# Outlander Scotland Voyage

Edinburgh, Inverness, Fort William & Glasgow





Experience the magic of Scotland on this Outlander-themed voyage. Visit iconic locations from the show and books, including the real-life castles that played Lallybroch and Castle Leoch, the quaint villages that stood in for Crainesmuir and 1940s Inverness, and the solemn, windswept Culloden Moor. Learn about the real history of the Jacobites, tour magnificent cathedrals and castles, and enjoy the lively spirit and warm hospitality of the Scottish people.

# **TRIP INCLUDES:**

- Arrival and departure transfers with assistant
- Welcome dinner in Edinburgh
- Superior 4-star hotel accommodation
- Luggage handling at hotel (1 piece per person)
- Breakfast daily
- Expert Scotland and Outlander guide
- Walking tour of Edinburgh
- Outlander Dinner Show
- Private tour of Brodie Castle
- Highland Folk Museum visit
- Historic farm tour and sheepdog demonstration
- Private tour of Pollok House
- Farewell dinner in Glasgow

Pre- and post-stay tailor-made itineraries as well as special coach and business class air fares are available on request







#### **DAY 1: EDINBURGH - ARRIVAL**

Meet and greet upon arrival in Edinburgh, then enjoy a guided walking tour of the beautiful city of Edinburgh. Explore the Medieval Old Town and elegant Georgian New Town, stroll the Royal Mile, and see the imposing Edinburgh Castle. Afterwards, meet at the hotel for a welcome dinner.

#### **DAY 2: EDINBURGH AREA**

Delve into the world of Outlander with our expert guide! Start at Hopetoun House, one of the finest examples of 18th century architecture in Britain (it plays the home of the Duke of Sandringham in the series). Next visit the formidable 15th century Blackness Castle on the southern shore of the Firth of Forth. It stood in for Fort William in the first season of Outlander, and in real life served as a garrison fortress and state prison. En route back to Edinburgh, see the exterior of Midhope Castle, situated in the hamlet of Abercorn on the Hopetoun estate and most famously known as the fictional Lallybroch.

This evening, attend the Outlander Dinner Show, a lively evening full of food, song, and dance inspired by the books and series. Enjoy a delicious three course meal, live traditional music from a local Scottish band, Highland dancing (including the famous sword dance) and readings from the series, all just a stone's throw away from show filming locations.

#### **DAY 3: EDINBURGH & FALKIRK**

Continue to explore Outlander sites with our guide, beginning with Linlithgow Palace. Explore the magnificent ruins of the birthplace of Mary Queen of Scots. Linlithgow Palace was built and added to over two centuries by the Stewart kings, resulting in a superb Renaissance residence. Today Linlithgow Palace lies roofless and ruined, yet entering the palace gates still inspires awe in visitors. Fans will recognize it as Wentworth Prison from Season One. Next continue to the stunning Callendar House, dating

from the 14th century. Through wars, rebellions and the industrial revolution, Callendar House has played host to many great historical figures over the centuries, including Mary, Queen of Scots, Cromwell and Bonnie Prince Charlie. The mansion's Georgian kitchen appears in a pivotal scene in Season Two. Return to Edinburgh for the evening.

#### **DAY 4: EDINBURGH TO INVERNESS**

Depart for Inverness this morning and stop in the picturesque village of Culross. This lovely town is best remembered for its role as the village of Cranesmuir and played host to several other scenes in Season Four. Then, visit Doune Castle, once the home of Robert Stewart, the first Duke of Albany. Doune Castle is a veritable movie star, having appeared not only as Castle Leoch in Outlander, but also in Monty Python and the Holy Grail and Game of Thrones. Afterwards, stop at Kinloch Rannoch, known in the show as Craigh na Dun and location of one of the most memorable scenes from Outlander. Though there is no stone circle here in real life, visitors won't be disappointed by the gorgeous scenery and sparkling loch. Continue on to Inverness for dinner at the hotel.

#### DAY 5: CULLODEN MOOR AND BRODIE CASTLE

Discover the stark and solemn atmosphere of Culloden Moor, where the 1745 Jacobite Rising came to a tragic end and over 1,200 Jacobite supporters were slain in just one hour of a brutal battle against the Duke of Cumberland's government troops. Visit key areas of the battlefield as well as the memorial cairn and clan markers. In the afternoon, enjoy a private tour of Brodie Castle with the head housekeeper. This 16th century castle was the ancestral home of the prominent Brodie clan for over 400 years and today houses a magnificent collection of furniture, ceramics and artwork. It's a slice of Scottish history not to be missed!







#### **DAY 6: INVERNESS AREA AND LOCH NESS**

Today, journey along the banks of the mysterious Loch Ness. Visit Urquhart Castle, an ancient fortress ruin overlooking the lake and one of the most iconic sites in all of the Scottish Highlands (in the Outlander novel, it's where Claire spots the magical "water horse"). En route back to Inverness, visit one of Scotland's most beautiful valleys, Glen Affric and the setting for Clarie and Frank's first honeymoon. Stop at the tranquil Beauly Priory, where the Lovat Frasers are buried in the Outlander books. The 13th century building, once used by Lord Cromwell and visited by Mary Queen of Scots, was already in ruins by the 1700s, but the beautiful stonework, peaceful burial grounds, and ancient elm trees over 800 years old remain.

# **DAY 7: INVERNESS TO FORT WILLIAM**

Depart Inverness and travel through the untamed landscapes of the Highlands. Visit the Highland Folk Museum to step into daily life of 18th century Highland people (you'll recognize it as the setting from Season One where Claire helps the village women dye cloth). Then visit the Glenfinnan Monument and Visitor Centre. Framed amid typically spectacular Highland scenery at the head of Loch Shiel with sweeping glens as a backdrop stands this poignant monument to the final Jacobite Rising. Raise your bonnet to the lone Highlander on top of Glenfinnan Monument and take the dizzying climb up the tower for an unrivalled view of Loch Shiel. Continue on to Fort William in the West Highlands for dinner and overnight.

## **DAY 8: FORT WILLIAM TO GLASGOW**

Begin the day with a drive through Glencoe, one of the most beautiful and otherworldly places in Scotland. You'll instantly recognize the iconic view of the Highlands' rugged beauty from the opening credits

of every Outlander episode. Stop at Cumbernauld Glen, a wildlife reserve that features swaths of snowdrops in early spring, carpets of bluebells in summer, and dazzling golden foliage in autumn. Cumbernauld Glen also serves as many locations for Fraser's Ridge in the show (despite being set in North Carolina, these scenes are all filmed in Scotland!).

En route to Glasgow, enjoy a farm tour and sheepdog demonstration as the Wood family warmly welcomes you to Ledard, their historical working hill farm on the shores of Loch Ard. Three generations of the family currently live and work on this 300 acre sheep farm which dates from 1474. After this memorable and entertaining experience, continue to Glasgow.

#### **DAY 9: GLASGOW**

Explore Glasgow today, beginning with a private tour of Pollok House. This historic house is set amidst the beautiful Pollok Country Park (where numerous scenes were filmed, including the duel between Jamie and Jack Randall in Season Two). Then visit Glasgow Cathedral, one of Scotland's most magnificent medieval buildings. Admire the extraordinary architecture and visit the atmospheric 13th century Lower Church which was transformed into the Hôpital des Anges in Season 2. Afterwards, visit Kelvingrove Art Gallery. One of Scotland's most visited attractions, Kelvingrove is a magnificent building with 22 themed, stateof-the-art galleries displaying an astonishing 8,000 objects. Tonight meet for a farewell dinner at a local pub to enjoy some Scottish fare and traditional bagpipe music.

### **DAY 10: DEPARTURE**

Say "mar sin leat" to Scotland as you are transferred to the airport for your return flight.





