FOOD AND DRINK

SAMPLE ITINERARY
Day One

Dinner and Overnight at The Links Hotel

The Links Hotel is set in the picturesque town of Montrose. It is located close to the centre and is within walking distance of the fifth oldest golf course in the world and the 3 miles of golden sand of Montrose Beach. This former Edwardian townhouse can be found opposite the historic Mid Links and is an excellent choice for private guests, smaller groups and families. It offers quality and individually designed bedrooms. The food and service are highly commended and for more informal eating, the Coffee House will delight your clients with an exciting mix of Scottish and continental cuisine. The Links offers excellent facilities together with warm and friendly hospitality, ensuring you a refreshing and relaxing stay.

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Montrose,
Angus,
DD10 8RL

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09:00 Depart from The Links Hotel

10:00 Arrive at Ogilvy Spirits

Located in the heart of Angus at Hatton of Ogilvy Farm and tended by the Jarron family for four generations, Ogilvy Spirits is now producing award winning single estate premium vodka. Based on a ground to glass ideology, everything is undertaken on the farm to form a small-batch local liquor of international quality. Ogilvy Distillery situated 2 miles from Glamis village was built in 2014 when the Jarron family became producers of Scotland’s first potato vodka.

Ogilvy Spirits
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Forfar,
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11:15 Travel to Dunkeld House Hotel

12:30 Arrival at Dunkeld House Hotel for lunch
Nestled into the beautiful Perthshire landscape, Dunkeld House Hotel boasts an unrivalled experience of Scottish country living. This four-star luxury country house hotel sits on 280 acres of well-maintained and natural woodland and overlooks the wide and fast-flowing River Tay, renowned for its famous salmon fishing. Your clients will escape the hustle and bustle of city life and enjoy nature, tranquillity and Scottish scenery at its very best. From a romantic weekend getaway to short break full of fantastic outdoor activities, our hotel holiday resort can be as relaxing or as action-packed as you wish it to be.

**Dunkeld House Hotel**  
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Dunkeld,  
Perthshire,  
PH8 0HX

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W: http://www.dunkeldhousehotel.co.uk/

**14:30 Depart to Deanston Distillery**

**15:45 Arrive at Deanston Distillery for whisky and chocolate tour**

Having been a cotton mill for 180 years, Deanston was transformed into a distillery in the 1960's and has been distilling whisky using traditional methods ever since. Visiting the distillery will make you experience the sights, smells and sounds of a true working distillery and we will show you how they hand craft the great whisky, which is sweet, fruity with a malty honeyed spiciness on the palate.

**Deanston Distillery**  
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Deanston,  
Doune  
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**17:45 Depart for The Haggis Experience**

**18:30 Arrive at The Haggis Experience for nibbles on arrival, introduction to the haggis and dinner.**

The Haggis Experience is a unique, entertaining and insightful introduction to haggis, Scotland’s National Dish. Centrally located working sheep farm and full of history, folklore and culture which surrounds this iconic food venue. Your clients will 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.
**Haggis Experience**
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**20:30 Travel to Gleddoch Hotel, Spa & Golf**

**21:15 Arrive at Gleddoch Hotel, Spa & Golf**

Newly refurbished for Spring 2016 to include a brand-new spa facility, Gleddoch offers an ideal location to explore the surrounding area. Boasting 75 rooms, full leisure facilities, 18-hole golf course and stunning views of the Clyde Estuary, the hotel is only 10 minutes from Glasgow Airport and makes for an ideal first/last touring stopover.

**Gleddoch, Hotel, Spa & Golf**
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Langbank,
Renfrewshire,
PA14 6YE

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**Day Two**

**09:15 Depart from Gleddoch Hotel Spa & Golf**

**09:30 Arrive at The New Chocolate Company**

At the New Chocolate Company your clients can learn about the process of making hand-made chocolate products and creating bespoke favours for weddings. The New Chocolate Company offers team building days for corporate clients as well as adult chocolate making classes and food and drink pairings.

**New Chocolate Company**
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PA14 6TD

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menu reflects the best of the season's produce, designed into delicious, original dishes by the Head Chef Gareth Furey and his team.

**The Laird's Table Restaurant**
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**14:00 Depart from Craufurdland Castle**

**15:00 Arrive at Culzean Castle and meet Primal Adventures for forage walk and wilderness living skills**

Primal Adventures are highly skilled professional experts delivering bespoke first-class immersive experiences. Passionate about Scotland and everything that it has to offer, the team deliver ultimate outdoor adventures. Facilitating large team-building corporate groups to smaller expeditions, Primal Adventures assure to delight by exploring Scotland's hidden gems.

**Primal Adventures**
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**17:30 Depart to The Gailes Hotel**
18:30 Arrive at The Gailes Hotel

The Gailes Hotel is in the heart of Ayrshire, one of the leading luxury hotels in the area and is surrounded by many wonderful championship golf courses on our doorstep. The family owned Gailes Hotel is renowned for its welcoming staff and exemplary service to ensure guests can enjoy a most memorable stay. Privately owned, proudly independent, The Gailes hotel has a friendly, relaxed atmosphere with excellent menu choice plus it can offer a wide range of activities on site and the surrounding area.

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Day Three

09:00 Depart from The Gailes Hotel

10:00 Arrive at Mackintosh at the Willow for a tour

Mackintosh at the Willow includes a 200-seat restaurant in the A listed, internationally recognised, original Willow Tea Rooms Building. The famous Tea Rooms first opened in 1903 and are of huge importance to Glasgow’s architectural and cultural heritage and are the only surviving Tea Rooms designed by Charles Rennie Mackintosh. For the last 4 years it has been undergoing an extensive restoration to bring it back to its former glory.

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11:00 Meet Scotbeer Tours at Mackintosh at the Willow for a food and drink tour

The story of Scotland through food and drink experiences with a specialisation in beer. Experiences mix storytelling, meeting locals, exploring history and sights off the beaten track with the best local food and drink. Highly personable local guides collaborate with the best producers and venues to offers day excursions, walking tours, tastings, mini-festivals, and immersive dining experiences in English and French.
Scotbeer Tours have an established track record serving FIT, private group, incentive, corporate and coach groups. Whether you’re looking to impress a 5* couple or provide a fresh and authentic experience for 50-100+, they have experiences to suit. Tailored bespoke products can be created.

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14.00 The tour will finish in George Square, Glasgow.
**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.
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