# **UNIQUE EXPERIENCES ITINERARY - 3 DAYS**

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Eat walk Edinburgh, the original Edinburgh food walking tour take in the Old and New Towns parts of the City. Your clients will visit five locations tasting locally sourced Scottish food and drink while hearing about the rich history of Edinburgh from your local guide as you walk between premises. Eat walk Edinburgh offer a morning Canongate tour, an afternoon and early evening food walking tour through the Old and New Towns of Edinburgh and further tailormade experiences.

76-80 High St Edinburgh, EH1 1TH

www.eatwalkedinburgh.co.uk

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Distance from Eat Walk Edinburgh to Araminta Campbell is 3.1 miles/ 4.9 km.



# **Araminta Campbell**

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, here your clients will have an opportunity a tour around the mill.

29 Ocean Dr Leith Edinburgh, EH6 6JL

www.aramintacampbell.co.uk

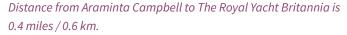
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# The Royal Yacht Britannia

The Royal Yacht Britannia was home to Her Majesty the Queen and the Royal Family for over 40 years. Take your clients on a fascinating audio tour of five decks in 27 languages. The tour is also available by British Sign Language tablet. Your clients will enjoy stunning waterfront views in the Royal Deck Tea Room, an insight on how the royal family lives and the visit their fabulous gift shop. Private early morning and evening tours are also available.

Ocean Dr Leith Edinburgh, EH6 6JJ

www.royalyachtbritannia.co.uk

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Distance from The Royal Yacht Britannia to Storytelling at Contini



# Storytelling night at Contini Cannonball

Scotland's heritage, stories, food and music all combine for a captivating evening in collaboration with **Mercat Tours** 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, your clients 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.

356 Castlehill Edinburgh, EH1 2NE

www.contini.com

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Distance from Storytelling at Contini Cannonball to The Falkirk Wheel is 30 miles/48 km.

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#### 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. Luxury packages can be tailored to suit your clients' needs and wants with exclusive experiences.

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

www.scottishcanals.co.uk

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Distance from The Falkirk Wheel to Glenturret Distillery is 35 miles/56 km.



## **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 your clients. 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. Take your clients for an exclusive tour which allows them to take photos of the whisky making process.

The Hosh Crieff, PH74HA

www.theglenturret.com

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Distance from Glenturret Distillery to Newton Farm is 50 miles/80 km.



#### **Newton Farm**

Rest and revive with an agritourism holiday on a tranquil, authentic, working farm, where a warm welcome awaits your clients. Your clients will savour the flavours of Angus before touring the farm, then explore the nature trails and find the hidden gems of Angus. Newton of Fothringham is a farm with a difference, 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 of Fothringham Farm Inverarity Forfar, DD8 2JU

www.newtonfarmsholiday.co.uk

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Distance from Newton Farm to Braemar Highland Experience is 60 miles/96 km.

### **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 the 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 to your clients. The off road tours are both scheduled and bespoke, travelling on private hill tracks in the Cairngorms.

A93 Crathie Ballater, AB35 5TP

www.bhe.scot Link to trade site





Distance from Braemar Highland Experience to Kincardine Castle is 25 miles/40 km.

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#### **Kincardine Castle**

Superb Victorian castle in Royal Deeside which is an accommodation, private dining, meetings, weddings and conferences. Your clients can stay and visit a wonderful grand family home and 3,000-acre estate on a hillside overlooking Royal Deeside and the hills of the Cairngorms National Park (accommodation available for groups of up to 16 people). Magnificent gardens, super views of the local area to be seen. Your clients will experience world-class hospitality from the Laird, his wife and their team including full-time chef, with delicious food and superb wines.

Kincardine O'Neil Aboyne, AB34 5AE

www.kincardinecastle.com

Link to trade site





Distance from Kincardine Castle to Aberdeenshire Highland Angus Beef Farm is 10 miles/16 km.

# Aberdeenshire Highland Beef Farm

Take your clients 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 the delicious beef. Offering large group tours and excursions including several packages where they can supply food, refreshments and local craft beers.

Lochton of Leys Farmhouse Banchory , AB31 5QB

www.aberdeenshirehighlandbeef.com

Link to trade site









Distance from Aberdeenshire Highland Beef Farm to Crathes Castle is 4 miles/6 km.



#### **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.

Crathes, Banchory Aberdeenshire, AB31 5QJ

www.nts.org.uk
Link to trade site









Distance from Crathes Castle to Porter's Gin Micro-Distillery is 17 miles/ 27 km.



## Porter's Gin Micro-Distillery

Located in central Aberdeen, take your clients on 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, your client 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 flavours of their gin they produce at this distillery.

51 Langstane Place Aberdeen, AB11 6EN

www.portersgin.co.uk

Link to trade site







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## **ACCOMMODATION SUGGESTIONS**

#### **Banchory Lodge Hotel**

4-star hotel with 28 bedrooms. Banchory Lodge Hotel sits next to the world-famous Salmon Fishing River, the Dee and enjoys an enviable location just next to the small town of Banchory.



#### Fonab Castle Hotel

5-star Gold Hotel with 18 bedrooms. Located on the banks of Loch Faskally, Fonab Castle Hotel is only a short walk from the heart of the historic town of Pitlochry, allowing guests access to all the local amenities the town has to offer.



# **Dunstane Houses**

5-star Hotel with 17 bedrooms. Luxurious, relaxed and unlike anywhere you've ever stayed before, the Dunstane Houses is a family-run boutique hotel that brings a breath of fresh Orkney air to the heart of Edinburgh.



#### Maryculter House Hotel

4-star Hotel with 40 bedrooms. Maryculter House is ideally positioned to experience all that Aberdeenshire has to offer, whether it be individual travellers, bespoke tours or groups this is the ideal base to explore.



#### Ardoe House Hotel

4-star Hotel with Spa which has 120 bedrooms. 19th century baronial mansion of Ardoe House Hotel & Spa is the perfect destination for business or leisure.



#### **The Caledonian Hotel**

5-star Hotel with 241 bedrooms. Waldorf Astoria Edinburgh - The Caledonian, or the "'Caley'" as it has become affectionately known among Edinburgh folk, was and still is the epitome of style and excellence.

#### The Fife Arms Hotel

The Fife Arms is a Victorian coaching inn that has been imaginatively restored with 46 bedrooms. The hotel is located in the historic Scottish village of Braemar.

# Raemoir

Royal Deeside's premier exclusive use venue with 20 bedrooms. From the moment your client step into the immaculate vestibule, it's plain to all the senses that things are done well here.

# Sheraton Grand Hotel & Spa

5-star Hotel with spa which includes 269 bedrooms. Experience a modern version of Scottish luxury in the heart of the city. With its award-winning One Spa and the Scottish brasserie One Square.

## **Chester Hotel**

Set in the heart of Aberdeen's fashionable west end, The Chester Hotel has 71 luxurious bedrooms and suites.

## **FOOD & DRINKS SUGGESTIONS**

## **Ballintaggart Farm**

Ballintaggart Farm is a refined, rural destination in Highland Perthshire. Enjoy eating or learning to cook fabulous food, the kitchen is at the heart of Ballintaggart.



## Edinburgh Gin Distillery

Distillery tour located in the heart of Scotland's capital, the Edinburgh Gin Distillery. Take a tour or a guided tasting, to trying your hand at making your own, their goal is to educate, excite and libate.

#### **Scotch Whisky Experience**

5-star visitor attraction where a sensational journey through a replica distillery, before your expert guide imparts the secrets of the Whisky regions. 20 different languages are available in audio guides for customers all around the world.

#### Afternoon tea at the Dome

At the Dome your clients can try one of the most famous afternoon teas in Edinburgh. Originally built as a bank, it is now a high-quality restaurant offering a fabulous afternoon tea.

#### **Campbells Bakery**

Pop into this award-winning family run craft bakery for the best in breads, cakes, savouries and biscuits. Scotland's first Bakery School at their bakery in Crieff, enabling baking enthusiasts to learn the tricks of the trade in a real working bakery!

#### **Gin Bothy Experience**

Home of award-winning Gin Bothy, the Gin Bothy Experience is nestled in the historic Angus village of Glamis and on the doorstep of Glamis Castle.

#### **Aberdeen City Gin Distillery**

Hidden within a historic railway arch, in the heart of the city, you can find Aberdeen's first distillery for over 75 years and 1st ever Gin School. Become a distiller and create your own gin in this 3-hour experience!

## Dean's Café Bistro

Enjoy a warm welcome at the home of Dean's shortbread in Huntly. Located in the heart of Aberdeenshire, Huntly is a friendly town where you'll find plenty space to relax.

## Cocoa Ooze

Cocoa Ooze is a luxury chocolatier established in 2008. Cocoa Ooze produces a range of hand crafted chocolate and gifts with flavours and ingredients from suppliers throughout the UK and the world.

# **BrewDog**

Located in Ellon, north of Aberdeen, BrewDog is a technologically advanced brewery. Ellon is also home to the Overworks Brewery - dedicated to sour beer - and the DogTap tap room, serving up the freshest beer straight from the brewery.

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#### Taste Our Best

# **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