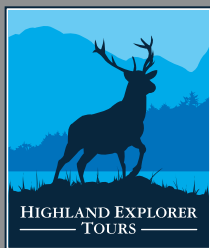


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Image: Eilean Donan Castle



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TOUR ROUTE

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Image: Isle of Skye



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Wir sind bestrebt, Ihnen jeden Tag die allerbesten Reiseerlebnisse zu bieten. Unsere Reisetouren sind darauf ausgelegt, das Beste aus Ihrer Zeit in unserem atemberaubenden Land zu machen, damit Sie das authentische Schottland erfahren. Unsere Mission ist es, Ihre Erwartungen zu übertreffen, ein Engagement, das von VisitScotland mit 5 Sternen ausgezeichnet wurde und sich in den gleichbleibend ausgezeichneten Bewertungen unserer Kunden widerspiegelt. Auf all unseren Reisetouren stehen Audioführer zur Verfügung.



Pasión por descubrir...

Trabajamos cada día para ofrecerle las mejores experiencias en viajes. Nuestras visitas guiadas están programadas de modo que pueda sacar el máximo partido de su visita en nuestro impresionante país y vivir una auténtica experiencia escocesa. Nuestra misión es sobrepasar sus expectativas, un compromiso constatado por nuestra acreditación de 5 estrellas por parte de VisitScotland, y las continuas opiniones favorables de nuestros clientes. Existen audio-guías a su disposición en todas nuestras visitas.



Amanti della Scoperta...

Siamo dediti a garantire ogni giorno le migliori esperienze di viaggio. I nostri tour sono strutturati in modo che possiate godervi il tempo che passerete nel nostro stupendo paese e per farvi vivere la vera Scozia. La nostra missione è quella di andare oltre le vostre aspettative, un impegno riconosciuto dal nostro punteggio di 5 stelle nella classifica VisitScotland e dai costanti commenti positivi dei nostri clienti. Le Audio Guide sono disponibili in tutti i nostri tour.



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Notre objectif est de vous apporter ce qu'il y a de mieux pour vos voyages. Nous avons donc conçu des circuits qui, à chaque instant, vous feront découvrir notre extraordinaire pays et vous permettront de vous donner un véritable gout de l'Écosse. Nous avons pour mission d'aller au-delà de vos attentes, tel est le sens de l'engagement que nous avons souscrit conformément à notre accréditation 5 étoiles de VisitScotland et aussi en réponse aux commentaires élogieux reçus de notre clientèle. Des guides audio sont à votre disposition pour chacun de nos voyages.



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我们专注于每天提供最优秀的旅游体验。我们的旅游路线力图帮助您最大限度地利用您在我们这美丽无比的国家所度过的旅游时光，并给您一个真正的苏格兰体验。我们的使命是超越您的期待，我们有游览苏格兰5星级认证，也一直得到积极的客户评价反馈。我们所有的旅游路线都提供导游音频设备。



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Travel has the ability to broaden our perspective, open our hearts, and connect us with the rich cultures and astonishing beauty of our world.

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To ensure that the environment and communities we visit remain welcoming and intact in the future, we developed How We Tread Right (HWTR), our new 5-year Sustainability Strategy as a joint initiative with the TreadRight Foundation, caring for our planet, our people, and our wildlife. Our strategy includes a comprehensive Climate Action Plan, including verified science-based targets, to reduce our emissions and reach net zero by 2050.



Find out more: highlandexplorertours.com/about-us/we-are-going-net-zero



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We have pioneered an Eco Scheme where you can make an optional £2 donation when booking any tour. We will match every £1 you donate, with proceeds going to a leading Scottish environmental charity, Trees for Life. Trees for Life are an award-winning charity working to restore the Caledonian Forests in the Highlands of Scotland. 



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1 DAY TOUR

ISLE OF SKYE & EILEAN DONAN CASTLE

HIGHLIGHTS ★

MYSTERIOUS LOCH NESS ★ ROMANTIC EILEAN DONAN CASTLE
OLD MAN OF STORR ★ ISLAND TOWN PORTREE
THE STRIKING QUIRAING AND KILT ROCK

INCLUSIONS

PASSIONATE LOCAL GUIDE
FOREIGN LANGUAGE
AUDIO GUIDES



Images: Old Man of Storr | Kilt Rock (right)

APRIL - SEPTEMBER

Every day except Saturday

OCTOBER - MARCH

Every day

Departs 7:45am
Returns 7:45pm

Adult from **£64.00**

Full refund if cancelled more than 24 hours in advance.

EXPLORE MORE

Eilean Donan Castle* from £12.00

* There may be some days where Eilean Donan Castle is closed.

LEWIS
& HARRIS



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Leave behind the 'Capital of the Highlands' for a full day adventure through the rugged Highlands to the enchanting Isle of Skye. On this trip, it is as much about the journey to get there as it is about the island destination. The ancient mountains, unique rock formations and dramatic coastlines will take your breath away.

We depart the city of Inverness and drive alongside Loch Ness onwards through the mountains towards the West Coast. We stop at the romantic Eilean Donan Castle, where you have the option of doing a tour.*

After crossing the Skye Bridge, your guide will entertain you with stories of local legends and folklore, as well as the true tales of rival clans and a fugitive prince. Enjoy lunch in Portree, where you can visit the colourful harbour.

Marvel at the Old Man of Storr, Kilt Rock and the Quiraing before we return to the mainland. We arrive back into Inverness in the evening.



EILEAN DONAN CASTLE

Eilean Donan Castle is situated on a sea loch surrounded by magnificent Highland scenery. This magical and idyllic setting is what makes this one of Scotland's most iconic attractions. Take a tour* to find out about the castle's colourful history.

PAY LOCALLY

1 DAY TOUR

ISLE OF SKYE
& EILEAN
DONAN
CASTLE



We had a fantastic time visiting Eilean Donan Castle, followed by an amazing tour through many of the most beautiful parts of the Isle of Skye. Our guide Harrison was hilarious and fun, with extensive knowledge of the history and local culture of the places we visited. Great sense of humor, and a fantastic playlist of cool tunes! SCOTT | JULY 2023



1 DAY TOUR

HARRY POTTER TRAIN & THE SCENIC HIGHLANDS

HIGHLIGHTS ★

WORLD-FAMOUS JACOBITE STEAM TRAIN
ICONIC GLENFINNAN VIADUCT ★ LEGENDARY LOCH NESS
COMMANDO MEMORIAL ★ SCENIC VIEWS OF BEN NEVIS

INCLUSIONS

JACOBITE STEAM TRAIN
RETURN COACH
FROM INVERNESS
PASSIONATE LOCAL GUIDE
FOREIGN LANGUAGE
AUDIO GUIDES



Images: Jacobite Steam Train | Loch Shiel (right)
Fort Augustus (below)



APRIL - OCTOBER

Every day*

Departs 7:30am
Returns 8:00pm

Adult from **£185.00**

Full refund if cancelled more than 48 hours in advance.

*There are selected dates where this tour departs and returns later or does not run. Please check website availability and e-ticket details when booking.

Enjoy a full day of stunning scenery and fresh Highland air, as we travel all the way around Loch Ness and along the idyllic West Coast. Our journey reveals ancient ruins, a poignant war memorial, and beautiful beaches – with mountain backdrops never far from sight. Hop aboard the Jacobite Steam Train for a magical 2-hour ride along stunning coastal scenery and over the iconic Glenfinnan Viaduct. Made famous by the Harry Potter films, and voted one of the world's most scenic railways, this is a trip you'll never forget!

We depart Inverness and begin our journey along the world-famous Loch Ness, stopping for photos above the ruins of Urquhart Castle. We continue south and visit the Commando Memorial which overlooks

the Nevis Range; home to the UK's highest mountain, Ben Nevis. Next, it's time to set your sights upon the Jacobite Steam Train and hop aboard at Fort William.**

Your journey through magnificent landscapes will end in the fishing port of Mallaig where you can try fresh seafood for lunch or explore the town.

Watch as awe-inspiring scenery unfolds before you as we take the stunning 'Road to the Isles' en route to the charming Highland village of Fort Augustus. Here, we get the chance to explore the Caledonian Canal and take a stroll by the shores of Loch Ness. Finally, we visit Dores Beach on the banks of Loch Ness, arriving back into Inverness in the evening.



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**This tour may operate in a different order.

1 DAY TOUR

HARRY POTTER
TRAIN &
THE SCENIC
HIGHLANDS

“Wizards, Jacobites, commandos, and trains, oh my. Seriously, a wonderful day with breathtaking scenery, bits of sun, and just enough time at each stop. Our driver, Willie, did a masterful job of keeping us on schedule and pointing out the “don’t miss” sights. The bus was comfortable and clean. JAN | OCTOBER 2023



1 DAY TOUR

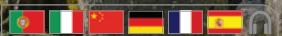
LOCH NESS, WHISKY & OUTLANDER

HIGHLIGHTS ★

FAMOUS LOCH NESS ★ ANCIENT URQUHART CASTLE
BEAUTIFUL BEAULY PRIORY, AS FEATURED IN OUTLANDER
WHISKY DISTILLERY VISIT ★ CULLODEN BATTLEFIELD
CLAVA CAIRNS STANDING STONES
- INSPIRATION FOR CRAIGH NA DUN IN OUTLANDER

INCLUSIONS

URQUHART CASTLE ENTRY
BEAULY PRIORY
LOCH NESS BOAT CRUISE
PASSIONATE LOCAL GUIDE
FOREIGN LANGUAGE
AUDIO GUIDES



Images: Clava Cairns (left) | Urquhart Castle (right)
Loch Ness Cruise (far right) | Loch Ness (bottom right)

APRIL - SEPTEMBER

Every day except Saturday

OCTOBER - MARCH

Every day

Departs 8:15am
Returns 5:00pm

Adult from **£82.00**

Full refund if cancelled more than 24 hours in advance.

EXPLORE MORE

Highland Whisky
Distillery Experience from £8.00

Culloden Visitor Centre from £14.00

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Join us on a jam-packed journey in the Highlands and enjoy many iconic Scottish experiences in just one day. Our adventure begins at the legendary Loch Ness, where you will take a cruise and visit the ruins of Urquhart Castle for ideal monster spotting opportunities. After lunch in beautiful Beauly we visit a Highland whisky distillery, where the best way to learn about the 'water of life' is to taste it! Learn the true story which inspired *Outlander* at Culloden

Battlefield and attempt your own journey through the stones at Clava Cairns.

Depart central Inverness and journey to the world-famous Loch Ness, where you will join a cruise to the ruins of the 13th century Urquhart Castle. Then, there's free time to enjoy lunch in one of the charming local cafés in beautiful Beauly and walk it off exploring Beauly Priory; featured in the *Outlander* book *Dragonfly in Amber*. Our next stop is a Highland whisky distillery, where you can learn about whisky and sample a wee dram from the bar.

Listen to tales of the Jacobite rebellions and the brutal Battle of Culloden, on our visit to Culloden Battlefield. *Outlander* fans will love the mysterious burial chambers and standing stones at Clava Cairns. When you've heard the harrowing history behind the *Outlander* story, you might not want to travel back in time to meet Jamie Fraser after all! We return to Inverness in the early evening.



PAY LOCALLY



A fabulous tour led by a great driver guide. With a Loch Ness cruise and Urquhart Castle entry included, this tour is excellent value and a perfect way to start exploring the local area. Duffy was an exceptional guide and made the whole day thoroughly enjoyable from start to finish. A first-class tour and service from Highland Explorer Tours.

MARQUEA | NOVEMBER 2023

1 DAY TOUR

**LOCH NESS,
WHISKY &
OUTLANDER**

LOCH NESS CRUISE & URQUHART CASTLE

Enjoy this fully guided cruise on the mysterious Loch Ness including entry to the ruins of Urquhart Castle situated on the northwest shores of the Loch.



1 DAY TOUR

MORAY COAST, WILDLIFE & SPEYSIDE WHISKY EXPLORER

HIGHLIGHTS ★

PRETTY FINDHORN BAY AND BEACH ★ BOW FIDDLE ROCK
SEASIDE VILLAGE CULLEN ★ SPEYSIDE WHISKY TASTING
OLD PACKHORSE BRIDGE ★ TROUP HEAD RSPB NATURE RESERVE*

INCLUSIONS

PASSIONATE LOCAL GUIDE

Images: Troup Head | Bow Fiddle Rock (right)
Troup Head Puffins (bottom left)

APRIL - SEPTEMBER

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday

OCTOBER

Thursday & Saturday

Departs 8:00am
Returns 7:30pm

Adult from £75.00

Full refund if cancelled more than 24 hours in advance.

*Walk not suitable for people with mobility issues

EXPLORE MORE

Speyside Whisky Tasting approximately
£8.00 - £25.00

LEWIS
& HARRIS

ISLE
OF SKYE

INVERNESS
Loch Ness

STIRLING

GLASGOW

EDINBURGH

Findhorn
Beach

Cullen

Keith

Carrbridge

ABERDEEN

DUNDEE

Venture east for the day, away from the crowds of tourists, on an adventure along the Moray Firth and into 'Malt Whisky Country'. Experience the beauty and charm of the coast: sea cliffs, wonderful beaches, picturesque fishing villages, and a famous rock formation. If we are lucky, we may have a special encounter with the area's comical, colourful summer residents... the puffins! Toast our day of new experiences with our national drink in Scotland's largest whisky producing region, Speyside. After all the fresh air, whisky and wildlife, you will be truly puffed out and in love with this incredible region.

We depart Inverness and head straight for the historic village of Findhorn, for a walk on the gorgeous beach. We trail the coast

to Portknockie, where Bow Fiddle Rock, a dramatic sea arch, sits just off the shore. Afterwards, we continue our village-hop to picture-perfect Cullen, home of the famous soup, Cullen Skink. Explore, eat lunch and get excited for the next stop. Look out for puffins and sea birds on our invigorating walk at the RSPB's Troup Head Nature Reserve; you might even be lucky enough to spot marine life too!

Afterwards, we journey inland on the Malt Whisky Trail to learn all about single malt production at a Speyside whisky distillery, where tasting is the best way to learn! We make one final stop at the oldest stone bridge in the Highlands, in the small village of Carrbridge, before returning to Inverness in the evening.

THE PUFFINS[^]

During the summer months, Scotland's cliffs are alive with birds, including the most comical wee characters, and our favourite birds, the puffins! They come ashore late April to breed and usually can be seen until the middle of August - a truly unique seabird spectacle not to be missed.

[^] Please note: puffin encounters cannot be guaranteed.

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1 DAY TOUR

MORAY COAST,
WILDLIFE &
SPEYSIDE WHISKY
EXPLORER

“ The Moray coast trip was absolutely amazing! Our tour guide Duffy, did a wonderful job explaining the different sights and what to expect throughout the tour. The drive portion was balanced well with interesting facts and music. Each stop was unique and off the beaten path. It was very cool to see a side of Scotland that not many tourists go to. I especially loved getting to see all the small fishing towns and sea birds. MADISON | JULY 2023



HIGHLAND HOSPITALITY

Accommodation is included in the '3 Day Isle of Skye, Loch Ness & The West Highlands' and the '5 Day Isle of Skye Volunteer Adventure' tour. At our very own deluxe B&B 'The Skye Inn' in Portree, you will experience modern Scottish comforts and the finest island hospitality; cosy rooms with modern ensuite bathrooms, home-cooked meals, local beers, and drams by the fire.



Image: Portree



Image: The Skye Inn

The Skye Inn is located a short walk from the main square and colourful harbour with an excellent range of restaurants. Your stay includes a traditional Scottish cooked breakfast every morning with gluten-free, vegan, and vegetarian options available.

ROOM TYPES*

TWIN ROOM

One room with two separate beds suitable for one adult in each bed.

DOUBLE ROOM

One room with one bed suitable for two adults.

FAMILY 3

One room with two separate beds. One bed suitable for two adults and one bed suitable for one adult/child.

SINGLE

One room with one bed suitable for one adult.

* For the '5 Day Isle of Skye Volunteer Adventure', accommodation is included on a twin-share basis. Single travellers will be allocated a twin room to share with another member of the group.

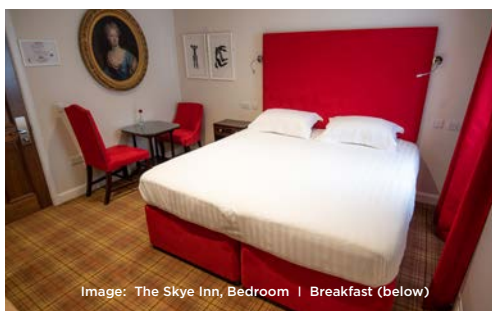


Image: The Skye Inn, Bedroom | Breakfast (below)



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ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

We are committed to making your tour with us as enjoyable as possible no matter what your individual needs are. Nevertheless, there are certain limitations that may arise due to the local and rural nature of Scotland.

WHEELCHAIRS AND MOBILITY IN THE HIGHLANDS

Our guides are not able to assist with wheelchairs or offer physical assistance when embarking or disembarking from the bus. Passengers should be able to board and disembark the coach themselves using the access stairs or with the assistance of a travelling companion. Due to the rural nature of Highland towns and villages, getting to and from the accommodation establishments may require short to medium-distance walking some of which may involve walking on sloping streets and uneven paths.

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Guest houses and B&Bs only provide breakfast whereas hotels have dinner and breakfast options available. There will always be vegetarian options available but in more rural locations, gluten free and dairy free options may be limited. It will not be possible for guests to prepare their own food in guest house, B&B or hotel kitchens.

If you have any accessibility requirements, please contact us before booking. One of our experienced reservations staff will be more than happy to assist with your enquiry.

For our full accessibility statement, go to highlandexplorertours.com/essential-info/accessibility

The West Highland Line has been voted 'Top Rail Journey of the World' in Wanderlust Magazine for several years and you'll understand why as soon as you hop on board.

JACOBITE STEAM TRAIN



Image: Glenfinnan Viaduct

Starting in Mallaig or Fort William, the train visits Arisaig, Britain's most westerly railway station, and from the coast you can see the 'Small Isles' of Rum, Eigg, Muck, and the stunning white beaches used in films such as *Local Hero* and *Highlander*.

The Jacobite Steam Train then passes through Glenfinnan where Bonnie Prince Charlie raised his standard to begin his ill-fated claim to the throne in 1745.

The Jacobite Steam Train was featured in a number of Harry Potter movies as the 'Hogwarts Express', crossing

over the 21 arches of the impressive Glenfinnan Viaduct with breathtaking views of Loch Shiel.

The Jacobite Steam Train is an outstanding way to take in the beautiful scenery of the Scottish West Coast and we guarantee it is an experience you will never forget.

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3 DAY TOUR

ISLE OF SKYE, LOCH NESS & THE WEST HIGHLANDS

HIGHLIGHTS ★

WORLD-FAMOUS JACOBITE STEAM TRAIN
STUNNING ISLE OF SKYE ★ ENCHANTING FAIRY POOLS
MYSTERIOUS LOCH NESS ★ CLAVA CAIRNS
ICONIC EILEAN DONAN CASTLE ★ CULLODEN BATTLEFIELD
HIGHLAND WHISKY DISTILLERY EXPERIENCE

INCLUSIONS

2 NIGHTS B&B
ACCOMMODATION
AT THE SKYE INN
FERRY CROSSING
TO THE ISLE OF SKYE
PASSIONATE LOCAL GUIDE

Images: Jacobite Steam Train | Fairy Pools (right)
Whisky Distillery Experience (below)



APRIL - OCTOBER

Friday

Departs 7:30am
Returns 5:00pm

Adult from **£439.00**

Per person price based on double / family / twin share accommodation. Please see T&Cs on website for cancellation policy.

EXPLORE MORE

Jacobite Steam Train from £65.00

Whisky Experience from £8.00

ACCOMMODATION

Deluxe B&B accommodation is included.
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Prepare for a spectacular experience of the Highlands and the enchanting Isle of Skye. Venture through a range of iconic scenery and get the chance to ride the world-famous Jacobite Steam Train. Be inspired by Scottish myths and legends as you take in many local gems: from the legendary Loch Ness and Eilean Donan Castle to cascading waterfalls and the Fairy Pools on the Isle of Skye. Every part of this journey uncovers a little more of Scotland's unique heritage.

DAY ONE | We depart Inverness in the morning and begin our journey along the mysterious Loch Ness before stopping at the Commando Memorial with views of Ben Nevis, Britain's highest mountain. We embark the Jacobite Steam Train for a scenic two-hour ride with spectacular views of the Highlands and Scotland's scenic West Coast, before taking the ferry over to our enchanted island destination, the Isle of Skye. (Overnight: Portree)

DAY TWO | We begin our morning exploring the enchanting Fairy Pools, a series of natural waterfalls with crystal clear water on the River Brittle. We drive to the quaint village of Dunvegan for lunch before taking a fabulous walk through the Quiraing. Our journey continues to the impressive the Kilt Rock and

the iconic Old Man of Storr before arriving back in Portree with free time to explore.

(Overnight: Portree)

DAY THREE | We bid farewell to the Isle of Skye and visit the romantic Eilean Donan Castle, said to be Scotland's most photographed castle. We replenish our energy with lunch in the quaint village of Beaulieu before sampling the 'water of life' at a Highland whisky distillery. Our adventure resumes with a visit to the historic Culloden Battlefield, followed by the standing stones of Clava Cairns, arriving back in Inverness in the early evening.



PAY LOCALLY



*My husband and I have been eager to go to Scotland for a long time, and this tour made the experience unparalleled. We have both been able to trace back our ancestry to Scotland and were very interested in the history of the country. Everything we could have wanted was accomplished on this trip. I experienced the bucket list item of riding the “Hogwarts Express” AKA the Jacobite Steam Train and my husband was able to visit his clan’s castle at Dunvegan. **ALLISON | JUNE 2023***

3 DAY TOUR

ISLE OF SKYE, LOCH NESS & THE WEST HIGHLANDS



5 DAY TOUR

ISLE OF SKYE VOLUNTEER ADVENTURE

HIGHLIGHTS ★

TORMORE FOREST VOLUNTEER PROJECT
IMMERSIVE GAELIC LANGUAGE WORKSHOP
FAIRY POOLS ★ KILT ROCK ★ EILEAN DONAN CASTLE
OLD MAN OF STORR ★ TORABHAIG DISTILLERY

**MAKE
TRAVEL
MATTER**
See page 5

INCLUSIONS

4 NIGHTS B&B
TWIN-SHARE
ACCOMMODATION
AT THE SKYE INN*
GAELIC LANGUAGE WORKSHOP
PASSIONATE LOCAL GUIDE

Images: Tormore Forest | Eilean Donan Castle (right)
Five Sisters of Kintail (far right) | Isle of Skye (bottom right)

28 OCTOBER 2024
AND 17 MARCH 2025

Departs 8:30am
Returns 5:30pm

Adult from **£499.00**

*Single travellers will be allocated a twin room to share with another member of the group.

EXPLORE MORE

Eilean Donan Castle  from £12.00

Torabhaig Distillery  from £12.00

ACCOMMODATION

Deluxe B&B accommodation is included.
See page 14 for details.

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Immerse yourself in the magic of the Isle of Skye and spend a transformative volunteer holiday on the Sleaf Peninsula. This adventure is the perfect balance of sightseeing and volunteering while making a positive impact on Scotland's unique landscapes and local communities.

We have partnered with the Sleaf Community Trust to help transform the forest of Tormore through tree planting, path building, and repair. It's not all hard toil; after volunteering on the Isle of Skye each morning, we will spend the afternoons exploring romantic castles, local whisky distilleries, and natural waterfalls. We even get the chance to learn some Scottish Gaelic and hear about all the myths, legends, and tales that form Scotland's rich history.

DAY ONE | We depart Inverness, driving along Loch Ness to the west coast with a chance of spotting its legendary creature 'Nessie'. Journey through Glen Shiel, steeped in historic battles, before visiting Eilean Donan Castle. We head to the Isle of Skye for lunch in the capital island town of Portree, before exploring

iconic landmarks like Kilt Rock, Old Man of Storr, and the Quiraing. We arrive back in Portree to check into The Skye Inn, our warm and cosy home for the next four nights.

(Overnight: Portree)

DAY TWO | After a hearty Scottish breakfast, we journey past the rugged Cuillin Mountain Range, delving into captivating stories of clan feuds and warfare. We arrive in Tormore Forest, where we meet the Sleaf Community Trust team for tree planting and path repair. After lunch, we explore the enchanting Fairy Pools, nestled against steep-sided mountains.

(Overnight: Portree)

DAY THREE | Our journey resumes with another busy morning in the forest - a lovely boost for the soul! In the afternoon we learn more about the founding language of Scotland at the National Centre for Gaelic Language and Culture, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig. Our visit includes a tour, lecture, and Gaelic tutoring taster session.

(Overnight: Portree)

DAY FOUR | Our physical effort this morning is balanced with a laid-back afternoon exploring Sleaf and its hidden beaches and rocky shorelines, art galleries and local shops - the perfect opportunity to pick up a souvenir from your time on Skye.

(Overnight: Portree)



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This trip was exactly what I've been looking for in a tour – the opportunity to feel as though I'm giving back to a community that is providing so much for me to see and do. [...] I think many on this trip tended to be like-minded and we all appreciated how engaged both Duffy and Harrison were with our group. [...] Between the professional and caring way this tour was run and the incredible feeling of community it instilled, I am absolutely considering doing the tour again next year! ANONYMOUS | OCTOBER 2023

5 DAY TOUR

ISLE OF SKYE VOLUNTEER ADVENTURE

DAY FIVE | Our morning volunteering on the Isle of Skye will be well-rewarded after lunch with a visit to the distillery at Torabhaig, the second ever licensed Single Malt Scotch Whisky Distillery on the Isle of Skye. You will have the opportunity to take an optional tour, learn the secrets to the 'water of life' and make a toast to all the hard work and positive changes we have made – Slàinte! The perfect way to celebrate our week of hard work and adventure before returning through the stunning Highland scenery to Inverness.



ABOUT THE TORMORE FOREST VOLUNTEER PROJECT

Tormore Forest is a community-owned forest on the beautiful Sleat Peninsula of the Isle of Skye; with spellbinding views to the Scottish mainland and small isles. The forest contains the remains of historical settlements that have great potential to be used by the residents and visitors to the island, but the community needs more helping hands to make the forest more accessible. Through tree planting, trail building, and invasive plant eradication, you will help to create a new fascinating site of interest and support the development of a wonderful local-driven project.



TOURS AT A GLANCE

**Please arrive 15 minutes before departure for check-in

DAY	TOURS	DEPARTS**	RETURNS	ADULT FROM	CONCESSION
MONDAY	1 Day Harry Potter Train & The Scenic Highlands (April - October)*	7:30am***	8:00pm	£185	SAVE £3
	1 Day Loch Ness, Whisky & Outlander (All year)	8:15am	5:00pm	£82	SAVE £3
	1 Day Isle of Skye & Eilean Donan Castle (All year)	7:45am	7:45pm	£64	SAVE £3
	5 Day Isle of Skye Volunteer Adventure (28 October 2024 & 17 March 2025)	8:30am	5:30pm	£499	N/A
TUESDAY	1 Day Harry Potter Train & The Scenic Highlands (April - October)*	7:30am***	8:00pm	£185	SAVE £3
	1 Day Loch Ness, Whisky & Outlander (All year)	8:15am	5:00pm	£82	SAVE £3
	1 Day Isle of Skye & Eilean Donan Castle (All year)	7:45am	7:45pm	£64	SAVE £3
	1 Day Moray Coast, Wildlife & Speyside Whisky Explorer (April - September)	8:00am	7:30pm	£75	SAVE £3
WEDNESDAY	1 Day Harry Potter Train & The Scenic Highlands (April - October)*	7:30am***	8:00pm	£185	SAVE £3
	1 Day Loch Ness, Whisky & Outlander (All year)	8:15am	5:00pm	£82	SAVE £3
	1 Day Isle of Skye & Eilean Donan Castle (All year)	7:45am	7:45pm	£64	SAVE £3
THURSDAY	1 Day Harry Potter Train & The Scenic Highlands (April - October)*	7:30am***	8:00pm	£185	SAVE £3
	1 Day Loch Ness, Whisky & Outlander (All year)	8:15am	5:00pm	£82	SAVE £3
	1 Day Isle of Skye & Eilean Donan Castle (All year)	7:45am	7:45pm	£64	SAVE £3
	1 Day Moray Coast, Wildlife & Speyside Whisky Explorer (April - October)	8:00am	7:30pm	£75	SAVE £3
FRIDAY	1 Day Harry Potter Train & The Scenic Highlands (April - October)*	7:30am***	8:00pm	£185	SAVE £3
	1 Day Loch Ness, Whisky & Outlander (All year)	8:15am	5:00pm	£82	SAVE £3
	1 Day Isle of Skye & Eilean Donan Castle (All year)	7:45am	7:45pm	£64	SAVE £3
	3 Day Isle of Skye, Loch Ness & The West Highlands (April - October)	7:30am	5:00pm	£439	SAVE £14
SATURDAY	1 Day Harry Potter Train & The Scenic Highlands (April - October)*	7:30am***	8:00pm	£185	SAVE £3
	1 Day Loch Ness, Whisky & Outlander (October - March)	8:15am	5:00pm	£82	SAVE £3
	1 Day Isle of Skye & Eilean Donan Castle (October - March)	7:45am	7:45pm	£64	SAVE £3
	1 Day Moray Coast, Wildlife & Speyside Whisky Explorer (April - October)	8:00am	7:30pm	£75	SAVE £3
SUNDAY	1 Day Harry Potter Train & The Scenic Highlands (April - October)*	7:30am***	8:00pm	£185	SAVE £3
	1 Day Loch Ness, Whisky & Outlander (All year)	8:15am	5:00pm	£82	SAVE £3
	1 Day Isle of Skye & Eilean Donan Castle (All year)	7:45am	7:45pm	£64	SAVE £3

*Selected dates only. *** Some tours will depart at 9:30am and return at 9pm. Please check e-ticket for your departure time.

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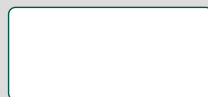
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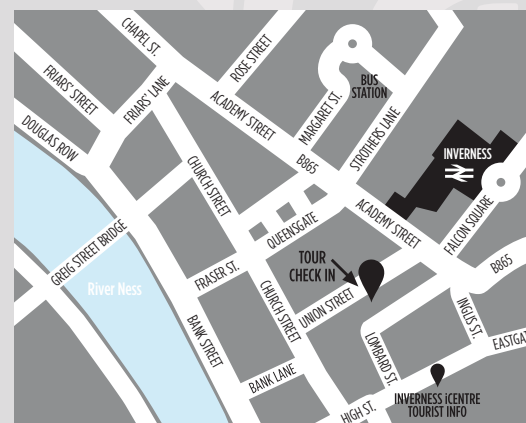
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