



Clan MacAlister Tour - SCOTTISH CLANS & CASTLES

Escorted Motorcoach Tour

June 7 - 16, 2018

10 Days / 9 Nights / 17 Meals

\$2605 per person (based on double occupancy)

Air to be booked separately and required
Single room supplement \$660
Optional Travel Protection Insurance \$199

Save 5% on the cost of the land portion if booked by Dec. 22nd, 2017. Deposit becomes nonrefundable if you take the 5% discount.

*Optional Tour add on with visit to Kintyre and Glenbarr Abby before this tour starts)
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*Similar Tour available Aug. 9, 2017 includes Military Tattoo, Edinburgh
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Tour Highlights:

- Scottish Dinner with Piper & Music
- Loch Ness Cruise
- Isle of Skye
- Brodie Castle
- Palace of Holyroodhouse
- Train Ride over Glenfinnan Viaduct
- Stirling, Eilean Donan and Urquhart Castles

This Fully Inclusive Escorted Coach Tour Features:

- Sightseeing by luxury coach
- Professional tour director
- 9 nights in hotels listed
- Full breakfast daily (B) except day 1
- 8 dinners (D) including
 - Scottish Evening in Edinburgh
 - 7 table d'hote dinners
- Welcome get-together drink
- Edinburgh tour
- Loch Ness scenic cruise
- Ferry from the Isle of Skye
- Highland train ride across the Glenfinnan Viaduct
- Inverness and Culross walking tour
- Speyside Distillery whisky tasting and tour
- Sheepdog trials at Leault Farm
- Visits and admissions to Stirling Castle, Eilean Donan Castle, Dunvegan Castle, Kilt Rock, Clan Donald Centre at Armadale Castle, Urquhart Castle, Bannockburn Visitor Center, Culloden Battlefield Visitor Centre, Brodie Castle and Palace of Holyroodhouse
- Audio headsets and group photo
- Deluxe carry-on backpack, ticket wallet, luggage tags & strap
- All local taxes, hotel service charges & portage for one suitcase per person



Superior First Class Hotels

- The Winnock Hotel - Drymen near Glasgow (2 nights)
- The Balmacara Hotel - near Kyle of Lochalsh (2 nights)
- Glen Mhor Hotel - Inverness (3 nights)
- Norton House Hotel & Spa - Edinburgh (2 nights)

10 Day Scottish Clans and Castles Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Glasgow Arrival & Doune Castle

Your Scottish trip starts at 3:00 pm at your hotel in Drymen, 20 miles north of Glasgow Airport. Your first castle visit is to Doune Castle, which has been featured in "Game of Thrones" and "Outlander." Enjoy free time in Callendar and a drive through the Trossachs region, often called "Scotland in Miniature" as all aspects of delightful Scottish scenery are found here. Enjoy a welcome drink with your group before dinner. (D)

Day 2: Stirling Castle & Bannockburn Visitor Center

Today you'll visit Stirling Castle, a mighty stronghold that dominates the surrounding plain. Tour the Battle of Bannockburn Visitor Center to learn about the medieval weapons and armor, walk the real battlefield where Scottish King Robert the Bruce defeated English troops, then enjoy a thrilling 3D battle show. (B, D)

Day 3: Glen Coe & Eilean Donan Castle

Today head up into the majestic Highlands. Journey across mysterious Rannoch Moor and through Glen Coe, often considered one of Scotland's most spectacular and beautiful places. Stop at a woolen mill and drive alongside some of the narrow lakes in the Great Glen. Continue your journey north to visit the romantic Eilean Donan Castle. The first fortified castle was built in the 13th century, rebuilt several times and partially ruined in 1719. Check in to your charming family-owned hotel near Kyle of Lochalsh. (B, D)

Day 4: Isle of Skye & Dunvegan Castle

Today explore the Isle of Skye and its Bonnie Prince Charlie associations. Travel to Dunvegan Castle, stronghold of the Chiefs of MacLeod for nearly 800 years, making it the oldest continuously inhabited castle in Scotland. Stop in Portree for a look around and view Kilt Rock, a sea cliff with huge, vertical basalt columns. Return to your hotel for free time before dinner. (B, D)

Day 5: Clan Donald Centre & Steam Train Ride

Visit the Clan Donald Centre at Armadale Castle to discover the history of the Lords of the Isles and the most powerful clan of the Isle of Skye. Take a ferry to Mallaig on the mainland and transfer to a train for a fun ride through some of Scotland's picturesque scenery. The rails run alongside the "Road to the Isles" so you may view Loch Shiel and the Glenfinnan Monument, another reminder of Bonnie Prince Charlie. The train crosses the 21-arched Glenfinnan viaduct, which was featured in some of the Harry Potter movies. Re-board your coach at Fort William and drive to Inverness. (B, D)

Day 6: Loch Ness Cruise & Urquhart Castle

Embark on a cruise into Loch Ness to view the scenery from the water and perhaps spot "Nessie." End at the picturesque

ruins of Urquhart Castle, once Scotland's largest castle which was destroyed in Jacobite wars. Stop at the Culloden Battlefield Visitor Centre to learn about the battle when British Government forces defeated the army of Bonnie Prince Charlie on 16th April 1746. The Visitor Centre explains how events led to the conflict and was the end of the clan system in Scotland. Stop for photos at Clava Cairns, a prehistoric burial place with a circle of standing stones that inspired the "Outlander" books. Return to Inverness for dinner, followed by a gentle walking tour. (B, D)

Day 7: Whisky Tasting & Brodie Castle

Drive through part of the Speyside region, where many distilleries are based close to sources of pure water from the River Spey. Visit a distillery to learn about the simple ingredients and many steps involved in whisky making. Tour the facilities and sample a "wee dram." Explore 16th century Brodie Castle, set in spacious grounds with its fairytale towers and turrets. The house contains fine furnishings, a collection of paintings and a library with over 6,000 volumes. Return to Inverness and relax before dinner in your hotel. (B, D)

Day 8: Sheepdogs & Culross Walk

Immerse yourself in farm life and enjoy a sheepdog demonstration, where dogs obey commands to round up sheep. In Pitlochry, browse and have lunch independently. Continue to Culross for a walking tour around the charming 16th century town. Highlights include the 1626 Town House with its 1783 tower, Culross Palace and on the hillside are the remains of Culross Abbey. Enjoy free time in Culross before heading to Edinburgh where a festive Scottish Evening with dinner and entertainment awaits. (B, D)

Day 9: Edinburgh Tour & Palace of Holyroodhouse

This morning, take a sightseeing tour of Edinburgh and discover the old and new towns with Princes Street in between. See how the medieval townhouses along the Royal Mile in the heart of the Old Town are in stark contrast to the Georgian mansions of the 200-year old New Town. Learn about many prominent Scottish inventors, doctors and writers for whom Edinburgh is famous. Tour the impressive Palace of Holyroodhouse, the official Scottish residence of The Queen, and walk through the majestically furnished chambers. The balance of the day is free. (B)

Day 10: Tour Ends in Edinburgh

Your tour ends after breakfast. (B)

(B) Breakfast (L) Lunch (D) Dinner

For reservations please complete the form below for each passenger and include your deposit of \$250 per person. Optional Trip Protection Insurance \$199 per person, due at time of deposit. Credit Card payments only please.

Full name of passenger (must match passport) _____

Nationality _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____ Gender: M F

Inbound Flight Arrival Details _____ Outbound Departure Details _____

Type of Room: TWIN SINGLE If TWIN room, provide name of roommate _____

Street Address _____ I would like the Optional Trip Protection Insurance. \$199 payment is enclosed.

City/State/Zip _____ I am paying via credit card. Please charge \$ _____

Daytime Phone _____ Visa Mastercard American Express Discover

Evening Phone _____ Name on Card _____

Email _____ Card Number _____

Emergency Contact _____ Expiration Date ____/____/____ Security Code _____

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