

**INCLUDED IN THIS TRIP ARE –**

- **Transportation from the airport by, luxury coach, with driver and tour director**
- **Meet and greet service with one group transfer arrival and departure (airport to hotel and hotel to airport)**
- **Hotel accommodation is based on twin-bedded rooms with private baths for 7 nights.**
- **All visits and meals as outlined in the following itinerary**
- **Full breakfasts – 7**
- **Dinners – 2**
- **Hotel portorage for one bag per person, service charges, and government taxes**

## **DAY 1**

### **DEPART THE UNITED STATES**

Depart your hometown and take an overnight flight across the Atlantic. Enjoy in-flight entertainment and meal service as you travel to start your vacation.

## **DAY 2**

### **GLASGOW ARRIVAL (Arrival 1:00 p.m.)**

**PLEASE MAKE YOUR FLIGHT ARRANGEMENTS TO ARRIVE AS CLOSE TO 1:00 P.M. AS POSSIBLE.**

After landing at **Glasgow Airport**, complete customs and immigration formalities. Your local guide will welcome you to Scotland and escort you and your luggage to the coach.

Next, set off on a guided tour of Glasgow to see George Square, filled with statues of Sir Walter Scott, Queen Victoria, and other influential people. Also, view the Victorian City Chambers, which was opened in 1888 by Queen Victoria.

Stop to visit the Kelvingrove Gallery, which was built to house the 1901 International Exhibition. The collection ranges from local historical art to even a Storm Trooper costume from the original Star Wars films.

Then, continue to visit St. Mungo's Cathedral, where the Saint's tomb is in the lower crypt. The cathedral was built before the Reformation in the late 12th century and although it's no longer designated as a cathedral, it is still a place of active Christian worship.

Motor a short distance to your hotel, check-in and settle into your room.

If we have not had time for a meet and greet/introduction, we will do this before we go to dinner.

Afterwards, we will have a **welcome dinner** at a local venue which is included in the tour price.

**OVERNIGHT: LEONARDO HOTEL, GLASGOW**

## **DAY 3**

### **GLASGOW AT LEISURE**

Painters, we will meet with Steven and Evelyn in a designated meeting room (time and room TBA). They will provide a general itinerary for our journaling/sketching experience and distribute special journals that we will use during our trip. Please bring your favorite supplies for sketching and/or journaling but please include your favorite pencils and pens as we might be sketching inside.

A full day of Painting and journaling followed by a brief gathering at the end of the day!  
Place TBA.

**Options**, Spend the day at leisure – or choose from one of these tours --  
*(The cost of the tickets for **two** of these tours are included in the price of this tour but transportation to and from the venue and any tips are not included.)*

*There may be some minor deviations from this schedule based on the availability of tickets*

- Glasgow's Hop on Hop Off Bus (tickets included in tour price)
- Glasgow: Street Art Guided Walking Tour (tickets included in tour price)
- Tennent's Brewery Guided Tour and Free Pint (tickets included in tour price)
- Clydeside Distillery Tour and Whisky Tasting (tickets included in tour price)

### **OR**

- GOMA, Gallery of Modern Art, free
- Glasgow is also a shopper's paradise with over 1,500 stores located within the city.

### **OR**

- Outlander Adventure Day Tour from Glasgow (tour cost not included In the tour price)

### **OR**

- Sightsee and explore around Glasgow on your own.

Tonight, you may like to grab an independent bite to eat at one of the many restaurants or pubs located near your hotel.

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#### **DAY 4, Scenic Travel and Painting**

Visit Milarrochy Bay. One of the most photographed views of Loch Lomond.

Lunch at a local restaurant.

Travel to Arrochar for a look around the village, which offers jaw-dropping scenery for painting.

Dinner on your own at a local Scottish restaurant located in Glasgow.

#### **Day 5, Scenic Travel and Painting**

Travel to Luss Beach, one of the many beautiful beaches found along the length of Loch Lomond for a full day of painting. The area is renowned for its unsurpassed beauty of its natural surroundings.

For non-painters – there are waterbus and cruise options to and from Luss Pier.

A brief meeting of artists at the end of the day for the painter.

For the non-painters, there are more than enough activities to entertain you at both of these sites.

Dinner on your own at a local Scottish restaurant.

OVERNIGHT: LEONARDO HOTEL, GLASGOW

**DAY 6,** Leave Glasgow, travel to Glasgow with a stop at STIRLING CASTLE

Departing Glasgow, travel into Stirling and set off on a walking tour with a local guide to see the highlights of the city. Stop to visit Stirling Castle, which has been featured largely throughout Scottish history. Many grand celebrations and milestones for the Stewart family were held at the castle as it was a favored residence for the monarchy.

Continue your journey through Scotland's countryside into Edinburgh, check into your hotel and settle into your room.

This evening, you might like to dine in one of the city's lively dinner venues.

OVERNIGHT: VOCO EDINBURGH HAYMARKET, EDINBURGH

## **DAY 7**

### **EDINBURGH CASTLE**

A full day of sightseeing and documenting in sketchbooks.

This morning, set off with a local guide on a walking tour of Edinburgh to discover the city's many architectural styles including medieval, Georgian, neoclassical and Scots Baronial.

Along the way, also view the public art scattered around the streets of the city as you hear fascinating tales about Edinburgh, both past and present. Continue past elegant townhouses as you travel along broad streets and through spacious squares.

Stop to tour the imposing Edinburgh Castle, perched high above the city on volcanic rock and dominates the skyline. The castle has been involved in many historical conflicts from the War of Scottish Independence to the Jacobite Rising in 1745 and even acted as a military prison during both World Wars.

Dinner on your own at a local Scottish restaurant

OVERNIGHT: VOCO EDINBURGH HAYMARKET, EDINBURGH

## DAY 8

### ST. ANDREWS, SIGHTSEEING

After breakfast, drive into St. Andrews, where golf originated. Upon arrival, embark on a guided walking tour of this historic town. See the famous Royal and Ancient Clubhouse, the British Golf Museum, St. Andrews Castle, and St. Andrews Cathedral.

After that, spend some time at leisure exploring around the town on your own, where you might find inspiration for painting. “Scenic painting at St. Andrews.

Head back to your hotel in Edinburgh and enjoy some free time (for painting or exploring) before joining your fellow travelers for a wonderful **farewell dinner** at a local restaurant or pub.

OVERNIGHT: VOCO EDINBURGH HAYMARKET, EDINBURGH

## DAY 9

### RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES

All too soon, your vacation has come to its final day. Transfer to Edinburgh Airport in time to check in for your flight. You may do some last-minute shopping at the duty-free stores before boarding your aircraft and flying back to the United States.