

# Suggested Tours

## Evening Tour: East Neuk

The coastal villages and coves of the East Neuk. Soak up the atmosphere of Fife's East Neuk. Quaint fishing villages, golden bays, rocky cliffs, sea birds and a long history from monks and smugglers to Kings. Great Pubs and superb fish and chips- if you know where to look.

## Evening Tour: Along the Silvery Tay

Follow the south side of this great Salmon river. Capture wonderful views even as far as the Cairngorm Highlands. Ancient castles, beautiful woodlands, & historic villages set in rolling hills. This little tour is a lovely way to spend a few hours.

## Half Day Tours

See Edinburgh up close with a guided walk to soak in Auld Reekies atmosphere. The city is full of hidden treasures. History is around every corner as well as places affording wonderful views without too much effort. Of course pubs and eateries abound too. Our trip to and from Edinburgh will allow you time to see the wonderful Forth Bridge and her 'sisters'. Loads to tell and lots of fun.

## Slightly Further Afield

### Perthshire Highlands Tour

Yes, we know Loch Ness is famous but it's a long haul on a busy road. Going by quiet highland roads into some truly wild and magnificent landscapes where Lochs, rivers, rapids and waterfalls carve and split the ancient rock. Magestic mountains tower above glens that will take your breath away. That's without even a mention of the highland villages, castles and forests. This is the stuff that so many people yearn for.

### Loch Earn, Rannoch Moor, Glencoe, Oban

Through Perthshire and by lovely Loch Earn and into Rob Roy country. After climbing Glen Ogle (valley of sorrow) and along Glen Dochart we head on up towards Rannoch Moor-noted as an one of the last European example of post ice age tundra, with an often eerie atmosphere-but stirringly beautiful. Then let Glencoe stir the emotions with its sheer power and its tragic history. On to the Hebridean ferry port of Oban, a favorite area of ours and great for sea food and for lovely views. Our return journey allows us to pass up lovely Glen Orchie before a gentle drive back home. (please remember that if it is planned, Oban offers options to take in a Hebridean island experience with trips to Kerrera, only a five minute crossing from the town yet a different world. Other island trips are also available such as to Mull and to Lismore-all stunningly beautiful in their own right.)

Each itinerary may be varies to suit individual interests-please don't hesitate to ask. Our aim is to provide bespoke tours which will be remembered long after the trip is over and which we hope will want you to return to our beautiful and fascinating land.

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# Ride an e:bike through the Highlands

We have a limited number of electrically assisted bikes for which we have specific and carefully selected routes in mind.

Imagine riding along an old highland railway bed-used by walkers and cyclists now, high up on the mountainsides and surrounded by stunning highland scenery or riding along a little highland road following a tumbling mountain river. Just two of our suggestions. The routes are designed to be 'downhill' and are easily ridden in safety. They are not too long- unless you choose otherwise of course. Helmets and visibility vests are provided.

## Suggested Routes

- A ride down Glen Orchy with its quiet little road through a section of the ancient Caledonian Forest and by the tumbling river Orchy with its waterfalls and rapids. Distance about 9 miles (this diversion would be great as part of the Oban tour)
- Glen Etive-Glen of the Eagles, by Glencoe and through some really wild landscapes and the setting for James Bonds old home 'Skyfall' -Distance about 8 miles.
- From Lix Toll, near Killin the old railway trackbed hugs the mountainside as it drops down Glen Ogle (the Glen of Sorrows), towards Loch Earnhead and if desired as far as Balquhidder, the burial place of Rob Roy McGregor. The route passes over an old viaduct and through a tunnel as it clings to the hillsides of the glen. Distance about 6 miles.



Glen Ogle



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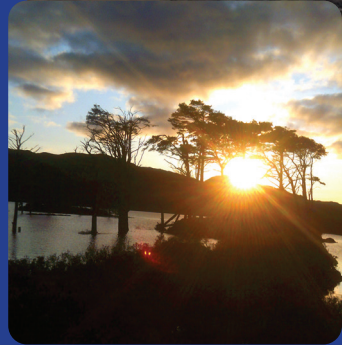
## Evening Tours

Special 'stay local' evening tours of the lovely Kingdom Of Fife.

Pushed for time? It is wonderful what can be experienced quite locally.

Maybe follow the silvery Tay or wander around the quaint East Neuk of Fife. Lovely ways to spend a few hours. This truly is a beautiful and fascinating part of Scotland if you know where to go and to look.

Or spend an evening around Edinburgh. A guided walk around this wonderful old place. The city has a long, long history and so much to see. Sights and stories reside around almost every corner. Fabulous. Also-being in such tiny groups we don't go about like a herd of sheep following a shepherd!



A sunset on an evening tour



At Glenfinnan

## Half Day Tours

Whilst huge numbers of visitors ride the big coaches towards Inverness and Loch Ness, not that there is anything wrong with those places; we can take you by smaller routes to some stunning and evocative places much closer to our start point without, as we say, hunner's o' miles of motorway driving. All well within a half day of touring from Fife.

### Ideas

Highland Perthshire. Quintessentially 'Highlands' with narrow, winding roads, forest walks, tumbling rivers, lochs, quaint highland villages, hostleries, flora, fauna and so much more besides. Majestic and extremely old mountains look down into deep glens. The light itself is something to be experienced here.

Or a bit further-The Border Lands: The land which lies across the modern English/Scottish border has a long, bloody and brutal history. Come along and hear about the Border Reivers who had allegiance to neither nation and ran their own 'lawless' affairs for centuries-abiding by their own rules (or often not). This landscape is wild, beautiful and holds many castles and peel towers telling of their turbulent history. Oh, just as a reminder. Robert De Bruce's heart is buried here too-just to put a spanner in the works!

## Full Day Tours

If you wish to go further afield we can take you. There is so much to fill your day. Some ideas are below:

Argyll and Bute in the west of Scotland, Highland scenery en-route with castles, sea lochs, coastlines, even visits to Hebridean Islands, some closer than you might think. The silence can be deafening. Sea food aplenty and so much more-surprise is the word. If you have never experienced Argyll you are missing something really special from your life. Rannoch Moor and Glencoe are around here, by the way.

The Cairngorm mountains, Ballater, Royal Deeside and the area of Balmoral, where the Royal Family holiday. These mountains are different being on the east side of the landmass. In this direction we can visit Culloden battle site and museum if you wish.

Hadrians Wall special. The Romans came to these islands two thousand years ago. They divided the Britons by building this huge construction which ran 60 miles across the country to control who and what left and entered the empire. The wall never was part of the border between England and Scotland-indeed these two names were unknowns of the future when the Romans were around.



Splendid Wester Ross-a different world



Small tour group