

€3275.00*

EXPOSED

with **Ricky Tims**

SCOTLAND

Scotia IRELAND

May 24 - June 2, 2020

€3275.00* Per person, double occupancy

€765 For single person supplement
Register at: www.scotiaireland.com

Tour Price Includes:

Lodging

- 3-4 star hotel accommodation.
- 4 nights Leonardo Royal Hotel (Edinburgh)
- 1 night Best Western Palace (Inverness)
- 1 night Ben Nevis Hotel (Fort William)
- 3 nights Isle of Mull Hotel (Craignure)

Meals (subject to change)

All breakfasts, 6 dinners

Destinations (see itinerary, includes entrance fees)

Transportation

Tour transportation, 1st class coach. Ferry crossings.
Driver/guide - Con O'Leary.

*Based on current rates, double occupancy and includes taxes per person sharing.

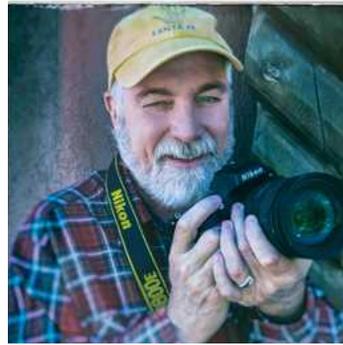
*Tour price does not include airmiles. Each traveler may choose to arrive early or stay late and tour on their own.

*Rate is based on current exchange rates and current projected costs. Subject to change.

* Does not include driver guide tips or gratuity.

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*Due to the uncertainty of Brexit and possible currency exchange fluctuations, Scotia Ireland Tours Ltd reserve the right to adjust the tour price.



Ricky Tims Photography Coach

When all is said and done, Ricky Tims is a creative life coach. His artistic pursuits in quilting, music, and photography have resounded with an international audience.

Ricky will help participants to find their own creative voice and show them how to use their cameras to capture breathtaking Scotland through creativity and innovation. You won't just experience the magic of Scotland, you will capture it and take it home with you!



Con O'Leary Chauffeur Driver / Guide.

Con is the founder of Scotia Ireland Tours and is the Senior Guide with the company. Con has lead countless tours throughout the Island of Ireland and Scotland. Con's love of Ireland and subsequent interest in Celtic archaeology

and history stems from idyllic childhood rambling the hills and mountains of County Kerry as a young boy, with his best friend, his Dad.

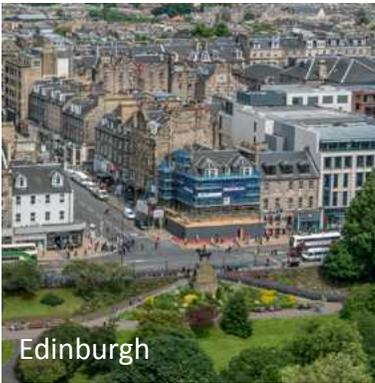
Whilst touring with Con you can be assured of good company and lively varied conversation, lots of stories and humor! Traditional Irish music and poetry are Cons abiding interests. In addition to English, he speaks Gaelic Irish - his native tongue.

Baggage Limitations

The inside of the coach will have limited space for baggage. Therefore each person will be limited to one piece of luggage/suitcase (to ride in the under-coach hold), one small carry on tote bag (or purse), plus a photography equipment bag.



Itinerary*



Day 1. Arrival in to Edinburgh Airport. Taxi / tram transfer to Edinburgh hotel. Remainder of the day to relax and or explore the city following your flight.

Overnight: Leonardo Royal Hotel Edinburgh BB/D

Day 2. Today following breakfast, we will enjoy a Panoramic Guided Tour of Edinburgh city by coach or private hop on/off city bus arranged by Scotia Ireland, the afternoon/evening is free to explore on your own. Lunch and dinner on your own.

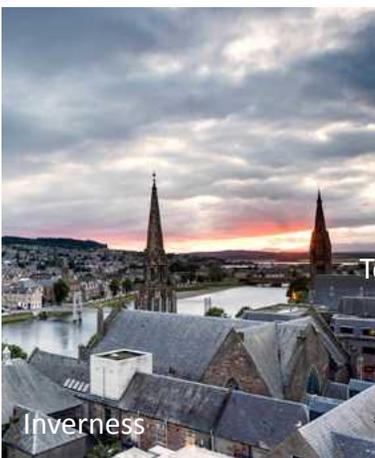
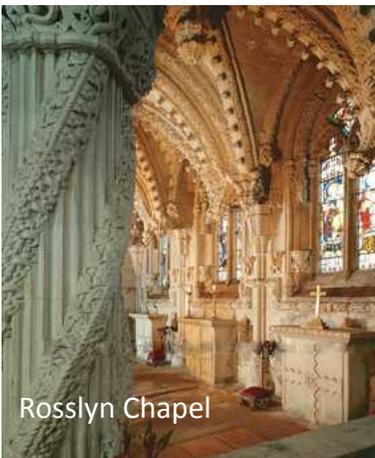
Overnight: Leonardo Royal Hotel Edinburgh BB

Day 3. Visit Rosslyn Chapel and on to Melrose Abbey and The Secrets of Melrose Abbey Museum Tour. St. Mary's Abbey, Melrose is a partly ruined monastery of the Cistercian order in Melrose, Roxburghshire, in the Scottish Borders. It was founded in 1136 by Cistercian monks at the request of King David I of Scotland. The visit is followed by lunch on your own in the village.

Overnight: Leonardo Royal Hotel Edinburgh BB/D

Day 4. Full day drive, touring along the way to Inverness via Pitlochry village and Aviemore. We will visit the Dalwhinnie Whisky distillery and take a distillery tour. Sample 2 Dalwhinnie single malts with specially selected chocolate that combines beautifully with the whisky.

Overnight: Best Western Palace Inverness BB/D



Day 5. Tour to Fortwilliam via Loch Ness calling to Urquhart Castle for lots of photo opportunities. Discover more than 1,000 years of stirring history centered on the Great Glen. The magnificently situated Urquhart Castle, on the shore of Loch Ness, has seen some of the most dramatic chapters in Scotlands story. We plan on arriving in to Fortwilliam before 6 pm.

Overnight: Ben Nevis Hotel Fortwilliam. BB/D Evening dinner in hotel



Day 6. Departing this morning we drive South to the seafaring and fishing town of Oban where we will explore the charming town and following lunch on our own (great fish and chips here) we will board our coach and drive the short distance to the ferry terminal for the ferry crossing to our next adventure on the beautiful Isle of Mull.

Overnight: Tisle of Mull Hotel. Isle of Mull. BB/D



Day 7. We cruise to the Treshnish Isles in search for whales, dolphins and basking sharks. We land on Lunga, the largest of the Treshnish Isles. The main attraction here is the large puffin colony but there are also many thousands of other seabirds nesting there. Then on to Staffa with time ashore to visit Fingal's Cave. See the famous hexagonal rock columns, formed millions of years ago by volcanic eruptions.

Overnight: Isle of Mull Hotel. Isle of Mull. Packed lunch from hotel BB/D





Highland Cattle

Day 8. Explore Isle of Mull photograph the iconic Highland cattle and look for photo opportunities through out the island and along the shore.

Overnight: Isle of Mull Hotel. Isle of Mull.
Packed lunch from hotel

Day 9. Early departure. Drive to Craignure to catch ferry to Oban and continue to Edinburgh touring along the way.

Overnight: Leonardo Royal Hotel Edinburgh



Day 10. Say farewell to our tour. Transfers to EDI Airport this morning.

* Itinerary is subject to changes if they are necessary and would benefit the tour.



Additional Information

Extend your Stay

Scotland has a wealth of things to see and do. This tour has been designed with variety in mind for the photographer tourist to provide both urban and wild destinations and includes stops to historic sites and opportunities to see wildlife. Consider adding additional days prior to (or after) to see sights you will not visit on this tour.

Camera Gear

It is tempting to bring all your camera gear on such an excursion. However, take time to ponder what you really need and cull out some of your gear to keep your weight down. Light-



weight tripods may be more beneficial than large heavy ones. Two lenses (three at the most) should be more than sufficient. Most camera battery chargers are adapted to the voltage in USA and Scotland, but you will want wall socket adapters that fit the United Kingdom wall sockets. Be sure your plug will actually plug into the adapter as fittings for both can mismatch.

