



CLASSIC SCOTLAND

SAMPLE ITINERARY

Day One

Culloden Battlefield

Cared for by the National Trust for Scotland, your clients will visit the powerfully moving site of the final Jacobite Rising – the last and most harrowing pitched battle to be fought on British soil. Your clients can explore the interactive visitor centre, view fascinating artefacts from both sides of the confrontation, and experience the battle in an immersive surround cinema.

Culloden Battlefield

Culloden Moor,
Inverness
IV2 5EU



W: www.nts.org.uk/visit/places/culloden



Johnstons of Elgin

Johnstons of Elgin is a unique five-star visitor centre located in an original 220-year-old mill on the banks of the River Lossie in Elgin. One of the world's leaders in luxury cashmere and fine woollens, your clients can take a guided tour around the mill to discover outstanding quality in the making, browse the clothing & accessories range's in our Millshop before heading to The Courtyard to experience homewares and fabrics. Visitors can also enjoy breakfast, lunch and afternoon tea at the Taste Our Best accredited Coffee Shop.

Johnstons of Elgin

Newmill,
Elgin,
IV30 4AF

W: <https://www.johnstonsofelgin.com/retail/visit-us/elgin-mill/>



Rothiemurchus Estate

Rothiemurchus Estate is the jewel of the Cairngorms National Park and has been recognized throughout history as a special place for its beauty, magnificent pine forests and abundant wildlife. The team at Rothiemurchus Estate can provide luxury tailored experiences for your clients: tours with a Ranger service, meet the Highland cattle, feed the deer, bespoke picnic lunches and a wide range of outdoor activities.

Rothiemurchus Estate

Rothiemurchus Centre,
Aviemore,
PH22 1QH

W: <https://rothiemurchus.net/>



Day Two

Scone Palace

Your clients can walk in the footsteps of ancient ancestors, stand where once 42 Scottish kings were crowned on the famous Stone of Scone, also known as the Stone of Destiny and explore the vast grounds in which the Palace sits, rich in their own magnificent history. This splendid historic location caters for both group and FIT visitors, exclusive use, private dining and events. Fishing, shooting, product launches, film and photo shoot location enquiries are invited. In addition, luxury self-catering accommodation in the west wing and exclusive use of the private wing of the Palace are also available.

Scone Palace

Perth,
PH2 6BD

W: <https://scone-palace.co.uk/>



The Royal Yacht Britannia

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

The Royal Yacht Britannia

Ocean Dr,
Leith,
Edinburgh,
EH6 6JJ

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



Rosslyn Chapel

Rosslyn Chapel was founded in 1446 as a place of worship and services continue to be held here weekly. Rosslyn Chapel Trust was established in 1995 to care for the Chapel and oversee its conservation and public access. The Chapel has also been a popular destination for visitors for generations. By the late 18th-century, it was starting to appear on itineraries and its profile greatly increased after the publication of Dan Brown's novel, The Da Vinci Code, in 2003.

Rosslyn Chapel

Chapel Loan,
Roslin,
EH25 9PU

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



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Day Three

Abbotsford House

Abbotsford, the home that Sir Walter Scott built in his beloved Scottish Borders in the early 19th century, is the enduring legacy of one of the world's greatest writers. On the banks of the River Tweed, his Scottish Baronial creation lies at the heart of the stunning landscape which inspired the poetry and novels that introduced Scott – and Scotland – to the world. This 5-star 'Palace of the Imagination' offers wonderful facilities – visitor centre, restaurant, nature walks, accommodation and of course Abbotsford House itself – a museum for living in.

Abbotsford House

Abbotsford House,
Melrose,
TD6 9BQ

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



Thirlestane Castle

One of the oldest and finest inhabited castles in Scotland. Your clients can experience the 17th-century plasterwork ceilings, one of the largest collections of family portraits in Scotland and a historic toy collection. On offer at Thirlestane are: Guided or Free-flow Group Tours, Tea Room & Gift Shop, Exclusive Use Opportunities, Luxury apartments with eight ensuite bedrooms for up to 16 people, State Rooms & rustic spaces for private and corporate events and Gardens and Parkland for outdoor activities.

Thirlestane Castle

Lauder,
Scottish Borders,
TD2 6RU

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



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 fully restored Victorian industrial buildings. Great care was taken to preserve the built heritage of the site and your clients will learn about the design and operation of our distillery during a tour with us. Tours run every hour Monday – Saturday and are fully accessible. Bespoke and private tours are also available. Ideal for small groups and FIT.

The Borders Distillery

Commercial Road
Hawick
TD9 7AQ

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



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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

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