Missouri Retired Teachers Association presents...

Discover Scotland

with Optional 3-Night London Pre Tour Extension

April 17 – 26, 2028

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10 Days • 15 Meals: 8 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 6 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Bagpipe Demonstration, Whisky Tasting, Isle of Skye, Loch Ness, Orkney Islands, Dunrobin Castle, Sheepdog Demonstration, Edinburgh Castle, Scottish Cooking Demonstration

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Day 2	Maldron Hotel Glasgow, Glasgow
Days 3, 4	Ballachulish Hotel, Ballachulish
Days 5, 6	Norseman Hotel, Wick
Day 7	Inverness Palace Hotel & Spa , Inverness
Days 8, 9	Radisson Blu Edinburgh, Edinburgh

On some dates *alternate hotels may be used.*

Day 1: Monday, April 17, 2028 Overnight Flight An overnight flight transports you to a country of stunning landscapes, lively cities, and stirring history.

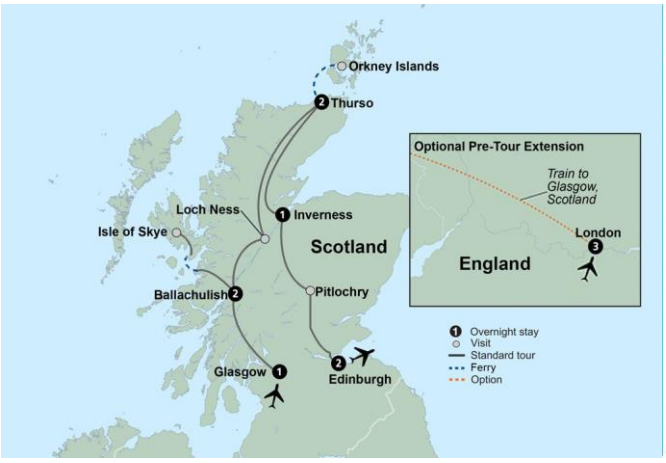
Day 2: Tuesday, April 18, 2028 Glasgow, Scotland Arrive in Glasgow, Scotland's Victorian city. With no planned activities today, you can explore Glasgow at leisure. Tonight, your Scottish adventure begins with a visit to the National Piping Centre. After a demonstration and lesson with a renowned piper, join your fellow travelers for a lively welcome dinner at the Centre's farm-to-table restaurant. *(D)*

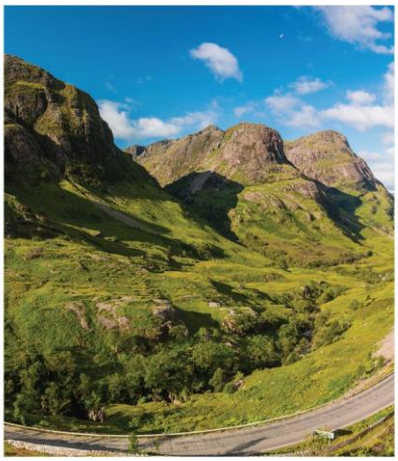
Day 3: Wednesday, April 19, 2028 Glasgow - Ballachulish This morning, bid Glasgow farewell as you travel to your next destination. First, stop at a local whisky distillery for a guided tour and tasting. After some free time for lunch in a nearby town, you can relax aboard the motorcoach and admire the verdant green hills and mountainside waters as you arrive at your remote countryside hotel, situated on lovely Loch Linnhe. *(B, D)*

Day 4: Thursday, April 20, 2028 Ballachulish - Isle of Skye - Ballachulish This morning, journey to the stunning Isle of Skye, also known in poetry and song as Eilean a' Cheò (The Misty Isle). Upon arrival in Armadale, a local from the island joins you to share the history of this magical place and what it is like to live there today. A visit to the capital of Portree allows some time to explore before taking the scenic route back to Broadford. End your day by returning to Ballachulish via the Skye Bridge and a scenic drive along the "Road to the Isles." *(B, D)*

Day 5: Friday, April 21, 2028 Ballachulish - Loch Ness - Thurso Depart early this morning and journey into the heart of the Scottish Highlands. From the shores of Loch Ness, enjoy a scenic one-way cruise across this legendary loch. Soak in views of the dramatic Great Glen landscape and keep watch for the ever-elusive Nessie before approaching the striking ruins of Urquhart Castle. Then, travel off the beaten path to Thurso, one of Scotland's most remote towns on the rugged North Coast. Embrace the rustic environment of the Scottish Highlands as you settle in for your 2-night stay. *(B, D)*

Day 6: Saturday, April 22, 2028 Thurso - Orkney Islands - Thurso Grab your windbreaker – it's time for an adventure on the Orkney Islands.* Ferry to this former Viking stronghold off the northernmost coast of Scotland, where artists admire the ever-changing clouds rolling across the sky like a time-lapse at double speed. On the crossing, feel the wind in your hair as you view the abundant bird life and, if you're lucky, porpoises and seals. A local guide introduces this ethereal place that few visitors to Scotland get to experience. Continue on toward the prehistoric Standing Stones of Stenness, reported to be older than Stonehenge. Enjoy a traditional lunch in Kirkwall, featuring the very best that Orkney has to offer, like homemade oatcakes using grain of Bere, before returning to the mainland. *(B, L, D)*





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† Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is guaranteed once deposit is received and booking confirmed by Collette. Your price is not subject to increase after the deposit is received and booking confirmed, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. ***(See registration form for consent.)***

Day 7: Sunday, April 23, 2028 Thurso - Inverness As you make your way back from the northern coast, visit the majestic Dunrobin Castle,** which dates back to the 1300s. The castle is built in the style of a French château and is home to the Duke of Sutherland. Next, **it's your choice!** Step into history at the atmospheric Culloden Battlefield, where the Jacobite Rising came to a tragic end **-OR-** visit the imposing Inverness Castle on a self-guided tour, now home to a fascinating museum of the battles of the Highlands. Enjoy an overnight stay in Inverness, capital of the Highlands. *(B)*

Day 8: Monday, April 24, 2028 Inverness - Pitlochry - Edinburgh Begin your day with a visit to a family-run farm set in the heart of the Highlands. See sheepdogs at work while surrounded by the mountain wilderness of Cairngorms National Park. Continue on to the vibrant Victorian town of Pitlochry for some time at leisure to explore on your own. End your day in Scotland's capital city of Edinburgh. *(B)*

Day 9: Tuesday, April 25, 2028 Edinburgh Today, visit Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels. Enjoy a panoramic tour of Edinburgh's new town before your local expert takes you on a walking tour up to the magnificent castle. This evening, give traditional Scottish ingredients a modern twist. Enjoy a lively and interactive cooking experience at one of Scotland's premier culinary institutions with a "wee dram" in hand. *(B, D)*

Day 10: Wednesday, April 26, 2028 Edinburgh - Tour Ends Your tour of Scotland comes to a close today. *(B)*

EXTEND YOUR VACATION WITH

Optional 5 Days 3-Night London Pre Tour Extension

Per Person Rates: $1,499.00 USD double, $2,199.00 USD single, land only

For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1472577

Important Tour Information:

Book Now rates valid until Oct 18, 2027, valid on air inclusive packages only.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

Travel with an average of 37 people (maximum of 44).

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at the time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

This tour features long touring days, with five days involving extended time on the coach and early morning starts from 8:00 a.m. Full days of travel should be expected, particularly on the Isle of Sky, where longer distances and winding roads are essential to experience the island's scenery at its best.

*Weather conditions may sometimes prevent operation of the ferry to the Orkney Islands. In these cases, Collette will provide substitute activities on the mainland.

**Dunrobin Castle is open from April to October. When it is closed you will visit Fort George or similar.

Inclusions and activities are subject to the weather conditions of the Highlands and may be changed at short notice.

Most dinners featured on your tour of this region will be hosted at your hotels as they are the best and most convenient dining venues available, particularly in the remote Highlands.

Due to the remoteness of the Highlands region, hotels are carefully chosen, yet also reflective of the rustic nature of the landscape. All hotels selected in the Highlands region are 3-star properties. Most of the hotels do not have elevators, requiring travelers to navigate stairs to reach their room. Rooms in these hotels are smaller than average. Older properties may not have air conditioning and may feature high-sided bathtubs without grab bars.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

Travelers with dietary restrictions or food allergies should be aware that included meals may feature pre-set menus showcasing local cuisine. Dietary needs may be shared with restaurant staff when possible; however, accommodations cannot be guaranteed. Travelers are encouraged to discuss their needs with their Tour Manager while on tour. Due to local ingredients and food preparation practices, options may be limited and cross-contamination may occur.

To complete your tour, we include round-trip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Our air travelers will arrive into Glasgow airport. Our arrival transfers will depart from this airport for your hotel.
Our air travelers will depart from Edinburgh airport. Our departure transfers will depart from your hotel for Edinburgh airport.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Please be advised, many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Prepaid tipping is not available on our tours therefore payment of customary end-of-trip gratuities for your Tour Manager, driver, hotel housekeepers, and cruise ship waitstaff should be handled individually when applicable during the course of your tour.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

Travel Requirements:

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department's latest details about passports and visa requirements.
IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Collette will provide all necessary information, updates, and supporting documents for your travel requirements, including visa and Electronic Travel Authorizations (ETAs), if required, approximately 60-90 days prior to your departure.

An ETA is required for travel to the UK. Applications are accepted online or through the UK ETA app, at the approximate cost of £20, subject to change based on governing authority. For more information please visit: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-an-electronic-travel-authorisation-eta.

A deposit of $698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the seat reduction date of October 11, 2027 are based upon availability. Final payment due by January 18, 2028. Deposits are refundable up until October 18, 2027.

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**For important reservation information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1472577.
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BOOKING NUMBER: 1472577
DEPARTURE DATE: April 17, 2028

TOUR: Discover Scotland
GROUP NAME: Missouri Retired Teachers Association

Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

Edinburgh

BEST SELLER

Scottish Cultural Show: A Night of Food, Song & Dance **$149 USD**

Join us for an entertaining evening of tastes, sights, and sounds that are classically Scottish. Feast on a banquet prepared from a selection of local recipes. Your taste buds will savor the true flavor and goodness of this distinctive country. Tonight will be filled with fun entertainment including Highland pipers and dancers who deliver the very best in Scottish music, song, and dance. Be prepared for a Scottish night of food, fun, and many fond memories! This option will not be offered on departures that include the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.