

Scottish Lowlands Tour

with Men of Worth

Nov 2019

'Scottish Lowlands' Tour, 2019

(St Andrews; RSS Discovery; Stirling Castle; Falkirk Wheel; Edinburgh; Border country)

10 Nights: Fri 1 Nov – Sun 10 November
(Dispersing morning of 11th November)

The Holiday Inn @ GLA

1 night

Peebles Hydro Hotel, Peebles

4 nights

B. W. Scores Hotel, St Andrews

4 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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Proposed Itinerary

Day 1 **Friday, 1 Nov, 2019**

Activity As tour members arrive independently at Glasgow Airport, cross the road to the **Holiday Inn**, and check in under **MINCH MUSIC TOUR**.
(Note: The Holiday Inn, and NOT the Holiday Inn Express)
Gather in the bar for a **Welcome Drink** at **6.00pm**, prior to **Dinner** at **7.00pm**.

Evening Hotel After **Dinner**, Evening free to relax and prepare for morning departure.
Holiday Inn, Glasgow Airport (D. B.)

Day 2 **Saturday, 2 Nov, 2019**

Activity Morning departure for **Peebles** at the northern confines of the Border country.
Main stop at **New Lanark Visitor Centre**, which tells the fascinating story of the cotton mill village of New Lanark which was founded in the 18th century.
Under the enlightened management of social pioneer, Robert Owen, the provision of decent homes, fair wages, free health care, a new education system for villagers and the first workplace nursery school in the world!
Arrive at **Peebles Hydro Hotel** later in the afternoon.
(Independent Lunch at New Lanark)

Evening Hotel After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**
Peebles Hydro Hotel, Peebles (D. B.)

Day 3 **Sunday, 3 Nov, 2019**

Activity Full day, or partial day, in the company of a local **Scottish Blue Badge Guide**.
The Border Country boasts an abundance of scenery to be enjoyed, and many centuries of great historical value well worth visiting. Following further research this coming March/April, our activities will be carefully chosen to our best advantage. "A more detailed description of Day 3 and Day 4 will be listed by April/May".
(Lunch: TBD)

Evening Hotel After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**
Peebles Hydro Hotel, Peebles (D. B.)

Day 4 **Monday, 4 Nov, 2019**

Activity Full day, or partial day, in the company of a local **Scottish Blue Badge Guide**.
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(Lunch: TBD)

Evening Hotel After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**
Peebles Hydro Hotel, Peebles (D. B.)

Day 5

Tuesday, 5 Nov, 2019

Activity

Day in [Edinburgh](#). The Royal Burgh of Peebles is located on the River Tweed, at the confluence with Eddleston Water, and just over an hour from Scotland's Capital City. We will be guided by bus around the **Edinburgh City Sights**, with additional time for individual exploring.

(Independent Lunch in Edinburgh)

Evening Hotel

After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**
Peebles Hydro Hotel, Peebles (D. B.)

Day 6

Wednesday, 6 Nov, 2019

Activity

Departing Peebles, our destination is [St Andrews](#) on the north-western coast of Fife. Our main stop will be [The Falkirk Wheel](#).

The Falkirk Wheel is a rotating boat lift connecting the **Forth & Clyde Canal** with the **Union Canal**. The lift is named after the local town of Falkirk in central Scotland. It opened in 2002, reconnecting the two canals for the first time since the 1930s as part of the Millennium Link project.

The wheel raises boats by 24 metres (79 ft), but the Union Canal is still 11 metres (36 ft) higher than the aqueduct which meets the wheel. Boats must also pass through a pair of locks between the top of the wheel and the Union Canal.

Later, we drive to Fife on country roads by way of Kincardine and Kinross to check into the **Best Western Scores Hotel** in St Andrews.

(Independent Lunch at the Falkirk Wheel)

Evening Hotel

After a later than usual **Dinner**, Free time
B. W. Scores Hotel, St. Andrews, Fife (D. B.)

Day 7

Thursday, 7 Nov, 2019

Activity

Drive across the Firth of Tay to the city of [Dundee](#). Launched locally in 1901, [RRS Discovery](#) was the last wooden three-masted ship to be built in Britain. Its first mission was the [British National Antarctic Expedition](#), carrying **Robert Falcon Scott** and **Ernest Shackleton** on their first journey to the Antarctic.

Exhibition, Audio visual and a Guided Tour of the famous ship.

(Independent Lunch in the Discovery Centre)

Evening Hotel

After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**
B. W. Scores Hotel, St. Andrews, Fife (D. B.)

Day 8

Friday, 8 Nov, 2019

Activity

["The Kingdom of Fife"](#) This is the pet name given by Fifers to properly describe their own County. Today, in the company of a local **Scottish Blue Badge Guide**, we take to the road to explore and to discover with the help of our guide just what constitutes a "Kingdom".

(Independent Lunch)

Evening Hotel

After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**
B. W. Scores Hotel, St. Andrews, Fife (D. B.)

Day 9 **Saturday, 9 Nov, 2019**

Activity

This morning we visit [The Scottish Deer Centre](#) near Cupar, Fife. ...” Our collection includes 12 species of Deer, Wolves, Lynx and Scottish Wildcat plus our latest arrival the European Brown Bear”. We will arrange for a talk from a staff member to better inform our group. **Afternoon free in St Andrews**, The opportunity for shopping, walking on the beach, [St Andrews Cathedral](#), the [Castle](#), the [Golf Museum](#), and the game itself, is available to you as suits your interests.
(Independent Lunch)

Evening Hotel

After **Dinner**, Entertainment with **Men of Worth**
B. W. Scores Hotel, St. Andrews, Fife (D. B.)

Day 10 **Sunday, 10 Nov, 2019**

Activity

Depart St. Andrews for our return to the Holiday Inn. Our main stop will be [Stirling Castle](#), one of Scotland’s grandest castles due to its imposing position and impressive architecture. The scenery will take your breath away, and the stories surrounding this special place in **Scottish History** is well presented by the excellent Guides.
(Independent Lunch in Stirling)

Evening Hotel

Returning late afternoon to the Holiday Inn.
We can enjoy a final **Dinner** together.
Holiday Inn, Glasgow Airport (D. B.)

Day 11 **Monday, 11 Nov, 2019**

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.

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