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#### Southerness Golf Club

Designed by McKenzie Ross this renowned Championship course is Dumfries & Galloway's flagship links course, your clients will enjoy an idyllic location with panoramic views of the Solway Firth, the Lake District and the Galloway Hills to the west. This is a true Championship Links course, measuring 6728 yards from the white (Championship) tees. The terrain is level allowing for easy walking with no hills to climb, and its brilliant design engenders a feeling of remoteness and solitude.

Southerness Kirkbean Dumfries, DG2 8AZ

www.southernessgolfclub.com

Link to Trade Website







Distance from Southerness Golf Club to Caerlaverock Castle is 23 miles/37 km

#### Caerlaverock Castle

With its moat, twin towered gatehouse and imposing battlements, this awe-inspiring castle is the epitome of the medieval stronghold and one of the finest castles in Scotland. Although ruined, Caerlaverock is still a substantial structure, and your clients can explore many different features within its unique triangular ground plan. After exploring the castle enjoy delicious home baking and freshly ground coffee in the castle's tearoom which is open during the summer and at weekends in the winter.

Caerlaverock Glencaple Dumfries, DG1 4RU

www.historicenvironment.scot

Link to Trade Website









Distance from Caerlaverock Castle to Annandale Distillery is 15 miles/24 km



## **Annandale Distillery**

Annandale Distillery was established in 1836 and reborn in 2014 following an extensive restoration project. Once again single malt Scotch whisky is being produced in the region after almost a 100year sleep. Producing 2 styles of whisky - smooth, fruity, unpeated 'Man o'Words' and smoky, peaty 'Man o'Sword', honouring 2 of Scotland's most iconic figures: Robert Burns and Robert the Bruce. Allow your clients to gain a deeper insight into its fascinating past and the whisky making process by taking a guided tour.

Northfield Annan, DG12 5LL

www.annandaledistillery.com

Link to Trade Website









Distance from Annandale Distillery to Cally Palace Hotel & Golf Course is 50 miles/80 km



#### Cally Palace Hotel & Golf Course

Set in its own grounds of over 600 acres, this beautiful 18th century mansion is the perfect place to stay and enjoy the great outdoors as it boasts its own 18-hole golf course and indoor leisure complex. The hotel is unique for having its own 18-hole golf course where your clients can experience relaxing but challenging round, and which boasts natural contours, hidden burns and magnificent trees. After a day on the golf course, relax with a leisurely swim in the 15m heated swimming pool and spa.

Cally Palace Hotel Gatehouse Of Fleet, DG7 2DL

www.mcmillanhotels.co.uk

Link to Trade Website











Distance from Cally Palace Hotel & Golf Course to Craft Distillery is 20 miles/32 km

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# **Crafty Distillery**

One of the rare gins in Scotland to be distilled with their own spirit, they take local wheat and water combine in their 7-day fermentation process to create maximum character and mouth feel. This process takes more time, energy, cost and know-how, but delivering a gin that lives up to the true meaning of 'craft' is essential. With local Noble Fir needles and Bladderwrack Seaweed, it leads with juniper and is balanced with hints of forest fir, tropical fruit, citrus spice, tangy sherbet and a subtle scent of the shore.

Wigtown Road Newton Stewart, DG8 6AS

www.mcmillanhotels.co.uk Link to Trade Website







Distance from Craft Distillery to Stranraer Golf Club is 30 miles / 48 kms

### Stranraer Golf Club

Stranraer Golf Club is the final course designed by James Braid; the culmination of his many years of outstanding golf course design. This is a course that's worth making time to play, one of the best courses in the region, it is beautifully designed with a prevailing wind from the sea and some real testing holes. Stranraer presents a true challenge for the better golfer, with excellent facilities and an immaculate course. The warm wash of the Gulf Stream provides this part of Scotland with a remarkably mild climate.

Creachmore Leswalt Stranraer, DG9 0LF

www.stranraergolfclub.net Link to Trade Website









Distance from Stranraer Golf Club to Logan Botanical Gardens is 16 miles / 25 kms

## **Logan Botanical Gardens**

Located at the south-western tip of Scotland and is unrivalled as the country's most exotic garden. Take your clients to Logan Botanic Garden and discover a remarkable collection of unusual and beautiful plants. A pleasure for all the family, Logan is an exotic paradise. Visitors can walk through groves of eucalyptus and palm trees or stand in the shade of awesome giant rhubarb-like gunnera. The Walled Garden is a breath-taking celebration of the world of plants.

Logan Botanic Garden Port Logan Nr Stranraer, DG9 9ND

www.rbge.org.uk

Link to Trade Website











Distance from Logan Botanical Gardens to Trump Turnberry is 50 miles / 80 kms



### Trump Turnberry

A truly Scottish icon, Trump Turnberry Resort, Scotland enjoys a spectacular coastal setting with breath-taking views of Isle of Arran, Ailsa Craig and the Irish Sea. Trump Turnberry offers an extensive choice of rooms, many of which with spectacular views over the golf courses and the sea beyond. World class golf on offer on the Ailsa, King Robert the Bruce and Arran courses, combined with exceptional teaching facilities in the Golf Academy at Trump Turnberry, which embraces an entirely holistic approach to golf.

Maidens Road Turnberry Ayrshire, KA26 9LT

www.trumphotels.com Link to Trade Website











Distance from Trump Turnberry to Culzean Castle is 5 miles / 8 kms

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#### **Culzean Castle**

Cared for by the National Trust for Scotland. Take your clients into their gardens, beaches, woods, trails and new adventure playgrounds to explore, and to crown it all, a cliff-top castle of monumental size: there's no doubt your clients will have a fantastic day out at Culzean. There really is something for all the family in this wildlife-rich 260ha estate, which is opulent to the extreme. In the castle tearoom your clients can enjoy soup, sandwiches and a delicious slice of cake, or indulge in afternoon tea.

Maybole South Ayrshire, KA19 8LE

www.nts.org.uk

Link to Trade Website









Distance from Culzean Castle to Prestwick Golf Club is 20 miles / 32 kms



## **Prestwick Golf Club**

The Ayrshire course holds a special place in the golfing history books, having been the venue for the first-ever Open Championship back in 1860. It last staged an Open in 1925 but the Americans in particular love Prestwick and its often-unique test of golf. The first tee sits beside Prestwick Station and the railway line runs all the way down the right-hand side of the opening hole. There are plenty of other holes where a score can come off the tracks.

2 Links Road Prestwick Ayrshire, KA9 1QG

www.prestwickgc.co.uk Link to Trade Website



Distance from Prestwick Golf Club to Robert Burns Birthplace Museum is 5 miles / 8 kms

# **Robert Burns Birthplace Museum**

Cared for by the National Trust for Scotland. Robert Burns is Scotland's National Bard, and his poetry and songs are loved the world over. Discover the man and his genius in the beautiful village of Alloway. See the world's most important collection of Burns artefacts and works in their interactive museum and visit the humble cottage where he was born and raised. The displays in the museum and Burns Cottage include plenty of hands-on and interactive activities and more than 5,000 Burns artefacts including his handwritten manuscripts.

Murdoch's Lone Alloway Ayr, KA7 4PQ

www.nts.org.uk Link to Trade Website







Distance from Robert Burns Birthplace Museum to Western Gailes is 15 miles / 24 kms



#### **Western Gailes**

Western Gailes is one of a group of great links courses in that beautiful stretch of Ayrshire golfing country that stretches from Irvine to Prestwick and with but a short interruption south to the mighty links of Turnberry itself. It has also been a regular venue for the final qualifying for the Open Championship. This is pure unspoiled and traditional Scottish links with wonderful greens and crisp turf on the fairways.

Gailes Irvine Ayrshire, KA11 5AE

www.westerngailes.com Link to Trade Website









Distance from Western Gailes to Dundonald Links is 1.6 miles / 2.6 kms

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#### **Dundonald Links**

Opened in 2003, Kyle Phillips designed a modern-day classic links which has the feel of a course 100 years older and offers challenges and enjoyment in equal measure. This modern links is now recognised as one of Golf's "must play" destinations. The course is set up to provide a real test of golf for players of all abilities, with generous fairways and beautiful putting surfaces. Its coastal location allows golf to be played all year around with regular tees and fairways, no mats and no winter greens.

Avr Road Gailes Irvine, KA11 5BF

www.dundonaldlinks.com





Link to Trade Website





Distance from Dundonald Links to Adventure Carrick is 32 miles /51.4 kms



### **Adventure Carrick**

With over 15 years' experience of delivering high quality outdoor experiences, your clients will be in safe hands with their very own qualified and experienced staff. Their offering ranges from water sports, mountain sports, forest activities and multi-day tours within Ayrshire and the Galloway UNESCO Biosphere.

Unit 4, 12 Ladywell Avenue Grangestone Industrial Estate Girvan, KA26 9PF

www.adventurecarrick.com

Link to Trade Site







Distance from Adventure Carrick to Kilmarnock Barassie Golf Club is 31.7 miles/51km

#### Kilmarnock Barassie Golf Club

The Championship layout at Barassie presenting a challenge for even the best golfer. The course offers a mix of the old and the new. Nine holes from the original course and a new nine built in 1997. Four sets of tees - Red, Yellow, White and Blue - offer a graduated challenge taking the course length off the back tees to more than 7000 yards. It is strongly recommended that your clients purchase a copy of the Pro Guide from the pro shop before your clients round.

29 Hillhouse Road Barassie Troon, KA10 6SY www.kbgc.co.uk







Distance from Kilmarnock Barassie Golf Club to Scots Maritime Museum Linthouse Building is 5.3 miles /8.5 kms

# **Scots Maritime Museum Linthouse building**

Your clients will visit the Scottish Maritime Museum and enjoy a day spent exploring a national collection of historic boats, maritime art and shipbuilding machinery. Allow your clients to explore the nationally recognised collection in the vast glass roofed Linthouse, itself a former 18th century shipyard engine shop, enjoy the interactive exhibits and learn how to manoeuvre a sail boat on the indoor and outdoor boating ponds. Climb aboard the MV Kyles the oldest floating Clydebuilt vessel in the world on the Harbourside and tour the 1920's shipyard worker's tenement flat.

The Linthouse Harbour Road Irvine, KA12 8BT

www.scottishmaritimemuseum.org

Link to Trade Website







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### **FOOD & DRINK SUGGESTIONS**

#### **Tearooms at Glenwhan Gardens**

Glenwhan Garden Tearoom serves the needs of their visitors who come to see the lovely gardens at Glenwhan. 12 acres of beautiful Gardens overlooking Luce Bay and the Mull of Galloway.



#### The Potting Shed Bistro, Logan Botanical Garden

For lunch or refreshment, locally sourced food and drink is available at the award-winning 'Potting Shed Bistro' while the garden's shop offers a range of gifts, souvenirs and plants for sale.



# **Knockinaam Lodge Restaurant**

The daily changing menu is dependent on locally sourced ingredients, available that season. They offer a set menu but take in consideration of dietary requirements of the guests.



#### 1906, Trump Turnberry

1906 is Trump Turnberry Resort's signature restaurant, offering an exceptional dining experience in outstanding surroundings. Working closely with local suppliers, the Trump Turnberry chefs have created the indigenous 1906 menu using a medley of seasonal, Scottish ingredients.



#### **Kirkmichael Arms**

"Your pub in the country" offers visitors a warm welcome in a relaxed and comfortable atmosphere serving daily fresh food locally sourced where possible. Situated in the picturesque village of Kirkmichael.



#### **Marrbury Smokehouse**

5-star Tourist Shop and Bistro at Carsluith Castle. The speciality café / bistro serves 'out of the ordinary' luxury light bites, so be prepared for something quite unique.



# Loch Arthur Farm Shop Café

Enjoy the relaxing atmosphere in a rural setting. The café serves a delightful range of cakes, soups and light meals produced from the finest ingredients, predominantly organic.



#### **Jockey Club Restaurant**

Set in the grounds of Ayr racecourse, the jockey club is the aa rosette restaurant for the Western House Hotel. The intimate dining room can only seat 32 people.



#### **The Waterfront Restaurant-Bar-Terrace**

Is a stylish, stunning venue overlooking the River Ayr. Offering a wide range of food and drinks in a relaxed, comfortable atmosphere. The restaurant is Situated on South Harbour Street, Ayr.



# Café Rosaburn

Has been fully refurbished and has now a new face, Judith Ross, running it. Besides the menu there are daily specials and a cake stand for mouth-watering meals and bakes.



**Knockinaam Lodge Hotel** 4-star Gold Hotel with 10 bedrooms. Knockinaam Lodge is the only luxury boutique hotel in Dumfries and Galloway. A warm welcome to guests with personalised service, stunning individual room and suite accommodations, and a delightful atmosphere.

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#### **Glenapp Castle**

5-star Gold Hotel with 17 bedrooms. The castle is open for lunch, afternoon tea and dinner however a prior reservation is required. The castle is also available to hire on an exclusive use.



#### **Trigony House Hotel and Garden Spa**

One of the most relaxed and friendly country house hotels, ideally situated for exploring the Solway coast & the southern uplands, relax and unwind in-front of open fires.



4-star Hotel & Spa with 17 bedrooms. Situated on the banks of the Loch of Lowes with terraces and dining areas boasting panoramic views of the Ayrshire countryside, Afton hills and adjacent 9-hole golf course.

### **Auchrannie House Hotel**

Acknowledged as Arran's flagship 85 bedroom hotel, Auchrannie sets new standards of hospitality on Arran in a romantic and calming atmosphere on the often regarded as the most beautiful island in Europe.

#### Hillhouse

Is one of Ayrshire's finest private 10 bedrooms country houses. Hillhouse offers unrivalled luxury, elegance and privacy exclusively to private groups of friends, family or colleagues. Also suitable for golf players or wedding.

#### The Gailes Hotel

The Gailes Hotel is part of the family run Simpsinns group, with 40 modern bedrooms with state-of-the-art amenities. Close to three championship golf courses - Western Gailes, Glasgow Gailes and Dundonald Links.

#### Seamill Hydro Hotel

Now stands as one of Scotland's finest hotels, family owned and proudly independent. The staggering views from the hotel, Orangery Restaurant and the Firth Pavilion wedding and conference venue make this a unique destination.

#### Cally Palace Hotel & Golf Course

4-star hotel in Gatehouse of Fleet with 56 bedrooms, its own 18-hole golf course and indoor leisure complex. Set in over 150 acres of grounds, the hotel was originally an 18th-century country mansion.



Luxury 5-star guest house offering 6 spacious en-suite rooms. Standing in 2 acres of landscaped gardens looking over the river Dee toward Kirkcudbright and the Galloway Hills beyond.



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#### **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

# **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.

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- Online destination education programme
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# **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