# **SCENIC SCOTLAND BY RAIL - 3 DAY ITINERARY**

# 01 - Glasgow

Distance between Glasgow Central Station and Kelvingrove Art Gallery & Museum 1.5miles/2.4km Distance between Glasgow Queen Street Station and Kelvingrove Art Gallery & Museum is 1.8miles/2.89km

## **Kelvingrove Art Gallery & Museum**

If your clients only have one day in Glasgow, then a visit to this iconic 1901 west end landmark is a must. It offers a captivating experience spanning 22 galleries showcasing diverse treasures, from classic European art to contemporary Scottish works, Egyptian mummies, armour, Asian and African artefacts, to natural history specimens, the museum is a cultural gem.

Argyle Street, Glasgow, G3 8AG

www.glasgowlife.org.uk Link to Trade Website









Distance between Kelvingrove Art Gallery & Museum and Riverside Museum 0.7 miles / 1.12 kms



### **Riverside Museum**

Set on the banks of the river Clyde, the award-winning Riverside Museum is a tribute to Glasgow's pivotal role in shipbuilding, train manufacturing, and engineering. Creating an immersive experience for your clients with interactive exhibits, a Victorian street, and diverse artifacts, from trains and trams to vintage cars and model ships, offering a captivating journey through time.

100 Pointhouse Road, Govan, Glasgow, G3 8RS

www.glasgowlife.org.uk Link to Trade Website











Distance between Riverside Museum and Clydeside Distillery 0.5 miles / 0.8 kms



# **Clydeside Distillery**

After more than 100 years, Glasgow's stills are flowing again at the Clydeside Single Malt Scotch Whisky Distillery. Bring your clients down to the Queen's Dock and watch the craftsmen distil pure new spirit by hand, the time-honoured way. Your clients will find more than they would expect, with so many of Scotland's finest single malts to enjoy in the Whisky Shop and Whisky Tasting. They can even immerse themselves in the fascinating Glasgow history as they wander around the Dockside Story.

100 Stobcross Road, Glasgow, G38QQ

www.theclydeside.com Link to Trade Website









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# 02 - Aviemore

Take train from Glasgow Queen Street to Aviemore.

Distance between Glasgow Queen Street to Aviemore Train Station is 93miles/150km and takes aprrox 2 hours 30 minutes.

Distance between Aviemore Train Station and Rothiemurchus 1.3miles/2.09km (Transport can be arranged with Rothiemurchus in advance for 1-4 people. Larger groups can hire local taxis or coaches)

#### **Rothiemurchus Estate**

Let your client's step into traditional Highland Estate life and let them witness one of the most picturesque spots Scotland has to offer. The Jewel of the Cairngorms National Park offers beauty, magnificent pine forests and amazing wildlife. Luxury tailored experiences can be provided including meeting the Highland Cattle, outdoor activities, bespoke picnic lunches and so much more.

Dell of Rothiemurchus, Aviemore, PH22 1QH

www.rothiemurchus.net

Link to Trade Website







Distance from Rothiemurchus Estate to Aviemore Ice Rink 1.2miles/1.93km





#### **Aviemore Ice Rink**

The ice rink is housed within a large marquee with an alpine theme and offers ice skating and curling experiences, which can be tailored to your clients' requirements. This is brilliant fun for all ages but there is also plenty of room for spectators. Exclusive use of the ice rink is available.

Macdonald Aviemore Resort, Aviemore, PH22 1PN

www.aviemoreicerink.com Link to Trade Website













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# 03 - Inverness & Elgin

Travel from Aviemore to Inverness Train Station
Distance between Aviemore Train Station and Inverness Train
Station is 25miles/40km and takes approx. 33 minutes
Distance from Inverness Train Station to Uile – Bheist Distillery &
Brewery 0.5 miles/0.8kms

### Uile - Bheist Distillery & Brewery

Situated on the banks of the river Ness where the 1st recording of the Loch Ness Monster (Uile – Bheist Loch Ness) took place in 565AD. Let your clients join a tour where great stories are told over great drinks and let them indulge in the rich heritage of whisky and beer whilst immersing in the magic of the river Ness.

Ness Bank, Inverness, IV2 4SG

www.uilebheist.com

Link to Trade Website









Distance between Uile – Bheist Distillery & Brewery and Inverness Museum Art Gallery 0.3 miles / 0.48 kms

## **Inverness Museum & Art Gallery**

Let your clients learn about the unique history and culture of Inverness and the Scottish Highlands at Inverness Museum and Art Gallery. Explore the fascinating range of artefacts and collections that celebrate Highland Life and Heritage. The galleries feature both permanent and temporary exhibitions from both local artists and crafters to those further afield.

Castle Wynd, Inverness, IV2 3EB

www.highlifehighland.com

Link to Trade Website









Distance between Inverness Museum Art Gallery and Inverness Train Station 0.2miles / 0.32 kms

Take Train from Inverness to Elgin. Distance between Inverness Train Station and Elgin Train Station is 36miles/57km and takes approx. 41 minutes.

Distance from Elgin Train Station to Johnstons of Elgin is 1mile/1.6km



# Johnstons of Elgin

Experts in the world's finest fibres for over 225 years, crafting beautiful luxury products in Scotland's only vertical weaving mill. Your clients can enjoy a 5-star experience where the family business has worked with natural, renewable, biodegradable fibres since 1797 passing their skilled craftsmanship through the generations to make luxurious Cashmere and Merino Wool products.

Newmill, Elgin, IV30 4AF www.johnstonsofelgin.com Link to Trade Website













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# **Food & Drink suggestions**

#### **Mackintosh at the Willow**

The tea rooms originally opened in 1903 and designed by Charles Rennie Mackintosh. This iconic building is the only surviving tearoom designed by Mackintosh and is now one of Glasgow's spectacular heritage attractions.

#### **Red Bus Bistro**

Get on board for a unique afternoon tea or gin tea on a vintage 1966 Routemaster Bus, while you take in the stunning sights that Glasgow has to offer. Also available for private hire and bespoke events

#### **Sloans Bar and Restaurant**

Glasgow's oldest bar and restaurant, this hidden gem started life as a coffee house back in 1797. Now it is a bustling bar and bistro with a fairy lit beer garden and home to the Friday Night Ceilidh.

#### **The Barn & Farm Shop**

If you are passionate about food, sustainability, ethical farming and low food miles then Rothiemurchus Estate has you covered. The Farm shop is bursting with local produce, drinks, sweet treats and more, you will be spoiled for choice.

#### **Macdonald Aviemore Resorts**

There are plenty of food and drink options available at both Macdonald Aviemore and Spey Valley Resorts. Whether its fine dinning in the signature restaurant Aspects, an Italian or American diner or simply just a light bite and a coffee, there is something for all to enjoy.

#### **Kilted Fudge Company Ltd**

Pop along to the shop and fudge kitchen where you can sample the delights of this handmade smooth textured and deliciously creamy Scottish favourite as well as tablet, macaroons and other sweet treats.

### **Royal Highland Hotel**

This former Railway property was built in 1856 and just a minutes' walk from Inverness train station you can enjoy lunch, afternoon tea or dinner in this beautiful building.

## Torrish Restaurant at Ness Walk

Set within the original drawing room and offers unspoiled views out to the river Ness you can experience the pinnacle of social dining in one of the best restaurants Inverness has to offer.

#### **Glen Moray Distillery**

A small authentic working distillery in Elgin offering a great atmosphere, tours and tasting as well as a coffee shop and gift shop. The coffee shop offers light lunches and homemade produce.

# **Accommodation suggestions**

#### **Voco Grand Central**

Right in the very heart of the city, directly adjoining Glasgow Central station the hotel occupies one of the most historic and impressive buildings Glasgow has to offer. Enjoy cocktails in the Champagne Central Bar or take in Afternoon Tea in the Champagne Lounge the hotel is the perfect place to relax and unwind.

### **Mercure Glasgow City Hotel**

One of the most central hotels in Glasgow where you can enjoy easy access to the shops, theatres and all the major sightseeing spots. The hotel is only a 5-minute walk from both Glasgow Central and Queen Street Stations.

#### **YOTEL Glasgow**

This 257-room hotel located on Argyll Street features Glasgow's 1st destination rooftop bar with bowling alley. This tech – driven guest experience offers you contactless check – in, mood lighting, disco lift, fast WiFi and more.

#### **Macdonald Aviemore Hotel**

This 4 star family friendly hotel is the perfect base for a Highlands adventure and with on site restaurants and bars and leisure centre there is plenty to keep all ages entertained.



### **Seasgair Lodges**

Disover these exquisite holiday homes set in the breathtaking Scottish Highlands that can cater for 2 – 24 people. So whether it is a large group holiday or a relaxing break for 2 there is a lodge that is waiting for you.

#### **Spey Valley Resort**

Located on the banks of the river Spey, the resort is the perfect base for exploring the Cairngorms National Park. Mountains, ancient forest walks, skiing, water sports and golf are all at your fingertips.



#### **Glen Mhor Hotel**

Nestled on the banks of the river Ness, it is also home to Uile-Bheist Distillery and Brewery. Located in a conservation area of Inverness city centre the hotel is committed in delivering an exceptional guest experience in the most sustainable and green way.



## **Glenmoriston Town House Hotel**

This 4-star hotel is set on a tree-lined riverbank close to the centre of Inverness. Featuring an award – winning restaurant and Piano Bar serving up to 260 malt whiskies it is the perfect place to relax after a day exploring the city.

### Sunninghill Hotel

Built in 1869 by a merchant Sea Captain, the hotel sits within beautiful flower gardens, it is the perfect place to discover the delights of Moray. The restaurant provides a traditional Scottish menu created with locally sourced produce.







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- Inspirational itineraries
- Downloadable e-brochures and maps
- Link to multimedia library for images and videos
- 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.historicenvironment.scot

National Trust for Scotland www.nts.org.uk
Scottish Tourist Guides Association www.stga.co.uk

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