

## **Scotland Tour 2025 - The Covenanters Detailed Itinerary**

### **DAY 1: Monday 8 September - Edinburgh (Delta by Marriott)**

- 2pm: Bus collects arriving passengers and departs for 1<sup>st</sup> hotel.
- 4pm: Hotel Check in - rooms may be available earlier.
- 7pm: Private dinner at hotel

### **DAY 2: Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September - Edinburgh (Delta by Marriott)**

- 8am: Breakfast
- 9.30am: Depart Hotel
- 10am: Visit St Giles Cathedral (distance from city centre approx. 10 min)
- Free walking tour @10 - 11 am
- 11.30am: Visit Grassmarket (approx. 5 min away from St Giles)
- 12noon: Visit Greyfriars Kirkyard (approx. 6 min from Grassmarket)
- 12.45pm: Visit the witches well, Edinburgh high street (approx. 9 min from Greyfriars kirkyard)
- 1pm: Lunch in the area (plenty of options in high street)
- 4pm: Bus pick up
- 4.30pm: Check in to Hotel (Delta by Marriott)
- 6pm: Dinner
- 7.20pm: Bus departs for Edinburgh Ceilidh Club
- 8pm: Edinburgh Ceilidh Club
- 10pm: Return to Hotel

### **DAY 3: Wednesday 10 September - Edinburgh (Delta by Marriott)**

- 7am: Breakfast
- 8.30am: Depart Edinburgh and travel to Lindisfarne Priory (approx. distance 1h45 [without stops])
- 10.30am: Visit Lindisfarne Priory and have lunch.
- 1.30pm: Leave Lindisfarne and travel to Bamburgh Castle and do tour. (Approx travel 36 Minutes)
- 2.15pm: Bamburgh Castle tour
- 3.45pm: Depart Bamburgh for Hotel.
- 6pm: Arrive at Hotel
- 7pm: Dinner

#### **DAY 4: Thursday 11 September - Ullapool (Royal Hotel)**

- 8am: Breakfast
- 9am: Depart Hotel and travel to Perth Museum (approx. 1hr [without stops]).
- 10am: Tour of Perth Museum - Stone of Destiny
- 11am: Depart Perth for Aviemore (approx. 1hr45mins [without stops])
- 1pm: Lunch In Aviemore
- 3pm: Depart Aviemore for Ullapool (approx. 2hrs [without stops])
- 5.30pm: Check in to Hotel
- 7pm: Dinner

#### **DAY 5: Friday 12 September - Stornoway, Cabarfeidh Hotel**

- 8am: Breakfast
- 9:30am: Depart for Ullapool to catch ferry. NB: Must be there by 9:45am
- 10:30am: Ferry departs for Lewis (distance is approx. 3h15)
- 2pm: Arrive in Stornoway / Isle of Lewis and travel to Barvas (approx. 25 minutes)
- 3:30pm: Travel to Clach An Truishal Standing Stones (approx. 15 minutes)
- 4:30pm: Leave Standing stone and depart for Hotel
- 7pm: Dinner

#### **DAY 6: Saturday 13 September - Oban (Muthu Alexandra)**

- 6am: Depart Hotel and get to ferry (approx. distance is approx. 5 min)
- MUST be at the ferry by 6:15am the latest
- 7am: Ferry departs for Ullapool (approx. 3h ferry ride)
- Breakfast onboard ferry.
- 10am: Drive to Loch Ness (approx. 1h45 drive time [without stops])
- 11:45 - 2pm: Lunch in Loch Ness? Are there restaurants/shops to explore in the area.
- 2pm: Travel from Loch Ness to Oban (distance is approx. 2h45 [without stops])
- 5pm: Check In to Hotel
- 7pm: Dinner

#### **DAY 7: Sunday 14 September - Oban**

- Michael's 'off-day'
- Bus stays @ Parking Place
- 8am: Breakfast
- Travellers have a day of rest/shopping/whatever/Laundry!
- 7pm: Dinner

### **DAY 8: Monday 15 September - Oban**

- 8am: Breakfast
- 8.40am: Depart Muthu Hotel for ferry (distance from hotel is approx. 5 min)
- 9.30am: Ferry departs Oban to Craignure on Mull. (distance: approx. 1h10).
- 10.45am: Drive from Craignure to Fionnphort
- 11am: Arrive at Fionnphort
- 11.30am: Ferry departs for Iona
- Visit Iona Abbey.
- 3:15pm: Ferry departs for Iona
- 3:30pm: Coach picks passengers up and drops off @ ferry. Check in closes at 4:55pm.
- 5:25pm: Ferry leaves Iona and departs for Oban.
- 7pm: Dinner

### **DAY 9: Tuesday 16 September - Loch Lomond**

- 8am: Breakfast
- Timing TBD: Depart from Oban and travel to Dunadd (distance is approx. 53 min)
- Timing TBD: Visit Kilmartin Glen (not sure if we're going to the structured stones, or the Kilmartin museum),es
- 12:15pm: Lunch in Bridgend
- 1:30pm: Depart for hotel (distance is approx. 1 hr 30 min)
- 7pm: Dinner

### **DAY 10: Wednesday 17 September - Delta by Marriott Edinburgh**

- 8am: Breakfast
- 10am: Depart Loch Lomond for Stirling Castle (distance approx. 45 minutes)
- 12pm: Depart Sterling Castel for The National Wallace Monument.
- 1:30pm Depart The National Wallace Monument for Edinburgh (Distance approx. 1h10)
- 2:40pm: Check into Hotel, rest of the day at your leisure
- 7pm: Farewell dinner - Venue TBD

### **DAY 11: Thursday 18 September**

- 7am: Breakfast at your leisure
- Michael makes final drop off at airport on way to ferry. Booking is for 1 coach and with 2 passengers (Matthew & Michael) and travels back to Belfast.