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SCOTLAND



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Dear Sir / Madam,

Please find full details of this itinerary in this dossier. If you have any questions at all please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,

The Luxury Train Travel Company.

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# ITINERARIES

Be it a journey filled with thrilling excursions, an exploration through the pages of history, or a lesson of whisky tasting with a dram or two at world-class distilleries, riding aboard Royal Scotsman is one of those pinch-me moments. Come onboard with us and tell the legends of the Highlands.

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*"I can't tell you how much we appreciate all the pre planning you helped us with.*

*It was a trip of a lifetime experienced by few. Personally I feel privileged to have experienced this part of the world. Thanks again for all you did for us."*

**Gail & Cathy Schuneman**



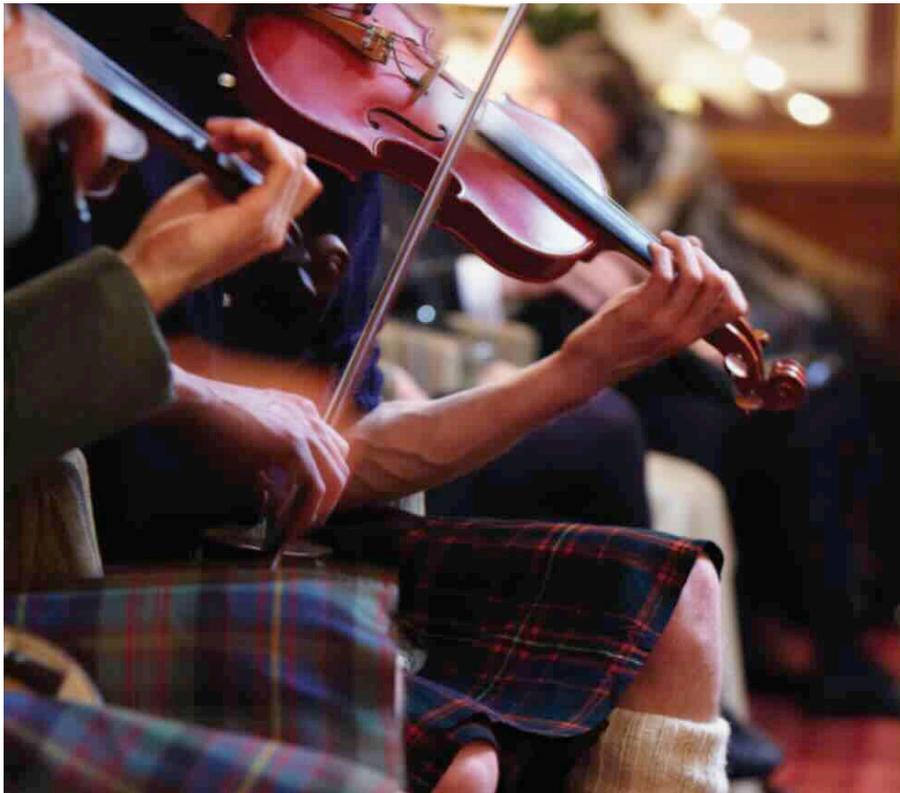
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A combination of the traditional Highland and scenic Western journeys. Head north, journeying through the former Kingdom of Fife. Later, travel west along the Moray Firth towards Inverness, before heading south to stop at Kyle of Lochalsh and Boat of Garten. During your railway journey, pass through historic sites of Fort William and Bridge of Orchy before admiring the wonders offered by the Isle of Bute.

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## DAY 1 - Edinburgh

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Depart from **Edinburgh** Waverley Station and prepare to be cocooned in luxury as you glide through breathtaking landscapes. In the early afternoon, travel west through **Falkirk, Clydebank and Dumbarton** before reaching the northern bank of **the Clyde**. Here lies **Craigendoran**, the starting point for the majestic **West Highland Line**.

Enjoy an afternoon tea as you travel along the edge of **Gare Loch**. **Loch Long** comes into sight to your left, and after vanishing for a while, returns with a view of **Ben Arthur (The Cobbler)** with its distinctive peak. Passing **Arrochar**, you will glimpse your first view of **Loch Lomond**. The train descends almost to the water's edge at **Ardlui**, and then has a hard climb up **Glen Falloch**, whose many waterfalls provide an impressive display.

Continuing north, the train passes through **Crianlarich** and beautiful **Rannoch Moor**. Dinner is served on the way to **Spean Bridge** — our inventive chef uses the finest line-caught wild salmon, Shetland Lobster and Aberdeen Angus beef. Local chanterelles and wild garlic are foraged straight from Scotland's wild larder. Afterwards, enjoy lively entertainment in the Observation Car; with no more than 40 guests on board, expect kinship and camaraderie, best celebrated over a local dram.

## DAY 2 - Spean Bridge

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As the train travels west, passing through **Fort William**, don't miss the views of **Ben Nevis**, at 1,344m the UK's highest peak. Skirting **Loch Eil**, you then pass the impressive viaduct of **Glenfinnan** and **Lochailort**, before turning north along this dramatic coastline to **Arisaig**. Alight here for a walk along the **Silver Sands of Morar** – gleaming white-sand beaches – enjoying romantic views across the **Sound of Sleat** to the **Isle of Skye** and the jagged **Cuillin Mountains**.

On board, lunch is served as the train retraces its route towards Fort William. Disembark here for a fascinating visit to **Glenfinnan**, where you are joined by your local guide, who brings to life stories of Bonnie Prince Charlie and other great Scottish heroes. Head to the cosy bar of The Old Station Restaurant for drinks and light bites. In the evening, walk the short distance to **Spean Bridge Station**, where the Royal Scotsman train awaits.

Alternatively, a guided hike is available (weather permitting). A mountain ranger will lead a moderate-grade walk through the scenic **Nevis Gorge** to the **Steall Waterfall**, the second highest in the UK. Please note that a reasonable level of fitness is required. Sturdy walking boots with a good tread and ankle support, waterproof jacket and suitable trousers are essential. Walking boots and waterproofs can be provided, subject to availability.

Return to the train in **Fort William** and relax. Dinner is served as you travel south towards the tiny Argyll village of **Bridge of Orchy**. After dinner, indulge in a nightcap while listening to the evening entertainment in the Observation Car. At evening's end, be seduced by the plush bedding and cosy wood panelling of your cabin.

## DAY 3 - Bridge of Orchy

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Leaving Bridge of Orchy this morning, soak up the dramatic Highland scenery as you journey south towards **Glasgow** and the west coast. After lunch, disembark in **Wemyss Bay** where you board the ferry for the 35-minute crossing to the **Isle of Bute**, whose wonders are revealed at every turn. From **St Blane's Chapel** to the abandoned townships in Glen More, every stone has a tale to tell.

Visit **Mount Stuart**, Britain's most spectacular Victorian Gothic house and the fantasy of the 3rd Marquess of Bute and his architect, Sir Robert Rowand Anderson. Mysterious and surprising interiors reflect the marquess's passion for art, astrology and mythology, and the mansion is home to one of the finest privately held collections of family portraits in Scotland. After enjoying an afternoon tea in the Drawing Room, explore the magnificent house and the grounds. Stroll down the Lime Tree Avenue to discover a secluded stretch of coastline and lovely views towards the mainland. Return to the train in Wemyss Bay, where a delicious dinner is served on the way to **Kilmarnock**, our stabling location for the evening. Relax in the Observation Car over coffee, liqueurs and traditional Scottish music.

## DAY 4 - Kilmarnock

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After an early departure from Kilmarnock this morning, enjoy a leisurely breakfast as you travel east towards **Edinburgh**. Disembark in Edinburgh, where you will be escorted to The Royal Yacht Britannia. Enjoy a guided tour of its five regal decks, and return to the train for a light lunch on board. Alternatively, explore Scotland's vibrant capital city at leisure.

In the early afternoon, travel north to the 'Fair City' of **Perth**. Linger over afternoon tea as the train continues on the Highland line through **Dunkeld**, **Pitlochry** and **Blair Atholl** with its imposing white castle.

The rolling hills of Perthshire are replaced by dramatic peaks and valleys as you journey north into **the Highlands**. Glide past **Aviemore**, gateway to the glorious **Cairngorms National Park**, and head to the village of **Boat of Garten** on the private **Strathspey Railway**. The train stops here for the night, surrounded by the peace and tranquility of the Cairngorms. Dinner is served, followed by entertainment in the Observation Car.

## DAY 5 - Boat of Garten to Dundee

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This morning, travel the short distance by coach to **Rothiemurchus Estate** in the heart of the Cairngorms National Park, where broadcaster and food anthropologist Ghillie Basan teams with her son Zeki to teach everything you need to know about Scottish wildlife and Highland survival skills.

Enjoy a barbecue lunch served against a breath-taking mountain backdrop. Here, Ghillie will share her inspiring story about how she came to live in the Cairngorms and was elected a Food Ambassador for Scotland. Join her by the fire for a unique food and kombucha pairing as she showcases the succulent seasonal produce of the Highlands.

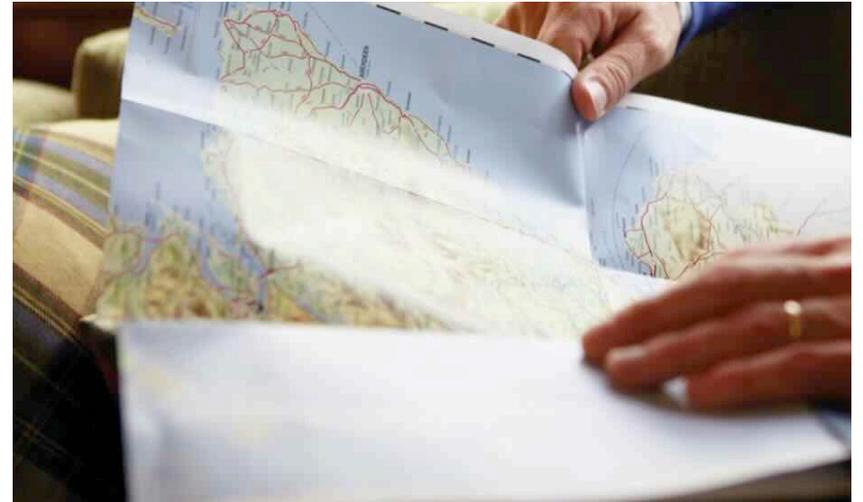
Return to the train in Carrbridge for a relaxing afternoon onboard as the train travels through Inverness and then onto Keith. Enjoy an optional early evening visit to **Strathisla Distillery**, the oldest and one of the most picturesque working distilleries in the Highlands, and home to the malt which is incorporated into one of Scotland's most famous blends, Chivas Regal.

As the track rejoins the coast, soak up the spectacular panoramas on the way south through **Aberdeenshire** and **Angus**. Enjoy a splendid gala dinner before relaxing in the now-familiar Observation Car over coffee, liqueurs and irrepressible Scottish tunes.

## DAY 6 - Dundee to Edinburgh

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Breakfast is served as the train leaves **Dundee** and travels south through the former Kingdom of Fife. After crossing the **Firth of Forth** by means of the magnificent Forth Railway Bridge, you arrive in **Edinburgh** Waverley Station where your journey ends. We wish you safe onward travels and look forward to seeing you again soon aboard the Royal Scotsman train.



Be spirited away as you retrace part of the famed West Highland Line. Head north, journeying through the former Kingdom of Fife. Later, travel west along the Moray Firth towards Inverness, before heading south to stop at Kyle of Lochalsh and Boat of Garten. During your railway journey, pass through historic sites of Fort William and Bridge of Orchy before admiring the wonders offered by the Isle of Bute.

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## DAY 1 - Edinburgh

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Welcome aboard Royal Scotsman. Inside our carriages, elegant Edwardian interiors wrap you in the warmth of cashmere and tartan, interspersed with the best of modern Scottish design. Depart in the early afternoon and travel north to the 'Fair City' of **Perth**, indulging in an afternoon tea as the train continues on the Highland line through **Dunkeld, Pitlochry and Blair Atholl**.

The rolling hills of Perthshire are replaced by more dramatic peaks and valleys as you travel north into **the Highlands**. Glide past **Aviemore**, gateway to the glorious **Cairngorms National Park** with its towering peaks, swathes of Caledonian forest and array of adventurous pursuits. Beyond Aviemore is **Boat of Garten**, where the train stops for the night.

Enjoy dinner on board, a feast of line-caught wild halibut, Shetland Lobster and Aberdeen Angus beef. Chanterelles and wild garlic are foraged straight from Scotland's wild larder. Afterwards, enjoy lively entertainment in the Observation Car where kinship and hearty camaraderie are best celebrated over a local dram.

## DAY 2 - Boat of Garten

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This morning, travel the short distance by coach to **Rothiemurchus Estate** in the heart of the **Cairngorms National Park**, where broadcaster and food anthropologist Ghillie Basan teams with her son Zeki to teach everything you need to know about Scottish wildlife and Highland survival skills.

Enjoy a barbecue lunch served while Ghillie shares the story about how she came to live in the Cairngorms and was elected a Food Ambassador for Scotland. Join her by the fire for an insightful food and kombucha pairing as she showcases the succulent seasonal produce of the Highlands.

Choose from a number of activities, including clay pigeon-shooting, fishing or a guided hike. Alternatively, you can also join Zeki on a guided nature walk with a focus on foraging, storytelling, traditional craft, learning how our ancestors survived through the ages in the Caledonian Forest.

Return to the train in **Carrbridge** for a relaxing afternoon onboard as the train travels through Inverness and then onto **Keith**. Enjoy an optional early evening visit to **Strathisla Distillery**, the oldest and one of the most picturesque working distilleries in the Highlands, and home to the malt which is incorporated into one of Scotland's most famous blends, Chivas Regal.

As the track rejoins the coast, soak up the spectacular panoramas through **Aberdeenshire** and **Angus**. A splendid dinner is served, after which you're invited to the Observation Car to enjoy lively Jazz music, and retreat to the plush bedding of your cabin.

## DAY 3 - Dundee to Spean Bridge

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Breakfast is served as the train leaves **Dundee** and travels south through the former Kingdom of Fife, back to **Edinburgh** Waverley Station. Disembark here for a visit to The Royal Yacht Britannia, berthed in Leith. Enjoy a guided tour of its five regal decks, including the State Apartments, Crew's Quarters, Engine Room and Bridge. Afterwards, enjoy a light lunch at Brasserie Prince within the Balmoral Hotel or some free time to explore Scotland's vibrant capital city.

Rejoin the train in the early afternoon and travel west through **Falkirk, Clydebank and Dumbarton** to skirt **Glasgow** before reaching the northern bank of the **Clyde**. Near the mouth of the Clyde estuary lies **Craigendoran**, the starting point for the majestic **West Highland Line**.

Enjoy afternoon tea as you travel along the edge of **Gare Loch**. Loch Long comes into sight to your left, and after vanishing for a while, returns with a view of **Ben Arthur (The Cobbler)** with its distinctive peak. Passing **Arrochar**, you will glimpse your first view of **Loch Lomond**. The train descends almost to the water's edge at Ardlui, and then has a hard climb up **Glen Falloch**, whose many waterfalls provide an impressive display. Continuing north, the train passes through **Crianlarich**, then on to boggy and beautiful **Rannoch Moor**, one of the last great wildernesses of Scotland. Dinner is served on the way to **Spean Bridge**, after which you are invited to the Observation Car to enjoy lively entertainment by local musicians.

## DAY 4 - Spean Bridge to Bridge of Orchy

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As the train travels west through **Fort William**, keep watching for the stunning views of **Ben Nevis**, the UK's highest peak. Travelling by the side of **Loch Eil** you then pass **Glenfinnan**, with its impressive curved viaduct, and the hamlet of **Lochailort**, before turning north along the dramatic coastline to **Arisaig**. Alight here for a romantic walk along the **Silver Sands of Morar** and views across the **Sound of Sleat** to the

**Isle of Skye** and the jagged Cuillin Mountains. Lunch is served as the train retraces its route towards **Fort William**. Disembark here for a fascinating visit to historic **Glenfinnan**, where you are joined by a local guide, who brings to life stories of Bonnie Prince Charlie and other Scottish heroes. Head to The Old Station Restaurant for drinks and light bites, before walking the very short distance to the train when it arrives into **Spean Bridge Station**.

Alternatively, a guided hike is available (weather permitting). A mountain ranger will lead a moderate-grade walk through the scenic Nevis Gorge to the Steall Waterfall, the second highest in the UK. Please note that a reasonable level of fitness is required. Sturdy walking boots with a good tread and ankle support, waterproof jacket and suitable trousers are essential. Walking boots and waterproofs can be provided, subject to availability. Return to the train in Fort William and relax. Dinner is served as you travel south towards the tiny Argyll village of **Bridge of Orchy**.

## DAY 5 - Wemyss Bay

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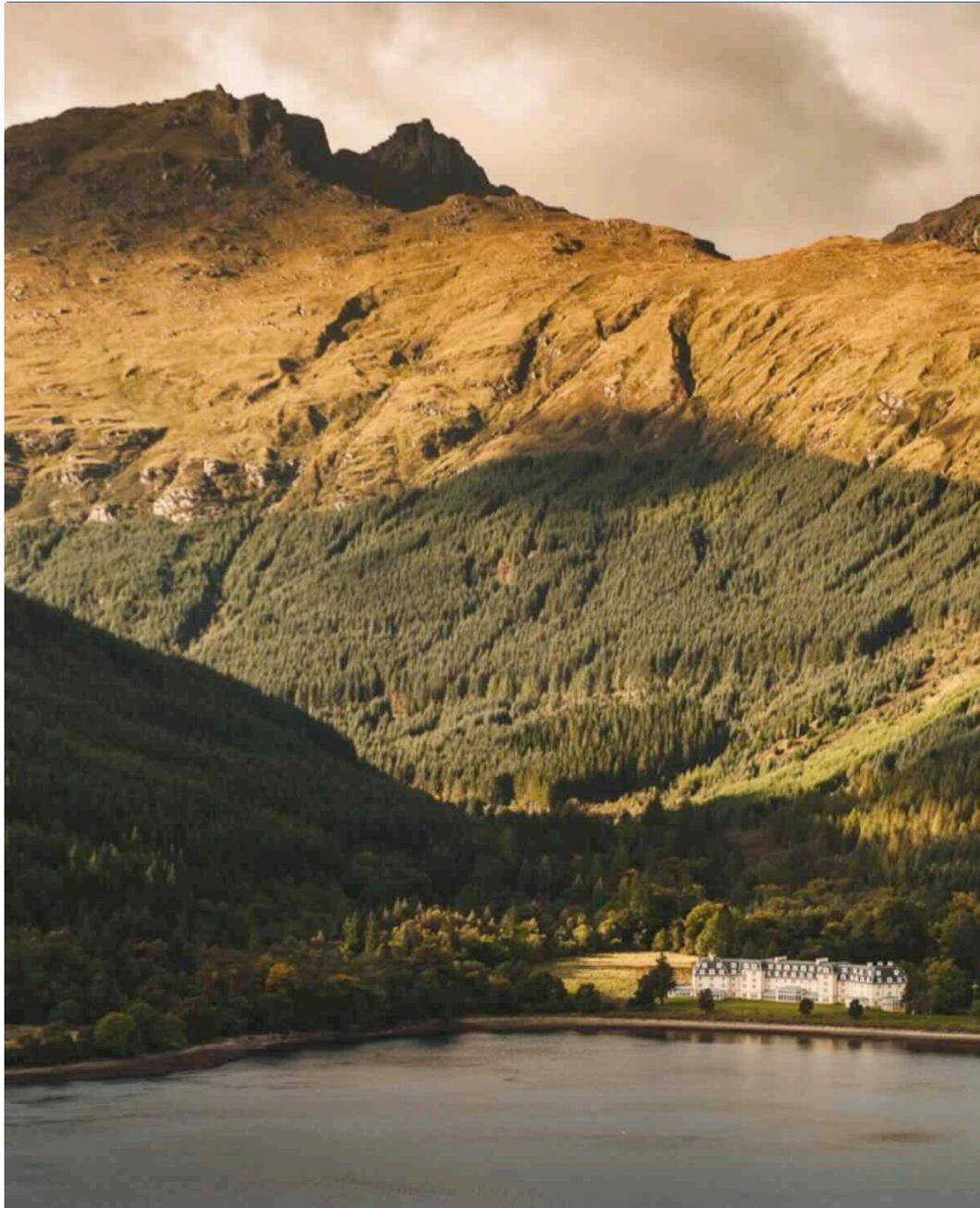
Leaving Bridge of Orchy, soak up the dramatic Highland scenery as you journey south towards **Glasgow**. After lunch, disembark in **Wemyss Bay** a 35-minute ferry crossing to the **Isle of Bute** awaits. Visit **Mount Stuart**, Britain's most spectacular Victorian Gothic house and the fantasy of the 3rd Marquess of Bute and his architect, Sir Robert Rowand Anderson. Mysterious and surprising interiors reflect the marquess's passion for art, astrology and mythology, and the mansion is home to one of the finest privately held collections of family portraits in Scotland.

After enjoying afternoon tea in the Drawing Room, explore the magnificent house and the grounds. Stroll down the Lime Tree Avenue to discover a secluded stretch of coastline and lovely views towards the mainland. Return to the train in **Wemyss Bay**, where a delicious gala dinner is served on the way to **Kilmarnock**, our stabling location for the evening. Your now-familiar lounging space, the Observation Car, is open for coffee, liqueurs and traditional Scottish music.

## DAY 6 - Kilmarnock to Edinburgh

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After an early departure from **Kilmarnock** this morning, enjoy a leisurely breakfast as you travel east towards **Edinburgh** Waverley Station and your Royal Scotsman luxury rail journey ends.



Explore the many wonders of the Scottish Highlands at a leisurely pace. Head north, journeying through the former Kingdom of Fife. Later, travel west along the Moray Firth towards Inverness, before heading south to stop at Kyle of Lochalsh and Boat of Garten. During your railway journey, pass through historic sites of Fort William and Bridge of Orchy before admiring the wonders offered by the Isle of Bute.

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## DAY 1 - Edinburgh

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The train departs from **Edinburgh** in the early afternoon, crossing the **Firth of Forth** by means of the magnificent Forth Railway Bridge. Enjoy afternoon tea as you journey through the former Kingdom of Fife. The train follows the east coast, passing through **Arbroath**, **Montrose and Aberdeen** before arriving in the market town of **Keith**. Enjoy an informal dinner followed by entertainment in the Observation car.

## DAY 2 - Kyle of Lochalsh

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This morning you'll travel west along the **Moray Firth** towards Inverness, capital of the Highlands. Lunch is served on the way to **Kyle of Lochalsh**, one of the most scenic routes in Britain. The line passes **Loch Luichart** and the **Torridon mountains**.

Alight in the picturesque fishing village of **Plockton**, which boasts an incomparable location in a sheltered bay of **Loch Carron**. Take a boat trip to see the colony of wild seals and enjoy magnificent views across the bay to the **Applecross Mountains**. Set off on a woodland walk, with time afterwards to enjoy a traditional Highland welcome in the Plockton Hotel.

Return to the train in Kyle of Lochalsh. A formal dinner is served this evening, followed by coffee and liqueurs in the Observation Car.

## DAY 3 - Boat of Garten

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Join your onboard host for an invigorating early-morning walk over the bridge that links the mainland with the **Isle of Skye**. Depart from Kyle of Lochalsh as breakfast is served, retracing part of yesterday's route. Travel around the edge of the **Beaully Firth**, across the northern end of the **Caledonian Canal** before reaching **Inverness**.

Disembark in **Garve** for a bespoke shopping experience. Alternatively, stretch your legs and join our Highland storyteller for a walk along the old military road leading to **Silver Bridge**. Lunch is served as the train departs Inverness en route to **Carrbridge**, where you disembark for an afternoon visit to **Ballindalloch Castle**, in the beautiful **Speyside**.

Visit Ballindalloch, one of Scotland's most romantic castles. Take a tour of the building and grounds, or visit the castle's single estate whisky distillery. Return to the train at **Boat of Garten** and prepare for an informal dinner. Afterwards, make your way to the Observation Car, where local musicians are waiting to entertain you as you sip a nightcap or two.

## DAY 4 - Rothiemurchus

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After breakfast, transfer to **Rothiemurchus Estate** in the heart of the **Cairngorms National Park**. Choose from a number of activities including fishing, clay pigeon-shooting or an estate tour. Afterwards refreshments are served in their hunting lodge.

Return to the train in **Kingussie** and enjoy a leisurely lunch during the journey south. At **Dunkeld** you'll disembark for a private tour of Glamis Castle and its beautiful gardens. Re-join the train in **Perth** and prepare for a formal dinner en route to **Dundee**. Let the after-dinner musicians inspire you to partake of some lively Scottish country dancing.

## DAY 5 - Edinburgh

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Breakfast is served as the train leaves **Dundee** and crosses the **Tay Bridge**. Disembark in **Edinburgh** where you will be escorted to the Royal Yacht Britannia for a guided tour followed by a light lunch on board. Alternatively, enjoy some free time to explore Scotland's vibrant capital city.

Re-join the train in the early afternoon and travel west. Near the mouth of the Clyde estuary lies **Craigendoran**, the starting point of the **West Highland Line**. Enjoy afternoon tea as you travel along the edge of Gare Loch.

Continuing north, the train passes through **Crianlarich** and **Bridge of Orchy** then onto **Rannoch Moor**, one of the last truly wild parts of Scotland. An informal dinner is served on the way to **Spean Bridge** followed by lively entertainment by local musicians in the Observation Car.

## DAY 6 - Glenfinnan

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As the train travels west don't miss the views of **Ben Nevis**, the UK's highest peak. Disembark at **Arisaig** for an evocative walk along the beautiful **Morar Sands**, with breathtaking views across the **Sound of Sleat**. Lunch is served back on board as the train retraces its route towards **Fort William**.

Disembark here and visit historic **Glenfinnan** in the company of our local guide. Enjoy drinks and some light bites in the traditional cosy bar of The Old Station Restaurant located at **Spean Bridge Railway Station** before returning to **Fort William**. Alternatively go on a guided hike of **Nevis Gorge**, weather permitting. Relax on board before an informal dinner is served as you travel south.

## DAY 7 - Mount Stuart

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Leaving **Bridge of Orchy** this morning, savour the dramatic Highland scenery en route to **Glasgow**. Board the ferry in **Wemyss Bay** for the 35-minute crossing to the **Isle of Bute**, which boasts a mesmerising variety of landscapes.

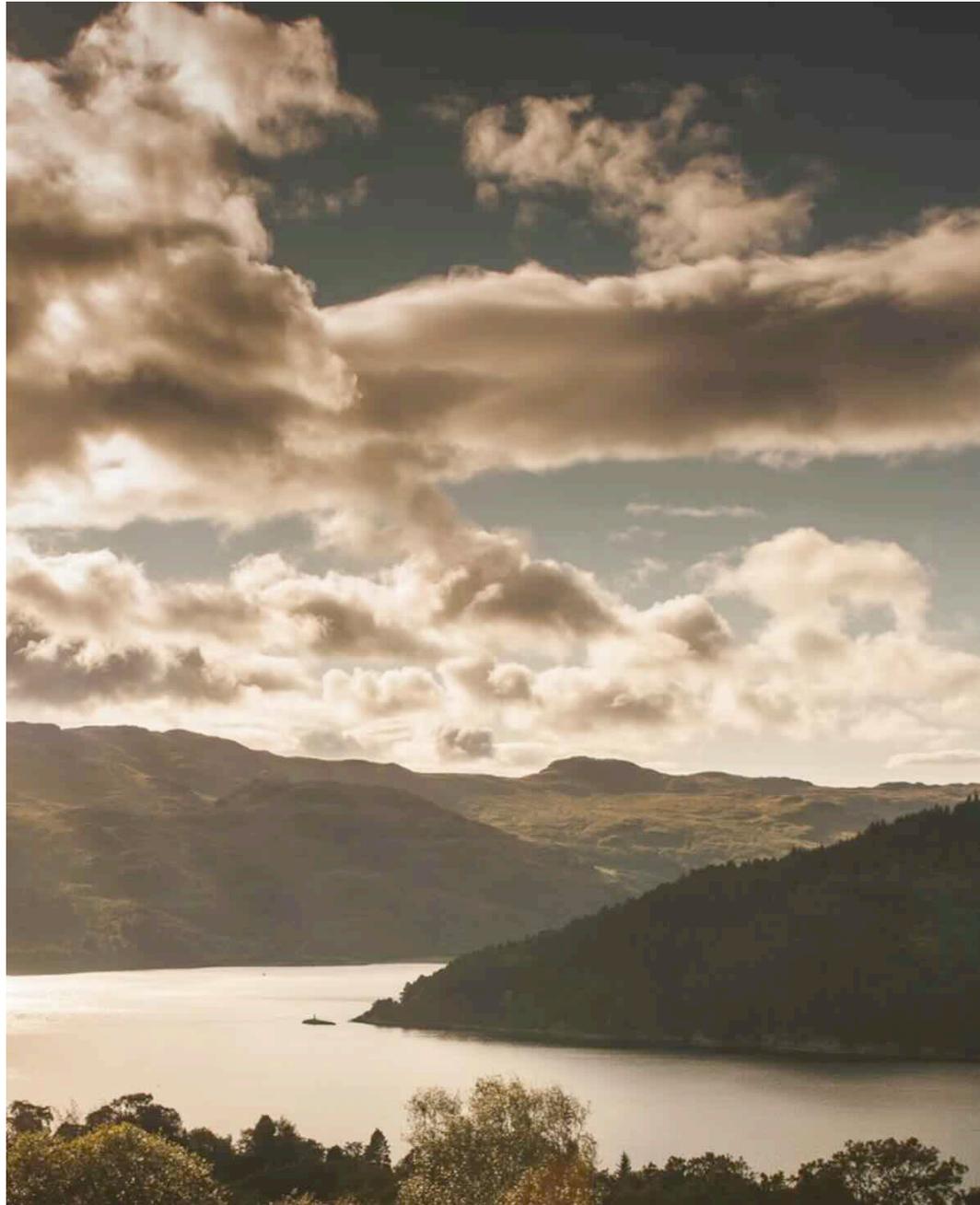
Visit **Mount Stuart**, one of Britain's most spectacular Victorian Gothic house and the architectural fantasy of the third Marquess of Bute. Mysterious interiors reflect the Marquess' passion for art, astrology, mythology and religion.

Following afternoon tea in the Drawing Room, explore this magnificent house and gardens. Back on board, take time to relax and prepare for a formal dinner. Afterwards, head to the Observation Car for entertainment and farewell drinks.

## DAY 8 - Edinburgh

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As Royal Scotsman makes its way back to **Edinburgh**, savour a leisurely breakfast and enjoy the majestic vistas and the wonders of the West, one more time.



Head West and explore the many wonders of the Scottish Highlands at a leisurely pace. Departing from Edinburgh, head west and marvel at the breathtaking landscapes. Near the mouth of the Clyde estuary lies Craigendoran, the starting point for the majestic West Highland Line. As your train continues, keep watching for stunning views of Ben Nevis and soak up the dramatic scenery while Royal Scotsman journeys south towards Glasgow. Later, enjoy the views as you approach Inverness, the capital of the Highlands.

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## DAY 1 - Edinburgh

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Enjoy an indulgent afternoon tea while the Royal Scotsman departs from **Edinburgh** and heads west to reach **Craigendoran** the starting point for the **West Highland Line**. Spot the distinctive peak of **Ben Arthur** — soon you also catch a first glimpse of **Loch Lomond**.

After climbing up the waterfall-rich **Glen Falloch**, the train continues north to the village of **Spean Bridge**, its stabling point for the night. Enjoy an informal dinner followed by entertainment in the Observation Car.

## DAY 2 - Glenfinnan

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As the train continues west, passing through **Fort William** — the largest town in the West Highlands — don't miss the views of **Ben Nevis**. Travelling by the side of **Loch Eil**, you then pass the impressive curved **viaduct of Glenfinnan**, and **Lochailort**, before turning north along this dramatic coastline to **Arisaig**. Lunch is served as the train retraces its route back to Fort William.

Disembark in **Glenfinnan**, where our local guide brings to life the stories of Scottish heroes before your group enjoys drinks and some light bites in the traditional cosy bar of The Old Station Restaurant located at **Spean Bridge Railway Station**. Feeling rather energetic? Weather permitting, a mountain ranger guides you through the scenic **Nevis Gorge** to the **Steall Waterfall**. Return to the train in Fort William and relax on board before an informal dinner is served as you travel south towards the tiny Argyll village of **Bridge of Orchy**. After an informal dinner in our luxury dining car, enjoy a nightcap whilst listening to the evening entertainment in the Observation Car.

## DAY 3 - Mount Stuart

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Today's destination is the charming **Isle of Bute**, reached by ferry. Rich in geology, history and wildlife, the island offers a varied landscape and welcomes you for an afternoon of exploration. Visit **Mount Stuart**, a Victorian Gothic house with arguably the finest privately held collection of family portraits in Scotland, before returning to the town of **Wemyss Bay**. There, a formal dinner is served while on the move to **Kilmarnock**, our stabling location this evening.

## DAY 4 - Keith

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After an early departure from **Gourock** this morning, enjoy a leisurely breakfast as you travel east towards **Edinburgh** where this first part of your Grand Western Scenic, Westbound journey draws to an end in Waverley Station. Spend the morning in Edinburgh by joining a guided tour and enjoying a light lunch before returning to the train for the next part of your journey.

In the early afternoon, the train pulls out of the station and travels north, crossing the Firth of Forth via the **Forth Railway Bridge**. Once the estuary traversed, the Royal Scotsman proceeds through Fife towards the city of **Perth**, during which you are served a leisurely afternoon tea, passing **Arbroath**, **Montrose** and **Aberdeen** before arriving in the market town of **Keith**. In the evening, join an informal dinner followed by entertainment in the now-familiar Observation Car.

## DAY 5 - Kyle of Lochalsh

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As the train leaves **Keith**, enjoy breakfast and head west along **Moray Firth** towards Inverness, the capital of the Highlands. Lunch is served aboard as the train heads towards **Kyle of Lochalsh** on the most scenic railway route in the United Kingdom.

Disembark in **Plockton**, take a boat trip to see wild seals or enjoy a dram and a traditional highland welcome in the Plockton Hotel. Spend the night on board in Kyle of Lochalsh. Join fellow guests for a formal dinner and perhaps a nightcap in the Observation Car offering majestic views over **Loch Alsh to the Isle of Skye**.

## DAY 6 - Boat of Garten

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Feeling energetic? Join your onboard host for an invigorating early-morning walk over the bridge between the mainland and the Isle Of Skye.

After breakfast, the train heads back towards **Dingwall**, skirting the **Beaulie Firth** and crossing the top of the **Caledonian Canal**, north of **Loch Ness**, before reaching Inverness. The train continues south to **Carrbridge** where you will disembark to visit the romantic

**Ballindalloch Castle** and its wonderful gardens. At Ballindalloch, opt for a private castle tour or an exclusive look at Scotland's only single-estate distillery.

Spend the night on board at **Boat of Garten** on the private **Strathspey Railway**. After dinner, make your way to the Observation Car, where local musicians are waiting to entertain you as you sip a nightcap or two.

## DAY 7 - Rothiemurchus

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Travel by coach to **Rothiemurchus Estate** in the heart of the **Cairngorms National Park**, where outdoor pursuits such as fishing, clay pigeon shooting, or a guided walk through the stunning landscape can be enjoyed.

Rejoin the train at **Kingussie** where lunch will be served as you journey south through **Blair Atholl** and **Pitlochry** to **Dunkeld**. Here, disembark for a visit to **Glamis Castle**, the childhood home of the late HM Queen Elizabeth, The Queen Mother. Return to the train, as formal dinner and entertainment await.

## DAY 8 - Edinburgh

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Breakfast is served as the Royal Scotsman train leaves **Dundee** and crosses the Tay Bridge into the former Kingdom of Fife. Head back to **Edinburgh** where your seven-night journey comes to an end. For transportation after your journey or to book a reservation in one of Edinburgh's finest accommodations, please speak to your Train Manager.



# INCLUSIONS, EXCLUSIONS & TERMS OF BOOKING

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### INCLUDED:

- **Luxury Accommodation** - Three nights aboard the Royal Scotsman luxury train with 24-hour steward service.
- **Fine Dining** - All meals aboard the train: full Scottish breakfast, two-course lunch, three-course dinner including cheeseboard, coffee, tea and petit fours. All beverages including alcoholic drinks.
- **Historical Tours** - Guided tours as described in each itinerary.
- **Entertainment** - Traditional ceilidhs on board, evening entertainment in the Observation Car and a gala dining experience.

### EXCLUDED:

- ✗ International Airfare to the start and from the finish of this trip
- ✗ Visas (ask us for advise about these).
- ✗ Travel insurance to cover any medical treatment.
- ✗ Discretionary gratuities.

- Train Capacity is 19 cabins / 38 guests.
- We require all clients to take out travel / trip cancellation and to have valid medical insurance for all our trips.
- We regret that due to the intricate logistics of this tour, itinerary changes are sometimes unavoidable.
- On booking a **non-refundable deposit of 25%** is needed to confirm with the balance due 120 days before departure.
- International flights, visa fees and any services not mentioned are not included in the price and subject to their own terms and conditions.

### • **Cancellation Terms:**

Cancellation before 120 days is loss of deposit.

Cancellation between 119 – 90 days will be charged 50%.

Cancellation between 89 – 30 days will be charged 70%.

Cancellation 29 days or less will be charged 100%. will be fully charged.

In the event of failure to make the balance payment more than 56 days before departure, the entire advance payment will be forfeited.

## WHY BOOK THROUGH US ?

### EXPERIENCE ✓

We have been arranging luxury train tours since 2008 and have long relationships with key providers.

### PRICE PROMISE ✓

In most cases we will offer to match any bona fide, like for like quote for your trip from another agent or operator.

### INDEPENDENT ADVICE ✓

We give open and impartial advice and it is important to us that you book the right rail trip for you.

### PEACE OF MIND ✓

We are members of ABTA and most trips are protected by our IPP cover and ATOL bonding.



*"I just wanted to say thank you for organising our wonderful holiday. All went smoothly and we were well taken care of. Thank you for the seamless organisation."*

**Kristopher Forbes**



*"The trip was great. Everything was smooth. This was very important to me as a solo female traveller. I felt safe and secure at all times. It was a well-balanced and organised trip. I really appreciated the effort that went into the trip."*

**Sarah Orozco**



*"You are amazing! Thank you so much for the fast response to my initial email, and the rapid answer to any questions I had, no matter how stupid they were! Your organisation was a great choice for me... I would highly recommend it."*

**Rachael Klein**



*"The booking process was very efficient. We appreciate you answered all our questions and presented a good plan. The trip itself was a wonderful old world Africa experience on the train – loved it."*

**Paige & Hugh Christensen**



*"It was the best trip we've ever taken! It was amazing! I cannot say enough about it. The ease of train travel, and guides were all pleasant surprises."*

**Lawrence & Conner Dudley**



*"We appreciated how easy it was to talk with you on the phone, person-to-person. This was very helpful. It's nice to meet people with similar interests and goals. We thank you and your company for everything you did to create a memorable train experience."*

**Bethany Leblanc**



*"You made booking flights and everything else very simple. You always provided excellent service, and responded to our inquiries promptly. Thanks for your attention to detail towards your customers."*

**Tania & Arthur Lindsey**



*"I can't tell you how much we appreciate all the pre planning you helped us with. Thanks again for all you did for us."*

**Gail & Cathy**

# ABOUT THE ROYAL SCOTSMAN LUXURY TRAIN

Royal Scotsman rekindles the romance of travel on Highland escapes for up to 40 passengers. Interiors marry Edwardian elegance with country-house comfort. Guests dine on succulent Scottish fare, admire breathtaking scenery from the Observation Car and unwind in the onboard spa. Two- to seven-night itineraries, departing from Edinburgh, feature private visits to castles and distilleries.



# ABOUT THE ROYAL SCOTSMAN

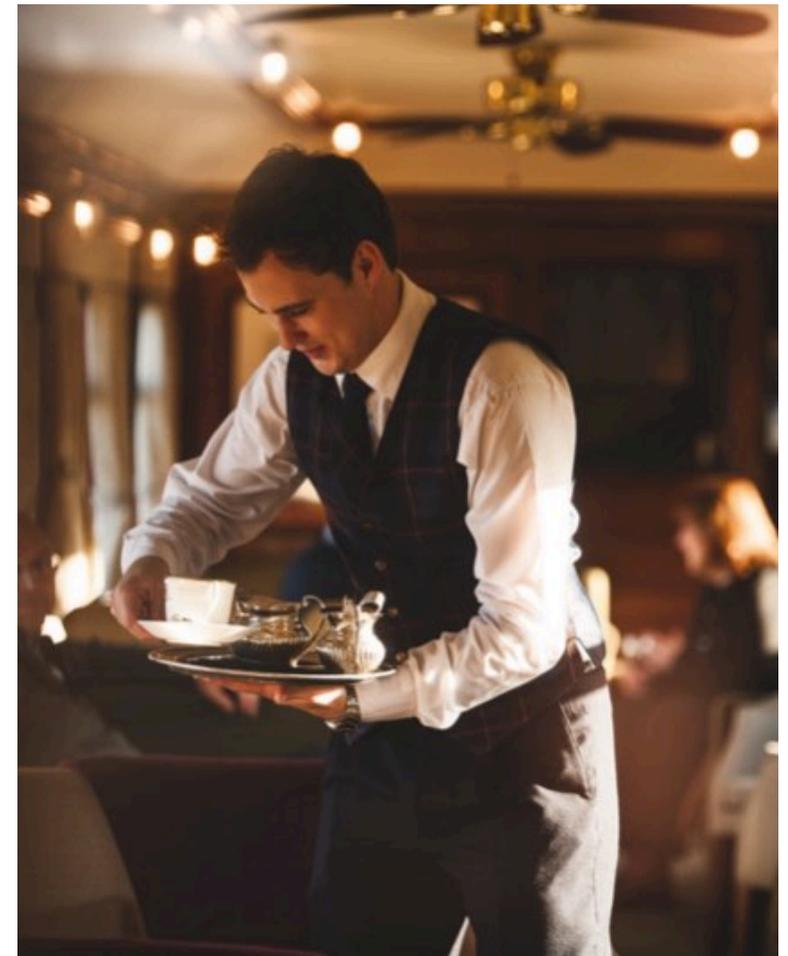
## Observation Deck

The most distinctive carriage, the open-ended Observation Car, converted from the Pullman kitchen car, Snipe, was originally built in 1960 by the Metropolitan-Cammell Carriage and Wagon Company, and entered service in 1961 as a First Class kitchen car. In 1989, Great Scottish & Western Railway Company Ltd bought the car from its private owner, Michael Bailiss, and converted it to its current luxury configuration.



## Observation Car

The Bar car accommodates all 40 passengers in comfortable sofas, armchairs and banquet style seating. Most mornings, a selection of magazines and daily newspapers are available in the bar car. After dinner entertainment is performed in the Bar car. Seating is in a variety of positions so guests so regardless of which way the train is moving there will be some forward facing seating. The Bar is located in the Observation Car and is open throughout the day. An open veranda is accessible for guests where they can enjoy the passing countryside.



## Swift Dining Car

The carriage design was modelled on the previous Victory carriage which was taken out of service in November 2012. Swift can accommodate 20 guests, ensuring all 40 train guests can dine at the same sitting, across the two dining cars.



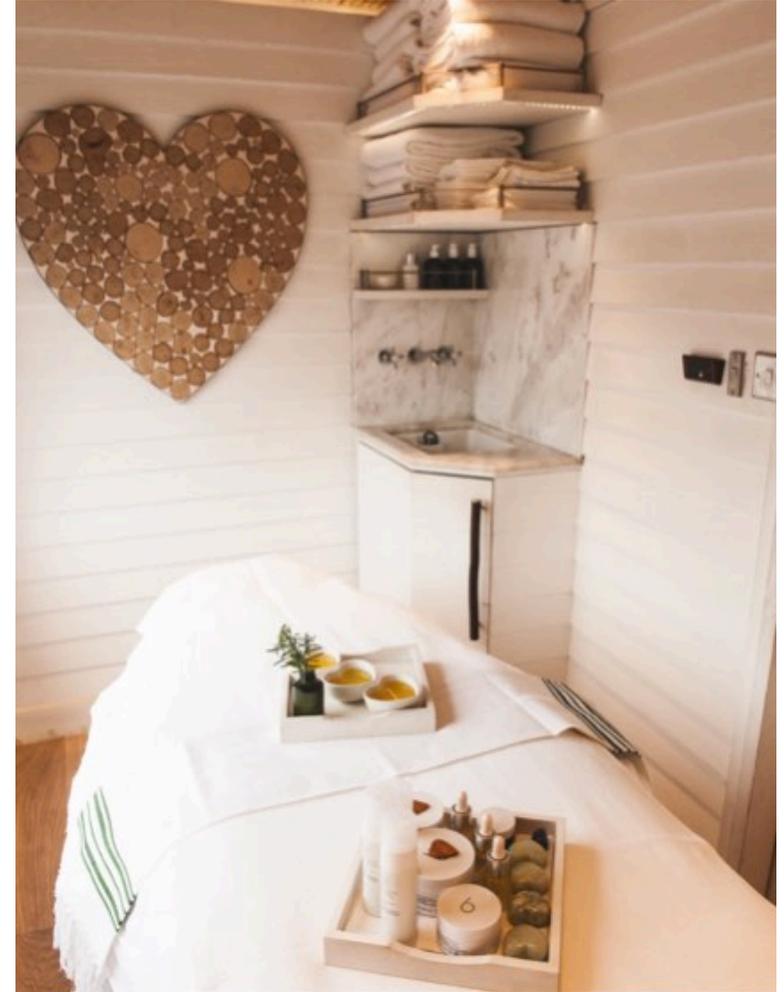
## Raven Dining Car

Adjacent to Swift is Dining Car Number 1, which is still referred to by its former Pullman car name, Raven. Colin Angell, a firm of cabinet makers from Evesham, Worcestershire, won the contract to transform a 1962 second-class Pullman carriage into Raven, with a capacity for



## Spa Car

Unwind in one of the most unique spas that Scotland has to offer. Two serene treatment rooms provide a haven of peace, while an exceptional menu of all-natural therapies work to rejuvenate body and mind. Should you not want to join an excursion then stay on board and have a treatment. Treatments includes Royal Scotsman spa ritual, Bamford bespoke facial, Bamford de-stress massage and more.



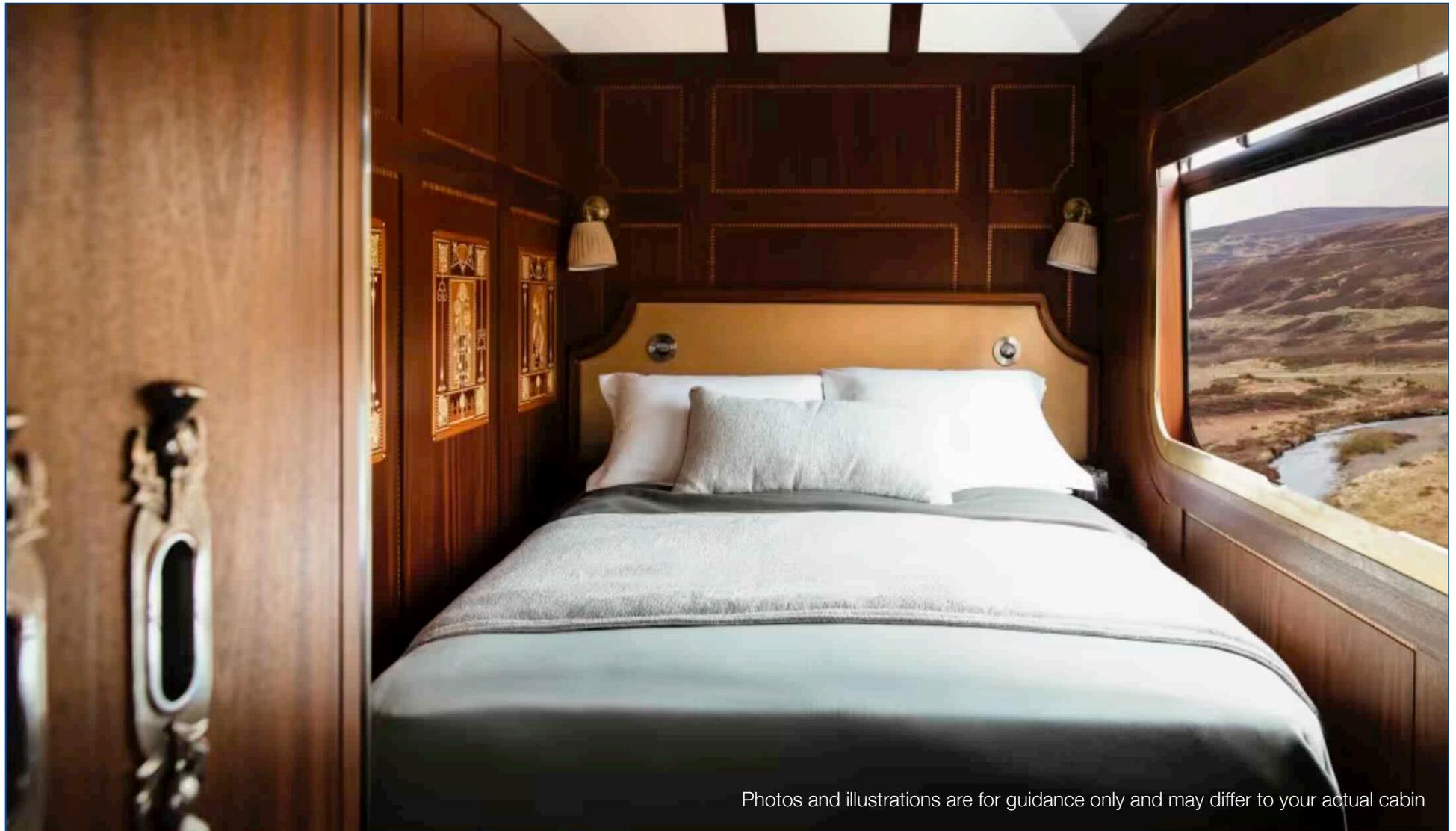
## Dining On Board | An Ode to Scottish Favourites

On board the Royal Scotsman, culinary delights take centre stage. Served in our luxury train's two dining cars, Raven and Swift, each meal celebrates exceptional Scottish ingredients from breakfast to dinner. An unbelievable selection of steaming hot beverages, 30 fine wines, liqueurs and malt whiskies make the ideal accompaniment throughout the day.



# GRAND SUITE

- LOCATION: Close to the front of the train
- SIZE: 12 m2 (including the ensuite)
- BED: Double bed
- LIVING ROOM: Separate lounge / dining area
- BATHROOM: Shower, basin and WC
- OCCUPANCY: 2 adults

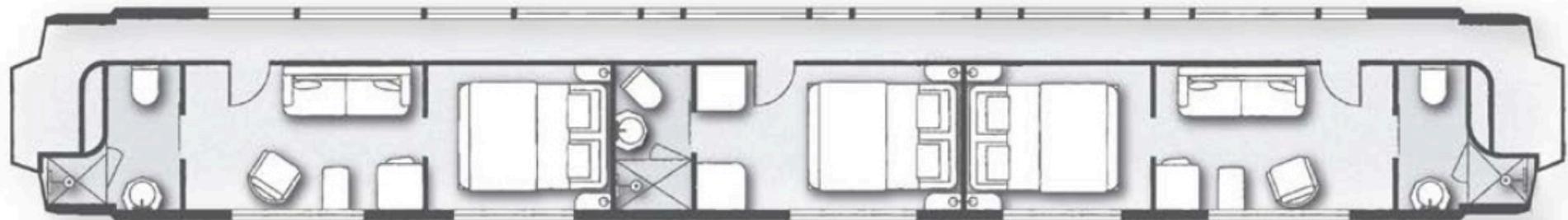


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The Royal Scotsman's Grand Suites, where Edwardian wood marquetry and tartan tones set the stage for our guests' picturesque escape through the Highlands. We welcome our guests to their convivial country house on wheels, where their journey will recount the epic chapters of their adventure and create unforgettable memories in the purest Scottish tradition.



GRAND SUITE 1

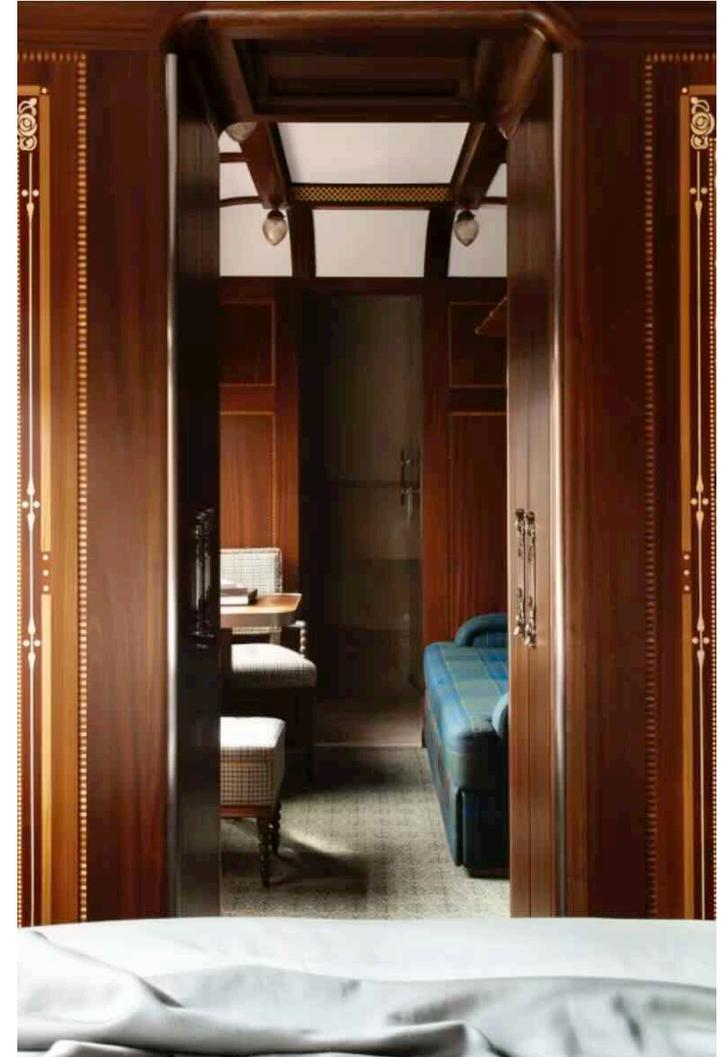
GRAND SUITE 2

The Grand Suites aboard royal scotsman signal the start of a new age of indulgent highland adventure. The spacious interiors are rich in references to Scottish culture and reflect the passing landscapes. Patterns echo Edwardian elegance as Pictish stones, dark woods and local stones sit side by side with rich and sophisticated tweeds. The design of the furniture and lighting is directly inspired by the Scottish islands. Together, the design elements conjure a sense of enrapturing myth and cinematic drama, while fostering the feel of a private club where members join together in a convivial spirit.

Across all of the tartan designs the tram lines depict the train tracks that carry the passengers on their journey across Scotland. Within the main check block of the designs there is a 37 thread block of colour subtly depicting the 37 years the train has been running since 1985. The style of the tweed was selected as the blocks of colours subtly reflect train tracks and the colours aim to capture the changing mood of Scotland's mythical landscape and weather.

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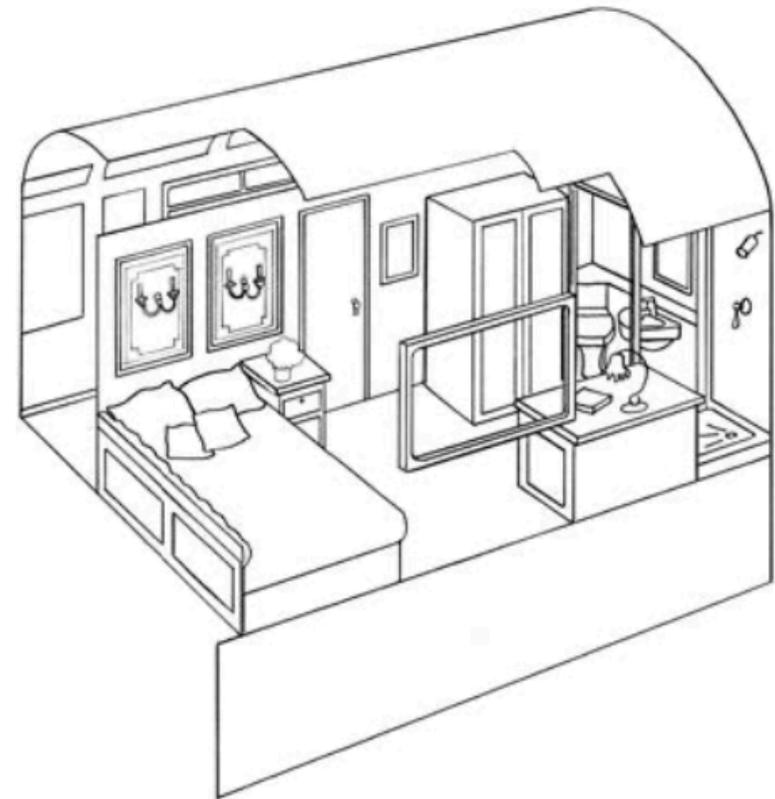
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## DOUBLE SUITE

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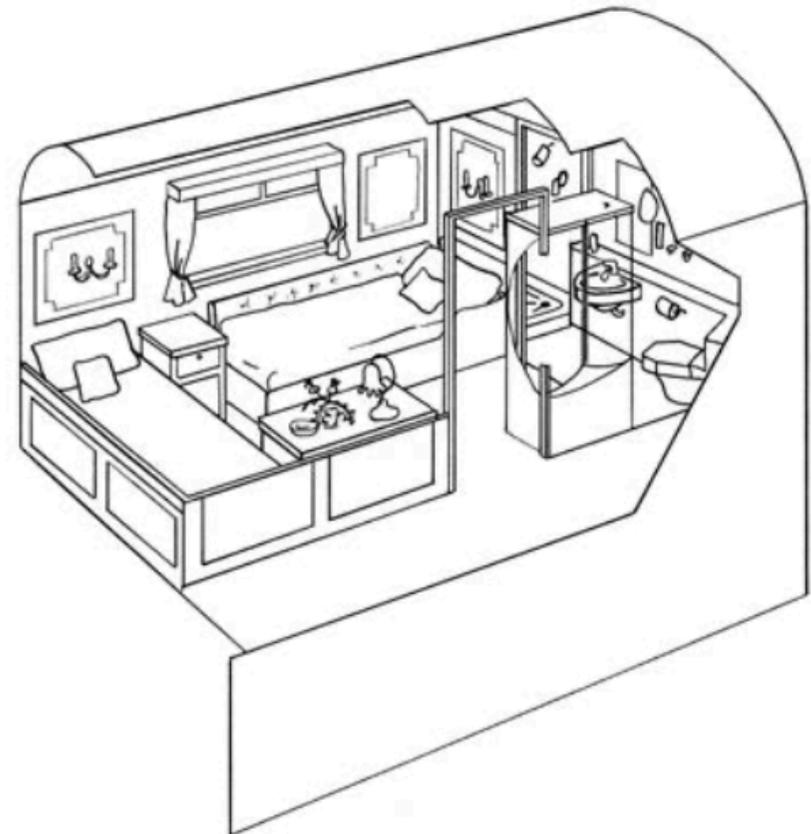
Featuring a comfortable double bed, a mahogany writing desk, a large wardrobe and a fully-equipped en-suite shower room, a Royal Scotsman Double Cabin is luxury on wheels. Each interior provides a warm welcome after the day's outdoor pursuits in the Scottish Highlands. Savour the unfolding countryside from the generous window.

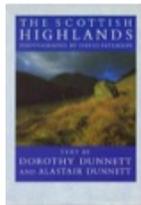


## TWIN SUITE

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The Royal Scotsman's Twin Cabins are designed for space and relaxation. Lower cosy beds, ceiling fans and controlled heating ensure absolute comfort for you and your travel companion—no matter the weather. In the morning, lounge on your bed while gazing upon the extraordinary landscapes of Scotland, before disembarking to explore the Highlands.

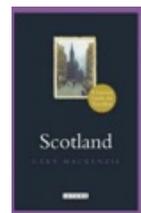




## THE SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS

ALASTAIR DUNNETT

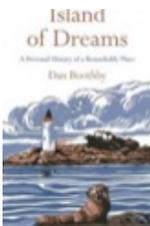
Following a path from Argyll to the islands to the northern Highlands, the Dunnetts combine personal memories of Scotland with an anecdotal history interwoven with the legends and myths of one of the most beautiful countries on earth.



## SCOTLAND

GARRY MACKENZIE

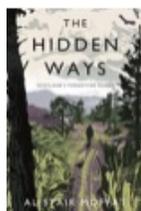
This enthralling guide gets under the skin of the country through the writers who lived in or visited Scotland, as well as those who simply imagined it in their work - from Shakespeare, Ben Jonson and the Scots 'Makars' of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, to Keats, Coleridge and Robert Louis Stevenson.



## ISLAND OF DREAMS

DAN BOOTHBY

After more than 20 years of drifting, Boothby found a place to land, immersing himself on a tiny island on the western seaboard of the Highlands of Scotland.



## THE HIDDEN WAYS

ALISTAIR MOFFAT

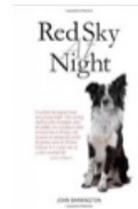
Moffat traverses the lost paths of Scotland, down Roman roads tramped by armies, warpaths and pilgrim routes, drove roads and rail roads, turnpikes and sea roads, tracing the arteries through which our nation's lifeblood has flowed in a bid to understand how our history has left its mark upon our landscape.



## BOTHY

JOHN D. BURNS

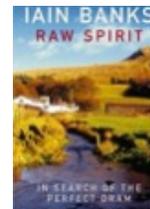
A mixture of emotional and humorous, people share with him stories of journeys through the wilderness seeking solace and the self. Try to resist the urge to grab your walking boots and rucksack and go exploring!



## RED SKY AT NIGHT

JOHN BARRINGTON

John Barrington's work as a shepherd in the hills overlooking Loch Katrine is marvellously interwoven with the story of the glen, of Rob Roy in whose house John lived, of curling when the ice is thick enough, and of sheep dog trials in the summer.



## RAW SPIRIT

IAIN BANKS

In a bid to uncover the unique spirit of the single malt whisky, author Iain Banks undertook a tour of the distilleries of his homeland. His tour of Scotland combines history, literature and landscape in a fun, memorable journey.



## WILD HISTORY

JAMES CRAWFORD

James Crawford explores the traces of the history hidden and often isolated across the Scottish landscape. Off the beaten path, he visits and shares the stories of lost landmarks, reclaimed by nature and without a plaque to explain their significance.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE TOUR

## How far in advance do I need to book ?

This train tour is an exclusive trip with limited departures through the year. Consequently we strongly advise our clients to book as far in advance as possible to avoid disappointment. This particularly applies to the higher grand suite cabins which there is strong demand for.

## Are your tours financially protected ?

Trips sold as packages to UK clients come with financial protection either through our ATOL if the trip includes a flight or insurances which comply with the UK package travel regulations for any trip that does not include a flight. In addition our ABTA membership means we must adhere to their strict code of conduct. Trips sold by us as an agent for train operator do not come with financial protection as even in the event of our insolvency your booking with the train operator would still exist and be honoured.

## Can you book international flights for us ?

Absolutely! Our ATOL license means that we can book international or indeed internal flights. We get particularly good access to the best deals on British Airways as we are an appointed operator.

## Can you book further travel for us ?

We are pleased to recommend a selection of refined hotels for your stay before or after your journey. Please speak to us to make a booking or contact the hotel directly. On the final night of your luxury train journey, our crew can reserve taxis/limousines for onward transfers, for example to the airport, your hotel or from Edinburgh Waverley Station. For more details, please speak to the Royal Scotsman Train Manager.

## What is the dress code onboard?

For daytime excursions in the Scottish Highlands and distilleries, bring a warm, waterproof jacket and good walking shoes. For relaxing moments, we recommend casual, comfortable clothing and appropriate footwear. For dinners, smart casual is appropriate. For formal dinners and gala dinners a dark suit and tie, tuxedo or national costume such as a kilt are advised for men. For women, a cocktail dress, tartan or similar attire is recommended.

## What is included in the price?

A Royal Scotsman luxury train journey includes comfortable state cabin accommodation, daily table d'hôte meals, and a selection of alcoholic and other beverages. Onboard entertainment and outdoor activities are also included in the package, with sightseeing excursions, as shown in your itineraries and booking confirmation. Please note the Royal Scotsman's booking prices do not include insurance, gratuities or souvenirs.

## Does the train have wifi?

Wifi is available in the observation car, however due to the remote locations of many of our tours this connection is not always available.

## Luggage & storage on board

Cabins have limited space, therefore we recommend each guest travels with one suitcase and one carry-on bag. Twin State Cabins have storage space under each bed, measuring 71cm x 23cm. If necessary, facilities are available at The Balmoral Hotel in Edinburgh for luggage storage during your journey. Prior to boarding, please attach a Royal Scotsman luggage tag to each piece of your luggage.

## Guests requiring special assistance

If you or your companion(s) have reduced mobility, or require special assistance, please contact us for advice.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE TOUR

## Will I need travel insurance?

We recommend you arrange suitable insurance to cover personal belongings, cancellation/interruption, medical and luggage. Details of cancellation policies can be found in our booking conditions.

## Are pets permitted onboard?

For safety reasons, pets are not permitted aboard Royal Scotsman. However, if you are travelling with an assistance dog please contact reservations to discuss further.

## Are children permitted onboard?

Children are welcome to join us, and infants under the age of two at the time of departure travel free. Parents must provide their own food and a bassinet for sleeping. Given the space constraints of a Twin Cabin, we always recommend booking an interconnecting cabin or Grand Suite for the comfort of families. The atmosphere aboard Royal Scotsman is geared towards our adult passengers. Therefore, it is at the Train Manager's discretion that children may accompany their parents in the bar and restaurant cars. Please contact our reservations team to discuss full details and train journey suitability.

## Can I smoke onboard?

In accordance with Scottish Law, smoking is not permitted aboard Royal Scotsman and in the Observation Car. This also includes electronic cigarettes/vaping.

## Health

Please advise the Royal Scotsman's team or your travel agent of any health restrictions before travelling with us. No specific vaccinations are

currently required for entry into the UK. It is advised, however, that you consult your doctor or physician for requirements based on your travel itinerary, or for any personal health recommendations relating to your journey. Please note that there are no professional medical facilities on our train. Our crew members are not permitted to dispense any medication, and will assist you to the nearest pharmacy if required.

## Check-in procedure

The Royal Scotsman train departs from Edinburgh Waverley Station. Check-in takes place at The Balmoral Hotel, adjacent to the station. We request that you deposit your luggage with the concierge team between 11 am and 12:15 pm, to allow us adequate time to transfer your luggage to the train.

## Passport & visas

All visitors from overseas must be in possession of a current passport, with a minimum validity of 6 months beyond your journey stay date — applicable to both adults and children. Additional months added to any new passport where the document was renewed prior to its previous expiry date, may not count towards the minimum 6 months required. Depending on which country issues your passport, you may need a visa for entry into the UK. Please check with your travel agent or government agency before travelling. We would also note that security and immigration checks are likely to be increased, adding time to your journey at entry and exits points within Europe and the UK, so we would recommend you allow extra time at these points.

## Electricity

There are electrical outlets in all cabins. Electricity in the UK runs on 220/240 volts. You may wish to bring an adaptor for electrical appliances.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE TOUR

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### Can special dietary preferences be accommodated?

Special diets can be accommodated by our Chef. Please be sure to tell us in advance of any allergies, food-related or not. We will do our best to cater for special dietary requirements, such as vegetarian, vegan etc, provided a detailed request has been made at the time of booking. If a special request has not been made, the chefs will endeavour to prepare a dish with the ingredients available on board. We do, however, regret that we are unable to provide meals requiring strict religious observance in the preparation.

### Laundry & pressing

Our stewards are happy to assist with pressing garments. Although there are no laundry facilities onboard, laundry services can be arranged for extended stays.