

# Masonic Tour



September 24<sup>th</sup> to October 8th, 2024

## Tour Highlights:

- Tour & Lunch at Annandale Distillery
- Blacksmith Shop at Gretna Green
- Dumfries House
- Robert Burns Museum & Birthplace
- The Grand Lodge of Scotland
- Special evening at Rosslyn Chapel
- Jacobite Cruise from Urquhart Castle
- Time in Oban, Edinburgh and Glasgow
- Ferry to Rothesay, Isle of Bute

## Includes:

- Return air from Toronto on Air Transat in Economy class with 1 checked baggage
  - o Seat selection additional fee
- 13 nights at 3 & 4-star hotels
- 12 breakfast, 3 lunches, 10 dinners
- 3 special dinner evening
- Luxury coach
- Tour guide
- All entrances as per itinerary
- All air and hotel taxes

## Pricing: (\$CAD)

\$7,375 per person/twin  
\$7,875 single rate

## Payment schedule:

Deposit: \$1,000 per person  
April 24<sup>th</sup>: \$2,000 per person  
June 24<sup>th</sup>: Final balance due

*This tour will be led by Stewart Bennet.*

*Minimum 30 passengers to guarantee departure.*



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## **Itinerary: 2 nights Dumfries, 2 nights Troon, 3 nights Edinburgh, 1 night Dunblane, 2 nights Fort William, 2 nights Glasgow, 1 night Glasgow Airport**



**Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** Depart Toronto on Air Transat, flight TS 244 at 7:15pm (*over night flight*).

**Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** Our luxury coach and driver will pick us up and take us for a tour and visit to **New Lanark** which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We then stop at the **Moffat Woolen Mill** for our lunch stop before check into **Cairndale Hotel** in Dumfries. (D)

**Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** After breakfast we visit the **Blacksmith Shop** at Gretna Green. Our next visit is **The Devils' Porridge Exhibition** for a step back to WW1. We then step further back in time at **Annadale Distillery** for a tour and lunch. We head back to our hotel to get ready for a very special dinner at **The Globe Inn** made famous by the Scottish Bard, Robert Burns (B, L, D)

**Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** Hearty Scottish breakfast. This morning will see us visit **Caerlavrock Castle**, the home of Clan Maxwell before heading to **Dumfries House** for a tour and lunch. We will then visit **Kilwinning Lodge 0**. Tonight, we check into the **Gailes Hotel** in Troon for a 2-night stay. (B, L, D)

**Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** Today we visit **Robert Burns Museum and Birthplace**. Special lunch today in the Clubhouse of the **Turnberry Golf Course**. We then pay a visit to **Tarbolton Lodge** where Robert Burns was Master Mason. (B, L, D)

**Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** After breakfast we take a ride on the only rotating lift in the world; the **Falkirk Wheel**. Next, we visit **the Kelpies** and say hello to Baron and Duke. The 30-foot-high figures represent the Dray Horse. Then we enjoy a cruise under the three **Forth Bridges**. Off to Edinburgh and our 3-night stay at the **Carberry Tower Hotel**. (B, D)

**Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** Breakfast and leisurely day in **Edinburgh**. A city tour with a step on guide to get oriented. We will end at Edinburgh Castle. Enjoy the Royal Mile and shopping. Tonight, group dinner and Scottish entertainment. (B, D)

**Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024:** We will visit **The Grand Lodge of Scotland** before a stop at the **Royal Yacht Britannia**. After dinner at the hotel, we will have a special evening at **Rosslyn Chapel** of Da Vinci Code fame. (B, D)

**Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024:** Breakfast. We will spend time at **St Andrews**, the home of golf, before heading over the **Tay Bridge** for a stop at the **V & A Museum** in Dundee. Time permitting, we may stop at **Stirling Castle**. We tuck into **Dunblane Hydro Hotel** for a 1-night stay. (B, D)

**Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024:** Today includes a stop at the **Crannog** to see how life was over one thousand years ago. We then travel along Loch Tay to Killin and the Falls of Dochart and down through mysterious **Glen Coe** and off to our hotel beside Neptune's Staircase, **The Moorings**. (B, D)

**Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** We will take the **Jacobite Cruise** from Urquhart Castle to Inverness looking out for Nessie as we cruise along **Loch Ness**. We will stop at the **Commando Monument** at Spean Bridge and back to our hotel for dinner. (B, D)

**Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** Travelling south down the Caledonian Canal, we will visit the popular seaport of **Oban** for some lunch and maybe fresh seafood on the pier. We stop at **St. Conan's Kirk** for a tour of this wonderful Kirk. We now head down to **Glasgow** and our stay at the **Grand Central Hotel**. (B, D)

**Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** We will take the **train to Wymss Bay** where we will catch a ferry to Rothesay on the **Isle of Bute** and a wonderful visit to **Mount Stuart** before heading back to our hotel in Glasgow. (B, D)

**Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** This will be a free day in **Glasgow** for some final shopping and perhaps a tour around Glasgow with the Ho On/Hop Off bus. Tonight, will be a special farewell dinner at the **Mharasanta Restaurant**. Tonight, we will stay at the **Holiday Inn Glasgow Airport** ready for our early departure tomorrow. (B, D)

**Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024:** Early morning. We walk over to the Airport for our return flight, TS 245 departing Glasgow at 8:35am.



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