal, your clients can enjoy traditional music, join for morning coffee/afternoon tea and enjoy a sheepdog display. At Great time Scotland, your clients can also enjoy a Jacobite weaponry display, clay pigeon shooting, canoeing, and mountain bikes also available on farm.

Great Time Scotland

Ledard Farm,
Kinlochard,
Stirling,
Stirlingshire,
FK8 3TL

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

Day Four

The Scottish Tea Factory

Small-scale working tea factory on the edge of the Scottish Highlands near Crieff. The factory has been set up and is run by Tea Consultant Beverly Wainwright who specialises in artisan tea making and advises tea growers and makers world-wide. Beverly is a U.K. Tea Academy licensed trainer and runs various tea courses and tea experiences for small groups of up to 6 people by appointment. The Tea Tasting experience offers people a chance to taste 6 different teas from around the world, learn how tea is made and about the Scottish pioneers who influenced the development of the tea trade. The Tea Blending experience will give your customers a chance to create their own tea blend using various fruits and herbs.

The Scottish Tea Factory

Comrie Croft,
Braincroft,
Comrie,
Perthshire,
PH7 4JZ

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

Hugh Grierson Organic

Hugh Grierson Organic is part of a traditional family farm in Perthshire, Scotland. The farms are located in the Strathearn valley 5 miles outside of the city of Perth. The business has grown to incorporate 2 main farm sites, Newmiln Farm and Balgowan. The farms first received organic status in 2002 and have moved into new areas of production that complement their meat products, namely organic potato crops, organic egg production and organic table chicken.

Hugh Grierson Organic
Newmiln Farm,
Tibbermore,
Perth,
PH1 1QN

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

Errichel House and Cottages

Errichel House and Cottages and Thyme at Errichel Restaurant offer a unique combination of field to fork dining, spectacular views and luxury accommodation. Just under 90 minutes' drive from Edinburgh and Glasgow, in the heart of Scotland, it is the perfect base from which to explore and an ideal place to break a journey. Award winning Restaurant with 40 covers, 9 double / twin rooms. Farm Tours, Cookery School Classes and facilities for small conferences, weddings and events are also available.

Errichel House and Cottages
Crieff Road,
PH15 2 EL

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

Ballintaggart Farm

Ballintaggart Farm is a refined, rural destination in Highland Perthshire. Your clients can stay in the individually designed bedrooms and enjoy eating or learning to cook fabulous food. Perfectly nestled into rolling hillside overlooking the beautiful Tay Valley, the site was historically a working farm. The steadings have been lovingly converted so visitors can relax, re-engage with the simpler pleasures in life and explore all that Highland Perthshire has to offer.

Ballintaggart Farm,
Grandtully,
Perthshire,
PH9 0PX

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

Ogilvy Distillery

Located in Angus, just 2 miles from Glamis Castle, **Ogilvy Distillery is Scotland's first producer of Scottish potato vodka and Scotland's only dedicated vodka distillery tour.** Your clients can experience a true ground to glass spirit at the farm distillery. Standard tours run at weekends; however, group bookings can be accommodated Monday to Sunday with advance booking. Coach parking available.

Ogilvy Distillery
Hatton of Ogilvy Farm,
Glamis,
Forfar,
DD8 1UH

W: www.ogilvyspirits.com



Day Five

Newton Farm Holidays

Newton Farm Holidays grows cereals including malting barley for Scottish Malt Whisky and grass for the livestock. They have a variety of friendly animals, some rescued and rehomed including goats, ducks, alpacas and micropig, Lucy as well as the commercial livestock herd of Limousin & Aberdeen Angus cattle, sheep & lambs, and their new meat herd of South African Boer goats. The Farm Tour offers a great chance for everyone to learn about where their food comes from, ask questions, meet the friendly animals up close and enjoy the beautiful rural Angus countryside with their walks and stunning views.

Newton Farm Holidays

Inverarity,
Forfar,
Angus,
DD8 2JU

W: <http://newtonfarmholidays.co.uk/farm/farm-tour/>



Guardswell Farm

Guardswell Farm is a 150-acre grassland farm situated on a south facing hillside. Guardswell is a secret getaway, shared with those who want to fully immerse themselves into her simple and bygone ways. Wholesome holidays, walks around the farm, stopping to watch the birds, investigating the wildflowers, lifting your eyes from your book to look at the view. The farm offers wild brunches and farm lunches, family camping weekend and lots more activity which can be booked in advance.

Guardswell Farm

Kinnaird,
Inchture,
Perthshire,
PH14 9QZ

W: <https://www.guardswell.co.uk/>

Balgove Larder

Balgove Larder is a farm shop, just outside St Andrews, in the beautiful Kingdom of Fife. The hands-on butchery classes will equip your clients with the basics of this traditional craft. With private instruction from one of the Master Butchers your clients will learn how to identify and prepare different cuts, what qualities to look for when purchasing meat and some great cooking tips to get the best results at home. They will also take a look at why slow grown, free-range, traditional breed animals fed on a sustainable diet and dry aged for the proper duration result in meat that is far tastier and more nutritious than your run-of-the-mill factory farmed product.

Balgove Larder

Farm Shop, Butchery & Café,
Strathtyrum,
St Andrews,
KY16 9SF

W: <https://www.balgove.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 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.**



VisitScotland Websites

Our travel trade website offers the travel industry a one-stop-shop for Scotland information, inspiration and tool kit. The site is designed to assist tour operators and agents to sell destination Scotland more effectively to their clients.

Travel trade website www.visitscotlandtraveltrade.com

Destination Education Programme www.visitscotlandtraveltrade.com/scotsagent

VisitScotland consumer site 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	www.britrail.com
News & Weather information	www.bbc.co.uk/weather
British Train information	www.nationalrail.co.uk
Scottish Train information	www.scotrail.co.uk
Bus information	www.citylink.co.uk
Historic Environment Scotland	www.historic-scotland.gov.uk
National Trust for Scotland	www.nts.org.uk
Scottish Tourist Guides Association	www.stga.co.uk