Hammond Tours Presents

Matt Zembo's Tour of Scotland



$3220.00 Per Person sharing a room

May 31- June 7, 2027

Day 1 – May 31: Monday: Arrival in Edinburgh

Welcome to Scotland! Upon arrival at Edinburgh Airport, meet your driver and transfer to your hotel in the heart of Scotland's historic capital. Depending on your arrival time, enjoy an introductory sightseeing tour of Edinburgh, taking in the elegant Georgian architecture of the New Town, Princes Street Gardens, and the famous Royal Mile, which stretches between Edinburgh Castle and the Palace of Holyroodhouse. Enjoy some free time to explore the charming streets, shops, and cafés of this beautiful city. **Overnight at the YOTEL Edinburgh.**

Day 2 – June 1: Tuesday: Edinburgh Castle and City Sightseeing

After breakfast, enjoy a full day exploring Edinburgh, one of Europe's most beautiful and historic cities. Begin with a visit to Edinburgh Castle, dramatically situated atop an extinct volcanic rock overlooking the city. Discover Scotland's fascinating royal history, view the Scottish Crown Jewels, and enjoy spectacular views across Edinburgh. Continue along the historic Royal Mile, passing St. Giles' Cathedral and the narrow medieval closes that give the Old Town its unique character. See the Palace of Holyroodhouse, the official Scottish residence of the British monarch, and enjoy views of Arthur's Seat. Later, explore the elegant Georgian New Town, with its impressive architecture, boutiques, and gardens. The remainder of the afternoon is free to enjoy Edinburgh at your leisure. **Overnight at the YOTEL Edinburgh.**

Day 3 – June 2: Wednesday: Edinburgh to Pitlochry via Scone Palace

Depart Edinburgh after breakfast and travel north across the Firth of Forth, enjoying views of the famous Forth Bridges. Continue through the picturesque Perthshire countryside to Scone Palace, one of Scotland's most important historic residences and the traditional crowning place of Scottish kings. Explore the magnificent palace, its beautifully furnished rooms, and impressive grounds before enjoying a traditional Scottish cream tea. Travel south through the breathtaking Highland landscapes, passing picturesque lochs and mountains as you make your way toward Stirling. Visit Stirling Castle, one of Scotland's grandest and most historically significant castles, closely associated with Mary, Queen of Scots, and Scotland's royal history. Continue to the charming Victorian town of Pitlochry, surrounded by wooded hills and beautiful Highland scenery. Enjoy time to explore its independent shops, cafés, and picturesque streets. Depending on time, visit the nearby Pitlochry Dam and Fish Ladder or enjoy a scenic drive through the surrounding countryside. **Overnight at Fisher's Hotel, Pitlochry.**

Day 4 – June 3: Thursday: Pitlochry to Inverness via Highland Folk Museum and Culloden

Following breakfast, travel north into the magnificent Scottish Highlands, passing through the spectacular landscapes of the Cairngorms National Park. Stop at the Highland Folk Museum in Newtonmore, where historic buildings and exhibits bring Highland life from past centuries to life. Discover traditional crofting cottages, farming practices, and the everyday lives of Highland communities. Continue north to Culloden Battlefield and Visitor Centre, the site of the final battle of the Jacobite Rising in 1746. Learn about this pivotal event in Scottish history through the fascinating exhibits and walk the atmospheric battlefield. Continue to the Highland House of Fraser, where you can learn about traditional Scottish tartans, kilts, and Highland dress. Later, continue to Inverness, the capital of the Highlands, beautifully situated along the River Ness. Enjoy an introductory tour of the city, with time to explore its attractive streets and riverside setting. **Overnight at The Leonardo Hotel Inverness.**

Day 5 – June 4: Friday: Inverewe Gardens and the Northwest Highlands

Today, enjoy a spectacular excursion into the remote and beautiful Northwest Highlands. Travel west through dramatic Highland scenery, passing rugged mountains, peaceful lochs, and traditional Scottish villages. Continue toward the shores of Loch Ewe to visit the magnificent Inverewe Gardens, one of Scotland's most remarkable gardens. Created in the 19th century, these beautiful gardens feature an extraordinary collection of plants from around the world, thriving in the mild climate created by the North Atlantic Drift. Enjoy time to explore the colorful gardens and admire breathtaking views across Loch Ewe. Along the way, take in the stunning landscapes of Wester Ross, with opportunities for photographs and a lunch stop in a picturesque Highland village. Return to Inverness in the late afternoon or early evening. **Overnight at The Leonardo Inverness.**

Day 6 – June 5: Saturday: Inverness to Glasgow via Loch Ness, Urquhart Castle and Stirling

After breakfast, depart Inverness and travel along the shores of legendary Loch Ness, famous for its mysterious monster, Nessie. Enjoy a scenic boat cruise on the loch, taking in the beautiful Highland surroundings and dramatic views of Urquhart Castle. Visit the historic castle ruins, perched on a rocky promontory overlooking the water, and discover their fascinating history. Continue to Glasgow, Scotland's largest city, known for its impressive Victorian architecture, vibrant cultural scene, and friendly atmosphere. **Overnight at Motel One Glasgow.**

Day 7 – June 6: Sunday: Glasgow City Sightseeing

Following breakfast, enjoy a day discovering Glasgow, a lively city filled with history, culture, and impressive architecture. Begin with a panoramic sightseeing tour, taking in George Square, the magnificent Glasgow City Chambers, and the city's grand Victorian buildings. Visit the historic Glasgow Cathedral, one of Scotland's finest medieval buildings, and see the nearby Necropolis, a remarkable Victorian cemetery offering impressive views over the city. Continue to the West End, known for its attractive streets, cafés, and beautiful architecture. See the University of Glasgow, with its striking Gothic buildings, and enjoy time to explore the Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum, home to an outstanding collection of art and historical exhibits. The afternoon is free for shopping along Buchanan Street, exploring the city's museums, or simply enjoying Glasgow's welcoming atmosphere. **Overnight at Motel One Glasgow.**

Day 8 – June 7: Monday: Departure from Glasgow

After breakfast, transfer to Glasgow Airport for your return flight home, taking with you wonderful memories of Scotland's historic castles, magnificent Highland scenery, charming villages, and vibrant cities.

Accommodations:

2 nights – YOTEL Edinburgh, 4-star, including breakfast
1 night – Fisher's Hotel, Pitlochry, 4-star, including breakfast
2 nights – Leonardo Hotel Inverness, 3-star, including breakfast
2 nights – Motel One Glasgow, 3-star, including breakfast
Total: 7 nights with daily breakfast.

Admissions Included:

- Edinburgh Castle
- Stirling Castle
- Scone Palace with Cream Tea
- Highland Folk Museum
- Culloden Visitor Centre

- Highland House of Fraser
- Inverewe Gardens
- Urquhart Castle with Loch Ness Boat Cruise

- **Reservation & Payment Information**
- To reserve your place on this tour, please complete the reservation application at www.hammondtours.com
- A non-refundable deposit of $250 per person is required to confirm your reservation.
- A single supplement of $1,099.00 applies for travelers requesting a private room.
- **Payment Schedule**
- • Final payment due February 26, 2027
- *Payment reminders will be sent prior to each due date.*
- **Contact Information**
- Hammond Tours | 34 Wedgewood Lane, Voorheesville, NY 12186
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- **Cancellation Policy**
- If written cancellation is received:
- • More than 120 days prior to departure: $250 per person
- • 119–60 days prior: $800 per person
- • 59 days or less: 100% cancellation penalty
- We strongly recommend purchasing Travel Cancellation & Interruption Insurance. For coverage options, please visit www.travelguard.com.
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