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# HIGHLAND EXPLORER TOURS

## GLASGOW DEPARTURES



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- Passionate Local Guides
- Small Group Experiences
- Stirling
- Oban
- Loch Ness
- Glen Coe



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OVER 96% OF OUR  
TRAVELLERS RECOMMEND US



Image: Loch Leven and Loch Linnhe



## PASSIONATE

### ALL SCOTLAND

Subtle flavours and magnificent mountains, friendly locals and frantic battles, beautiful lochs and boisterous traditions. We share all of Scotland's secrets, beauty and history with a passion.

### LOCAL GUIDES

Knowledgeable as Celtic Druids and as fiery as Viking Warriors, our local guides reveal all the stories and history with a passion that truly brings Scotland to life. *Should I tip my guide?* Tipping is not compulsory, but if you'd like to recognise great service then please feel free to do so. 100% of tips are retained by our team, not the company.

### AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

Discover and explore places only the locals know. We're proud to show you the treasures that won't be found in a guidebook.



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## TRUSTED

### **MULTI-AWARD WINNING**

With twenty years' experience, and Tripadvisor's 'Traveller's Choice'; it's no secret that we deliver an exceptional standard of service.

### **SUSTAINABILITY**

We protect the environment we're passionate about. This commitment is recognised by our Gold Green Tourism award and proven by our innovative Eco Scheme where we match every £2 you donate. See page 5 for more details.

### **OUR GUARANTEE**

Our fleet is built for your comfort with USB charging points. We promise a fantastic time, but don't just take our word for it - see our reviews on Tripadvisor.

## UNIQUE

### **EXPLORE MORE**

Our trips give you versatility and the choice to see Scotland your way. Saunter around a beautiful town, delve into a historic castle, or jump on a Loch Ness boat cruise; it's your trip, and it's your choice.

### **SAVINGS**

**Mini Groups** | Save 10% when '4 or more' people book any day tour together.

**Multi Trip Deals** | 10% when two day tours are booked together.

### **AUDIO GUIDES**

We offer free foreign language audio guides on all day tours, see page 4 for more information.

# HIGHLAND DAY TOURS

## TOUR ROUTE

SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS & LOCH NESS

## TOUR ROUTE

THE KELPIES, STIRLING CASTLE & LOCH LOMOND

## TOUR ROUTE

GLEN COE, OBAN & LOCHS



Image: Glen Coe



## FREE AUDIO GUIDES

We offer FREE foreign language audio translations in German, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, French and Mandarin. We are the only tour company in Scotland to offer this service on all of our tours allowing the best customer experience possible for all our travellers.

Audio guides are available for free download once you have purchased your tour.

## MAKE TRAVEL MATTER

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® experiences are thoughtfully chosen for their positive social or environmental impact across Scotland's communities.

Find out more:

[highlandexplorertours.com/about-us/sustainability/make-travel-matter](https://highlandexplorertours.com/about-us/sustainability/make-travel-matter)

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TRAVEL  
MATTER

# OUR GREEN STORY

## 5 DAY TOUR

### ISLE OF SKYE COMMUNITY & OUTDOOR ADVENTURE



We're all about protecting the Scotland you'll fall in love with.



## A NET ZERO APPROACH

Partnering with The TreadRight Foundation, we're taking steps towards Net Zero, following a science-based climate action plan that focuses on cutting carbon and reaching zero emissions by 2050.

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TREADRIGHT®  
FOUNDATION  
[TreadRight.org](https://TreadRight.org)

## RE-WILDING WITH TREES FOR LIFE

We support Trees for Life through an optional £2 donation when you book your tour, matched by us. All donations go to this award-winning charity, helping restore the ancient Caledonian Forest in the Scottish Highlands.

Find out more: [treesforlife.org.uk](https://treesforlife.org.uk)

Trees for Life

## A FAMILY OF BRANDS

We at The Travel Corporation (TTC), Highland Explorer Tours parent company, have been creating an enriching travel experience for 100 years. We provide a rich tradition of expertise, delivering exceptional hospitality, outstanding quality and superb value no matter which of our companies you choose to travel with.

Find out more: [ttc.com](https://ttc.com)



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## DEPARTS FROM INVERNESS

19 OCTOBER 2026 &  
15 MARCH 2027

Departs	8:30am
Returns	5:30pm

## ACCOMMODATION

Deluxe B&B\* accommodation is included.

\*Single travellers will be allocated a twin room to share with another member of the group.

We are constantly seeking new opportunities to involve conscious travel experiences in our itineraries that make a positive impact on Scotland's landscapes and communities.

If you've always wanted to mingle with the locals in Scotland and love being active in the outdoors, then this tour ticks all the boxes.

Check out our  
website for more  
information



# 1 DAY TOUR

## SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS & LOCH NESS

### HIGHLIGHTS ★

BOAT CRUISE ON MYSTERIOUS LOCH NESS  
 FORT AUGUSTUS, HIGHLAND VILLAGE  
 DRAMATIC GLEN COE  
 LOCH LOMOND & THE TROSSACHS NATIONAL PARK  
 CAIRNGORMS NATIONAL PARK

#### INCLUSIONS

PASSIONATE LOCAL GUIDE

LIVE COMMENTARY & STORYTELLING IN ENGLISH

AUDIO GUIDE



Images: Loch Ness Cruise | Glen Coe (right)



#### APRIL - SEPTEMBER

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Sunday

#### OCTOBER

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Sunday

#### NOVEMBER - MARCH

Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Sunday

Departs	7:30am
Returns	7:00pm

Full refund if cancelled more than 24 hours in advance.

#### OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

Loch Ness Cruise R

R RESERVE AT TIME OF BOOKING

Join our Loch Ness tour from Glasgow for an unforgettable full-day adventure, starting with a visit to the breathtaking Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park. Then, head deep into the Highlands to discover legendary Loch Ness, where you can try your luck at spotting Nessie from the shore or on a boat cruise. Along the way, uncover the stories of Scotland's dramatic past while taking in iconic sights like Glen Coe, the Great Glen, and, if you're lucky, a glimpse of Britain's highest mountain, Ben Nevis.

Start your day with a scenic drive through Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park, where you'll soak up views of Scotland's first national park and the legendary landscapes that inspired tales of Rob Roy.

Next, venture into the dramatic Highlands, with a stop at the hauntingly beautiful Glen Coe, known for its towering peaks and tragic history.

As we travel further north, enjoy stunning views of the Commando Memorial and the

Nevis Range, home to Britain's highest mountain, Ben Nevis.

Arriving in the charming village of Fort Augustus, you'll have time to explore the banks of Loch Ness. Keep an eye out for Nessie on an optional boat cruise, or simply unwind along the Caledonian Canal.

Your journey continues through the rugged beauty of Cairngorms National Park, before heading back south, returning to Glasgow in the evening.



BOOK NOW



#### LOCH NESS CRUISE

Get the chance to explore the depths of the mysterious Loch Ness and search for the legendary monster that is Nessie. The boat uses the very latest high-tech colour sonar and underwater imaging systems to enhance the search for the monster. Sit back and marvel at the bonnie banks of the loch while enjoying a hot drink or a dram of whisky in the onboard bar. Reserve your cruise at the time of booking to guarantee your seat. Cruise duration is approximately 50 minutes.

SCOTTISH  
HIGHLANDS  
& LOCH NESS



*I had such a good time on this tour! The landscapes were outstanding and there was so much history. Nicky was our guide and driver, and she was incredible. She's a lovely person with such good energy. She knows a lot about the region, loves nature and the Highlands, and made all the information easy to understand.*

**FERNANDA | NOVEMBER 2025**



# 1 DAY TOUR

## THE KELPIES, STIRLING CASTLE & LOCH LOMOND

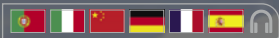
### HIGHLIGHTS ★

THE KELPIES – THE WORLD’S LARGEST EQUINE SCULPTURES  
 MIDHOPE CASTLE\* – LALLYBROCH IN OUTLANDER  
 HISTORIC STIRLING CASTLE  
 STUNNING LOCH LOMOND  
 BOAT CRUISE ON LOCH LOMOND



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 AUDIO GUIDE



Images: Stirling Castle | The Kelpies (right)

#### APRIL – OCTOBER

Monday, Wednesday,  
Friday & Saturday

#### NOVEMBER – MARCH

Thursday & Saturday

Departs 8:15am  
Returns 4:30pm

Full refund if cancelled more than 24 hours in advance.

#### OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

- Midhope Castle\* R
- Stirling Castle R
- Loch Lomond Cruise R

R RESERVE AT TIME OF BOOKING

Discover some of central Scotland’s most memorable landscapes and castles on this Loch Lomond tour from Glasgow. With a local guide bringing history, folklore, and film locations to life, you’ll visit a castle made famous by *Outlander*, see the world’s largest horse sculptures, and have the option to enjoy a cruise on one of Scotland’s most iconic lochs.

The day begins with a visit to The Kelpies, two 30-metre-tall steel sculptures celebrating Scotland’s working horses and engineering heritage. Next up is Midhope Castle, known to *Outlander* fans as Lallybroch. Wander through the peaceful estate and capture photos of this iconic filming location. While you can’t step inside, simply standing before “Lallybroch” feels like stepping into the series!

Your journey then continues to Stirling Castle (optional), one of Scotland’s most significant historic sites. With time to explore, you can admire the grand halls, take in sweeping castle views, and uncover stories from Scotland’s royal past.

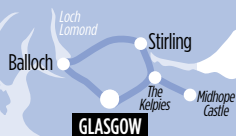
Finally, unwind in the town of Balloch on the shores of Loch Lomond. Enjoy a gentle walk, soak up the scenery, or join an optional cruise on the loch before returning to Glasgow in the late afternoon.

#### LOCH LOMOND CRUISE

Enjoy a relaxed one-hour cruise on the southern waters of Loch Lomond, with beautiful views of Ben Lomond and the historic homes along the shoreline. You’ll sail past Inchmurrin, the largest of the loch’s islands and home to the ruins of Lennox Castle, once a refuge for Robert the Bruce. Onboard commentary and multilingual guides are included, and a licensed bar serves drinks and refreshments.

\*Please note that there are dates throughout the year where Midhope Castle is closed for estate activity and filming. Order of attractions may be subject to change.

#### BOOK NOW



THE KELPIES,  
STIRLING  
CASTLE & LOCH  
LOMOND



*That tour in your company was amazing. Thank you for your great advice and historical stories!! Most of all, thank you for your smile and your kindness. It made this tour so meaningful and unforgettable!! The locations were great and each time accompanied with a little backstory and a great playlist.*

**FEBRUARY 2026**



# 1 DAY TOUR

## GLEN COE, OBAN & LOCHS

### HIGHLIGHTS ★

CONSERVATION VILLAGE OF LUSS  
 QUAIN T INVERARAY  
 RUINS OF KILCHURN CASTLE  
 COASTAL TOWN OF OBAN  
 ICONIC HIGHLAND GEM GLEN COE

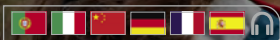


#### INCLUSIONS

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AUDIO GUIDE



Images: Rest and be Thankful Viewpoint  
 McCaig's Tower, Oban (right) | Inveraray (below)

#### APRIL & OCTOBER

Tuesday, Thursday & Sunday

#### MAY - SEPTEMBER

Tuesday, Thursday,  
Saturday & Sunday

Departs	8:00am
Returns	6:30pm

Full refund if cancelled more than 24 hours in advance.

Experience the magic of Scotland's West Highlands as you travel through stunning mountain valleys and visit charming villages including Luss and Inveraray. Capture breathtaking photos at Kilchurn Castle and Glen Coe, and enjoy a relaxing lunch in the coastal town of Oban.

Your day begins as we travel north from Glasgow along the banks of Loch Lomond. Enjoy a short stop in the picturesque conservation village of Luss, with its flower-filled cottages, scenic pier, and stunning lochside views - perfect for that first photo of the day.

Cross into the Highlands to reach the elegant, whitewashed town of Inveraray, built in the 18th century on the shores of Loch Fyne. Take time to grab a morning treat from a local bakery or browse the town's charming shops and waterfront.

Next we pause to capture one of Scotland's most iconic views - the romantic ruins of Kilchurn Castle standing proudly on the edge of Loch Awe, framed by rugged Highland peaks.

In Oban, enjoy lunch time exploring this lively seaside town. Try the local seafood and sample the day's catch at one of Oban's famous harbourside shacks or restaurants. For stunning panoramic views over the town, take a short walk up to McCaig's Tower.

After lunch, we continue north to the dramatic landscapes of Glen Coe, one of Scotland's most famous glens. Learn about the area's volcanic past, wildlife, and the moving history of the 1692 Glencoe Massacre.

On your return journey, stop briefly in the village of Tyndrum, a small Highland crossroads surrounded by dramatic scenery. Grab a coffee or snack before heading back to Glasgow.



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GLASGOW

“ Incredible day tour with a terrific guide, Heather. We’ve done a lot of guided tours. She was one of the best. Pacing was fantastic – knowledge of the sites outstanding. A must escape from Edinburgh or Glasgow.

NANCY | AUGUST 2025

GLEN COE,  
OBAN & LOCHS



# TOURS AT A GLANCE

Please arrive 15 minutes before departure for check-in

1 DAY TOURS	Operating Season	Day of Departure	Departs	Returns
<b>Scottish Highlands &amp; Loch Ness</b>	April - September	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Sunday		
	October	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Sunday	7:30am	7:00pm
	November - March	Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Sunday		
<b>The Kelpies, Stirling Castle &amp; Loch Lomond</b>	April - October	Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday	8:15am	4:30pm
	November - March	Thursday & Saturday		
<b>Glen Coe, Oban &amp; Lochs</b>	April & October	Tuesday, Thursday & Sunday	8:00am	6:30pm
	May - September	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday		

Due to vehicle availability, for the small group experience there may be instances where small group tours operate on a larger bus. All times and dates are correct from April 2026 and are subject to change.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION | HOW TO BOOK

### IN PERSON:

- Our Office | 60 High Street  
Edinburgh | EH1 1TB
- Your Concierge, B&B or  
Guest House Reception

**BY PHONE** | +44 (0) 131 558 3738

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APRIL 2026

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Killermont Street  
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