

15-day tour of Great Britain

And optional: 5-day extension to Ireland

ITINERARY

DAY / DATE	ITINERARY	MEALS INCLUDED
DAY 1	ARRIVAL IN LONDON	Breakfast
DAY 2	LONDON	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 3	LONDON	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 4	LONDON – OXFORD – STRATFORD – BIRMINGHAM	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 5	BIRMINGHAM – LIVERPOOL	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 6	LIVERPOOL – CONWY – CARNAFON – FESTINIOG – CHESTER – LIVERPOOL	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 7	LIVERPOOL – AMBLESIDE – GRETNA GREEN – DUMFRIES	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 8	DUMFRIES – EDINBURGH	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 9	EDINBURGH	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 10	EDINBURGH – PITLORCHRY – INVERNESS	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 11	INVERNESS – KYLE OF LOCHALSH – FORT WILLIAM	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 12	FORT WILLIAM – GLASGOW	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 13	GLASGOW	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 14	GLASGOW – BRISTOL – BATH – STONEHENGE – LONDON	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 15	LONDON – RETURN FLIGHT <u>Or IRELAND EXTENSION</u> LONDON – CORK	Breakfast Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 16	CORK – RING OF KERRY – LIMERICK	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 17	LIMERICK – KILKENNY – DUBLIN	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 18	DUBLIN	Breakfast – Lunch
DAY 19	DUBLIN – RETURN FLIGHT	Breakfast – Lunch

PROGRAM DETAILS

DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN LONDON

Arrival in London at ... on flight ...

You will then be greeted by your guide and driver outside the airport..

Departure for the visit of the **Windsor Castle** : Located on a hill overlooking the city, Windsor Castle, a medieval-style construction begun by William the Conqueror in the 11th century, is the largest castle in the world still inhabited today.

The castle is also used as an official royal residence when the Sovereign receives state visits from monarchs, politicians, presidents, and public figures from around the world, or when he presides over investiture ceremonies throughout the year. Unlike Buckingham Palace, which is only open to the public for two months of the year, Windsor Castle can be visited year-round.



Lunch at the restaurant.

Transfer and check-in at the hotel.

Free afternoon.

Free dinner.

Overnight at hotel in London



Overnight at hotel in London



Lunch included



French-speaking guide for tours



Vehicle with driver for visits

Breakfast at the hotel.

Discover some of London's most iconic sights on a panoramic open-top bus tour with a guide. Pass famous attractions such as [Buckingham Palace](#), the [famous Piccadilly Circus](#) and the [Trafalgar Square](#) from the comfort of your seat, while listening to fascinating facts and stories from your guide. Multilingual audio guides are also available.

Lunch at the restaurant.

Continuation of the visit:

Saint Paul's Cathedral : At almost 110 meters high, St. Paul's Cathedral in London is the second largest cathedral in the world after St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. This cathedral is considered Christopher Wren's masterpiece. The wooden cathedral was one of the buildings most affected by the fire of 1666 and had to be rebuilt several times until it became the majestic building it is today, erected between 1676 and 1710.



The Tower of London : An iconic monument in British history. This UNESCO World Heritage Site was built in 1086 by William the Conqueror. The Tower of London is a medieval complex in the City of London. It is a particularly well-preserved 11th-century fortress that is the pride of Londoners, and beyond, of all British people. They call it the "Tower of London," of course. This fortress is located in the heart of the City of London on the banks of the Thames, on the North Bank. It forms a tourist complex with the well-known Tower Bridge, which is the famous bascule bridge of the capital of the United Kingdom.

Optional: London Lights.

Discover the enchantment of London at night. Explore London's iconic landmarks and admire the unique architecture. Visit London's most photogenic destinations after dark.

Pub stop at 10:30 pm, return to the hotel.

Overnight at hotel in London



Overnight at hotel in London



Breakfast, lunch included



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DAY 3: LONDON

Breakfast at the hotel.

Visit of the **Madame Tussauds Museum**, Specializing in wax replicas of the world's most famous and influential figures, it is one of London's most popular attractions.

Today, it is the only wax museum in the world to obtain the approval and collaboration of various celebrities in the creation of their wax doubles; these celebrities even make a point of being present when their wax statue is unveiled to the public for the first time!

The wax figures of today's world are created with incredible lifelikeness by world-renowned sculptors using the same techniques Madame Tussauds used over 200 years ago.



Lunch

Afternoon, free time

Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in London.



Overnight at hotel in London



Breakfast, lunch included



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DAY 4: LONDON – OXFORD – STRATFORD – BIRMINGHAM

Breakfast at the hotel.

The tour will continue to **Oxford**, known for having one of the oldest and most renowned universities in Great Britain.

Admire iconic architecture and learn about university life from your student guide. Visit one of the university's oldest colleges and the Bodleian Library. Learn about the history of the university's colleges, including All Souls College, Trinity College, Oriel College, Hertford College and Merton College, Radcliffe Camera, and the University Church of St. Mary. Get an equally in-depth history of the city. Discover Oxford ceremonies, famous graduates, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, and how the most powerful Archbishop of Canterbury was burned at the stake in Oxford..



Lunch

Stratford Upon Avon, a prosperous Midland market town, known as the birthplace of William Shakespeare in 1564, but also for its enchanting black and white houses dating from the 17th century.

Overnight at hotel in Birmingham.



Overnight at hotel in Birmingham



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Breakfast, lunch included

DAY 5: BIRMINGHAM – LIVERPOOL

Breakfast at the hotel.

Discovery of **Liverpool TWIST and SHOUT, Liver building, Beatles museum**

Liverpool : Home of the legendary Beatles, a mecca of European football, a cultural center rich in history, Liverpool has more than enough to surprise you! Immerse yourself in English culture by discovering one of the most renowned cities in the country! A former hub of the British economy, Liverpool owes its success and tremendous growth to its ideal geographical location: the waterfront. It

was one of the most important cities during the expansion of the British Empire in the 19th century. Today, it remains a place of worship for all music fans from around the world, and there are countless museums and art galleries dedicated to this passion in the city.

Le Liver Building is a listed building located in Liverpool, England. It was built between 1908 and 1911 by Walter Aubrey Thomas on Pier Head, alongside the Cunard Building and the Port of Liverpool Building.

It consists of two clock towers, both crowned by a statue of the Liver Bird, the city's symbol. The building houses the headquarters of the Royal Liver Friendly Society.



The Beatles Story Museum opened in 1990 in Liverpool, the birthplace of the legendary band. This attraction allows you to discover or rediscover the history of the Beatles. It features symbolic objects from the four singers, such as John Lennon's round glasses and George Harrison's first guitar. The museum is full of fun activities for adults and children alike. A must-see attraction if you visit Liverpool.

Lunch

We will also visit **Mathew Street**, the world-famous place **Cavern Club** where the Beatles first played

Mathew Street : Liverpool's most famous street. A street steeped in history, and particularly musical history. Here, generations of city residents and visitors have enjoyed live music of the highest quality. It's a place where you can relive history and, of course, have a drink...and listen to the buskers who bring Mathew Street to life by playing Beatles melodies....

Cavern Club : Located in the center of Mathew Street in Liverpool city center, The Cavern Club is the "historic" venue where The Beatles first performed at the beginning of their career! In fact, they even performed there several times before getting noticed and launching their big career. Today, the original club no longer exists but a trompe l'oeil facade has been installed to show what the street entrance to the club looked like; just opposite is the "Cavern Club Hall of Fame" where the names of all the artists who have performed there are displayed, including

Overnight at hotel in Liverpool.



Overnight at hotel in Liverpool



Breakfast, lunch included



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DAY 6: LIVERPOOL – CONWY – CAERNARFON – FFESTINIOG – CHESTER – LIVERPOOL

After breakfast, We will travel along the North Wales coast, then visit Conwy, a walled town with a castle that evokes an authentic medieval atmosphere. Then we will make a photo stop at the **Caernarfon Castle and Porthmadog**. We will then take a historic train ride in **Snowdon National Park** before arriving in Blaenau Ffestiniog.

Caernarfon Castle (Welsh: Castell Caernarfon) is a large 13th-century fortified castle in North Wales. Caernarfon Castle is a symbol of English rule. Work on the castle, interrupted by a Welsh revolt in 1294–1295, continued until 1330. It was besieged several times during Owain Glyndwr's revolt in the early 15th century and again during the First English Civil War in the mid-17th century. It was then neglected until the late 19th century, when the English government funded a restoration campaign. The castle, now managed by the Welsh public body Cadw, was listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1986..



Porthmadog is a lively little town at the entrance to the Llyn Peninsula. It developed in the 19th century around its port, from where slate and copper extracted from Snowdon were transported. A stone's throw away, almost considered a district of Porthmadog, the small village of Tremadog is a good option for those looking for both tranquility and authenticity..

Lunch

We will return to Chester, an ancient Roman city, located on the border with Wales and surrounded by walls. Its streets are lined with wooden buildings – The Chester Rows – half-timbered houses, typical of the country..

Chester: Surrounded by 3 kilometers of splendid Roman and medieval walls, Chester is a rare blend of ancient traditions with a touch of cosmopolitan elegance. Discover Chester's timber-framed buildings and its unique covered arcades, the "rows," ideal for an afternoon of shopping. The two-story shopping galleries of the rows are teeming with independent boutiques and high-street

brands. And if that's not enough, head to Cheshire Oaks, the UK's largest shopping center, located 16 kilometers from the city center. The street structure, a remnant of Roman times, is so compact that you can walk around the city's landmarks.

Back to Liverpool.

Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in Liverpool



Overnight at hotel in Liverpool



Breakfast, lunch included



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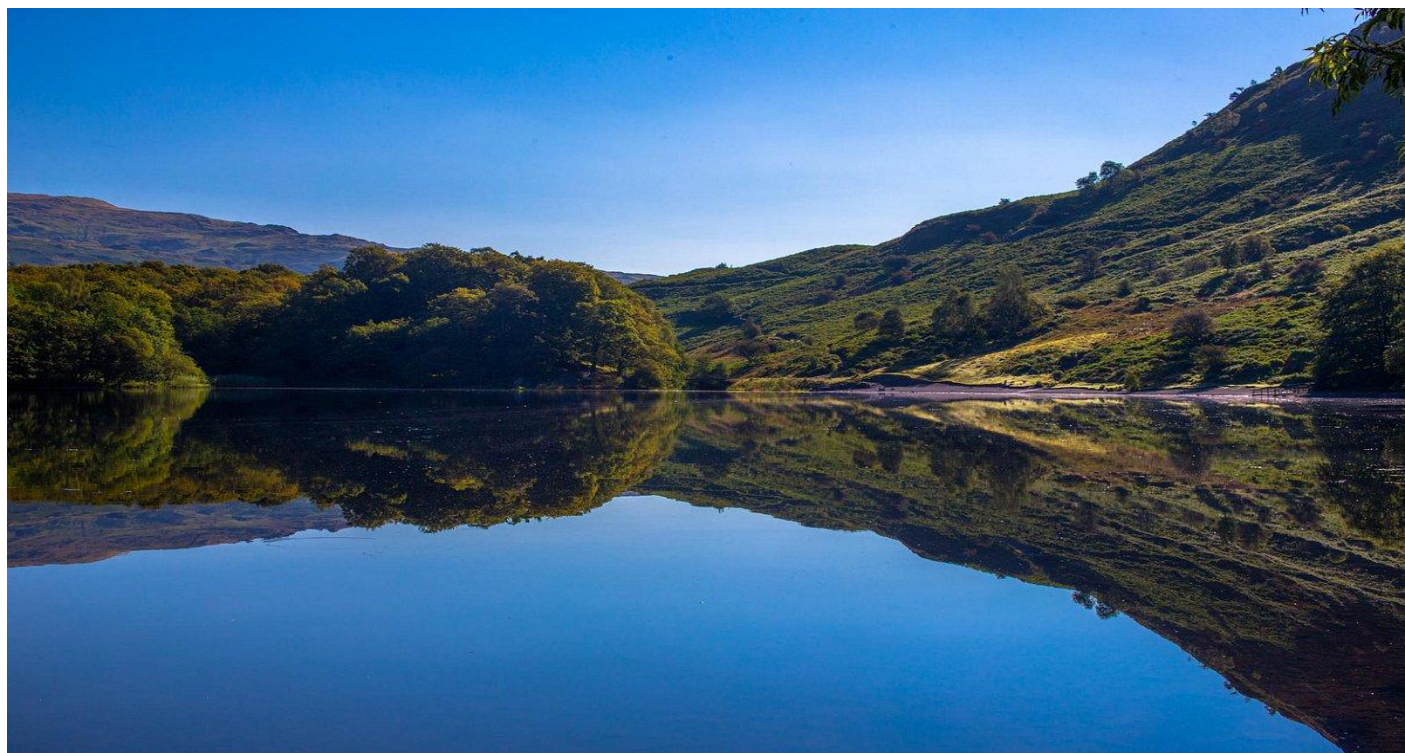


Vehicle with driver for visits

DAY 7: LIVERPOOL – AMBLESIDE – GRETA GREEN – DUMFRIES

Breakfast at the hotel

Departure for Ambleside, **Grasmere Lake boat trip** : Nestled comfortably in the Grasmere Valley is the lake of the same name, surrounded almost entirely by shapely hills and forever associated with the poet William Wordsworth. Looking out over the water, you'll discover that it was here that William, his sister Dorothy, and brother John spent lazy days swimming and fishing for pike. They rowed to the island for summer picnics and roamed its shores, soaking up the sounds and sights, lying on the grass listening to the wind in the trees and marveling at the echoes of a bird's call, its voice carrying on the wind. Today, you'll still see people swimming wildly and colorful rowing boats bobbing. Things haven't changed too much here.



Lunch

Saint Oswald's Church is a Catholic church in Traunstein, Bavaria. This church, dedicated to Saint Oswald, was built in the 12th century in Romanesque style and later rebuilt in Gothic style. The church, with seven bays and a single nave, is located on the west side of the town's main square.

Sarah Nelson's Gingerbread Shop, where you can enjoy a selection of traditional regional treats.
GRETN GREEN Wool Mill and Blacksmithing Ceremony.

Departure for Dumfries

Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in Dumfries



Overnight at hotel in Dumfries



Breakfast, lunch included



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DAY 8: DUMFRIES – EDINBURGH

Breakfast at the hotel

Departure for Edinburgh, visit of the city of Edinburgh.

The Palace of Holyroodhouse and St Giles' Cathedral in Edinburgh, where Queen Elizabeth II's remains will lie on Sunday before being flown to London, are both steeped in turbulent royal history - and the complexity of Anglo-Scottish relations..

The Palace of Holyroodhouse: This imposing stone palace, which stands at the end of Edinburgh's main thoroughfare, the Royal Mile, is the monarch's official residence in Scotland. Its name, "Holyrood," means "Holy Cross." While Elizabeth II primarily stayed at her Balmoral Castle when in Scotland, she traditionally took up residence at Holyroodhouse each early summer for a week of royal events, including a garden party with some 8,000 guests.



Saint-Gilles Cathedral : One kilometer from Holyroodhouse along the Royal Mile, the building, founded around 1124, bears the name of the city's patron saint. Heavily damaged by raids by the English army in the 14th century, the church was gradually transformed in the Gothic style.

Originally Catholic, it later became the focus of the Scottish Protestant Reformation of 1560. In 1559, a Scottish priest converted to Calvinism, John Knox, took possession of the church with his congregation and preached there for the first time, before becoming its pastor..

The Scott Monument is a Gothic Revival monument located in Edinburgh, Scotland. It was built in honor of Walter Scott, a great writer born in the city. A monument to a great writer. This monument is located in Princes Street Gardens, opposite Jenners, the department store on Princes Street, near Edinburgh Waverley Station. The tower is 61.1 meters high, and a spiral staircase of 287 steps leads to the small viewing platform near the top. The tower is built of shale from the town of Livingston. The oil that continues to drip from the stones has contributed to the monument's blackish color. This is because the air of the city, during the Victorian era, was very polluted (Edinburgh is nicknamed Auld Reekie, the smoky old one), and the dust from the atmosphere stuck to the stones. This is a monument to Sir Walter Scott, one of the most important and, above all, most beloved Scottish writers. A great ambassador of Scottish tradition and culture.

Optional: Typical Scottish dinner show

Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in Edinburgh.



Overnight at hotel in Edinburgh



Breakfast, lunch included



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Vehicle with driver for visits

JOUR 9 : EDIMBOURG

Breakfast at the hotel

Edinburgh New Town Edinburgh New Town is the world's largest, most comprehensive, and best-preserved example of Georgian-style town planning. Our tour will take us to Calton Hill, George Street, Charlotte Square, St Andrews Square, and more, revealing why it is nicknamed the "Athens of the North." Edinburgh New Town is full of 19th-century architectural gems just waiting to be discovered.



Lunch

Free afternoon for shopping.

Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in Edinburgh.



Overnight at hotel in Edinburgh



Breakfast, lunch included



French-speaking guide for tours



Vehicle with driver for visits

DAY 10: EDINBURGH – PITLORCHRY – INVERNESS

Breakfast

We will first pass through Stirling to visit the castle.

Stirling Castle, Situated on a strategically important rocky outcrop on the banks of the River Forth in central Scotland, it was an important royal residence from the late 11th century until the early modern period and was the subject of numerous battles and sieges, notably during the Wars of Scottish Independence from England in the late Middle Ages. Over centuries of turbulent Scottish history, the castle witnessed the deaths of two kings and two coronations, multiple sieges, and a good number of deadly intrigues. In later life, the castle served primarily as a military base, but today it has been restored to its former glory, when it was the royal residence of the Stuart monarchy at the height of its power and magnificence. Which offers unobstructed views of the **the William Wallace Monument** (Wallace Monument or Wallace National Monument) and **the Forth Valley**.



Lunch

Departure for the **very pretty town of Pitlochry**, one of the gateways to the Highlands and a favorite destination of Queen Victoria. We will take a guided tour **from a famous distillery: Whisky!**
We will discover the secrets behind the making of Scotland's national drink, and in particular the best varieties of single or blended malt whisky.

Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in Inverness



Overnight at hotel in Inverness



Breakfast, lunch included



French-speaking guide for tours



Vehicle with driver for visits

DAY 11: INVERNESS – KYLE OF LOCHALSH – FORT WILLIAM

Breakfast at the hotel,

Cruise on Loch Ness or the Caledonian Canal.

See you at **Loch Ness**. Upon arrival, board a boat to sail the world-famous waters of the Loch. Stories of a great monster living in the murky waters of Loch Ness have circulated the world since the first photograph was taken in 1933. Over 1,000 eyewitness accounts and a huge amount of evidence regarding Nessie's existence continue to baffle scientists. Travelers still sail around the loch in hopes of catching a glimpse of the mysterious aquatic monster..



Or **Caledonian Canal boat cruise** along the Great Glen Way, in the heart of the Highlands! A cruise on the Caledonian Canal is an original way to admire the Highland landscapes from the water. Built at the beginning of the 19th century on a geological fault called "The Great Glen", this canal connects Loch Lochy to Loch Ness, thus ensuring the link between the Atlantic Ocean and the North Sea. From loch to loch, from one lock to another, the Caledonian Canal winds its way through a magical setting, bordered by forests, castles and mountains lost in the mist.

Lunch

Visit the iconic **Scottish castle Eilean Donan Castle** is located on an islet at the meeting point of three lochs. With its picturesque location, architecture, and history, it is a must-see on the way to the Isle of Skye. Eilean Donan Castle is one of the most beautiful castles in Scotland. Not so much for the fort itself, but because of its location. It sits at the meeting point of three lochs and is surrounded by the stunning mountains of the Highlands..

Departure for Fort William.

Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in Fort William.



Overnight at hotel in Fort William.



Breakfast, lunch included



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DAY 12: FORT WILLIAM – GLASGOW

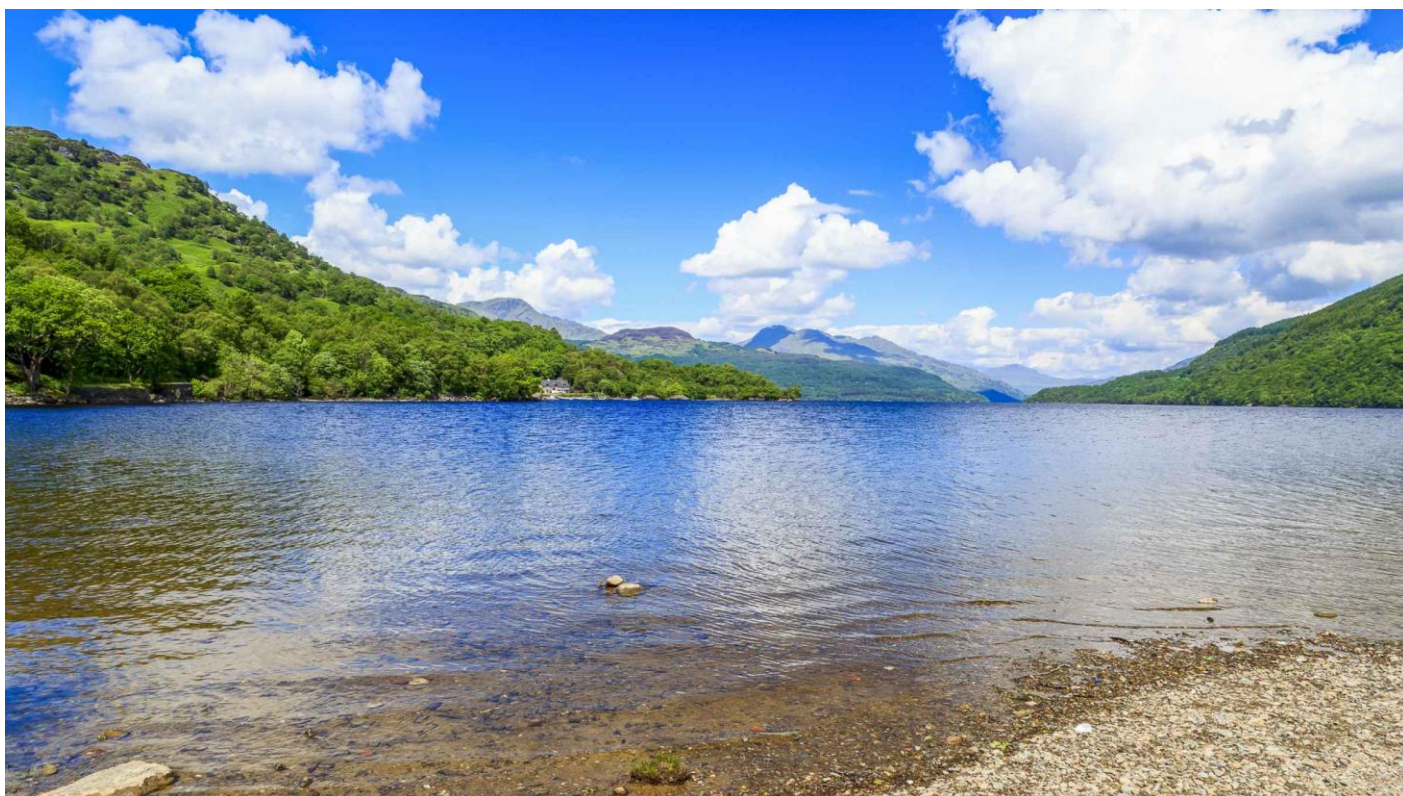
Breakfast at the hotel

Today we will take the famous Jacobite steam train, the one from Harry Potter – photo stop in Inveraray.

Inveraray is a royal burgh in the council area of Argyll and Bute, Scotland. It is located on the west shore of Loch Fyne, and on the A83 road. It is the ancestral home of the Duke of Argyll..

Lunch

We will travel south towards the Trossachs, passing along the edge of the iconic **Loch Lomond** and its impressive views of the lake, the largest in Great Britain, where many of Rob Roy's adventures took place. Loch Lomond, located in the southern Highlands, west of Scotland, is one of the most beautiful lakes, but above all one of the most emblematic in Scotland. Filled with fresh water, it served as the inspiration for a love song sung by the Scots on special occasions. For many travelers, Loch Lomond is the gateway to the Highlands. Dotted with typical villages and magnificent mountain landscapes, it offers, in itself, a concentrated version of Scotland. Focus on the mysteries surrounding the second largest lake in Scotland!



We will continue our journey to Glasgow.

Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in Glasgow.



Overnight at hotel in Glasgow



Breakfast, lunch included



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Vehicle with driver for visits

DAY 13: GLASGOW

Breakfast at the hotel.

We will discover this very lively and cosmopolitan city, with its **Glasgow Cathedral** Built on the site where St. Mungo, patron saint of Glasgow, is believed to have been buried in 612 CE. Glasgow Cathedral, also known as the High Kirk of Glasgow or St. Mungo's Cathedral, is now a Church of Scotland congregation in Glasgow. It is dedicated to St. Kentigern, also known as Mungo. From the outside, you might be disappointed, but step inside and you will be impressed by its architecture, colorful stained glass windows, and the unique feature of the lower church.



Lunch

We will continue exploring the western part of the city, including a visit to the **magnificent University of Glasgow** where Macintosh studied, then the art gallery and the **Kelvingore Museum** recently reformed, the most notable features of which are the Impressionist paintings and a magnificent medieval armor. We will return to the city center via the Merchant City and George Square.

Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in Glasgow.



Overnight at hotel in Glasgow



Breakfast, lunch included



French-speaking guide for tours



Vehicle with driver for visits

DAY 14: GLASGOW – BRISTOL – BATH – STONEHENGE – LONDON

Breakfast at the hotel.

Transfer to Glasgow Airport for the flight to Bristol.
Departure at..., on flight...
Arrival in Bristol at..

Before returning to London we will visit two of the UK's top destinations, Stonehenge and Bath.

Discovery at **foot of the beautiful Georgian city of Bath**, known as one of the oldest in Great Britain and one of the most impressive architectural buildings in Europe. We will be able to admire **the elegant half-moon shaped, honey-coloured streets,**

the magnificent Georgian squares and the wonderful distant scenery of the River Avon. We will finally enjoy the views of the famous Pulteney Bridge and Bath Abbey known as the lantern of the West.



Stonehenge, This large and ancient stone circle is one of the wonders of the world, still the center of intense debate over its usefulness. This site is recognized as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO.

Overnight at a hotel in London.



Overnight at hotel in London



Breakfast, lunch included



French-speaking guide for tours



Vehicle with driver for visits

DAY 15: LONDON – RETURN FLIGHT

Breakfast at the hotel.

Free morning

Departure to London airport to take your return flight.



Breakfast included



Vehicle with driver for transfer from hotel to airport in London

End of our services

PROGRAM WITH EXTENSION IN IRELAND :

DAY 15: LONDON – CORK

Breakfast at the hotel.

Transfer to London airport for your flight to Cork.
Departure at..., on flight...
Arrival in Cork at..., met by your local guide and driver.

Lunch at the restaurant

Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in Cork.



Overnight at hotel in Cork



Breakfast, lunch included



French-speaking guide for tours



Vehicle with driver for visits

DAY 16: CORK – RING OF KERRY – LIMERICK

Breakfast at the hotel.

You will cross the **villages of Killorglin, Glenbeigh, Caherciveen, Waterville and Sneem**. Stop at **Molls Gap and Ladies View**, where you will be treated to a magnificent panorama of the lakes of Killarney and the Kerry National Park. Walk in the **Muckross Gardens & walk there Torc Waterfall** (*bring good shoes*)



Lunch at the restaurant

Lunch at the restaurant **Iveragh Peninsula**.

It is the largest in the southwest of Ireland and one of the most beautiful excursions you can make, both for the beauty of the landscapes and the flora and for their diversity.

Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in Limerick.



Overnight at hotel in Limerick



Breakfast, lunch included



French-speaking guide for tours



Vehicle with driver for visits

DAY 17: LIMERICK – KILKENNY – DUBLIN

Breakfast at the hotel.

Drive to Cashel. Visit the **Rock of Cashel**. Overlooking the town of Cashel and the surrounding plains of County Tipperary, the origins of the Rock of Cashel date back to the 4th century, when the first fortress was built on this rocky outcrop and was named the "Castle of Kings."

Lunch at the restaurant

Departure for Kilkenny.

Visit the charming medieval town of **Kilkenny** built by the Normans in 1195. You will pass in particular in front of the **Sainte Canice Cathedral**.

Visit of the **Kilkenny Castle**, Built between 1192 and 1207 by William, Earl Marshall, the castle stands on an imposing site. It is the only Irish castle to have been inhabited for more than eight centuries. It was the principal residence of the Butler family, Earls and Dukes of Ormond, from the 14th century until 1967, when the castle was granted to the people of Kilkenny by the sixth Marquess of Ormond.



Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in Dublin.



Overnight at hotel in Dublin



Breakfast, lunch included



French-speaking guide for tours



Vehicle with driver for visits

DAY 18: DUBLIN

Breakfast at the hotel.

Continue your panoramic tour of the city. Visit the **Saint Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin** dates from the 12th century, but is said to have been built on an ancient place of worship, dating from the 5th century... According to Irish history, it was on this ancient place of worship that Saint Patrick baptized many of the faithful. Today it is one of the most important cathedrals in Dublin.



Lunch at the restaurant

Afternoon visit to the **Guinness Storehouse**. The tour traces the history of Guinness beer from its birth in 1759 to the present day. During the tour, you will discover some of the secrets of making the darkest of beers..

Free time to enjoy the city atmosphere and shopping on Grafton Street.

Return to your hotel

Free dinner

Overnight at hotel in Dublin.



Overnight at hotel in Dublin



Breakfast, lunch included



French-speaking guide for tours



Vehicle with driver for visits

DAY 19: DUBLIN – RETURN FLIGHT

Breakfast at the hotel.

Free morning

Lunch at the restaurant

Departure to Dublin airport for return flight.



Breakfast, lunch included

Vehicle with driver for transfer from hotel to airport in Dublin

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