

LOCH LOMOND RESPONSIBLE ITINERARY – 3 DAYS

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Inchmahome Priory

Cross Scotland's only lake, Lake of Menteith to explore a peaceful, wooded island chosen as a monastic sanctuary. Robert the Bruce sought solace at Inchmahome Priory and Mary Queen of Scots found safety here as a child. Your clients will soak up the idyllic setting as they approach Inchmahome Priory by boat. Here visitors can admire finely decorated features like the processional doorway of the church or take time to walk around this haven abundant with wildlife and flowers.

Boatshed

Port of Menteith

By Kippen

Stirling, FK8 3RA

www.historicenvironment.scot

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Distance between Inchmahome Priory and Lodge Forest Visitor Centre is 5.2 miles/8.3km

The Lodge Forest Visitor Centre

Situated in Queen Elizabeth Forest Park, at the heart of the Trossachs, this is the perfect place for your clients to start a forest adventure. They can relax and enjoy the spectacular views, stroll to the waterfall and visit the Red Squirrel Hide. The more energetic can swing through the trees with Go Ape on two of the UK's longest zips, flying over trees and waterfalls, enjoying the stunning panorama below. A great day out for nature lovers and adventure seekers.

Queen Elizabeth Forest Park

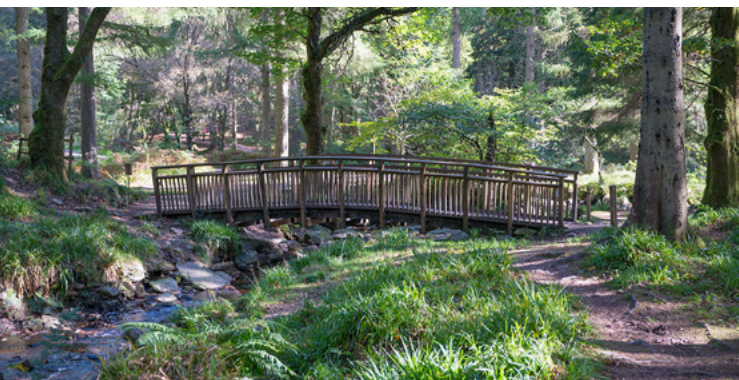
Aberfoyle, FK8 3SX

www.forestryandland.gov.scot

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Distance between Lodge Forest Visitor centre and Great Time Scotland is 5 miles/8km



Great Time Scotland

Your clients can enjoy a fantastic day out at the great times Scotland historical working hill farm on the shores of Loch Ard near Aberfoyle. Visitors have a fantastic variety of activities they can try out, from clay pigeon shooting, watch sheep dog demonstrations or listen to some traditional historic presentation and traditional music. This is a truly Scottish experience ran by three generations of the Wood family who love to share their passion for the area with their guests.

Kinlochard

Stirling, FK8 3TL

www.greattimescotland.com

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Distance between Great Time Scotland and SS Sir Walter Scott is 11 miles/17.7km



Loch Katrine

What better way to enjoy the scenic beauty of Loch Katrine and The Trossachs than on board the Steamship Sir Walter Scott, which has sailed on these waters since 1900. The vivid prose of author Sir Walter Scott's inspired the first tourists to the area many years ago. Your clients can relax and enjoy the amazing landscape and scenery of the beautiful Loch Katrine and travel back in time to a more relaxing era as the Victorians and Edwardians once did.

Trossachs Pier

Loch Katrine, FK17 8HZ

www.lochkatrine.com

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Distance between Loch Katrine and The Haggis Experience is 17.1 miles/27.5km

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The Haggis Experience

Located on a working sheep farm, your clients will be able to enjoy a unique experience and find out more about the national dish of Scotland. Your clients will be in for a real treat as they join a haggis making demonstration by a local expert chef, learn about the history of haggis and enjoy Scotland's national dish along with traditional accompaniments. A fantastic way to learn about the culture and traditions of Scotland with lunch and dinner options available.

Glenside Farm

Balfron

Stirling, G63 0RP

www.thehaggisexperience.com

[Link to Trade Website](#)



Distance between The Haggis Experience and RSPB Scotland Loch Lomond is 8.7 miles/14km

RSPB Scotland Loch Lomond Reserve

RSPB Scotland Loch Lomond Reserve is such a diverse place for wildlife. Nature enthusiasts of all ages will be rewarded with the array of sights and sounds of some of Scotland's most loved wildlife, including otters and majestic birds of prey. Your clients can also enjoy a range of trails and walking paths, from the fully accessible Viewpoint Path leading out to stunning views of Ben Lomond and Conic Hill to the Shore Wood Path, an ancient oak woodland along the loch shore.

High Wards Farm

Gartocharn

West Dunbartonshire, G83 8SB

www.rspb.org.uk

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Distance between RSPB Scotland Loch Lomond and Sweeney's Cruises is 4.7 miles/7.5km

Sweeney's Cruises

Your clients can enjoy the stunning views of Loch Lomond and the surrounding landscape from aboard this leisurely cruise as well as spectacular views of Ben Lomond, Scotland's most southerly Munro. One of their tours passes alongside Inchmurrin the largest of Loch Lomond's 33 islands where you can find the ruins of Lennox Castle where Robert the Bruce once hid before he became the King of Scotland. Your clients can also learn about local legends from this beautiful part of Scotland.



Sweeneys Cruises Loch Lomond

Balloch

Dumbartonshire, G83 8SS

www.sweeneyscruiseco.com

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Distance between Sweeney's Cruises and Dumbarton Castle is 6.5 miles/10km

Dumbarton Castle

From Dumbarton Castle your clients will be able to enjoy stunning views of the Clyde, Loch Lomond and Argyll. They will be taken back in time and will learn about the history of this castle, which was built on Dumbarton rock a 240 feet high once active volcano. Over the years it has been used as a royal refuge, military base and more recently a prison. It is from this castle that Mary Queen of Scots sailed to France as a child.

Castle Road

Dumbarton, G82 1JJ

www.historicenvironment.scot

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Distance between Dumbarton Castle and Geilston Gardens is 29 miles/46km

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Geilston Garden

Set on the River Clyde is the magical 200-year-old Geilston Garden. Here your clients can enjoy the fantastic colours of the plants in the walled garden, look out for the gunnera or giant rhubarb, amazingly their leaves can grow as large as an eagle's wingspan, or they can marvel at the Wellingtonia tree dating back to 1797. Those looking to reconnect with nature can stroll down to the Geilston Burn to enjoy the peace and tranquillity of the area.

Main Road

Cardross

Dumbarton, G82 5HD

www.nts.org.uk

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Distance between Geilston Garden and Lennox of Lomond is 10.4 miles/16.7km

Lennox of Lomond

Lennox of Lomond farm near Loch Lomond has been owned by the Lennox family since the 1750's. Here your clients can enjoy a unique real-life farm and quadbike trailer tours where they will be able to admire the stunning countryside. During the lambing season your clients can also take part to a full or half day tour joining the Lennox family in the lambing sheds, to get hands on experience and understand what life is like on a working farm.

Shemore Farm Holiday Cottages

Luss

Alexandria, G83 8RH

www.shemoreonlochlomond.com

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Distance between Lennox of Lomond and Cruise Loch Lomond is 11.6 miles/18.6km

Cruise Loch Lomond

Loch Lomond lies at the heart of Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park and is one of the largest and most well-known lochs in Scotland. It is dotted with picturesque and mysterious islands, and there are magnificent views to be enjoyed in every direction. Your clients can enjoy a cruise along the loch where they will sail past the lands of the Clan Colquhoun, MacGregor, Buchanan, Montrose, Graham and the ruined strongholds of the MacFarlanes.

The Boatyard

Tarbet

Loch Lomond, G83 7DG

www.cruiselochlomond.co.uk

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Distance between Cruise Loch Lomond and Moiralanich Longhouse is 31.5 miles/50km



Moiralanich Longhouse

Moiralanich Longhouse is a beautifully preserved cottage in Glen Lochay, virtually unchanged since its last inhabitants left in 1968. Giving an insight into rural family life in 19th century. Your clients can experience the timeless atmosphere within this traditional building, see the original features including the cruck frame, box beds and a rare example of a higgins' lum. They can also enjoy the display of artefacts and clothing to really set the scene into how life was for the people who once lived here.

Glen Lochay

Killin, FK21 8UA

www.nts.org.uk

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FOOD & DRINK SUGGESTIONS

Dining at the Loch Lomond Arms Hotel

Located in a restored 17th century coaching inn. It has a restaurant and outdoor beer garden where you can sample the best of the food on offer.



Monachyle Mhor Restaurant

This restaurant is ideally located down a quiet peaceful road close to many mountains which is ideal for climbers. Serving breakfast, lunch and dinner 7 days a week.



Colquhoun's Restaurant

With its tranquil views towards Loch Lomond and Ben Lomond, this restaurant offers an extensive menu created with the freshest ingredients using the best of local Scottish produce.



Palombo's Of Balloch Restaurant

This award-winning fish and chips shop now includes a sit in restaurant and B&B. This family owned business use locally sourced produce and includes a gluten free menu.



Bar & Restaurant at The Inn on Loch Lomond

With everything from light snacks to 3 course meals available, this is a great place to stop while taking a break from exploring the local area.



The Real Food Café

This award-winning café offers delicious locally sourced food. With gluten free menus and large outdoor seating are this is a great place to stop and recharge.



The Restaurant at Knockderry House Hotel

This award-winning restaurant relays on local produce from land and sea to produce bar snacks, afternoon tea or a fine dining experience using the best local produce.



Luss Fish & Chip Co

Located in the conservation town of Luss surrounded by some of the most spectacular scenery in Scotland, you can enjoy some fish and chips with wine or try a local beer.



The Oak Tree Inn

Using locally sourced ingredients, an extensive range of whisky and locally sourced beer. This is a great all year-round location with beer garden in the summer and log fire in the winter.

House of Darrach

With a retail section, a café offering the finest homemade food using locally sourced produce where possible and an art gallery what better way to spend an afternoon.

ACCOMMODATION SUGGESTIONS

Poppies Hotel

This 3-star family run hotel located in Callander has 9 bedrooms to suit singles to families of up to 4. With its own resident's bar, you are guaranteed a warm welcome.



Cameron House Hotel

5-star hotel located on the banks of Loch Lomond offering 136 bedrooms. This stylish hotel includes relaxing restaurants and bars serving up locally sourced food. Wedding and spa facilities available.



Rowardennan Youth Hostel

Set in an idyllic location on Loch Lomond. Private and shared rooms available with separate washroom facilities. Breakfast, lunch, dinner and exclusive private rental available.



Stable Lodge

A 4-star self-catering Highland Lodge with a wood burning stove. Great location on a private estate near Drymen with stunning scenery and nature and only minutes from Loch Lomond.



Mansfield House

Stunning Victorian self-catering property located in Arrochar. With accommodation for up to 12 people with 5 bedrooms. A generous dining area, cosy wood burning stove and fabulous private gardens.



Shantron Cottage at Lennox of Lomond Farm

This bright, spacious self-catering accommodation has 3 bedrooms, sleeping eight. Shantron is perfect for families and groups of friends who want to get away for an idyllic break in the countryside.



The Inn on Loch Lomond

This 33 bedroom 4-star hotel located in a beautiful 19th century building with stylish modern accommodation, a lovely restaurant with a roaring bar. Spa facilities also available.

Lodge on Loch Lomond

This 4-star hotel with 48 rooms has stunning views over Loch Lomond. Offering a restaurant with bar, outdoor activities, spa and leisure facilities and corporate events and weddings.

Loch Lomond Arms Hotel

4-star hotel with 14 rooms located next to the river Luss this hotel offers a fantastic opportunity for people looking for a getaway in the Scottish countryside. Rooms with restaurant and beer garden.

The Winnock Hotel

With over 70 bedrooms this hotel is ideally located for exploring the Trossachs. With a variety of dining options available and an open log fire, it's a great place to unwind. Wedding and conference facilities available.



Taste Our Best

One way to ensure that you'll enjoy great quality Scottish food and drink, prepared with care and delivered with passion, is to look for places that are part of Taste Our Best, our food and drink quality scheme.



Green Tourism Award

Businesses that work in a sustainable, environmentally friendly way are graded: Bronze, Silver or Gold

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VISITSCOTLAND'S WEBSITES

Our travel trade website offers the travel industry a one-stop-shop for Scotland information, inspiration and tool kits. 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 websites:

- 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 Bus information	www.scotrail.co.uk 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