



Scotland & the Highlands

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The Offer

Experience the very best of Scotland on this 12-day adventure, from the grand capital of Edinburgh to the bustling streets of Glasgow and the dramatic landscapes of the Highlands. Begin in Edinburgh and explore the historic Old Town and visit the iconic Edinburgh Castle, perched atop an extinct volcano. From there, travel north, stopping in the legendary 'Home of Golf,' St Andrews, before continuing to Aberdeen.

In Aberdeenshire, meet magnificent Highland Cattle on a working farm and see the breathtaking ruins of Dunnottar Castle, a true hidden gem. Heading into the spectacular Cairngorms, be treated to a special sheepdog demonstration and a taste of local whisky at a traditional distillery. Step back in time at the Highland Folk Museum and take in the stunning 'Queen's View' over Loch Tummel.

The Scottish adventure continues with a visit to the poignant Culloden Battlefield and a cruise on the mythical Loch Ness, followed by a photo stop in the majestic Glencoe valley. Finally, arrive in Glasgow, listen out for the stirring sounds of the bagpipes at the National Piping Centre and

explore the incredible Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum. Discover the history, culture and natural beauty of Scotland, an unforgettable journey from start to finish.

This incredible journey includes return international full-service flights, 9 nights of quality hotel accommodation, daily breakfast, departure airport transfer, Loch Ness cruise and more.

Want more? Book itinerary 2 for a pre-tour London extension.

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The Itinerary

Itinerary 1

Day 1 Australia (or New Zealand) - Edinburgh, Scotland

Today, depart for Edinburgh, Scotland!

Please note: Due to flight scheduling and availability, some customers may be required to depart on Day 2, to arrive on Day 2. Flight times will be indicated on your final documentation, which you will receive 4-6 weeks prior to departure.

Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Welcome to Edinburgh!

Upon arrival, make your own way to the hotel and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. If it is too early for check-in, your luggage can be stored at the hotel while you explore this magnificent city.

Edinburgh is a city of breathtaking contrasts, blending medieval history with modern vibrancy. Known as the "Athens of the North," Edinburgh is home to a UNESCO World Heritage-listed Old Town and New Town, offering a unique charm that captivates visitors.

Overnight: Premier Inn Edinburgh Leith Waterfront hotel or similar, Edinburgh

Meals included: None

Day 3 Edinburgh - City Tour

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No trip to Edinburgh is complete without a visit to its most iconic landmark. Perched on an extinct volcano, Edinburgh Castle has served as a stronghold for over 3,000 years. Its commanding position offers stunning panoramic views of the city. The castle has been a witness to many of the most significant events in Scottish history. Its ancient buildings and incredible vistas have captivated visitors for centuries, and you'll get to experience its rich, spellbinding story firsthand.

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Meals included: Breakfast

Day 4 Edinburgh - St Andrews - Aberdeen

After breakfast, the journey continues as you travel north along the stunning East Fife coast to the charming city of Aberdeen.





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Along the way, stop in the historic town of St Andrews for a walking tour. Known globally as "The Home of Golf", St Andrews is a captivating town that attracts visitors from all over the world. Discover its unique history, home to Scotland's oldest university, often compared to the prestigious Oxford and Cambridge for its collegiate atmosphere. As you explore, see the magnificent West Sands beach, made famous as the backdrop for the opening scene of the film, Chariots of Fire.

Enjoy some free time to explore St Andrews at leisure before continuing on your scenic drive to Aberdeen (approximately 210 kilometre travel day).

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After breakfast, discover a working Highland Cattle farm on the Leys Estate in Crathes, just outside Aberdeen. Farmer Grace Noble, who considers the cattle her "pride and joy," offers tours to share her passion for the breed. With their majestic horns and long, flowing coats, these animals are a sight to behold. Enjoy a taste of Scottish hospitality and hear stories about farm life in Scotland.

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Continue your journey with a visit to a traditional Scottish whisky distillery. This region, which includes the renowned Speyside whisky trail, is a perfect place to learn about the process and history of Scotland's most famous export. The specific distillery will be chosen closer to the time of your trip to ensure the best possible experience for your group (approximately 169 km travel day).

Overnight: Duke of Gordon Hotel or similar, The Cairngorms

Meals included: Breakfast



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Day 7 Highland Folk Museum & Pitlochry

This morning, step back in time at the Highland Folk Museum. This living history museum offers a glimpse into the daily lives of Highland people, showcasing how they lived, worked, and built their homes from the 1700s to the present day. You'll delve into Highland history and discover the breathtaking natural beauty of the Cairngorms National Park, a haven for wildlife like the elusive red squirrel.

Next, visit the stunning Queens View Pitlochry, considered by many to be Scotland's finest view. Snap some photos of this breathtaking landscape as you look out over Loch Tummel toward the "fairy mountain" of Schiehallion. It's possible to even see the distant mountains of Glen Coe on Scotland's west coast from here.

Afterwards, enjoy some free time to explore Pitlochry, a vibrant town known for its beautiful architecture and scenic walks. You could grab a bite to eat, shop for souvenirs, or simply enjoy the charming atmosphere of this picturesque town.

After, return to the hotel and enjoy an evening at leisure (approximately 180 kilometre travel day).

Overnight: Duke of Gordon Hotel or similar, The Cairngorms
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8 Cairngorms - Loch Ness - Fort William & Glencoe

After breakfast, depart the Cairngorms and travel towards the majestic landscapes of Fort William and Glencoe.

Along the way, visit the historic Culloden Battlefield, the site of the last battle fought on British soil in 1746. It was here that the Jacobite army made its final stand against the British, in a conflict that lasted less than an hour but forever changed the course of Scotland's history. Explore the visitor centre to hear powerful first-hand accounts, experience an immersive 360-degree theatre, and gain a deeper understanding of this pivotal moment in the Highlands.

Continue your journey with a cruise on the legendary Loch Ness. This 50-minute boat trip offers sweeping views of the loch and the ruins of Urquhart Castle. As you glide across the dark waters, listen to fascinating stories of local history and legends and keep your eyes peeled for the elusive "Nessie," tracked by the ship's sonar.

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Overnight: Ballachulish Hotel or similar, Fort William & Glencoe Area
Meals included: Breakfast



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Day 9 Fort William & Glencoe - Glasgow

This morning, depart and begin your journey south towards Glasgow, taking in some of Scotland's most breathtaking scenery along the way. Make a photo stop in Glencoe, one of the country's most dramatic and photogenic valleys. Surrounded by towering peaks such as Buachaille Etive Mor mountain and the famous "Three Sisters", this landscape has captured the imagination of visitors for centuries and is a favourite spot for photographers. Continue to Loch Lomond, the largest loch in Great Britain by surface area and the heart of Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park. With its shimmering waters, rolling hills, and charming nearby villages, Loch Lomond is a place of timeless beauty. Enjoy a photo stop and some free time to soak up the scenery before continuing your journey. On arrival in Glasgow, experience the stirring sounds of Scotland's most famous instrument at the National Piping Centre. Dedicated to the Great Highland Bagpipe, the centre houses a fascinating museum, library, and school of piping. Here, you can see and hear the bagpipes up close, learn about their history, and view rare treasures, including the world's oldest surviving chanter and a relic linked to poet Robert Burns, before transferring to the hotel (approximately 160 km travel day).

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The remainder of the day is at leisure. Choose to wander through the city centre, pop into a pub, or do some last-minute souvenir shopping.

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Meals included: None

Day 3 London - Free Day

Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore. London is a vibrant blend of history, culture and modernity. As one of the world's most iconic cities, London offers something for everyone, whether you're drawn to its historic landmarks, world-class museums or diverse neighbourhoods.

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Overnight: Ibis Styles George Square or similar, Glasgow

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 14 Glasgow, Scotland - Australia (or New Zealand)

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Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight

Day 15 Arrive in Australia (or New Zealand)

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Tour Inclusions

HIGHLIGHTS

- Experience the beautiful landscapes of Scotland
- Explore Edinburgh on a panoramic city tour, including the UNESCO-listed Old & New Towns
- Visit the iconic Edinburgh Castle with sweeping city views
- Discover St Andrews, the “Home of Golf”, and stroll along its famous West Sands beach
- Meet Scotland’s beloved Highland cattle at a family farm in Aberdeenshire
- Step back in time at dramatic Dunnottar Castle, perched on cliffs above the North Sea
- Enjoy a traditional sheepdog demonstration at a local farm near Ellon
- Learn about Scotland’s famous whisky with a distillery tour & tasting
- Travel through Cairngorms National Park and visit the Highland Folk Museum
- Take in breathtaking views at Queens View over Loch Tummel & Glen Coe
- Explore Culloden Battlefield, the site of Scotland’s last battle
- Cruise on Loch Ness and keep an eye out for the legendary “Nessie”
- Wander the striking ruins of Urquhart Castle on the banks of Loch Ness
- Marvel at Glencoe’s dramatic landscapes
- Soak up the beauty of Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park
- Experience Scotland’s iconic sounds at Glasgow’s National Piping Centre
- Visit Kelvingrove Art Gallery & Museum, home to masterpieces & fascinating exhibits

FLIGHTS

Return international full-service flights (economy class), surcharges may apply

ACCOMMODATION

9 nights of quality hotel accommodation

DINING

Daily breakfast

ESSENTIALS

English-speaking tour leader (Days 3 - 11)
Airline taxes and surcharges

TRANSPORT

Transportation by air-conditioned private vehicles

TRANSFERS

Departure airport transfer

ITINERARY 2 HIGHLIGHTS

All of the above plus:
3 nights of 4-star hotel accommodation in London, England
Internal Flight (economy class) from London, England - Edinburgh, Scotland

Important Information

**Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.*

Booking Information

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. You must complete the Passenger Information Form within 72 hours of purchase.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

Please note: All countries and territories have different entry requirements in relation to vaccinations, quarantine/isolation periods and travel restrictions. Due to the evolving nature, we would ask all of our customers to monitor, meet and adhere to the specific requirements of their intended destination(s) in the lead-up to and immediately before travel, as well as any requirements post-travel upon their return.

Our Policies

Cancellation and Refund Policy

By placing a booking with us, you acknowledge the following important information:

- **we act as your booking agent;** TripADeal is a booking services provider, and curates the Travel Offers available on our website. We act as your booking agent, and we receive payment for the Booking Services as part of the booking price, however, we do not provide any of the Travel Services (flights, accommodation, tours or other products or services) included in your booking – the Travel Services are provided by a number of third party Travel Suppliers.

- **each booking is unique;** our Travel Offers are made up of a variety of different components and are, during the booking process, uniquely tailored to suit your requirements, for example, departure dates and ports, flight and room upgrades, tour inclusions, etc.

- **changes/modifications to your booking may not be possible;** once your booking has been made, changes or modifications may not be possible, and where possible, may incur a fee. It is important to ensure that the information you provide during the booking process is accurate and up to date, and that you read the Travel Offer carefully before placing your order.

- **Travel Offers are a package;** our Travel Offers have been curated into package offerings and must be used as a package – individual components cannot be used independently of the full package offering.

- **our Travel Offers are generally non-refundable;** in order to provide great value Travel Offers, we work with a variety of Travel Suppliers to find the best deals – this often means the Travel Suppliers' offerings are non-refundable to ensure the best price. We recommend that you obtain travel insurance as soon as you make a booking with us.

To read more about our Cancellation and Refund Policy, please [click here](#).

General Terms and Conditions

By placing your booking with us, you acknowledge and agree to our [Terms & Conditions](#), [Privacy Policy](#) and [Cancellation Policy](#).

Offer Essentials

This Travel Offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 12th May 2026. Minimum group size 30, maximum group size 40 per vehicle.

This Travel Offer is priced per person based on a twin share.

Departure Dates & Surcharges

See checkout for live dates and availability.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement applies:

12 Days - Itinerary 1: \$900

15 Days - Itinerary 2: \$1,800

Please note: Accommodation for single customers who are travelling on a tour or cruise package may be in a single room, depending on availability.

Child Policy

- No child discounts are offered. The full price applies to all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for children 12 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

Flights

Departure Cities

Sydney, Melbourne, *Brisbane, *Adelaide, *Perth or *Auckland

Departure City Surcharges

Perth: \$50 per person

Brisbane & Adelaide: \$150 per person

Auckland: \$450 per person

International Flight(s)

Full-service airline(s) used

- Cabin Class: Economy Class

Please note: We cannot accommodate one-way flights. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Preferred Airline Surcharge

- Cabin Class: Economy Class
- Qatar Airways: \$265 per person
- Emirates: \$475 per person

Please note:

- *Preferred airlines are subject to availability. If we are unable to fulfil your request, the above extra cost will be refunded.*

Important Information

- *On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed.*
- *In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.*
- *Preferred airline refers to the marketing carrier and could include codeshare partners.*

Arrive Early and Stay Behind Options

Fly out and return home up to 60 days pre and post your tour dates.

Arrive Early

Edinburgh, Scotland (Itinerary 1 only) - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

London, England (Itinerary 2 only) - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

Stay Behind

Glasgow, Scotland - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

Please note:

Exclusions: This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers.

Cancellations & Changes: Flight booking changes or cancellations after air tickets have been issued are not guaranteed and may incur additional fees and fare difference, subject to the airline cancellation and change policies. Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

High-Season: A high-season Arrive Early or Stay Behind can be purchased for an additional charge, subject to availability. For pricing, please refer to the cart.

+ 60 days: You can fly out up to 60 days before your package's start date, and/or return home 60 days after your package's end date. Should you wish to fly out or return home for more than 60 days from the tour, please contact us to request

availability. Additional costs may apply. Estimated dates: Your estimated departure, return, and arrival dates are all subject to availability and may vary. The confirmed schedule for all flights will be provided when you receive your flight tickets. High season surcharges apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:

- 15th September 2025 - 12th October 2025
- 1st December 2025 - 31st January 2026
- 3rd April 2026 - 20th April 2026
- 26th June 2026 - 17th July 2026
- 18th September 2026 - 9th October 2026
- 12th December 2026 - 26th January 2027
- 19th March 2027 - 28th April 2027
- 19th June 2027 - 18th July 2027
- 11th September 2027 - 10th October 2027
- 10th December 2027 - 3rd January 2028

Stopover Packages

- * Doha, Qatar
- * Dubai, U.A.E

Includes:

- 2, 3 or 5 nights in 4-star accommodation
- Daily breakfast
- Return airport transfers

For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

- When a pre and post-tour stopover is chosen, the same stopover location must be chosen each way, due to the airline used.
- When selecting to Arrive Early for your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your fly out date from home will take place before the stopover.
- When selecting to Stay Behind after your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your stopover will take place before your final flight home.
- Stopover packages are subject to availability.

- In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.
- Blackout dates apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:
Singapore Grand Prix: 1st October 2026 - 9th October 2026
Doha Grand Prix: 26th November 2026 - 2nd December 2026
Abu Dhabi Grand Prix (for Dubai): 3rd December 2026 - 9th December 2025
Christmas and New Years Eve: 18th December 2026 - 3rd January 2027

Flight Class Upgrades

Business Class: For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

Please note:

- *Flight upgrades are subject to availability and pricing changes (if we cannot fulfil your request, the upgrade cost will be refunded).*
- *On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed.*

Outbound Flights

Please note: Due to flight scheduling and availability, some departures may occur on Day 0. Affected customers must be available to depart the day before. Flight times will be indicated on your final documents, issued 4-6 weeks before departure.

Missed Flights

If you fail to arrive for your outbound flight, you risk all flight and land arrangements in your destination being automatically cancelled by the airlines and land operator, respectively. Additional fees may apply to reinstate these services. If you miss your flight for whatever reason, please contact us as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Accommodation

Important Information

Accommodation Used:

3-star Properties (Self-Rated)

Edinburgh, Scotland: Premier Inn
Edinburgh Leith Waterfront hotel
Aberdeen, Scotland: Village Hotel
The Cairngorms, Scotland: Duke of Gordon Hotel
Fort William & Glencoe, Scotland:
Ballachulish Hotel
Glasgow, Scotland: Ibis Styles George Square

London Pre-Tour Extension

4-star (Self-Rated)

London, England: Thistle London Hyde Park

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type and are subject to availability based on seasonality. In the instance a property is not available, a similar standard of accommodation will be provided. Properties will be confirmed and included in your travel pack, which you will receive 4-6 weeks before travel.

Accommodation Location

To ensure a comfortable and convenient experience for everyone, we've carefully selected hotels that best suit the size and specific needs of each group. While this means your accommodation may not be in the city centre, you can rest assured that our hotels are typically located near public transportation and a variety of local restaurants and attractions. Once your tour begins, your friendly driver or tour leader will be happy to help you get your bearings and offer assistance, should you need it.

Extra Nights

Not available.

Please note: If you are interested in booking additional nights of accommodation pre or post-tour, please wait until you receive your travel documentation approximately 4-6 weeks before departure for the confirmed list of hotels. If booking your own additional accommodation directly with the hotel,

please be aware that you may be required to change rooms at the start/end of your tour.

Maximum Room Capacity

2 people.

Triple Share

Not available.

Bedding Configuration

Twin or double (subject to availability).

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal offer
- Optional gratuities/tipping
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance
- Any costs associated with an interruption to your tour as a result of an airline schedule change or cancellation
- Mandatory city tax

Gratuities / Tipping

Land

Gratuities (tips) are not included for the services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip is £6 (approximately 12 AUD) per person per day. This covers the guide/leader and the driver and will be collected on tour.

Please note: Tipping for services provided is always a matter of personal discretion; however, please be aware that many locals consider tipping part of their normal remuneration, and they may approach you for payment; there's no need to be intimidated by the request.

Other Important Information

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide:

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role

entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on the history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction where they are guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves it at the end of the tour; they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader:

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides at each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village and offer information on the place visited on the bus. However, they are not required to have specific art, architecture, or historical knowledge. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and, if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Scotland

Spring: You can expect average maximum temperatures to range from approximately 8-13°C during the months of March, April and May.

Summer: June, July and August are normally the warmest months in Scotland, with average maximum temperatures around 17°C.

Autumn: In the autumn, Scotland is likely to experience temperatures ranging from around 8-15°C from September to November

Weather

We always suggest referring to an online

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source for the most up-to-date weather information for your destination/s.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points:

We do not arrange seat selection. It is essential to highlight that some airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the airline directly with seating allocation requirements and/or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the airline once you have your flight information.

Dietary Requests

Meal options and availability differ between airlines and routes therefore not all dietary requests can be accommodated. If your flight includes meals we will select the most suitable option available based on the dietary requirements you have specified. All meal requests are subject to airline approval and are not guaranteed, therefore we recommend preparing for your flight by bringing appropriate food for yourself, as required.

Passport Validity:

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 90 days before the departure date. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of the booking. Customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred in this instance.

COACH TOUR

Meals:

For meals not included, the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify us of any dietary requests/requirements.

Please note: We will do our best to meet your requests/requirements; however, we cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

Luggage:

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on tour. You must carry your own luggage from the vehicle to the hotel room and back to the vehicle. The driver will assist with the uploading and unloading of bags from the vehicle.

OTHER

Mobility:

If you require wheelchair access please contact our friendly sales and service team to inquire on your behalf.

Fitness Level Required:

Adventure (and spontaneity) create some of the best travel memories. Bear in mind, your home schedules and timings might not be adhered to on tour - it's all part of the fun!

A moderate level of fitness will be required. Expect a moderate pace of touring with a focus on guided tours that may include full days with extended activity, guided city tours or nature walks. You will require a general level of fitness for unassisted navigation of stairs and inclines, longer distances with possible periods of standing when visiting sites, walking on sloping, uneven ground or elevations. You will be responsible for your own luggage and have the ability to board all modes of transport without assistance.

Please note: Many areas may be inaccessible to wheelchairs or mobility scooters, where the unassisted use of personal walking sticks and other aids may be required. Although some assistance may be available, every traveller should be self-reliant during all aspects of their travel.

Please note: It is expected that every traveller must be self-reliant and able to undertake all aspects of their own travel. Please speak to your booking agent about your personal circumstances and any assistance requirements to ensure this tour is right for you.

Please note: If you have any concerns, please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Sightseeing:

Please note: If entry to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary, where possible, may be adjusted, or a similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

Shopping:

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all your receipts.

Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader. Please refer to our [Terms and Conditions](#) regarding shopping for further information.

Visas

United Kingdom

The UK Government has announced the next phase in the rollout of Electronic Travel Authorisations (ETAs). As of 8th January 2025, all Australian and New Zealand passport holders will require an ETA to enter the UK. An ETA gives visitors permission to travel to the UK. Visitors who do not currently need a visa may need to apply for an electronic travel authorisation (ETA) to travel to the UK, please refer to the UK Government website for further information.

Important:

- Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.
- Visa rules are subject to change. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination/s you are visiting once you receive your travel documentation to ensure you have the most up to date information.

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- *It is your responsibility to be travel-ready and ensure that you are aware and comply with any destination or travel requirements, including the validity of all required travel documents.*
- *Passengers who are not Australian citizens must also check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.*
- *It is also important to note that some areas of employment, such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations, may have additional restrictions in applying for visas. This may, in turn, affect the type of application required.*

Travel Insurance

Embarking on your next trip is exciting, and while you hope the unexpected does not happen, it is best to be prepared. We strongly recommend you take out travel insurance when making your booking.

Whether it's a potential medical emergency, a flight cancellation, a delayed suitcase, or an unforeseen event, it's important to ensure you're adequately protected. For more information or advice visit <https://www.tripadeal.com.au/travel-insurance>

Schedule Of Fees

Voluntary Changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

- Changes - \$100 per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

- If the incorrect name has been provided, charges of \$100 per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Supplier Fees

In the event the tour package you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/or a Travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the tour due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/accommodation partners. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event we are unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee.