# Tour of Scotland - Edinburgh, Isle of Skye and Loch Ness

7 days / 6 nights

Scotland, the land of whiskey, bagpipes and kilt!

Beyond this reductive presentation, our route will take you to the extremities of this superb region.

Landscapes evolve all along the itinerary, giving you unique colors.

From Edinburgh to the Isle of Skye passing by the white sandy beaches of the far north, discover Scotland at its most beautiful corners.

The varied hotels, carefully selected by our team, will offer you the Scottish breakfast which guarantees you to be well stuck on your saddle.

# YOUR PROGRAM

#### Day 1 - Arrival in Scotland, Welcome Edinburgh.

Go to the rental company to pick up your motorcycle.

You leave the beautiful historic city of Edinburgh and explore small villages and beautiful mountains, where the brown colors contrast with the blue of the lakes and the green of lush nature.

Fort William, a small active town, welcomes you at the foot of the Ben Nevis, which rises to 1344 m above sea level in Scotland.

Spend a night at the hotel on the banks of Loch Linnhe.

Approximately 252 km

#### Day 2 - Heading west to the Isle of Skye

This day can easily be described by a one word "Water"! Between the lochs, rivers, waterfalls and sea, water is omnipresent and offers sublime landscapes.

All this to arrive, after visiting a superb postcard castle, on the island of Skye, and Portree, its capital, a coastal village offering strolls in search of sea eagles or the whales, dolphins and seals which often frequent the coasts.

Spend the night at the hotel on the charming little port of Portree.

Approximately 175 km

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#### Day 3 - The Highlands Cows

So much greenery for this day! After the Isle of Skye, the interior of Scotland is waiting for you to join again a small harbor village, Ullapool.

On the way, some beautiful valleys will welcome you along agitated torrents.

If you are attentive, beyond the sheep in the fields, you will be able to see those hairy cows with long horns that appear on postcards, the Highlands Cows!

Spend a night on the outskirts of Ullapool.

Approximately 191 km

#### Day 4 - Lochs, white sandy beaches and cliffs

A fantastic day with varied landscapes, perhaps the most beautiful since the start. Seaside, small lakes, lochs, Scottish houses, ruined castles, sea caves, white sandy beaches, cliffs...

Everything is in place to make this one of the most memorable days of this Scottish journey! And watch out for the sheep which are numerous on the road!

Spend a night in an old house in the North of Scotland

Approximately 156 km

#### Day 5 - The Lands of Scotland and Cairngorms Nature Park

This day begins in style with a foray into the lost lands of northern Scotland. Open your eyes to the outskirts of Loch Loyal where it's not uncommon to encounter wild geese.

The route continues as a single track through the desert-like, green landscapes of another world.

Soon the return to civilization is noticeable as you pass through denser and more densely populated villages.

A few bridges, the bypass of Inverness and you are in the Natural Park of Cairngorms...

Spend the night in a charming residence in the heart of Cairngorms Park.

Approximately 185 km

#### Day 6 - The Loch Ness Monster

Monster or not monster, it would be a shame to be so close to this impressive stretch of water and to not point your lens to this!

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So, let's go for a day in pursuit of a still living legend called here "Nessie"! If you go counterclockwise, the view and scenery will are more beautiful.

On the program, the visit of the exhibition center dedicated to Loch Ness and its monster with broad explanations on the different possible theories. Then, a detour to the ruins of Urquhart Castle which offers you a superb views of the lake.

At the southern end of the lake, you will find Fort Augustus which is a charming, colorful and lively village. From there, a ride up to the less crowded shore of the lake will be a real pleasure to ride.

Spend another night in the same hotel as the night before

Approximately 208 km

#### Day 7 - From Cairngorms to Edinburgh

The crossing of the Cairngorms National Park offers immense moorland landscapes, forests and numerous sheep farms.

Don't forget your little cardigan in wool, as because the altitude can make the air very fresh! Especially near to the small ski resort of Lecht!

The landscape quickly becomes greener and the pretty villages come one after another, like with Ballater for example. A stop is welcome for a visit of the Crathes Castle and its park, then a passage by the famous Dunnottar castle is required!

Direction Edinburgh then with, and depending on the weather, a possible passage through St Andrews and the pretty coastal villages that follow.

End of trip on arrival in Edinburgh

Approximately 310 km (several options allow you to shorten or lengthen the stage)

# Additional information

#### TARIFFS

Price from 2899 euros per person.

### OPTIONS

Option Duo with Pillion

(included Suzuki DL 650 V-Strom) : 1 euros per person. Option Duo / pers.

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(included Suzuki DL 650 V-Strom) : 250 euros per person. Option solo (individual room) / pers.

(included Suzuki DL 650 V-Strom) : 650 euros per person. /!\ SELECT ONE OF PREVIOUS OPTION /!\

INCLUDED - a motorbike type Suzuki DL 650 V-Strom with suitscases

/!\ EXTRA CHARGE /!\ CHOOSE ANOTHER BIKE THAN THE SUZUKI DL 650 V-STROM : 1 euros per person. Rental of a motorbike type Suzuki DL1000 V-Strom with suitscases

: 450 euros per person. Extra-charge for a departure in July and August / person : 90 euros per person.

## INCLUDED

All nights in hotels with double rooms Scottish breakfasts (extremely hearty) Ferry crossings with cabins (round trip Shetlands) based on two people and one motorcycle On-site accompaniment by a English-speaker motorcycle rider of our team A travel file including maps and roadbook

## NOT INCLUDED

Transportation to the start of the trip Non-program transfers Meals (apart from breakfast), beverages Insurance Motorcycle rental, possible repairs Fines Site visits

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LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY Distances up to about 230 kms.

ACCOMMODATION Double room in hotels

SIZE OF GROUP From 8 persons

**DEPARTURES** Departure every day from mid-April to the end of October.

**DEPARTURE** Edinburgh, in the morning.

**DISPERSION** Edinburgh, in the afternoon!

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