



# Scotland and England

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## Saturday, August 16, 2014 • Depart

Our adventure begins as we depart the United States on our international flight, and wing our way over the Atlantic to Glasgow, Scotland!

## Sunday, August 17, 2014 • Glasgow - Stirling

Upon arrival in Glasgow, after a **short panoramic tour of the city of Glasgow**, we head to the highlands **Stirling Castle**, which dominated Scottish history for centuries and is one of the most imposing castles in Britain. Then we check into our hotel to rest a bit before our welcome dinner tonight. **B/D**



## Monday, August 18, 2014 • Inverness



Today we head north through the **Trossachs National Park**, long considered the "Mecca" of travelers to Scotland. Then we travel along Loch Lomond. One can imagine the inspiration for the romantic poem "Lady of the Lake" by Sir Walter Scott. At Fort William, we can view **Ben Nevis**. At 4406 feet, it is the highest mountain in the British

Isles, and the vistas are breathtaking. We drive along Loch Ness in a search for Nessie, the friendly, but elusive, resident monster. We stop for lunch along the way. We arrive in Inverness where dinner in on our own tonight. **B/L**

## Tuesday, August 19, 2014 • Inverness

A full day of sightseeing and exploration awaits us. Today we begin by exploring the area of the savage clans and roving barbarians, including a visit to the **Culloden Battlefield**. We will learn about the Jacobite movement, the rise and demise of the clan system, local homes and battlegrounds, and discover many clues to the Celtic, and non-Celtic, ancestors of the Highlanders. **B/D**



## Wednesday, August 20, 2014 • Edinburgh

We drive through the Grampian Mountains in the Highlands

and venture down into the **Cairngorms National Park**, the largest in Britain. It covers almost 2300 square miles of beautiful and unspoiled countryside including wild moorlands, and mountains, granite Ice Age glacier heaves, and spectacular valleys, glens, rivers and lochs (lakes) as well as a huge variety of wildlife. We stop in **St Andrew's**, birthplace of golf, and home to the famous Old Course and the Royal and Ancient Golf Club, the focal point of world golf. We drive by Gleneagles and continue to Edinburgh, our home for the next three nights. **B/D**

## Thursday, August 21, 2014 • Edinburgh

This morning we enjoy a **panoramic tour of Edinburgh**, a beautiful city, often referred to as the "Athens of the North!" Highlights will include the Walter Scott Monument, the elegant Prince's Street, and a stop to see **Edinburgh Castle**



with its foreboding ramparts and walls, amazing city views, Crown jewels, and the siege gun, Mon's Meg. An optional tour is available for those who would like to tour the castle later today. Our afternoon is free before Tattoo this evening where the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo celebrates its Scottish Heritage with the world. Music, dance, and precision our on display with the Massed Pipes and Drums, the Bands of Her Majesty's Royal Marines, cultural troupes, singers and the poignant refrain of the Lone Piper against the stunning backdrop of Edinburgh Castle. **B**

## Friday, August 22, 2014 • Edinburgh

Late this morning we head for **Haddington** where we explore the area. We will enjoy lunch at the Waterloo Bistro then continue on to the **Glen Kinchie distillery** for a sample or two before returning to Edinburgh. This evening we share stories of our time in Scotland before heading south tomorrow. **B/L**



## Saturday, August 23, 2014 • London

This morning we board the train to London. Upon arrival we get a tour of "London Towne," one of the world's most visited cities. Then we stop for **lunch at a local pub**. This evening we enjoy **a show in the West End**. **B/L**

## Sunday, August 24, 2014 • London

We head north through the charming Cotswolds, taking in breathtaking views of open countryside crisscrossed by dry

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stone walls and bustling market towns with magnificent churches. We **drive past Highclere Castle** through the leisurely lanes with villages of thatched roof houses and golden colored stone. We will have time to stop for lunch on our own. We **stop to see the birthplace of William Shakespeare** and home to the world-renowned Royal Shakespeare Company, Stratford is a charming market town set in the heart of rural England. We continue on to **Blenheim Palace**, the birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill where we tour the palace. We return to London via where dinner is on our own tonight. **B**



## Monday, August 25, 2014 • London

Today is a free day open for options, a time to explore on our own. London has a wealth of museums and many of them are free of charge. Not to be missed is the prestigious British Museum with its incomparable section of antiquities. Art lovers will want to spend time in the Tate Modern

Gallery, one of the world's greatest museums of art! An in depth visit of Westminster Abbey is also an excellent idea. Shoppers and non-shoppers alike would appreciate an hour or two spent exploring Harrods, the world's greatest department store. Britain's World War II "war room" has been preserved just as it was and is now open to the public. Our guide will have lots of suggestions for us as the possibilities are endless! Tonight we celebrate our amazing journey with a farewell dinner. **B/D**

## Tuesday, August 26, 2014 • Return

Regretfully, it's time to say "cheerio" and transfer the short distance to the airport, where our international flight is waiting to return us to the USA. We return, however, with memories of lovely landscapes, verdant fields, fabulous castles and ruins, interesting pubs and people, enchanting music and most importantly, a wealth of new friends! Welcome home! **B**



**TOUR PRICE: \$2,869\*** *per person, land only*

**Single Supplement = \$525**

*\*Price is per person based on a minimum of 20 participants, double occupancy.*

### Your Tour Includes:

- **Land Transportation** via private deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- **Accommodations** (double occupancy) in superior 3-star and moderate 4-star hotels
- **Meals** per the itinerary
- **Admission** to all activities indicated as per itinerary
- All transfers as a group
- Local **step-on guides** for city tours and major attractions
- **Luggage handling** of one piece per person
- **All taxes and tips** for provided services except as indicated below

### Your Tour Does Not Include:

- **Air Transportation** and related taxes and fees
- Meals not indicated on itinerary
- **Beverages**, except with breakfast
- End of tour gratuity for coach driver and guide
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees. (Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.)
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation. (This insurance is available and recommended.)

### Payment Schedule:

A deposit of \$500 per person is due with reservation. Final payment is due 100 days prior to departure date. Invoice will be sent out prior to final payment. Passengers may add after this date subject to air and land availability. Generally airlines do not increase the price of a ticket after it has been contracted. However, prior to the issuance of a ticket, airlines may (and regularly do) impose fuel, tax, or security surcharges. In the event a surcharge is imposed after Ed-Ventures has received a final payment, Ed-Ventures will send an additional invoice for the surcharge amount. Early registration is encouraged.

### Currency:

Currency exchange rates fluctuate constantly. In the event of a significant drop in the value of the dollar, we reserve the right to add a currency surcharge to the price of the tour.

### Refund/Cancellation Policy:

All cancellations must be in writing. The date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due. Refunds are based on the number of days prior to departure date. From the time of deposit to 99 days before departure a \$100 administrative fee plus any airfare penalties will be assessed. From 99-14 days, a \$300 cancellation penalty plus lost airfare deposits and any unrecoverable deposits to ground suppliers will be assessed. Airline tickets once purchased are nonrefundable. Anyone canceling less than 14 days prior to departure will receive **no refund**.

**Purchase of health, baggage, and trip cancellation/interruption insurance is strongly recommended.**

### Abbreviations for Meals:

**B=Breakfast D=Dinner**

## Terms and Conditions

We reserve the right to cancel this trip due to lack of subscription. In the event of cancellation of the trip in its entirety, a full refund of all deposits will be made to passengers enrolled at the time of cancellation. Tour price is based on the value of the dollar and the cost of airfare and is subject to change without notice. Extensions are usually available, but must be requested when booking the tour. Any changes in airfare booking may result in a processing fee. It may be possible, that due to unforeseen events, conditions, or changes in airline schedules, the land portion of the trip may be extended or shortened. Any savings realized by such occurrences will be refunded, however any extra expenses incurred must be borne by the client. Trip cancellation insurance is available. This low-cost protection can save you money if you are forced to cancel or alter your trip for a medical reason only. You will be mailed trip cancellation insurance information with the brochure or upon receipt of your deposit.

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# Registration Form

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### Passenger Information (1<sup>st</sup> Traveler)

Please record information exactly as it appears on your passport. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport.

**Legal Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Nickname): \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport Exp. Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport Authority:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Place of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dietary needs:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Passenger Information (2<sup>nd</sup> Traveler)

Please record information exactly as it appears on your passport. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport.

**Legal Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Nickname): \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport Exp. Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport Authority:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Place of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dietary needs:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Work phone/cell:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Deposit Payment Information

(please fill out if paying by check):

Enclosed is my check made payable to  
*Ed-Ventures, Inc.* in the amount of:

\_\_\_\_\_.

### Deposit Payment Information (please fill out if paying by *credit card*):

**Credit Card Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Visa/MasterCard/Disc:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Card ID Code:\*** \_\_\_\_\_

**Exp. Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

*\*last 3 digits in signature box on the back of the card*

**Sleeping Preference** (circle one): Double bed Twin Beds

**Roommate name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Single supplement** (additional \$525, land only): \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

**Travel Insurance** (please check one):  Yes, sign me up  No, I decline

**Insurance Payment Information:**  Charge my card below  Check enclosed

**Credit Card Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Card ID Code:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Visa/MC/Disc:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Exp. Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions. Please sign me up for the trip!

**Signature of 1<sup>st</sup> traveler:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of 2<sup>nd</sup> traveler:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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