



'SCOTLAND - WEST' Tour, 2017

(Loch Shiel Cruise; Isle of Ulva; Isle of Iona; Tobermory; Duart Castle; Oban; Visit Inveraray)

10 Nights: Wed 21 June – Fri 30 June
(Dispersing morning of 1st July)

The Holiday Inn @ GLA	1 night
Alexandra Hotel , Fort William	2 nights
Isle of Mull Hotel , Craignure	4 nights
Caledonian Hotel , Oban	2 nights
The Holiday Inn @ GLA	1 night

\$2,850 Per/Person (Sharing room, Double or Twin)

\$3,150 Per/Person (Single)

(Note: Limited Single space. Please check availability)

Check or money order only, payable to Minch Music. (No credit card, sorry)

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Includes: 10 nights Dinner, B&B — Coach — Ferries — Activities/Visits — Meal-tips.

Excludes: Air Travel — Lunches — Driver-tip — Insurance.

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“Working Itinerary”

Day 1 **Wednesday, 21st June, 2017**

Activity As tour members arrive independently at Glasgow Airport, cross the road to the **Holiday Inn**, and check in under **MINCH MUSIC TOUR**.

Gather in the bar for a **Welcome Drink** at **6.00pm**, prior to **Dinner** at **7.00pm**.

Evening After **Dinner**, Evening free to relax, and prepare for morning departure.

Hotel [Holiday Inn](#), Glasgow Airport. (D. B.)

Day 2 **Thursday, 22nd June, 2017**

Activity Depart hotel at 9.00am, and drive north on the A82 Loch Lomond road, with stops at the [Green Welly](#) in Tyndrum, and the [Glencoe Visitor Centre](#). Arrival in **Fort William** mid afternoon to check into the **Alexandra Hotel**.

(Independent Lunch, in Tyndrum, or at the Glencoe Visitor Centre)

Evening After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**, upstairs in the Aonach Room.

Hotel [Alexandra Hotel](#), Fort William, Inverness-shire (D. B.)

Day 3 **Friday, 23rd June, 2017**

Activity Visit local spots including [Old Inverlochy Castle](#).

("Old" avoids confusion with the Hotel of the same name)

Next, over to Banavie to see the series of eight locks that are called [Neptune's Staircase](#). This famous canal feature was built by **Thomas Telford** between 1803 and 1822. A stop at the **Commando Memorial**, followed by shopping & lunch at the **Spean Bridge Woollen Mill**.

Afternoon at leisure in Fort William. The **Highland Museum** is a “must see”.
(Independent Lunch in Spean Bridge)

Evening After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**, upstairs in the Aonach Room.

Hotel [Alexandra Hotel](#), Fort William, Inverness-shire (D. B.)

Day 4 **Saturday, 24th June, 2017**

Activity We depart Fort William and drive west to **Glenfinnan**. Here we board the ‘**Sileas**’ for a **Nature Cruise** with our local guide and boatman, **Jim Michie**. Starting at Glenfinnan, and sailing two and a half hours down the length of **Loch Shiel** to **Acharachle**, where we re-join our bus to drive to **Lochaline** at the southern shore of the **Morvern Peninsula**.

(Provided Lunch at Mingarry Park in Acharachle)

At 4.45pm, we cross over to the **Isle of Mull** on the **Lochaline – Fishnish** ferry.

Evening After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**

Hotel [Isle of Mull Hotel](#), Craginure, Argyll-shire (D. B.)

Day 5

Sunday, 25th June, 2017

Activity

We will drive to the western part of Mull and cross over to the small [Island of Ulva](#) for an appreciation of times past!. Ulva was once home to a few hundred of a population, but today there is less than 20! Two of them run the [Boathouse Restaurant](#). Well worth a look on their web-site.

We offer short walks as an activity, and a longer guided walk is an option too. (Provided Lunch at 'The Boathouse Restaurant' on Ulva, or Packed Lunch)

Evening Hotel

After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**
[Isle of Mull Hotel](#), Craignure, Argyll-shire (D. B.)

Day 6

Monday, 26th June, 2017

Activity

Today we drive to **Fionnphort**, where we take the ferry to [Iona](#), the **Holy Isle**. We will start the visit with a **Nature Ramble** with the local Ranger. Also, a guided tour in the [Iona Abbey](#).

(Independent Lunch on Iona)

Evening Hotel

After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**
[Isle of Mull Hotel](#), Craignure, Argyll-shire (D. B.)

Day 7

Tuesday, 27th June, 2017

Activity

We start with a guided tour in [Duart Castle](#), the ancestral home of the **Macleans of Duart**. The Clan Chief, **Sir Lachlann**, is often in residence.

Then a drive to [Tobermory](#) and the afternoon at leisure in the main town in **Mull**. The Western Isles Hotel was in the 1945 movie '*I Know Where I'm Going*' (Independent Lunch in Tobermory)

Evening Hotel

After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**
[Isle of Mull Hotel](#), Craignure, Argyll-shire (D. B.)

Day 8

Wednesday, 28th June, 2017

Activity

We depart the Isle of Mull Hotel and take the 11.00am ferry for the 45 min crossing to [Oban](#). Upon arrival, drive to Barcaldine to visit the [Scottish Sea Life Sanctuary](#). Then back to Oban to check into the **Oban Caledonian Hotel**.

(Independent Lunch in Barcaldine)

Evening Hotel

After **Dinner**, At leisure
[Caledonian Hotel](#), Oban, Argyll-shire (D. B.)

Day 9

Thursday, 29th June, 2017

Activity

As **Oban** is the busiest ferry port, and one of the largest towns in **Argyll & Bute**, this is an ideal opportunity for a free day to enjoy leisurely shopping, etc.

The population is just over 8,000, which can be tripled during the summer. (Independent Lunch in Oban, or wherever you are)

Evening Hotel

After **Dinner**, A Ceilidh-Dance in the hotel, with **Men of Worth** and guests.
[Caledonian Hotel](#), Oban, Argyll-shire (D. B.)

Day 10 Friday, 30th June, 2017

Activity

We depart Oban, driving to **Lochawe** for our first stop, [St. Conan's Church](#), which is well worth a look.

Our main focus is [Inveraray](#), the ancient capital of Argyll, where we will spend two and a half hours. One further stop - the **Loch Fyne Oyster Bar**, to break the journey back to the Holiday Inn at Glasgow Airport.

(Independent Lunch in Inveraray)

Evening

After **Dinner**, A final concert program with **Men of Worth**

Hotel

Holiday Inn, Glasgow Airport. (D. B.)

Day 11 Saturday, 1st July, 2017

Activity

Breakfast is included. This is the morning we all disperse.

This is the Official End of the Tour! Thank You!

You could plan to fly out this morning...or make other plans.

For those staying an additional night, or nights, at the Holiday Inn before or after the tour, we can arrange a B&B.

(The 2017 B&B price is not available yet.)

This arrangement is booked through Donnie.

Your credit card would not be required until you reach the hotel desk.

Note: For purely logistical reasons it is a good idea to talk with Donnie prior to the booking of flights, or additional time in Scotland.

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