

Scottish Highland Fling (GM 910)



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Welcome to Globus! While we've designed a tour for you that takes care of all the details, we also want your pre-trip experience to be smooth and hassle free. To that end, your Globus team has prepared this packet for you as a one-stop resource of all important information for your upcoming tour.

At key points before your departure, we'll update this information and send you a helpful email so it's all at your fingertips. And of course, at any point along the way, feel free to get in touch with us, either by phone or email, and we'll be happy to help. Our goal is to do everything in our power to support your trip so you are left to do one important thing—ENJOY!

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Tour Code - GM 910

Land Dates: September 10 - September 19, 2020

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## VACATION SUMMARY

Your Globus tour has been designed with your enjoyment in mind. We've created an itinerary that will help you see and experience it all while making the most of your time. The secret? We include special access to the must-see sights of each destination, then leave you time to soak it all up and enjoy in your own style and at your own pace. And on top of it all, we've created Local Favorites for you-- special experiences that bring out the local tastes and culture of your destination. This is all done with the special service touch and insight of our professional Tour Directors. We look forward to having you as a guest on a tour you'll not only enjoy, but also one that will create lasting memories for years to come.

### TRAVELERS:

Unnamed seats held x 18

#### **\*Travel Protection**

Peace of mind through your purchase of our Travel Protection Plan. For detailed terms, conditions and exclusions as applicable to your state of residence, visit <u>https://affinitytravelcert.com/docs/GFB01</u>.

### YOUR VACATION

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Below is the current list of hotels and accommodations planned for your vacation. Hotels are subject to change and not guaranteed until check-in. We reserve the right to substitute hotels. See the Terms & Conditions for more information about hotels and possible hotel changes.

#### Hotels:

The Intercontinental Edinburgh The George	Sep 10, 2020 - Sep 12, 2020	Edinburgh
Mercure Inverness Hotel	Sep 12, 2020 - Sep 13, 2020	Inverness
St Clair Hotel	Sep 13, 2020 - Sep 15, 2020	Thurso
Gairloch Hotel	Sep 15, 2020 - Sep 16, 2020	Gairloch
Oban Bay Hotel	Sep 16, 2020 - Sep 18, 2020	Oban
Principal Grand Central Hotel	Sep 18, 2020 - Sep 19, 2020	Glasgow

#### Travel Information:

Please ensure you have secured any necessary visas and that your passport is valid for at least six (6) months beyond the conclusion of your trip. Thank you for your attention to this important travel notice. We hope you enjoy your vacation!

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#### Did You Know:

REAL ID is coming October 1, 2020! Avoid hassles at the airport and being denied boarding because you're not prepared. Get the facts about which government issued ID is acceptable for your travels. Details and instructions can be found at <u>https://www.dhs.gov/real-id-public-faqs</u>

#### Documents:

Your Travel Documents will be issued approximately 2-3 weeks prior to departure pending full invoice payment and all passenger check-in details have been received. Travel Documents include your travel information with daily itinerary and transfer information.

### **YOUR ITINERARY**

#### WITH GLOBUS THE DETAILS ARE DONE

Special Features and included visits are shown in UPPERCASE in the tour description, and will include admission charges where applicable.

**LOCAL FAVORITES**<sup>SM</sup> - Globus has created special experiences that will bring you behind the scenes, spotlight the unique stories of your journey, and bring to life the local flavor of your destination. Just look for the **I** icon to see what we've included for you.

• Full Scottish breakfast daily, 2 lunches, 6 three-course dinners with wine and choice of menus, including a welcome dinner in Edinburgh and a farewell dinner at a local restaurant in Glasgow

#### DAY 1, THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2020

ARRIVE IN EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND.

Welcome to Edinburgh! Check into your hotel with the rest of the day to discover the Scottish capital at your own pace. At 6 pm, meet your Tour Director and traveling companions for a welcome dinner at your hotel. (Dinner)

#### DAY 2, FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2020

EDINBURGH.

Morning city sightseeing with a Local Guide introduces you to the 200-year-old "New Town" and the famous scientists, inventors, and novelists who lived there. In the "Old Town," visit EDINBURGH CASTLE to admire Scotland's Crown Jewels. The afternoon is free. Tonight, don't miss our optional Scottish evening with Highland dancers, bagpipers, and the Ceremony of the Haggis. For departure numbers August 6 through August 27, tickets are included for tonight's performance of the world-renowned MILITARY TATTOO, a vast spectacle of massed Scottish pipe bands that takes place in an arena on the esplanade of Edinburgh Castle. (Breakfast)

#### DAY 3, SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2020

EDINBURGH-ST. ANDREWS-PITLOCHRY-INVERNESS.

Travel over the elegant Forth Road Bridge and through Fife to St. Andrews, home of golf and famous university town. Cross the Firth of Tay and from Dundee, head into the Highlands for a visit of the Victorian mountain resort of Pitlochry. Drive through the Grampian Mountains and Cairngorms National Park to CULLODEN VISITOR CENTRE, that reveals the story of

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the crushing Hanoverian victory over Bonnie Prince Charlie's Scottish clans. Spend the next night in Inverness, the Highland capital. Today's Distance: 201 mi / 323 km (Breakfast)

#### DAY 4, SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

INVERNESS-THURSO.

Continue an unforgettable journey with a guided tour of a 🖪 WHISKY DISTILLERY. Then, follow the coast road to majestic DUNROBIN CASTLE, perched on a high terrace above walled gardens and for centuries the seat of the Dukes and Earls of Sutherland. Overnight in Thurso, the most northerly town on Britain's mainland. Before dinner, you may choose to join an optional excursion to a local pub.

Today's Distance: 110 mi / 177 km (Breakfast, Dinner)

#### DAY 5, MONDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2020

THURSO. EXCURSION TO THE ORKNEY ISLANDS.

A fascinating day full of adventure. At John o'Groats, board a FERRY for the 45-minute crossing to South Ronaldsay, one of the Orkney Islands, where a local coach and driver-guide await you. Cross the four Churchill Barriers and overlook Scapa Flow, where the German fleet scuttled itself in World War I. After a light LUNCH at the Tasting Hall café, take a guided tour of the award-winning I ORKNEY BREWERY and sample the local ale. Then, head for SKARA BRAE, where you'll see the fascinating remains of a 5,000-year-old Neolithic village and visit SKAILL HOUSE. Yet more highlights: the Ring of Brodgar, the Orkneys' Stonehenge, and Kirkwall, the small and picturesque island capital. Return to the mainland by FERRY in the late afternoon.

Today's Distance: 90 mi / 145 km (Breakfast, Lunch)

#### DAY 6, TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

THURSO-DURNESS-ULLAPOOL-GAIRLOCH.

A day to sit back and enjoy The North Coast 500 route. Admire the breathtakingly wild and unspoiled scenery: rugged beaches, convoluted passes, and ghostly ruins. Drive via Durness and Scourie to Ullapool. Visit this pretty fishing port and enjoy a traditional **FISH** & CHIPS lunch at a local restaurant. Overnight in Gairloch in the North-West Highlands. Today's Distance: 194 mi / 312 km (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

#### DAY 7, WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2020

GAIRLOCH-ISLE OF SKYE-FORT WILLIAM-OBAN

Striking landscapes, unusual rock formations, and dramatic waterfalls will capture your attention on the beautiful Isle of Skye. Return to the mainland by FERRY across the Sound of Sleat to Mallaig. Pause at Glenfinnan to see the monument to fallen Jacobite clansmen and the famous viaduct well known to Harry Potter fans before reaching Fort William beneath Ben Nevis. Travel through intensely dramatic and scenic Glen Coe, before arriving at Oban, a lively port town on the western coast and gateway to Scotland's Hebridean islands.

Today's Distance: 234 / 376 km (Breakfast, Dinner)



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#### DAY 8, THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2020

OBAN. THE ISLES OF MULL AND IONA EXCURSION.

Take the ferry to the Isle of Mull. Land at Craignure and enjoy the scenic drive to the departure point of the passenger ferry across to the beautiful and fascinating Isle of Iona. This is the burial place of many Scottish kings and chiefs, including Macbeth. And it is here that in 563 A.D. St. Columba established one of the first Christian monasteries in the British Isles. Time to visit the cathedral and explore the religious settlement before returning to Oban. (Breakfast, Dinner) Today's Distance: 94 mi / 151 km (Breakfast, Dinner)

#### DAY 9, FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2020

OBAN-LOCH LOMOND-GLASGOW.

After time in Oban, travel through The Trossachs with its serene glens, lush forests, and rushing rivers. Admire the stunning scenery of Scotland's first national park. Enjoy the breathtaking views at the "Bonnie Banks" of Loch Lomond on your way to Glasgow for an orientation drive to see the fine 12th-century cathedral, imposing university buildings, and elegant Georgian squares built by wealthy tobacco barons. Enjoy free time this afternoon before a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. Today's Distance: 91 mi / 147 km (Breakfast, Dinner)

#### DAY 10, SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2020

GLASGOW.

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. (Breakfast)

## IMPORTANT ADVISEMENTS

As of December 13, 2019, the following advisements apply to your vacation. Please read them carefully, as they include important information that you need to know before departure.

Be sure to review this packet in its entirety, and advise us of any necessary changes immediately to avoid any change fees or vacation interruptions:

- Look over your vacation details: the dated itinerary, insurance information, and other details, to ensure that we've covered everything you need for your vacation.
- Additional advisements may be sent to you.
- All guests traveling internationally are required to have a passport. Check visa and entry/exit requirements with your local consulate(s). Responsibility for obtaining visas rests with the traveler.
- Confirmation of hotels will be available approximately 30 days prior to departure. In the event of additional departures on the same date, or other events that may result in the unavailability of hotels as listed in the tour descriptions, the accommodations substituted will be equivalent in standard.
- Any optional excursion pricing and payment options will be available in your Travel Packet (or Documents for Groups) and will list the currency in which those optional excursions are purchasable. If your tour allows you to pay by credit card for those optional excursions, your bank will convert, if necessary, the amount to your local currency at your bank's exchange rate. Full details will be provided in around 90 days prior to travel and in passenger documents.



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- Prior to departure, we recommend reading country-specific information on the U.S. Department of State (www.travel.state.gov) or the Government of Canada (<u>https://travel.qc.ca</u>) website (depending on your country of citizenship). These are good places to learn about the destination you will be visiting, and include information about passports and visas, destination descriptions, safety and security, travel advice/advisories, alerts/warnings, vaccinations, and more. For citizens of other nations, we recommend you consult your local consulate for travel information, regulations, and requirements.
- Full passport details are required no later than final payment for all guests traveling internationally.

#### TSA Wait Times

Long delays for getting through TSA security have been cited at most major airports over the past few weeks. Although TSA has announced steps being taken to remedy this problem, it is recommended that passengers arrive for their flights 2-3 hours prior to departure to ensure enough time to clear security.

#### Luggage Restrictions

Porterage at hotels is included for one piece of luggage per person (when porterage is available). As a general guide your one piece of luggage should not exceed 30x21x11 in. (76x53x28cm), or 50 lbs. (22kg). We are unable to accept a second piece of luggage or any luggage exceeding these limits. If you are traveling with more, please make arrangements for storage while on vacation. Airlines may have other restrictions.

#### Terms and Conditions:

Please review the Terms & Conditions for this travel package online at <u>https://www.GlobusJourneys.com/Terms</u>. The Terms & Conditions include details of what you can count on from us, your rights and obligations, and our revision fees and cancellation penalties. Receipt of the non-refundable deposit or payment of the vacation is confirmation that you have reviewed and agreed to these Terms & Conditions.

### WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU

### Pre-Registration

Our records indicate that you have not completed pre-registration.

#### **Pre-Registration**

#### What is Pre-Registration and why do I need to do it?

In some cases we need additional information from you to provide to others for your vacation. This could include TSA (Transportation Security Administration) authorities, border crossing agents, hotels, or others requiring details about you. By collecting this information in advance it will expedite certain aspects of your trip and allow you to enjoy your vacation without added stress.

#### What information is needed?

We need your contact information including mailing address, phone, e-mail, as well as your passport, and emergency contact information. Since it is required that we collect this information, we encourage you to complete this as soon as possible. We respect your privacy and will not share this information, however passengers on the same invoice will be able to view one another's personal information.

#### Where do I Pre-Register?

The fastest and easiest way to pre-register is to login to <u>MyGlobus</u><sup>SM</sup> (<u>https://my.globusjourneys.com</u>) and click on Passenger Registration. Once you log in, you will need your reservation number to access your vacation.

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### **Passport Information**

Our records indicate that you have not provided us with your full passport information.

It is required that we collect this information for operational purposes. As part of our mission to provide you with convenient service, you can provide this information online at MyGlobus or by contacting your Travel Consultant. We respect your privacy and we will not share this information.

Full Name

Nationality

Date of Birth

- Passport Number
- Place of Birth
- Date of Issue
- Expiration Date
- Authority/Place of Issue

Gender

#### On Trip and Emergency Contacts:

On Trip and Emergency Contact information will only be used in order to contact you in the event of an emergency. This information will not be used for marketing purposes and will be disposed of after the trip. On Trip contact information may be different from the booking phone number and email address you provided with your initial reservation.

You can provide this information online at https://my.globusjourneys.com or by contacting your Travel Consultant.

#### X **Emergency Contacts**

Our records indicate that you have not provided us with emergency contacts for all participants on the invoice.

Documents cannot be delivered until Globus has this information in full. Please go here to add this information to your booking or contact your Travel Consultant so we can process your documents.

#### X **On Trip Contact**

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