



UNIQUE EXPERIENCES

SAMPLE ITINERARY

Day One

Eat Walk Edinburgh

Eat walk Edinburgh, the original Edinburgh food walking tour take in the Old and New Towns parts of the City. Your clients can visit five locations, tasting locally sourced Scottish food and drink while hearing about the rich history of Edinburgh from a local guide as you walk between premises.

Eat Walk Edinburgh

76-80 High St,
Edinburgh
EH1 1TH

W: www.eatwalkedinburgh.co.uk



Araminta Campbell

Handwoven in her Edinburgh studio with exceptional craftsmanship and care, each item is a unique piece, created as Araminta's handwoven paintings. The designs for these one off works of art stem from her love of the Scottish landscape, from the delicate patterns in a bird's wing to its rolling hills and fields. A small team of makers and designers select only the finest undyed British alpaca fleeces to use in handwoven scarves, shawls, cushions and blankets, and have them bespoke spun individually to create a beautifully refined collection in natural colours.

Araminta Campbell

29 Ocean Dr,
Leith,
Edinburgh
EH6 6JL

W: www.aramintacampbell.co.uk

Storytelling night at Contini Cannonball for a Scottish storytelling dinner and event in collaboration with Mercat Tours.

Scotland's heritage, stories, food and music all combine for a captivating evening that indulges the best of Scottish traditions. Your clients will feel right at home in the dining room, with Edinburgh Castle as neighbour. To start, they will enjoy traditional Scottish prose as the chefs prepare the freshest, finest food from a larder of locally sourced ingredients. Your clients will hear all about the very icons that symbolise Scotland and how they came to be part of Scottish character and culture.

Contini's Cannonball Restaurant

356 Castlehill
Edinburgh
EH1 2NE

W: <https://www.contini.com/cannonball>
W: www.mercattours.com



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Day Two

The Royal Yacht Britannia

The Royal Yacht Britannia was home to Her Majesty the Queen and the Royal Family for over 40 years. Take a fascinating audio tour of five decks in 27 languages. The tour is also available by British Sign Language tablet and English Braille script. Enjoy stunning waterfront views in the Royal Deck Tea Room and visit our fabulous gift shop. Private early morning and evening tours also available.

The Royal Yacht Britannia

Ocean Dr,
Leith,
Edinburgh,
EH6 6JJ

<https://www.royalyachtbritannia.co.uk/>



The Falkirk Wheel

The Falkirk Wheel is the world's first and only rotating boat lift, designed and built to connect the Forth & Clyde Canal and the Union Canal which allows coast to coast navigation across central Scotland. The magnificent structure stands 115ft tall and requires only the power of eight domestic kettles to sail boats through the air and transfer them between the two canals. The Falkirk Wheel is coach and group friendly, with easy accessibility. Discounted rates are available for bookings with 15 passengers or more. Packages can be tailored to suit your client's needs.

The Falkirk Wheel

Lime Road,
Tamfourhill,
Falkirk,
Stirlingshire,
FK1 4RS

W: www.scottishcanals.co.uk/falkirkwheel/



Glenturret Distillery

Glenturret Distillery is Scotland's oldest working distillery that offers a range of great whisky tasting tour experiences. Set in the beautiful Perthshire countryside, Glenturret Distillery is a unique whisky experience for visitors. Glenturret Malt Whisky is still hand crafted today as it was over two centuries ago using the only remaining hand operated mash tun in Scotland.

Glenturret Distillery

The Hosh,
Crieff
PH7 4HA

W: www.theglenturret.com



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Day Three

Newton Farm

Rest and revive with an Agri-tourism holiday on our tranquil, authentic, working farm, where a warm welcome awaits your clients. Savour the flavours of Angus before touring the farm, then explore the nature trails and find the hidden gems of Angus. Pets are welcome by arrangement. Newton of Fotheringham is a farm with a difference. In the peaceful, idyllic setting of Angus, Scotland, lies the traditional, working, family run farm that offers not just a well-deserved break in the farmhouse bed and breakfast or self-catering cottage, but memories to last a lifetime.

Newton Farm

Newton of Fotheringham Farm,
Inverarity,
Forfar
DD8 2JU

W: www.newtonfarmsholiday.co.uk



Braemar Highland Experience

Braemar Highland Experience is a VisitScotland 5-star tour company, based in the Cairngorms, Scotland. They provide bespoke on road, off road and guided walking tours and love sharing our passion for the history, culture and wildlife of Scotland. They offer bespoke on road tours and guided walking in the local area and further afield in English, French and Dutch. Our off road tours are both scheduled and bespoke, travelling on private hill tracks in the Cairngorms.

Braemar Highland Experience

A93,
Crathie,
Ballater
AB35 5TP

W: www.bhe.scot



Kincardine Castle

Wonderful grand family home and 3,000-acre estate on a hillside overlooking Royal Deeside and the hills of the Cairngorms National Park. Magnificent gardens, super views. World-class hospitality from the Laird, his wife and their team including full-time chef, with delicious food and superb wines. Fabulous art, furniture, treasures, music and stories.

Kincardine Castle

Kincardine O'Neil,
Aboyne
AB34 5AE

W: www.kincardinecastle.com

Day Four

Aberdeenshire Highland Beef Farm

welcome to Aberdeenshire Highland Beef Farm where they welcome your clients for a unique experience to see the working farm, meet the iconic Highland Cattle in the heart of the Scottish Countryside. Your clients can meet them up close and photograph them followed by refreshments and the chance to taste some of our delicious beef. Offering large group tours and excursions of up to 48 people including several packages where they can supply food, refreshments and local craft beers.

Aberdeenshire Highland Beef Farm

Lochton of Leys,
Farmhouse,
Banchory
AB31 5QB

W: www.aberdeenshirehighlandbeef.com

Crathes Castle

Cared for by the National Trust for Scotland. Crathes Castle is every inch the classic Scottish tower house, and a fantastic day out for all the family! Your clients will discover a labyrinth of cultural history, from portraits and antique furniture to painted ceilings, explore the famous garden and enjoy a walk through the wider estate. Standing against a backdrop of rolling hills and set within its own glorious gardens, Crathes Castle provides a memorable experience with its towers, turrets and stories of its resident ghosts. King Robert the Bruce granted the lands of Leys to the Burnett family in 1323: the ancient Horn of Leys, which can be seen today in the Great Hall, marks his gift.

Crathes Castle

Crathes,
Banchory,
Aberdeenshire,
AB31 5QJ

W: <https://www.nts.org.uk/visit/places/crathes-castle>



Porter's Gin Micro-Distillery

An immersion into one of the UK's most innovative micro-distilleries situated underneath an award-winning cocktail bar, Orchid. Unlike any other distillery visit, visitors will experience the cocktail bar, the fascinating history of Porter's and the intriguing absence of traditional copper stills. Your clients can join a tour to learn about their modern distillation, botanicals and flavour.

Porter's Gin Micro-Distillery

51 Langstane Place
Aberdeen
AB11 6EN

W: <https://portersgin.co.uk/visit-us>

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/