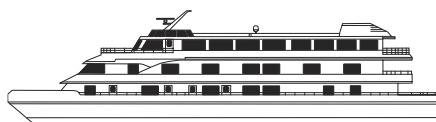




LORD *of the* HIGHLANDS

## 2023 CRUISE DIRECTORY

The Caledonian Canal, The Great Glen and The Highlands & Islands of Scotland









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Caledonian Canal and Neptune's Staircase



## Welcome to *Lord of the Highlands*

Purpose built to transit the historic locks of the Caledonian Canal following a multi-million pound rebuild, *Lord of the Highlands* is the latest addition to Hebridean Island Cruises' fleet of beautiful and intimate ships.

Inspired by the success of her larger sister, *Hebridean Princess*, *Lord of the Highlands* continues the Hebridean tradition of providing the highest quality holidays afloat. The convivial company of just 38 fellow guests ensures that a relaxed house party atmosphere is typical on every cruise.

With rich hardwood finishes, offset by cream panelling, *Lord of the Highlands* is reminiscent of a Pullman carriage from the golden age. The splendid and elevated upper deck affords spectacular views from the picture windows as guests dine in the Caledonian Restaurant or relax in the Panorama Lounge with a drink from the well-stocked bar.

There are nineteen outward facing pictured windowed cabins, spread over two decks, including a suite and four with small private balconies.

*Lord of the Highlands* is the antithesis of everything you may hate about cruising. Thirty eight fellow guests is a comfortable number to get to know over a week and this unusual style of cruising inevitably attracts like-minded souls. Small numbers ensure there is every chance that, once on board, you will find new friends – and the most unexpected of mutual acquaintances.

At mealtimes you dine with fellow guests in the Caledonian Restaurant and your steward will know you by name, have your dietary preferences already memorised and will surprise you in their ability to anticipate your every need – often before you even thought of it yourself!

If you are bewitched by wildlife, inspired by history, invigorated by bracing walks, tempted by the finest Scottish malt whiskies or stimulated by stunning gardens, our specially themed itineraries may appeal to you.

We very much look forward to welcoming you on board *Lord of the Highlands*.





# A VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY

Exploring Scotland from the water is the very best way to discover the dramatic beauty of this diverse nation, full of history and intrigue.

## The Caledonian Canal

The Caledonian Canal is considered by some as one of the greatest waterways of the world, it certainly is a very beautiful one. Running from Inverness in the north east to Fort William (Corpach) in the south west, this 62 mile coast to coast channel passes through pretty towns and villages, scenic lochs, and stunning countryside.

The canal was designed by Thomas Telford and William Jessop and constructed between 1803 and 1822 at a cost of £840,000. It features 29 locks, 10 swing bridges and four aqueducts and was built as an essential route to allow naval, cargo and leisure steam ships avoid the treacherous waters around the north coast of Scotland. Only one third of the entire length is man-made, the rest being formed by four natural lochs.

Impoverished Highlanders, suffering in the wake of the Highland Clearances, dug the 37 mile canal by hand and it remains an outstanding feat of engineering, but by the time it was finished the world had moved on, and the canal was not wide enough to accommodate modern ships.



Caledonian Canal Lock



Corpach and Ben Nevis

## The Great Glen

Scotland's Great Glen is the result of a dramatic tectonic collision that raised the Scottish Highlands and opened a giant crack across the entire width of the country. Surrounded by some of the UK's highest mountains and filled with four immense lochs, Loch Lochy, Loch Oich, Loch Ness and Loch Dochfour, the glen is rich in Highland heritage.

Running arrow-straight from Fort William in the south west to Inverness in the north east, the glen has always been an important highway and is a popular touring route for those interested in exploring Scotland's history and the scenic beauty of the lochs and mountains.

## Scotland's Western Seaboard

The west coast of Scotland is a treasure trove of delights, with its sweeping landscapes, big skies, dramatic seascapes, idyllic islands, romantic castles and spectacular wildlife. A wild and wonderful landscape steeped in history and legend, one of the least populated in Britain and the perfect setting for a relaxing cruise holiday.

Visit remote mainland villages, the wildlife haven of the Isle of Eigg, the sacred Isle of Iona, the colourful capital of Mull and the historic castles of Armadale and Eilean Donan as you sail the fjord-like sea lochs, flanked by peak-clad coastline, through some of the finest scenery in Scotland.



Duart Castle, Mull







# THE LORD OF THE HIGHLANDS DIFFERENCE

## A wealth of experience

Whilst *Lord of the Highlands* is the latest ship to join the Hebridean Island Cruises fleet, when it comes to implementing exceptionally planned holidays in Scotland, Hebridean Island Cruises is no novice. Hebridean has been synonymous with luxury cruising for over 30 years, when the small, unique and award-winning cruise ship, *Hebridean Princess*, first sailed in the waters of Scotland's west coast and Western Isles. During this time, we have established a reputation for the highest of standards and attention to detail.

## A hedonistic pleasure

A holiday on board *Lord of the Highlands* is a unique experience. To step on board is to be transported back to a time we can all remember before "service to the customer" was replaced with the greatest of contradictions, "customer service". We have never forgotten that what attracts new guests and brings back so many is satisfaction. Over 30 years that *Hebridean Princess* has been sailing, we have built an envied reputation for a genuine dedication to pleasing our guests.

## Small is personal

At Hebridean, we believe it is simply not possible to look after large numbers of guests properly and provide them with the really personal service that differentiates an extraordinary holiday from a merely good one. *Lord of the Highlands* accommodates just 38 like-minded guests, therefore providing a far superior and relaxed style of holiday.

## House party style

The small size of *Lord of the Highlands* means that each cruise is always a carefree and convivial affair where good conversation flourishes and new friendships are formed, creating a house party atmosphere providing long lasting memories.

## Cosseted and relaxing

Leave the frantic pace of land behind and voyage into a world of relaxation few people have experienced. There are neither talent shows nor glitzy cabarets on board *Lord of the Highlands*, just good conversation with fellow travellers and quiet areas in which to relax.

## Delectable

With an ever-changing menu, dining on board *Lord of the Highlands* is a sensational feast. Our talented and dedicated chefs use only the freshest, locally sourced ingredients allowing the creation of the most delectable breakfasts, lunches, afternoon teas and dinners.

## Comfortable

Nineteen delightful cabins, including one suite and four with private balcony, are well-appointed, offering bathrobes, slippers and a large selection of Molton Brown toiletries for your convenience. Each cabin is tastefully furnished with the best of classic and contemporary design.

## Memorable

There is a world of difference between an ordinary holiday and a memorable one – at Hebridean we create unique experiences for a few people – never something ordinary for a crowd.





# LORD OF THE HIGHLANDS GENUINELY FULLY INCLUSIVE

There is nothing quite like that sense of freedom you will feel, knowing that everything from tours ashore, to meals and drinks, port taxes and even gratuities are included in the fare you pay. *Lord of the Highlands* cruises are genuinely fully-inclusive; not an empty promise, but a Hebridean pledge to ensure that you have a carefree holiday both on board and ashore.



## ON BOARD DINING EXPERIENCES

Dining is a major element of any cruise and on board *Lord of the Highlands* you will dine in the picture windowed Caledonian Restaurant for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Afternoon tea is served in the comfort of the Panorama Lounge with views across the forward viewing deck.



## COMPLIMENTARY DRINKS

Complement your meal with specially selected wines of the day, and enjoy other house wines and spirits, soft drinks and beers, tea and coffee during your time with us at no extra charge. Taittinger Champagne is also included by the glass throughout your cruise.



## ENGAGING SHORE VISITS

There is no need to decide on which tours and visits you would like to participate as these are all included, along with the services of our knowledgeable on board guide.



## GRATUITIES AND TAXES

Knowing when and how much to tip can be a difficult decision, but on every *Lord of the Highlands* cruise all gratuities are included in your cruise fare, both on board and ashore as well as all port taxes and dues.

# DISCOVERING MORE WITH LORD OF THE HIGHLANDS' CREW

At Hebridean Island Cruises we believe it is simply not possible to look after large numbers of guests properly and give them the really personal service that differentiates an extraordinary holiday from a merely good one. And that is why you will only find 38 or so like-minded guests on board *Lord of the Highlands*, with a complementary crew to match.

If you would like to be known by your name within moments of stepping on board, to have your smallest preferences remembered, then mass-market style cruising will never be a satisfactory alternative.

Everything we do receives the same level of care and attention; from the carefully conceived shore visits to the peaceful overnight berths. From the exquisite menus to the traditionally styled cabins; every little detail aims to ensure that the whole experience is perfection.

When *Lord of the Highlands* crew greet you with a smile, it will be a smile of real welcome ensuring that the rapport between guests and crew is instant and quite unique.

For us, resoluteness in the pursuit of perfection is something for which, in our view, there is no alternative. Behind the scenes we will be striving day and night to ensure that yours is the best holiday you have taken.

Your job is to simply sit back, relax and enjoy the unique world of *Lord of the Highlands*.





# LIFE ON BOARD LORD OF THE HIGHLANDS

*Lord of the Highlands* is unique. During her multimillion-pound refit, much of her original décor was removed and replaced by rich hardwood finishes offset by cream panelling, reminiscent of a British Pullman carriage.

With its impressive glass atrium, the Panorama Lounge is abound with comfortable and contemporary armchairs, whilst clustered and cosy seating areas encourage small groups where guests can chat privately. For the perfect view of the ensuing scenery, the arching window seat is

the perfect place to catch a glimpse of the next instalment of the journey ahead, but for a more formal arrangement, the window lined Pullman chair area of the lounge is perhaps somewhere to settle with a good book or simply take in the awe-inspiring scenery as it glides by.









# DINING AND CUISINE

**It is said that sea air stimulates the appetite and it is certainly our experience that, after a morning or afternoon ashore, guests are eager to be taken to the very finest destinations of haute cuisine created by a talented brigade of chefs.**

Only the freshest and finest ingredients are used in our menu choices, most of which are procured from local suppliers. Sparkling glass and fine china complement the excellent cuisine.

Meals on board *Lord of the Highlands* are an invitation to dine among friends in the elegant Caledonian Restaurant, where all-round picture windows mean you will never miss the view.

Breakfasts are informal and are as healthy or as hearty as you choose with fresh fruit, cooked Scottish fayre and of course, Chef's own take on that Scottish staple (porridge), with or without a wee dram!

Lunch varies, depending on the day's activities, and our dedicated crew is ever-present to attend to your every need.

In the evening, dinner is a full service, banquet-style, three course meal with coffee and petit fours. Our Gala Dinners are sparkling occasions, from the Champagne reception in the lounge to a gourmet dinner – and no cruise would be complete without a traditional recital of Robert Burns' Address to a Haggis!

Independent travellers will find a warm welcome, as seating is with fellow guests in a single sitting with a relaxed and informal atmosphere.







Caledonian Canal, Fort Augustus

# CALEDONIAN SPRINGTIME

## Oban to Inverness

2nd May to 8th May 2023

6 nights including 1 Gala Dinner



This delightful journey through the very heart of Scotland is full of breath-taking contrasts in scenery, history and wildlife. The towering mass of Ben Nevis is a stunning backdrop to magnificent Loch Linnhe and the quintessential Scottish castle, Castle Stalker, before entering the 60-miles of the Caledonian Canal.

As one of the world's most beautiful cruise routes, the Caledonian Canal offers the unique opportunity to experience Scotland from the perspective of the water. Navigating Neptune's Staircase is the best way to appreciate Telford's engineering masterpiece, with the canal passing through the rugged valleys along the Great Glen, a geologic fault line that shaped the landscape of the region.

## Travel Plan – 6 nights

### Tuesday 2nd May

Oban – Embarkation.

### Wednesday 3rd May

Oban – Oban Distillery.  
Craignure, Mull – Duart Castle.

### Thursday 4th May

Craignure, Mull – Visit to Iona.  
Tobermory, Mull – Free time.

### Friday 5th May

Tobermory, Mull – Isle of Mull Cheese.  
Sail the Sound of Mull and Loch Linnhe to Corpach.

### Saturday 6th May

Corpach – Glenfinnan Monument Visitor Centre.  
Transit Neptune's Staircase and cruise the Caledonian Canal to Fort Augustus.

### Sunday 7th May

Cruise the Caledonian Canal and Loch Ness.  
Inverness – Culloden and Clava Cairns.

### Monday 8th May

Inverness – Disembarkation.

*Transfers are provided to Oban from Glasgow at the start of the cruise.  
Alternatively, secure car parking is available in Oban and a transfer provided from Inverness on disembarkation.*



# CALEDONIAN SPRINGTIME

## **Tuesday 2nd May**

Embark in Oban and settle into your cabin. We remain alongside in Oban overnight.

## **Wednesday 3rd May**

Oban Distillery is both one of the oldest distilleries in Scotland and one of the smallest with just two pot stills. Our tour offers the chance to witness the traditional craftsmanship of whisky production first-hand, before enjoying a complimentary dram. During lunch, we sail to Craignure, Isle of Mull, for a tour of Duart Castle. Seat of Clan Maclean for over 700 years, it dominates the view of the Sound of Mull with its huge curtain walls and solid keep.

## **Thursday 4th May**

We travel from Craignure to visit the sacred Isle of Iona, the last resting place of some 50 Scottish Kings and where St. Columba introduced Christianity to Scotland. Later, we sail to the island capital of Tobermory where brightly painted houses line the waterfront which were originally built by the British Fisheries Company to house its workers.

## **Friday 5th May**

Spend this morning discovering the traditional methods still used at the Isle of Mull Cheese, the island's only dairy farm where the local cheeses are still made by hand, before cruising the Sound of Mull and Loch Linnhe to Corpach at the entrance of the Caledonian Canal.



## Saturday 6th May

At the Glenfinnan Monument Visitor Centre, we discover the story of Bonnie Prince Charlie and the moving tribute to those who died fighting for the Jacobite cause, framed by dramatic Highland scenery.

From sea level, *Lord of the Highlands* ascends the spectacular eight interconnected locks of Neptune's Staircase to Banavie in the shadow of Ben Nevis, and we spend a relaxing afternoon on board as we sail through Loch Lochy and Loch Oich to Fort Augustus, which takes its name from a fort built after the defeat of the 1715 Jacobite uprising.

## Sunday 7th May

This morning, we descend the Fort Augustus locks to Loch Ness. Pausing briefly, for a view of the ruins of Urquhart Castle, we continue the 21 mile transit of Loch Ness and Loch Dochfour, and along the man-made section of the Caledonian Canal to the cosmopolitan city of Inverness, where we disembark for our final visit to Culloden, the powerfully emotive and atmospheric battlefield where the 1745 Jacobite Rising came to a tragic end.

## Monday 8th May

After breakfast, we say farewell and disembark in Inverness.



Duart Castle, Mull

### PRICES PER PERSON

<b>Twin Cabins</b>	Deluxe Cabin	<b>\$4,250</b>
	Balcony Cabin	<b>\$4,890</b>
<b>Double Cabin</b>	Suite (King size)	<b>\$5,630</b>
<b>Single Cabins</b>	Deluxe Cabin	<b>\$5,960</b>

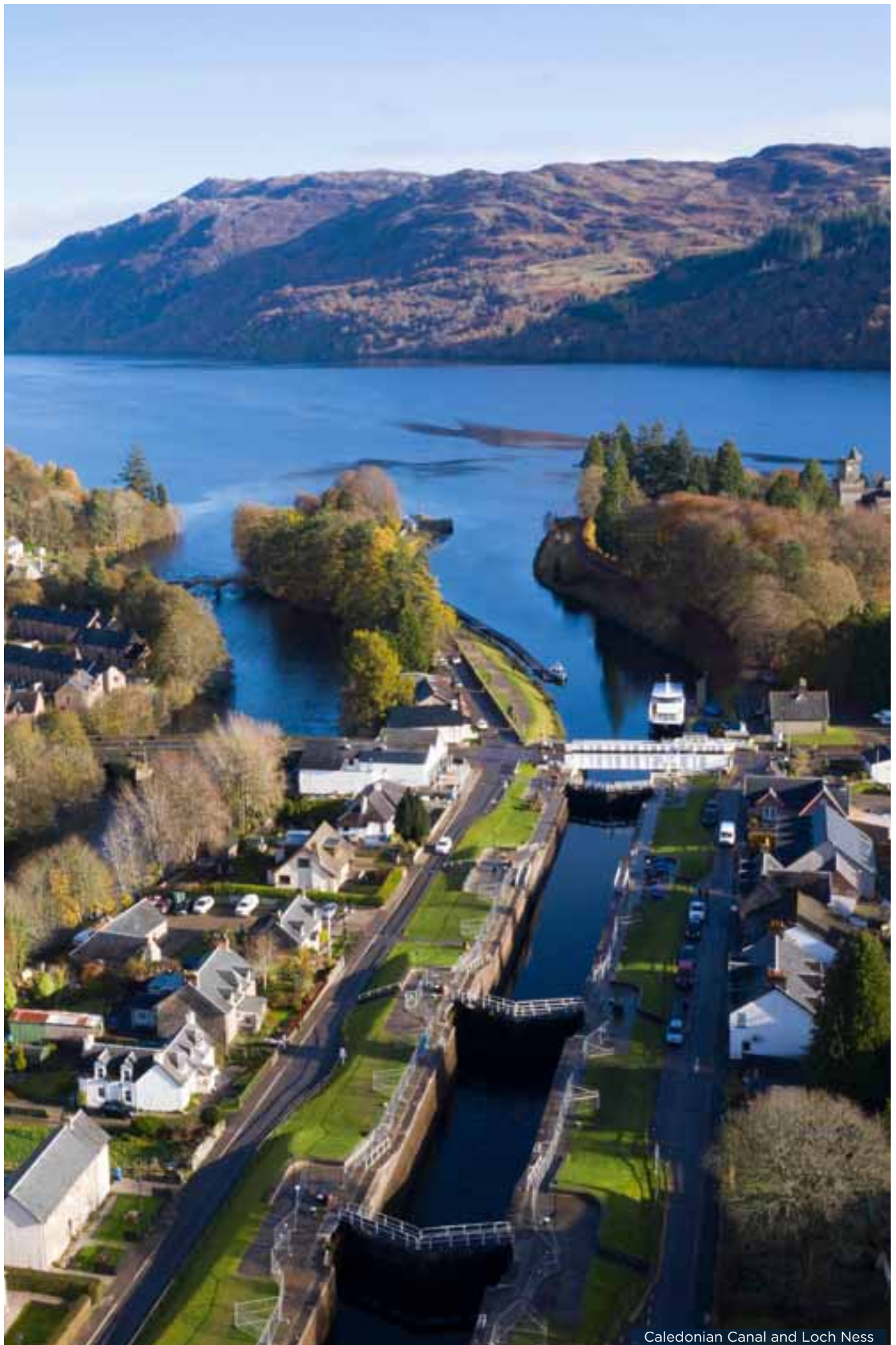
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Full board including house wines, Taittinger Champagne by the glass, spirits, beers, soft drinks, tea and coffee. All shore excursions. On board Guide. Gratuities. Complimentary Wi-Fi on board. *Travel insurance not included.*







Caledonian Canal and Loch Ness

# HIGHLAND WATERWAYS DISCOVERY

## Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh

For dates of departure refer to page 23

7 nights including 2 Gala Dinners



A seven night leisurely voyage of the endlessly beautiful Caledonian Canal, hidden sea lochs and islands of Scotland's western shore.

This seven night cruise, through the very heart of the Scottish Highlands, introduces the interested traveller to the intricate and endlessly fascinating inland waters of the Caledonian Canal, the glistening waters of Loch Linnhe, the Sound of Mull, the Sound of Sleat and finally, Kyle Rhea.

This cruise will appeal to those seeking great natural beauty, excellent cuisine and warm and friendly service from a dedicated crew. At all ports of call there is something to interest and fascinate, but there will always be an opportunity to perhaps read a book, or sip a glass of wine as the glories of the landscape slip by.

*Transfers are provided from Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness at the end of the cruise. Alternatively, independent arrangements may be made to leave the ship at Kyle of Lochalsh.*

## Travel Plan – 7 nights

### Day 1

Inverness – Embarkation.

### Day 2

Inverness - Culloden and Clava Cairns.  
Cruise the Caledonian Canal to Fort Augustus.

### Day 3

Cruise the Caledonian Canal to Banavie and Transit Neptune's Staircase to Corpach.  
Scenic West Highland Railway passage to Glenfinnan.

### Day 4

Sail Loch Linnhe to Oban.  
Oban – Oban Distillery.

### Day 5

Craignure, Mull – Duart Castle.  
Tobermory, Mull – Free time to explore at leisure.

### Day 6

Eigg – Walks ashore.  
Armadale, Skye – Armadale Castle and Clan Donald Centre.

### Day 7

Kyle of Lochalsh – Eilean Donan Castle.  
Kyle of Lochalsh – Plockton.

### Day 8

Kyle of Lochalsh – Disembarkation and transfer to Inverness.



# HIGHLAND WATERWAYS DISCOVERY

## Day 1

Arrive in Inverness and embark *Lord of the Highlands*. This evening we remain berthed in the city.

## Day 2

This morning visit Culloden, the infamous battlefield where Bonnie Prince Charlie's Jacobite forces were defeated in 1746, and observe the ancient standing stones of Clava Cairns.

We set sail this afternoon on the Caledonian Canal, built between 1803 and 1822 to connect the Great Glen's four lochs. Entering Loch Ness, we pass the romantic ruins of Urquhart Castle, before ascending the impressive flight of locks that runs through the heart of Fort Augustus, the scenic and historic village, ahead of the welcome gala reception and dinner.

## Day 3

Continue along the canal through Loch Oich, ascending to 106 feet at Laggan Locks after gliding serenely along the tree-lined section known as Laggan Avenue. Onwards through picturesque Loch Lochy, before descending Neptune's Staircase, a set of eight interconnected locks dropping 64 feet into the sea lock at Corpach.

After lunch, we take a scheduled train along part of the West Highland Railway and over the renowned viaduct to beautiful Glenfinnan, surrounded by mountains.

## Day 4

Today we sail Loch Linnhe, passing mysterious lochs and islands until we reach Oban. Oban Distillery is both one of the oldest distilleries in Scotland and one of the smallest with just two pot stills. Pre-dating the town it was originally established in 1794. Our tour offers the chance to witness the traditional craftsmanship of whisky production first-hand, before enjoying a complimentary dram.



## Day 5

This morning, we sail to Craignure on Mull for a visit to Duart Castle. Seat of Clan Maclean for over 700 years, it dominates the view of the Sound of Mull with its huge curtain walls and solid keep.

Later, we sail to the island capital of Tobermory where brightly painted houses line the waterfront which were originally built by the British Fisheries Company to house its workers.

## Day 6

This morning we sail north to the Small Isle of Eigg, catching glimpses of the islands of the Inner Hebrides along the way. This community owned island is a nature reserve and offers tranquil walks.

A sail across the Sound of Sleat leads us to Armadale on the Isle of Skye, where we trace the legacy of the Clan Donald at the Museum of The Isles.

## Day 7

From our berth at Kyle of Lochalsh, we visit the iconic Eilean Donan Castle, situated on an island at the point where three great sea lochs meet, ahead of our final port of call, the pretty conservation village of Plockton, known as the 'Jewel of the Highlands' with stunning views of Loch Carron.

## Day 8

Disembark in Kyle of Lochalsh after breakfast for the onward transfer to Inverness.

### DEPARTURE DATES

8th May 2023	14th August 2023
22nd May 2023	28th August 2023
17th July 2023	25th September 2023
31st July 2023	

### PRICES PER PERSON

<b>Twin Cabins</b>	Deluxe Cabin	<b>\$4,950</b>
	Balcony Cabin	<b>\$5,700</b>
<b>Double Cabin</b>	Suite (King size)	<b>\$6,560</b>
<b>Single Cabins</b>	Deluxe Cabin	<b>\$6,940</b>

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**Prices include:** 7 nights on board *Lord of the Highlands*.

Full board including house wines, Taittinger Champagne by the glass, spirits, beers, soft drinks, tea and coffee. All shore excursions. On board Guide. Gratuities. Complimentary Wi-Fi on board. *Travel insurance not included.*



Glenfinnan Viaduct



Plockton





Urquhart Castle, Loch Ness

# CALEDONIAN CANAL EXPLORER

## Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness

For dates of departure refer to page 27

7 nights including 2 Gala Dinners



A seven night leisurely voyage of the endlessly beautiful Caledonian Canal, hidden sea lochs and islands of Scotland's western shore.

Sail over the sea to the remote and beautiful islands of the Inner Hebrides, and voyage along one of Great Britain's most famous inland waterways, the Caledonian Canal on board *Lord of the Highlands* which offers a unique perspective on Scotland in grand style.

Visit medieval castles, sacred Iona, the isles of Mull and Skye, and sail along the remarkable, 60-miles long Caledonian Canal, which connects four of Scotland's famous lochs; Loch Dochfour, Loch Ness, Loch Oich, and Loch Lochy.

## Travel Plan – 7 nights

### Day 1

Kyle of Lochalsh – Embarkation.

### Day 2

Kyle of Lochalsh – Eilean Donan Castle.  
Kyle of Lochalsh – Plockton.

### Day 3

Armadale, Skye – Armadale Castle and Clan Donald Centre.  
Tobermory, Mull – Free time to explore at leisure.

### Day 4

Craignure, Mull – Visit to Iona.

### Day 5

Oban – Oban Distillery.  
Sail the Sound of Mull and Loch Linnhe to Corpach.

### Day 6

Corpach – Glenfinnan Monument Visitor Centre.  
Transit Neptune's Staircase and cruise the Caledonian Canal to Fort Augustus.

### Day 7

Cruise the Caledonian Canal and Loch Ness.  
Inverness – Cawdor Castle Gardens.

### Day 8

Inverness – Disembarkation.

*Transfers are provided to Kyle of Lochalsh from Inverness at the start of the cruise. Alternatively, independent arrangements may be made to join the ship at Kyle of Lochalsh.*



# CALEDONIAN CANAL EXPLORER

## Day 1

Arrive in Kyle of Lochalsh and embark *Lord of the Highlands*.

## Day 2

Cameras at the ready for our visit to the iconic Eilean Donan Castle, situated on an island at the point where three great sea lochs meet, and surrounded by majestic scenery. Onwards to the pretty conservation village of Plockton, known as the 'Jewel of the Highlands' with stunning views of Loch Carron. We berth overnight in Loch Nevis where we enjoy the welcome reception and gala dinner on board.

## Day 3

At Armadale, on the Isle of Skye, we discover the epic history of Clan Donald at the Museum of the Isles before cruising around the most westerly point of the British mainland, Ardnamurchan, to the Isle of Mull and its capital, Tobermory. Built as a fishing port in the late 18th century, Tobermory is a picture-postcard town where brightly painted houses line the waterfront.

## Day 4

After a morning sail to Craginure, we visit the sacred Isle of Iona, the last resting place of some 50 Scottish Kings and where St. Columba introduced Christianity to Scotland. Here we can discover the tranquility of the restored Benedictine Abbey and take in the special atmosphere of this tiny island.

## Day 5

This morning, we sail to Oban, to tour the Oban Distillery, one of the oldest and smallest distilleries in Scotland with just two pot stills. Our tour offers the chance to witness the traditional craftsmanship of whisky production first-hand, before enjoying a complimentary dram.

We spend a relaxing afternoon on board as we sail the Sound of Mull and Loch Linnhe, passing mysterious lochs and islands until we reach the Caledonian Canal at Corpach.



## Day 6

At the Glenfinnan Monument Visitor Centre, we discover the story of Bonnie Prince Charlie and the moving tribute to those who died fighting for the Jacobite cause, framed by dramatic Highland scenery.

From sea level, *Lord of the Highlands* ascends the spectacular eight interconnected locks of Neptune's Staircase to Banavie in the shadow of Ben Nevis, and we spend a relaxing afternoon on board as we sail through Loch Lochy and Loch Oich to Fort Augustus, which takes its name from a fort built after the defeat of the 1715 Jacobite uprising.

## Day 7

A scenic sail of Loch Ness leads us to our final visit of Culloden, the infamous battlefield where Bonnie Prince Charlie's Jacobite forces were defeated in 1746, and observe the ancient standing stones of Clava Cairns, ahead of the farewell reception and dinner at our overnight berth in Inverness.

## Day 8

Disembark in Inverness after breakfast, for the onward journey home.

### DEPARTURE DATES

29th May 2023	21st August 2023
12th June 2023	4th September 2023
26th June 2023	18th September 2023
24th July 2023	2nd October 2023



Caledonian Canal, Fort Augustus

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Attadale Gardens

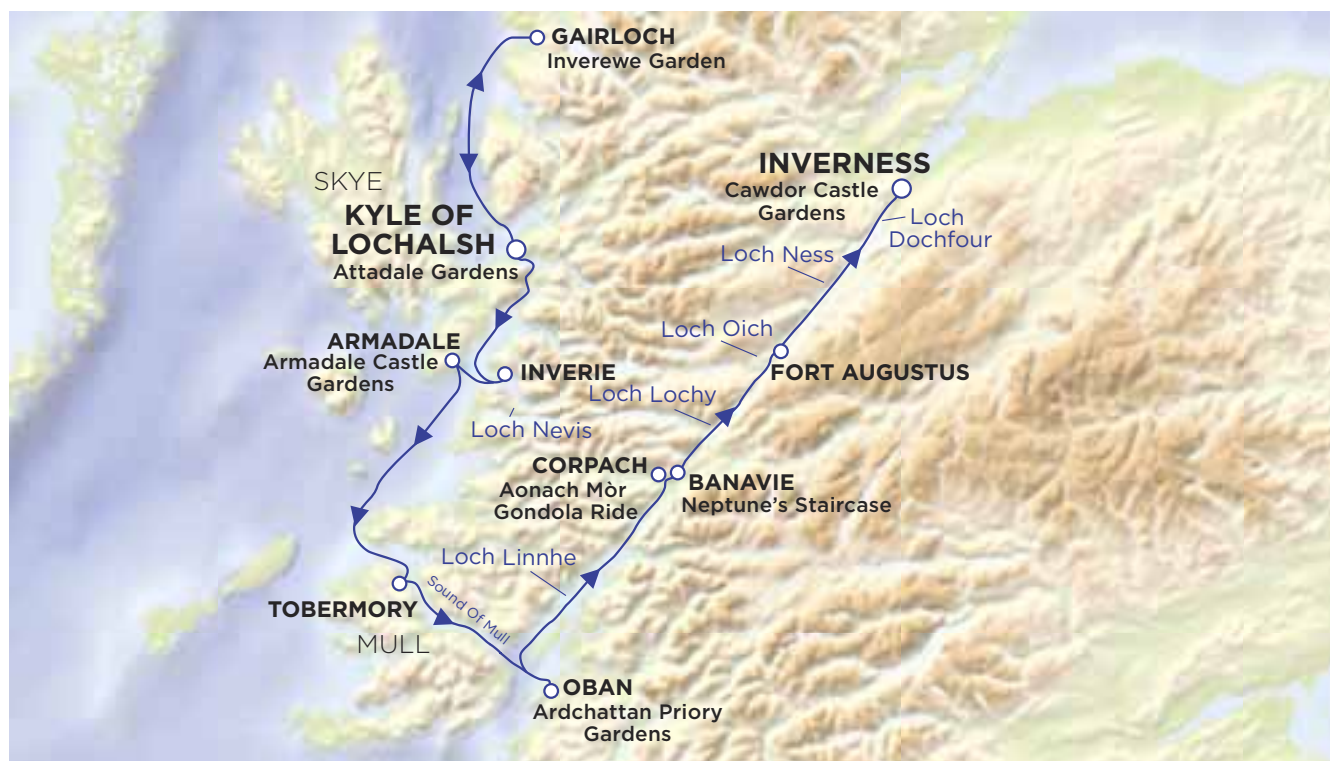
# HIGHLAND GARDENS



Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness

15th May to 22nd May 2023

7 nights including 2 Gala Dinners



Scotland boasts a diverse collection of gardens which are home to a vast collection of plants from around the world, in spectacular natural settings. Experience the rich diversity of Scotland's west coast gardens and explore botanic beauty on this horticultural extravaganza. Visit some of the area's best kept secrets including Attadale in Wester Ross and Ardchattan Priory.

The mild climate of north-west Scotland is dramatically influenced by the North Atlantic Drift offshore, giving rise to world-class gardens that are a rarity on such northerly latitudes. All are unique, not only for their magnificent collections but for the wild, untamed beauty in which they stand, with unsurpassed views.

## Travel Plan – 7 nights

### Monday 15th May

Kyle of Lochalsh – Embarkation.

### Tuesday 16th May

Kyle of Lochalsh – Attadale Gardens.  
Sail to Gairloch.

### Wednesday 17th May

Gairloch – Inverewe Garden.  
Sail to Inverie.

### Thursday 18th May

Armadale, Skye – Armadale Castle Gardens.  
Tobermory, Mull – Free time.

### Friday 19th May

Oban – Ardchattan Priory Gardens.  
Sail Loch Linnhe to Corpach.

### Saturday 20th May

Corpach – Aonach Mòr Gondola Ride.  
Transit Neptune's Staircase and cruise the Caledonian Canal to Fort Augustus.

### Sunday 21st May

Cruise the Caledonian Canal and Loch Ness.  
Inverness – Cawdor Castle Gardens.

### Monday 22nd May

Inverness – Disembarkation

*Transfers are provided to Kyle of Lochalsh from Inverness at the start of the cruise. Alternatively, independent arrangements may be made to join the ship at Kyle of Lochalsh.*



# HIGHLAND GARDENS

## Monday 15th May

Arrive in Kyle of Lochalsh and embark  
*Lord of the Highlands*.

## Tuesday 16th May

Attadale Gardens were skilfully restored by their owner, Nick MacPherson, as an artist's garden after the 1980 storm, with long ranging views to Skye. Recent developments include a new waterfall and pond, with an impressive sculpture collection scattered throughout the 20 acre site. We sail the coast of Sutherland to Gairloch where we berth overnight.

## Wednesday 17th May

From Gairloch, we travel to Sir Osgood Mackenzie's masterpiece, Inverewe Garden, home to over 2,500 exotic and tropical species of plant and shrub. This jewel in the crown of highland gardens is now in the ownership of the National Trust for Scotland.

We berth overnight in Inverie, Loch Nevis.

## Thursday 18th May

Cruising to Skye, we discover the epic history of Clan Donald at Armadale Castle where the 40 acre gardens attractively complement the Gothic mansion ruins, sheltered by 200 year old trees.

Later, we cruise around the most westerly point of the British mainland, Ardnamurchan, to the Isle of Mull and its capital Tobermory where brightly painted houses line the waterfront; originally built by the British Fisheries Company to house its workers. We remain alongside at the island overnight.

## Friday 19th May

Ardchattan Priory Garden, originally planted by medieval monks, affords breathtaking views over Loch Etive to Mull and Ben Cruachan.

We spend a relaxing afternoon on board as we sail Loch Linnhe, passing mysterious lochs and islands until we reach the Caledonian Canal at Corpach.



## Saturday 20th May

Lying in the shadow of Ben Nevis, Fort William boasts Britain's only mountain gondola which transports us to over 2,000 ft up the north face of Aonach Mòr.

Later, we ascend Neptune's Staircase, a set of eight interconnected locks, which lift the vessel 64 feet to Banavie, and sail through Lochs Lochy and Oich before transitting the tranquil, tree-lined Laggan Avenue to our overnight berth at Fort Augustus.

## Sunday 21st May

A scenic sail of Loch Ness leads us to our final visit at Cawdor Castle Gardens, forever immortalised in Shakespeare's 'Macbeth.' The castle boasts three very different gardens each with their own unique history and appearance. Displaying a wealth of flora and fauna, the gardens at Cawdor Castle are ever changing with the seasons. The farewell reception and dinner are held at our overnight berth in Inverness.

## Monday 22nd May

Disembark in Inverness after breakfast, for the onward journey home.



### Guest Speaker Professor Stefan Buczacki

Professor Stefan Buczacki has no less than thirty years experience as a cruise ship lecturer. He is one of the country's best known and most respected gardening and natural history authors and broadcasters, familiar from his many years as panellist and chairman on

Gardeners' Question Time and as a presenter on Gardeners' World. Less expectedly, he is a respected historical biographer and is recognised as an authority on Winston Churchill and his social circle.



Cawdor Castle Gardens

### PRICES PER PERSON

Twin Cabins	Deluxe Cabin	\$5,200
	Balcony Cabin	\$5,940
Double Cabin	Suite (King size)	\$6,810
Single Cabins	Deluxe Cabin	\$7,180

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Inverewe Garden





Bottlenose Dolphin, Chanonry Point

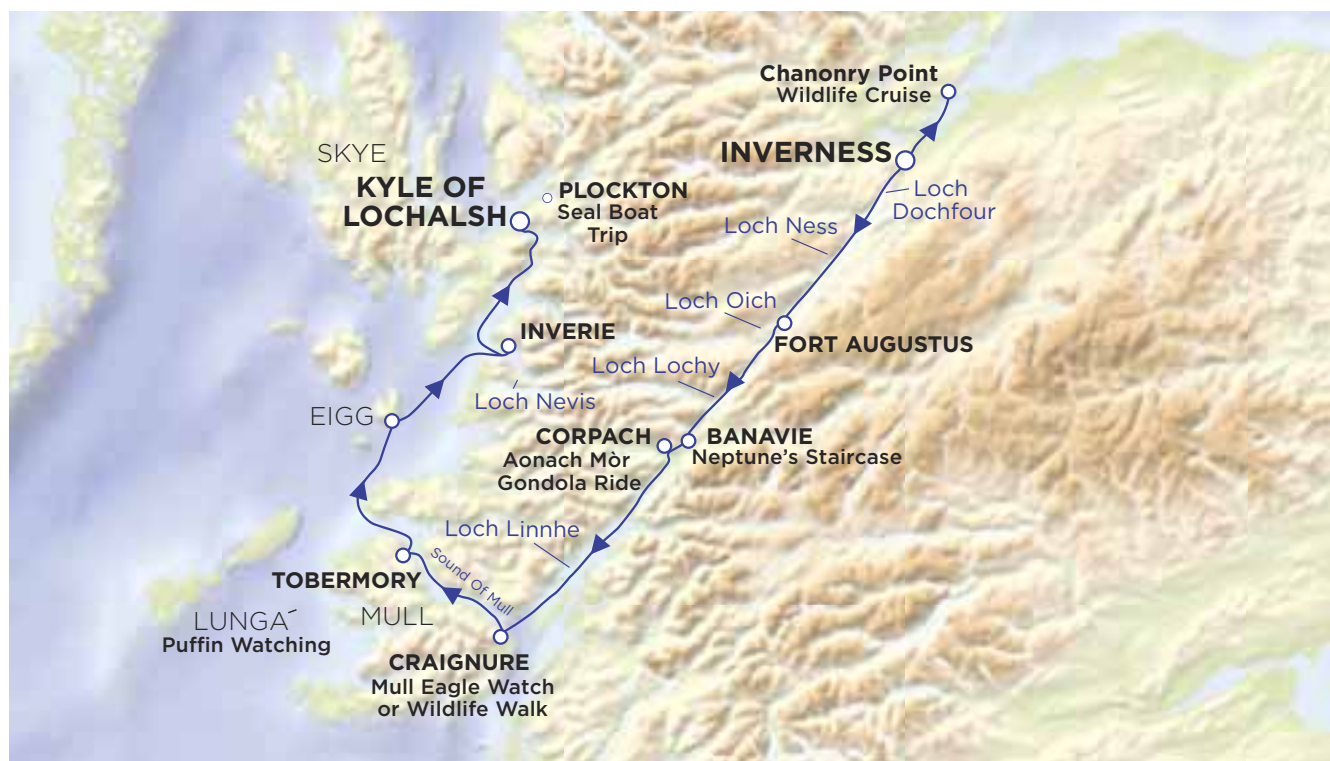
# HIGHLAND AND ISLAND WILDLIFE



## Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh

19th June to 26th June 2023

7 nights including 2 Gala Dinners



Scotland's land, seas and skies support a wide range of native mammals and birds and is renowned as a wildlife destination. The great wilderness of northern Scotland which abounds with white beaches, turquoise waters and a rugged coastline, is a treasure trove of species including whales, dolphins, seals, White-tailed Eagles and seabirds.

Our on board wildlife guide will take you in search of a diverse range of bird and wildlife to help you see the best of Scotland's natural world and rich habitats.

### Travel Plan – 7 nights

#### Monday 19th June

Inverness – Embarkation.

#### Tuesday 20th June

Wildlife cruise to Chanonry Point.

Cruise the Caledonian Canal to Fort Augustus.

#### Wednesday 21st June

Cruise the Caledonian Canal to Banavie and transit Neptune's Staircase to Corpach.

#### Thursday 22nd June

Corpach – Aonach Mòr Gondola ride for bird spotting. Sail Loch Linnhe and the Sound of Mull to Craignure.

#### Friday 23rd June

Craignure, Mull – Mull Eagle Watch or Wildlife walk. Tobermory, Mull – Talk by the Hebridean Whale and Dolphin Trust.

#### Saturday 24th June

Tobermory – Small boat trip to Lunga for puffin watching.

Eigg – Walks ashore in the nature reserve.

#### Sunday 25th June

Inverie – Walks ashore.

Kyle of Lochalsh – Plockton seal boat trip.

#### Monday 26th June

Kyle of Lochalsh – Disembarkation and transfer to Inverness.

*Transfers are provided from Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness at the end of the cruise. Alternatively, independent arrangements may be made to leave the ship at Kyle of Lochalsh.*



# HIGHLAND AND ISLAND WILDLIFE

## Monday 19th June

Arrive in Inverness and embark *Lord of the Highlands*. This evening we remain berthed in the city.

## Tuesday 20th June

This morning we cruise out to Chanonry Point in the Moray Firth in search of dolphins. The Moray Firth is home to around 200 dolphins, which can often be seen at very close quarters here as they fish and play in the waters off the point.

We set sail this afternoon on the Caledonian Canal, built between 1803 and 1822 to connect the Great Glen's four lochs. We enter Loch Ness, famous for golden eagles and osprey, before ascending the impressive flight of locks that runs through the heart of Fort Augustus.

## Wednesday 21st June

We spend the day sailing the Caledonian Canal. The wildlife along the canal is second to none. Look out for birds of prey, red deer, herons and other wading birds as we sail these tranquil waters. Our overnight mooring is in Corpach.

## Thursday 22nd June

From Corpach, we travel to Aonach Mòr where the mountain gondola ascends 2,000 feet up the north face. The mountain provides a diversity of habitats supporting a diverse flora and fauna.

Later, we sail Loch Linnhe, passing mysterious lochs and islands until we reach Craginure on the Isle of Mull where we berth overnight.

## Friday 23rd June

From Craginure, we join a local ranger to go in search of the island's majestic white-tailed eagles or enjoy a wildlife walk to discover why the island has such an enviable reputation as a wildlife destination.

At the island capital of Tobermory, we learn how the Hebridean Whale and Dolphin Trust is working directly with local communities to ensure whales, dolphins and porpoises are protected and valued throughout Scotland's west coast. We remain alongside overnight.



## Saturday 24th June

From Tobermory, we take a small boat to the tiny Isle of Lunga in the Treshnish Isles to see the island's famous colonies of puffins, as well as thousands of pairs of breeding seabirds, seals, and rare plants.

We sail north to the Small Isle of Eigg. This community owned island is a nature reserve and allows us to go in search of marine animals and birdlife, including Atlantic seals, minke whales, dolphins, porpoises and a variety of seabirds. This evening, we arrive at Inverie on Loch Nevis, home to the most remote pub on mainland Britain, The Old Forge Inn.

## Sunday 25th June

After enjoying morning walks at Inverie, our final port of call is Kyle of Lochalsh from where we visit Plockton and experience a wildlife cruise on the waters of Loch Carron, one of Scotland's finest seal trips. The Farewell Gala reception and dinner are held alongside in Kyle of Lochalsh where we remain overnight.

## Monday 26th June

Disembark in Kyle of Lochalsh after breakfast for the onward transfer to Inverness.



### Wildlife Guide David Sexton

David Sexton works for the RSPB on the Isle of Mull. He was previously Head of RSPB's Land Management Department in Edinburgh and now as Mull Officer he is responsible for monitoring the important populations of white-tailed and golden eagles and overseeing the award-winning public viewing project Mull Eagle Watch. He is the author of 'Birdwatching on Mull and

Iona' and lives on Mull with his wife, two teenage daughters and black Labrador Cally.



Puffins, Lunga

### PRICES PER PERSON

Twin Cabins	Deluxe Cabin	FULLY BOOKED
	Balcony Cabin	FULLY BOOKED
Double Cabin	Suite (King size)	FULLY BOOKED
Single Cabins	Deluxe Cabin	FULLY BOOKED

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Common Seal





Great Glen Way and Caledonian Canal



# RAMBLING THROUGH THE GREAT GLEN



Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness

10th July to 17th July 2023

7 nights including 2 Gala Dinners



Time to dust off the walking boots for our first walking cruise of the season, in the Highlands and Islands which form a wonderful tapestry of landscapes in the sheltered waters off the west coast of Scotland. Our route follows the major natural faultline of the Great Glen and encounters the iconic British landmarks of Ben Nevis and Loch Ness, along with a plethora of other fantastic scenery to enjoy.

As you cross the breadth of Scotland from coast to coast, expect a unique mixture of beautiful views, charming settlements, elusive wildlife and fascinating history, making for an all-round magnificent walking adventure. With alternative visits for those who prefer a more relaxed pace, this cruise offers something for everyone.

*Transfers are provided to Kyle of Lochalsh from Inverness at the start of the cruise. Alternatively, independent arrangements may be made to join the ship at Kyle of Lochalsh.*

## Travel Plan – 7 nights

### Monday 10th July

Kyle of Lochalsh – Embarkation.

### Tuesday 11th July

Kyle of Lochalsh – Eilean Donan Castle or Balmacara Square to Kyle of Lochalsh walk.

Inverie, Loch Nevis – Old Forge Inn and strolls or Brocket Monument walk.

### Wednesday 12th July

Eigg – Strolls ashore or An Sgùrr walk.

Tobermory, Mull – Free time

### Thursday 13th July

Craignure, Mull – Duart Castle or Duart to Craignure walk. Sail the Sound of Mull and Loch Linnhe to Corpach.

### Friday 14th July

Corpach – Glenfinnan Monument Visitor Centre or Neptune's Staircase & Caledonian Canal walk to Gairloch. Cruise or walk the Caledonian Canal from Gairloch to Laggan Locks.

### Saturday 15th July

Walk or sail the Caledonian Canal to Fort Augustus. Fort Augustus – Urquhart Castle.

### Sunday 16th July

Cruise Loch Ness to Dochgarroch.

Dochgarroch – Visit to Culloden and Clava Cairns or walk the Caledonian Canal to Muirtown Basin.

### Monday 17th July

Inverness – Disembarkation.



# RAMBLING THROUGH THE GREAT GLEN

## Monday 10th July

Arrive in Kyle of Lochalsh and embark  
*Lord of the Highlands*.

## Tuesday 11th July

The strollers visit the iconic Eilean Donan Castle, situated on an island at the point where three great sea lochs meet, and the walkers explore Balmacara, a traditional crofting estate with striking views over Skye and Loch Alsh and a variety of habitats that include woodland, moorland and open hills.

Sailing into Loch Nevis, the walkers head for the Bocket Monument and strollers can discover Inverie, home to mainland Britain's remotest pub, The Old Forge Inn.

## Wednesday 12th July

On the Small Isle of Eigg, experience what life is like for the island community of 90 people, or stride out and take on the challenge of the dramatic pitchstone ridge of An Sgùrr.

Later, we cruise around the most westerly point of the British mainland, Ardnamurchan, to the Isle of Mull and its capital Tobermory which plays host to gentle strolls and perhaps a little retail therapy.

## Thursday 13th July

From Craignure, we visit Duart Castle, home to Clan MacLean and their current chieftain, Sir Lachlan MacLean, or embark on a half day walk along the scenic coastline from Duart back to our berth at Craignure.

We spend a relaxing afternoon on board as we sail the Sound of Mull and Loch Linnhe, passing mysterious lochs and islands until we reach the Caledonian Canal at Corpach.



### Friday 14th July

This morning, the strollers discover the story of Bonnie Prince Charlie and the moving tribute to those who died fighting for the Jacobite cause at the Glenfinnan Monument Visitor Centre, whilst the walkers amble up Neptune's Staircase and along the Caledonian Canal to Gairloch where they re-join the ship.

After lunch on board, cruise or walk the Caledonian Canal to our overnight berth in Laggan Locks.

### Saturday 15th July

We transit the tranquil, tree-lined Laggan Avenue on board or on foot before arriving at Fort Augustus, the gateway to Loch Ness, which takes its name from a fort built after the defeat of the 1715 Jacobite uprising.

The strollers spend the afternoon exploring the ruins of the picturesque Urquhart Castle before the walkers re-join the ship for welcome refreshments.

### Sunday 16th July

A scenic sail of Loch Ness leads us Dochgarroch where the walkers disembark for the final stretch of legs along the tow path to Muirtown Basin. The strollers final visit is Culloden, the infamous battlefield where Bonnie Prince Charlie's Jacobite forces were defeated in 1746, ahead of the farewell reception and dinner at our overnight berth in Inverness.

### Monday 17th July

Disembark in Inverness after breakfast, for the onward journey home.



#### PRICES PER PERSON

<b>Twin Cabins</b>	Deluxe Cabin	<b>\$5,200</b>
	Balcony Cabin	<b>\$5,940</b>
<b>Double Cabin</b>	Suite (King size)	<b>\$6,810</b>
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Glenfinnan Monument

# ON THE JACOBITE TRAIL



## Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness

7th August to 14th August 2023

7 nights including 2 Gala Dinners



The story of Prince Charles Edward Stuart (Bonnie Prince Charlie) and the Jacobites is embedded in Scotland's rich and turbulent history, resonating across the centuries. Explore the Highlands and Islands where he raised his standard and Highland clans in an attempt to reclaim the thrones of Scotland, England and Ireland in the name of his father, James Francis Edward Stuart.

We retrace his steps through the Isles of Skye and Raasay, to the bloody defeat at the Battle of Culloden in 1746, and learn about the Jacobite's ill-fated campaigns to restore the Stuart monarchy to the British throne.

## Travel Plan – 7 nights

### Monday 7th August

Kyle of Lochalsh – Embarkation.

### Tuesday 8th August

Portree, Skye – Tour of Trotternish with lunch at the Flodigarry Hotel.

Raasay – Raasay House and walks ashore.

### Wednesday 9th August

Kyle of Lochalsh – Eilean Donan Castle.

Armadale, Skye – Armadale Castle and Clan Donald Centre.

### Thursday 10th August

Inverie – Walks ashore and the Old Forge Inn.

Craignure, Mull – Duart Castle.

### Friday 11th August

Sail the Sound of Mull and Loch Linnhe to Corpach.

Corpach – Glencoe Visitor Centre.

### Saturday 12th August

Corpach – Glenfinnan Monument Visitor Centre.

Transit Neptune's Staircase and cruise the Caledonian Canal to Fort Augustus.

### Sunday 13th August

Cruise the Caledonian Canal and Loch Ness.

Inverness – Visit to Culloden.

### Monday 14th August

Inverness – Disembarkation.

*Transfers are provided to Kyle of Lochalsh from Inverness at the start of the cruise. Alternatively, independent arrangements may be made to join the ship at Kyle of Lochalsh.*



# ON THE JACOBITE TRAIL

## Monday 7th August

Arrive in Kyle of Lochalsh and embark  
*Lord of the Highlands*.

## Tuesday 8th August

Sailing over the sea to Skye, we tour the Trotternish Peninsula and visit Kilmuir Cemetery and the striking memorial to the Jacobite heroine, Flora MacDonald, before enjoying lunch at the Flodigarry Hotel, part of which was Flora's home. We cross the Sound of Raasay to the Isle of Raasay where Bonnie Prince Charlie hid from the British troops after his defeat at Culloden.

## Wednesday 9th August

The iconic Eilean Donan also played a role in the Jacobite risings of the 17th and 18th centuries, which ultimately culminated in the castle's destruction and we learn of its turbulent history.

We sail the narrows of Kyle Rhea and the Sound of Sleat to Armadale where we discover the epic history of Clan Donald at the Museum of the Isles.

## Thursday 10th August

Sailing into Loch Nevis, we can explore Inverie and enjoy a drink at mainland Britain's remotest pub, the Old Forge Inn. After cruising around the most westerly point of the British mainland we arrive at Craignure on the Isle of Mull and visit Duart Castle, home to Clan MacLean, great Jacobite supporters. During the rising of 1745 the clan had been led by Maclean of Drimmin who was killed at the Battle of Culloden; the castle then fell into ruin.

## Friday 11th August

We spend a relaxing morning on board as we sail the Sound of Mull and Loch Linnhe, passing mysterious lochs and islands until we reach the Caledonian Canal at Corpach.



Set amongst a dramatic landscape of mysteriously forbidding, towering peaks sits Glencoe, regarded by many as a natural monument to the infamous massacre of February 1692 – one of the most tragic events in Scottish history.

### Saturday 12th August

Stand on the site where Bonnie Prince Charlie came ashore on 19 August 1745 and raised the Stuart standard. The lone kilted Highlander atop the 18m-high column at Glenfinnan is a tribute to the Jacobite clansmen who fought to defend the Highland way of life. At the visitor centre, learn about the '45 and this tumultuous chapter in Scotland's history as well as enjoying spectacular views of the viaduct.

Later, we ascend Neptune's Staircase, a set of eight interconnected locks, which lift the vessel 64 feet to Banavie, and sail the Caledonian Canal to Fort Augustus.

### Sunday 13th August

A scenic sail of Loch Ness leads us to our final visit of Culloden, the infamous battlefield where Bonnie Prince Charlie's Jacobite forces were defeated in 1746, ahead of the farewell reception and dinner at our overnight berth in Inverness.

### Monday 14th August

Disembark in Inverness after breakfast, for the onward journey home.



#### Guest Speaker Steve Lord

Steve Lord is a longtime member of The 1745 Association which studies the whole Jacobite period and the rising of 1745 in particular. He is the author of "Walking with Charlie", a successful attempt to walk the great majority of the Prince's route from the west coast of Scotland to Derby, back to Culloden and then to the Western Isles where the Prince was on the run. Steve presented the annual 1745 Association/NTS lecture at Culloden in 2019.



Eilean Donan Castle

#### PRICES PER PERSON

<b>Twin Cabins</b>	Deluxe Cabin	<b>\$5,200</b>
	Balcony Cabin	<b>\$5,940</b>
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Ben Nevis Distillery

# WHISKY GALORE



## Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh

11th September to 18th September 2023

7 nights including 2 Gala Dinners



Scotland is renowned for some of the best whiskies in the world and this adventurous cruise takes us to some of the finest distilleries in the Highlands and Islands.

Scotland's national drink, 'The Water of Life' is a product of quality with a unique heritage stretching back more than 500 years. The country is home to over 130 malt and grain distilleries, making it the greatest concentration of whisky production in the world. Visiting a distillery allows you to indulge your passion for Scotch and discover the environment and meet the people that have shaped this iconic product.

### Travel Plan – 7 nights

#### Monday 11th September

Inverness – Embarkation.

#### Tuesday 12th September

Inverness – Singleton Distillery.

Cruise the Caledonian Canal to Fort Augustus.

#### Wednesday 13th September

Cruise the Caledonian Canal to Gairloch.

Gairloch – Dalwhinnie Distillery.

#### Thursday 14th September

Cruise the Caledonian Canal to Banavie and transit

Neptune's Staircase to Corpach.

Corpach – Ben Nevis Distillery.

#### Friday 15th September

Sail Loch Linnhe to Oban.

Oban – Oban Distillery.

#### Saturday 16th September

Tobermory – On board talk and tasting by Tobermory Distillery.

Inverie – The Old Forge Inn.

#### Sunday 17th September

Armadale, Skye – Torabhaig Distillery.

Kyle of Lochalsh – Eilean Donan Castle.

#### Monday 18th September

Kyle of Lochalsh – Disembarkation and transfer to Inverness.

*Transfers are provided from Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness at the end of the cruise. Alternatively, independent arrangements may be made to leave the ship at Kyle of Lochalsh.*



# WHISKY GALORE

## Monday 11th September

Arrive in Inverness and embark *Lord of the Highlands*. This evening we remain berthed in the city.

## Tuesday 12th September

In the heart of the Black Isle, The Singleton whisky visitor experience is inspired by a passion for making perfectly balanced, delicious whisky and an Epicurean spirit. Here, you'll learn about the craft of distilling and what makes Singleton unique.

Entering Loch Ness, we pass the romantic ruins of Urquhart Castle, before ascending the impressive flight of locks that runs through the heart of Fort Augustus, the scenic and historic village, ahead of the welcome gala reception and dinner.

## Wednesday 13th September

Continue along the canal through Loch Oich, ascending to 106 feet at Laggan Locks after gliding serenely along the tree-lined section known as Laggan Avenue. Onwards through picturesque Loch Lochy, we berth at Gairloch for our visit to Dalwhinnie Distillery in the heart of the Scottish Highlands. From this remote location comes a liquid known as the 'gentle spirit'. Take a peek at the ins and outs of the working distillery, discover its unique high location and taste its iconic malt.

## Thursday 14th September

After descending Neptune's Staircase, a set of eight interconnected locks dropping 64 feet into the sea lock at Corpach, we travel to Ben Nevis distillery, one of the oldest licensed distilleries in Scotland. Nestled at the foot of Britain's highest mountain, malt whisky has been crafted here from the highest water source in the country, for nearly two hundred years.



### Friday 15th September

Today, we sail Loch Linnhe, passing mysterious lochs and islands until we reach Oban, the gateway to the Hebrides. Nestling beneath the steep cliff that overlooks Oban, we visit one of the smallest scotch distilleries with a fierce commitment to excellence and tradition, producing a cult, maritime spirit.

### Saturday 16th September

We sail to Tobermory, the island capital of Mull where artisan distillers from the Tobermory Distillery join us on board for a tutored tasting and to explore the subtle nuances and flavours of their delicious single malt whiskies.

This evening we arrive at Inverie on Loch Nevis, where you can enjoy a drink at the most remote pub on mainland Britain, The Old Forge Inn.

### Sunday 17th September

An early morning sail across the Sound of Sleat leads us to Armadale where the distillery at Torabhaig is the second ever licenced Single Malt Scotch Whisky distillery on the Isle of Skye.

Our final port of call is Kyle of Lochalsh from where we visit the iconic Eilean Donan Castle, ahead of the farewell reception and dinner.

### Monday 18th September

Disembark in Kyle of Lochalsh after breakfast for the onward transfer to Inverness.



Dalwhinnie Distillery

#### PRICES PER PERSON

<b>Twin Cabins</b>	Deluxe Cabin	<b>\$4,950</b>
	Balcony Cabin	<b>\$5,700</b>
<b>Double Cabin</b>	Suite (King size)	<b>\$6,560</b>
<b>Single Cabins</b>	Deluxe Cabin	<b>\$6,940</b>

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Tobermory Lighthouse

# RAMBLING IN CALEDONIA



## Inverness to Oban

9th October to 16th October 2023

7 nights including 2 Gala Dinners



The Great Glen Way runs the entire length of Scotland's longest glen, following the country's greatest geological fault and sections of Thomas Telford's historic Caledonian Canal.

Starting in Inverness, the capital of the Highlands, to Fort William in the shadow of Britain's highest mountain, Ben Nevis, this magnificent waymarked route offers low-level walks along the canal towpath as *Lord of the Highlands* sails serenely by.

As we leave the canal at Loch Linnhe, contrast the diverse landscapes of the Inner Hebridean islands of Mull and Iona before arriving in Oban for fine views of the town and harbour from Pulpit Hill or McCaig's folly.

## Travel Plan – 7 nights

### Monday 9th October

Inverness – Embarkation.

### Tuesday 10th October

Inverness – Cawdor Castle Gardens or walk the Caledonian Canal from Muirtown Basin to Dochgarroch. Cruise Loch Ness to Fort Augustus.

### Wednesday 11th October

Fort Augustus – Free time or walk the Great Glen Way to Laggan Locks.

Cruise or walk the Caledonian Canal to Gairloch.

### Thursday 12th October

Gairloch – Cruise the Caledonian Canal and transit Neptune's Staircase to Corpach or walk the Great Glen Way to Banavie and Neptune's Staircase. Corpach – Glenfinnan Monument Visitor Centre.

### Friday 13th October

Sail Loch Linnhe and the Sound of Mull. Tobermory, Mull – Isle of Mull Cheese or Tobermory Lighthouse walk.

### Saturday 14th October

Craignure, Mull – Visit to Iona Abbey or walk to Bay at the Back of the Ocean.

### Sunday 15th October

Craignure – Duart Castle or Duart to Craignure Walk. Oban – Walking tour including McCaig's Folly or Pulpit Hill walk.

### Monday 16th October

Oban – Disembarkation

*Transfers are provided from Oban to Glasgow at the end of the cruise. Alternatively, secure car parking is available in Oban and a transfer provided to Inverness on embarkation.*



# RAMBLING IN CALEDONIA

## Monday 9th October

Embark in Inverness and settle into your cabin. We remain alongside in Inverness overnight.

## Tuesday 10th October

Our strollers head for Cawdor Castle, forever immortalised in Shakespeare's 'Macbeth', whilst the walkers stride out along the towpath of the canal to Dochgarroch where all guests re-join the ship.

A relaxing afternoon sail of Loch Ness provides for a brief photo opportunity with a pause in front of the ruins of Urquhart Castle, ahead of our arrival in the historic and scenic village of Fort Augustus where we berth overnight.

## Wednesday 11th October

After breakfast, the walkers set off along the Caledonian Canal to Laggan Locks where they are joined by the strollers who have enjoyed free time in Fort Augustus, ahead of a leisurely sail. After lunch, opt to stay on board as we cruise to Gairloch or follow the waymarked route of the Great Glen Way along the shores of Loch Lochy.

## Thursday 12th October

This morning, choose to remain on board as we transit the final section of the Caledonian Canal and Neptune's Staircase, or walk the same route to join *Lord of the Highlands* at Corpach in the very shadow of Ben Nevis. The strollers have the opportunity to discover the story of Bonnie Prince Charlie and the moving tribute to those who died fighting for the Jacobite cause at the Glenfinnan Monument Visitor Centre.



### Friday 13th October

At Corpach we enter the serenely beautiful and sheltered waters of Loch Linnhe and onwards to the Sound of Mull. At Tobermory, the strollers discover the traditional methods still used at the Isle of Mull Cheese, the island's only dairy farm where the local cheeses are still made by hand, and the walkers amble through the woods to the picturesque lighthouse at Rubha nan Gall.

### Saturday 14th October

The sacred Isle of Iona offers a visit to the tranquil Benedictine Abbey or a bracing walk to the Bay at the Back of the Ocean. Located on the west coast of Iona, this beach stretches in a wide arc and affords panoramic views of the Atlantic.

### Sunday 15th October

From Craignure, we visit Duart Castle, home to Clan Maclean and their current chieftain, Sir Lachlan Maclean, or embark on a half day walk along the scenic coastline from Duart back to our berth in Craignure.

Our final port of call is Oban where our walking tour includes the impressive McCaig's Folly which affords spectacular vistas across the bay to the Atlantic Isles. The more energetic may choose to stride out to the fine viewpoint of Pulpit Hill.

### Monday 16th October

After breakfast, we say farewell and disembark in Oban.



Dochgarroch Lock, Caledonian Canal

#### PRICES PER PERSON

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	Balcony Cabin	<b>\$5,940</b>
<b>Double Cabin</b>	Suite (King size)	<b>\$6,810</b>
<b>Single Cabins</b>	Deluxe Cabin	<b>\$7,180</b>

To help you select your cabin, deck plans and cabin images can be found on pages 64-67.

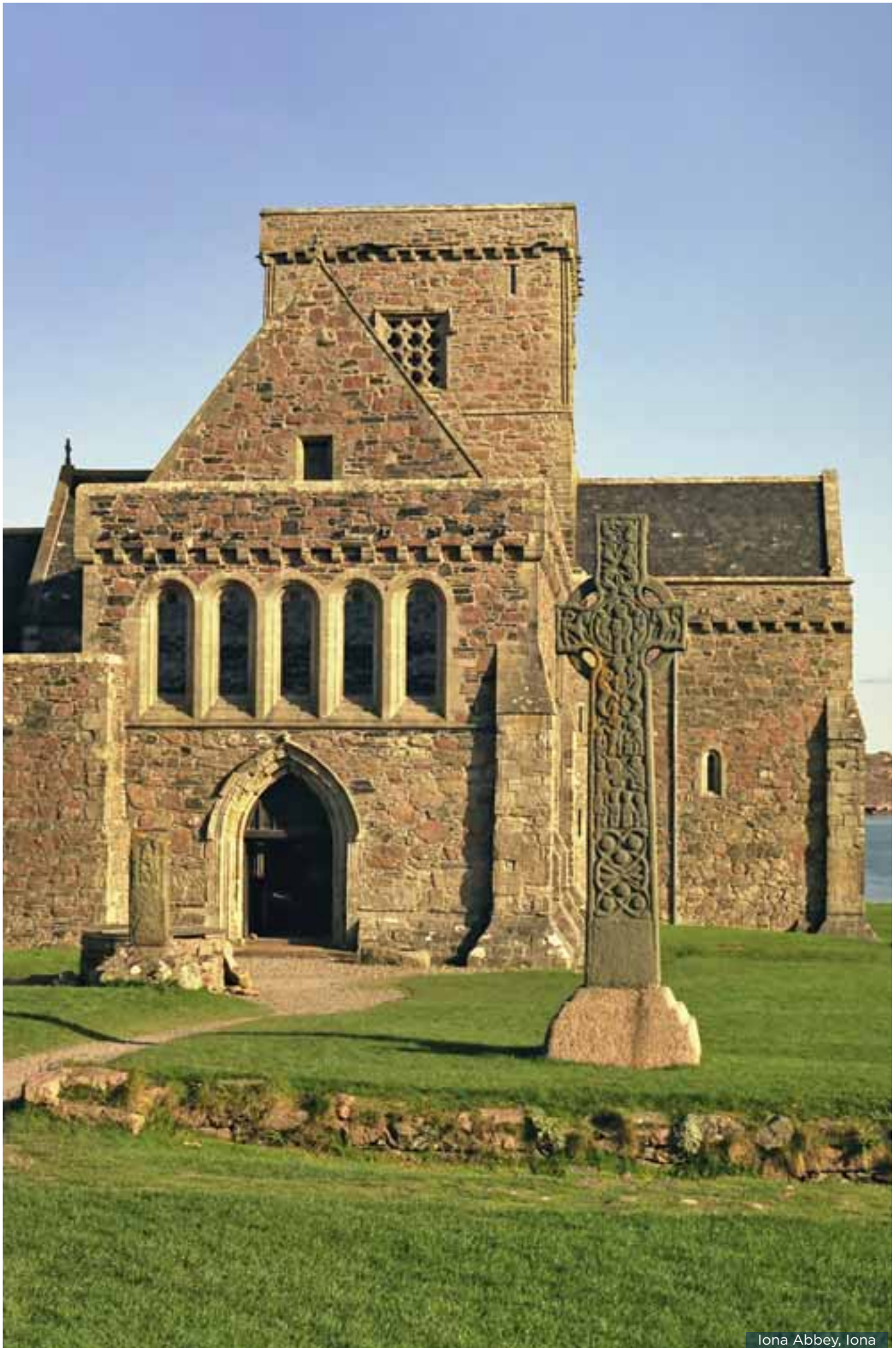
**Prices include:** 7 nights on board *Lord of the Highlands*.

Full board including house wines, Taittinger Champagne by the glass, spirits, beers, soft drinks, tea and coffee. All shore excursions. On board Guide. Gratuities. Complimentary Wi-Fi on board. *Travel insurance not included.*



McCaig's Folly, Oban





Iona Abbey, Iona

# SCENIC SCOTLAND

## Oban to Fort Augustus

16th October to 21st October 2023

5 nights including 1 Gala Dinner



A five night cruise through the Heart of Scotland.

Take an enchanting cruise to the bustling Isle of Mull and tranquil Isle of Iona, before discovering the awesome feat of engineering, the Caledonian Canal. Recently rebuilt for these waters, *Lord of the Highlands* will transport you in comfort and style from Oban, along scenic sea lochs and the intricate Caledonian Canal, which cuts through the Great Glen, to Fort Augustus, on a panoramic voyage at a gentle pace. With short stretches of man-made canal linking the scenic Scottish lochs, this is a stunning location for a cruise holiday.

On this relaxing voyage you will experience the rich culture and natural beauty of Scotland, whilst being cosseted in the elegant atmosphere of your floating home from home.

### Travel Plan – 5 nights

#### Monday 16th October

Oban – Embarkation.

#### Tuesday 17th October

Oban – Oban Distillery.  
Craignure, Mull – Duart Castle.

#### Wednesday 18th October

Craignure, Mull – Visit to Iona.  
Tobermory, Mull – Free time to explore at leisure.

#### Thursday 19th October

Cruise Loch Linnhe to Corpach.  
Scenic West Highland Railway to Glenfinnan.

#### Friday 20th October

Transit Neptune's Staircase and cruise the Caledonian Canal to Fort Augustus.

Fort Augustus – Walks ashore.

#### Saturday 21st October

Fort Augustus – Disembarkation.

*Transfers are provided from Glasgow to Oban at the start of the cruise, and from Fort Augustus to Inverness at the end of the cruise. Alternatively, car parking is available in Oban and a transfer provided from Fort Augustus on disembarkation.*



# SCENIC SCOTLAND

## Monday 16th October

The Captain and crew welcome you on board in Oban where we remain overnight.

## Tuesday 17th October

Oban Distillery is both one of the oldest distilleries in Scotland and one of the smallest with just two pot stills. Our tour offers the chance to witness the traditional craftsmanship of whisky production first-hand, before enjoying a complimentary dram.

During lunch, we sail to Craignure, Isle of Mull, for a tour of Duart Castle. Seat of Clan Maclean for over 700 years, it dominates the view of the Sound of Mull with its huge curtain walls and solid keep.

## Wednesday 18th October

We travel from Craignure to visit the sacred Isle of Iona, the last resting place of some 50 Scottish Kings and where St. Columba introduced Christianity to Scotland. Later, we sail to the island capital of Tobermory where brightly painted houses line the waterfront which were originally built by the British Fisheries Company to house its workers.

## Thursday 19th October

We spend the morning relaxing on board *Lord of the Highlands* as we cruise Loch Linnhe to Corpach at the entrance of the Caledonian Canal. From here, we take a scheduled train along part of the West Highland Railway to Glenfinnan and cross the 21-arched Glenfinnan viaduct which overlooks Loch Shiel and the Jacobite monument.



## Friday 20th October

This morning, *Lord of the Highlands* ascends the impressive eight inter-connected locks of Neptune's Staircase to Banavie in the shadow of Ben Nevis, before sailing through Loch Lochy in the heart of the Great Glen. Steep, forested hillsides give this scenic area a fjord-like feel to the landscape. We transit the tranquil, tree-lined Laggan Avenue before arriving at the highest point of the canal, Loch Oich at just over 100 feet above sea level. Our final afternoon is spent enjoying free time to explore Fort Augustus, the gateway to Loch Ness, which takes its name from a fort built after the defeat of the 1715 Jacobite uprising, ahead of the farewell reception and gala dinner.

## Saturday 21st October

We disembark in Fort Augustus after breakfast and are transferred to Inverness for the onward journey home.



### PRICES PER PERSON

Twin Cabins	Deluxe Cabin	\$3,180
	Balcony Cabin	\$3,660
Double Cabin	Suite (King size)	\$4,210
Single Cabins	Deluxe Cabin	\$4,460

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**Prices include:** 5 nights on board *Lord of the Highlands*. Full board including house wines, Taittinger Champagne by the glass, spirits, beers, soft drinks, tea and coffee. All shore excursions. On Board Guide. Gratuities. Complimentary Wi-Fi on board. *Travel insurance not included.*







Glenfinnan Viaduct



# CALEDONIAN TAPESTRY

## Fort Augustus to Oban

21st October to 26th October 2023

5 nights including 1 Gala Dinner



A five night cruise through the Heart of Scotland.

Take an enchanting cruise through the awesome feat of engineering, the Caledonian Canal, before discovering the bustling Isle of Mull and tranquil Isle of Iona. Recently rebuilt for these waters,

*Lord of the Highlands* will transport you in comfort and style along scenic sea lochs and the intricate Caledonian Canal, which cuts through the Great Glen, to Oban, on a panoramic voyage at a gentle pace. With short stretches of man-made canal linking the scenic Scottish lochs, this is a stunning location for a cruise holiday.

On this relaxing voyage you will experience the rich culture and natural beauty of Scotland, whilst being cosseted in the elegant atmosphere of your floating home from home.

## Travel Plan – 5 nights

### Saturday 21st October

Fort Augustus – Embarkation.

### Sunday 22nd October

Cruise the Caledonian Canal and transit Neptune's Staircase to Corpach.

### Monday 23rd October

Scenic West Highland Railway to Glenfinnan. Cruise Loch Linnhe and the Sound of Mull to Tobermory.

### Tuesday 24th October

Tobermory, Mull – Free time to explore at leisure. Craignure, Mull – Duart Castle.

### Wednesday 25th October

Craignure, Mull – Visit to Iona. Oban – Oban Distillery.

### Thursday 26th October

Oban – Disembarkation.

*Transfers are provided from Inverness to Fort Augustus at the start of the cruise, and from Oban to Glasgow at the end of the cruise. Alternatively, car parking is available in Oban and a transfer provided to Fort Augustus on embarkation.*



# CALEDONIAN TAPESTRY

## Saturday 21st October

The Captain and crew welcome you on board in Fort Augustus where we remain overnight.

## Sunday 22nd October

Our first full day is spent relaxing on board as we sail to the highest point of the canal, Loch Oich at just over 100 feet above sea level, before transitting the pretty, tree-lined Laggan Avenue. Onwards through Loch Lochy in the heart of the Great Glen where steep, forested hillsides give this scenic area a fjord-like feel to the landscape. At Gairloch we re-join the man made waterway and descend the impressive eight inter-connected locks of Neptune's Staircase to Corpach where we berth overnight.

## Monday 23rd October

From Corpach, we take a scheduled train along part of the West Highland Railway to Glenfinnan and cross the 21-arched Glenfinnan viaduct which overlooks Loch Shiel and the Jacobite monument. Considered by many to be the most scenic railway line in the world, we travel through a scenic landscape of mountains, steep-sided lochs, and heather moors.

We spend the afternoon cruising Loch Linnhe and the Sound of Mull to our overnight berth at Tobermory.

## Tuesday 24th October

We venture ashore at Tobermory to discover the brightly painted houses which line the waterfront; originally built by the British Fisheries Company to house its workers, they were constructed at a cost of £20 each. Onwards to Craignure where Duart Castle has been home to the Clan Maclean for over 700 years.



### Wednesday 25th October

This morning, we travel to the Isle of Iona, the last resting place of some 50 Scottish Kings and where St. Columba introduced Christianity to Scotland. After exploring the sacred isle and the restored Benedictine abbey, we sail to Oban, home to one of the smallest and oldest distilleries in Scotland. Our tour offers the chance to witness the traditional craftsmanship of whisky production first-hand, before enjoying a complimentary dram.

### Thursday 26th October

We disembark in Oban after breakfast and are transferred to Glasgow for the onward journey home.



#### PRICES PER PERSON

Twin Cabins	Deluxe Cabin	\$3,180
	Balcony Cabin	\$3,660
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Culloden Memorial

# SCOTTISH TEMPTATIONS

## Oban to Inverness

26th October to 31st October 2023

5 nights including 1 Gala Dinner



This epic journey through the very heart of Scotland is full of breath-taking contrasts in scenery, history and wildlife. The towering mass of Ben Nevis is a stunning backdrop to magnificent Loch Linnhe and the quintessential Scottish castle, Castle Stalker, before entering the 60-miles of the Caledonian Canal.

As one of the world's most beautiful cruise routes, the Caledonian Canal offers the unique opportunity to experience Scotland from the perspective of the water. Navigating Neptune's Staircase is the best way to appreciate Telford's engineering masterpiece, with the canal passing through the rugged valleys along the Great Glen, a geologic fault line that shaped the landscape of the region.

## Travel Plan – 5 nights

### Thursday 26th October

Oban – Embarkation.

### Friday 27th October

Oban – Oban Distillery.  
Craignure, Mull – Duart Castle.

### Saturday 28th October

Tobermory, Mull – Free time.  
Sail the Sound of Mull and Loch Linnhe to Corpach.

### Sunday 29th October

Scheduled West Highland Railway passage to Glenfinnan.  
Transit Neptune's Staircase to Banavie and cruise the Caledonian Canal to Fort Augustus.

### Monday 30th October

Cruise the Caledonian Canal and Loch Ness.  
Inverness – Culloden and Clava Cairns.

### Tuesday 31st October

Inverness – Disembarkation.

*Transfers are provided to Oban from Glasgow at the start of the cruise.  
Alternatively, secure car parking is available in Oban and a transfer provided from Inverness on disembarkation.*



# SCOTTISH TEMPTATIONS

## Thursday 26th October

Embark in Oban and settle into your cabin. We remain alongside in Oban overnight.

## Friday 27th October

Oban Distillery is both one of the oldest distilleries in Scotland and one of the smallest with just two pot stills. Our tour offers the chance to witness the traditional craftsmanship of whisky production first-hand, before enjoying a complimentary dram.

During lunch, we sail to Craignure, Isle of Mull, for a tour of Duart Castle. Seat of Clan Maclean for over 700 years, it dominates the view of the Sound of Mull with its huge curtain walls and solid keep.

## Saturday 28th October

Spend this morning in Mull's island capital of Tobermory, exploring the brightly painted harbour town, before cruising the Sound of Mull and Loch Linnhe to Corpach at the entrance of the Caledonian Canal.

## Sunday 29th October

From Corpach, we take a scheduled train along part of the West Highland Railway to Glenfinnan and cross the 21-arched Glenfinnan viaduct which overlooks Loch Shiel and the Jacobite monument. Considered by many to be the most scenic railway line in the world, we travel through a scenic landscape of mountains, steep-sided lochs, and heather moors.



From sea level, *Lord of the Highlands* ascends the spectacular eight interconnected locks of Neptune's Staircase to Banavie in the shadow of Ben Nevis, before spending a relaxing afternoon on board as we sail through Loch Lochy and Loch Oich to Fort Augustus.

### Monday 30th October

This morning, we descend the Fort Augustus locks to Loch Ness. Pausing briefly, for a view of the ruins of Urquhart Castle, we continue the 21 mile transit of Loch Ness and Loch Dochfour, and along the first man-made section of the Caledonian Canal to the cosmopolitan city of Inverness for our final visit to Culloden, the powerfully emotive and atmospheric battlefield where the 1745 Jacobite Rising came to a tragic end, and the ancient standing stones of Clava Cairns.

### Tuesday 31st October

After breakfast, we say farewell and disembark in Inverness.



Laggan Avenue

#### PRICES PER PERSON

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	Balcony Cabin	\$3,660
Double Cabin	Suite (King size)	\$4,210
Single Cabins	Deluxe Cabin	\$4,460

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Castle Stalker, Loch Linnhe



# LORD OF THE HIGHLANDS CABINS

**Beautiful bedrooms – well-appointed and all enjoying views of the ever-changing panorama through the picture windows, *Lord of the Highlands*' 19 stylish cabins are elegantly furnished in rich hardwood with the best of contemporary design.**

Each incorporates a dressing table, satellite TV, ample storage space (wardrobe, drawers and under-bed storage for suitcases), a personal safe for valuables and hairdryer. En-suite bathrooms, with thermostatically-controlled shower, toilet and washbasin are equipped to the highest standards. For your added comfort and relaxation, warm bathrobes, slippers and a wide range of Molton Brown toiletries are also provided, with regular changes of towels. Individually controlled air-conditioning/heating ensures your comfort.

The spacious suite on the John Buchan Deck features a comfortable sitting area with sofa and coffee table, a king-sized bed and a mini bar containing a selection of complimentary beverages. Four twin-bedded cabins on this level incorporate a small private balcony to make the most of the fresh air and sea views.

Although cabin sizes and fares vary, Hebridean ensures the same high level of service to all guests, irrespective of room choice. Full details of cabin facilities and dimensions, together with the deck plan, can be found on pages 66 and 67.



Category 3, Suite, John Buchan Deck



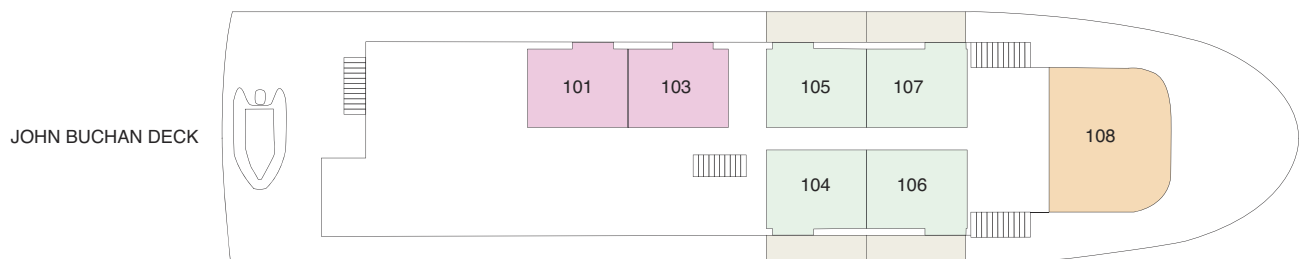
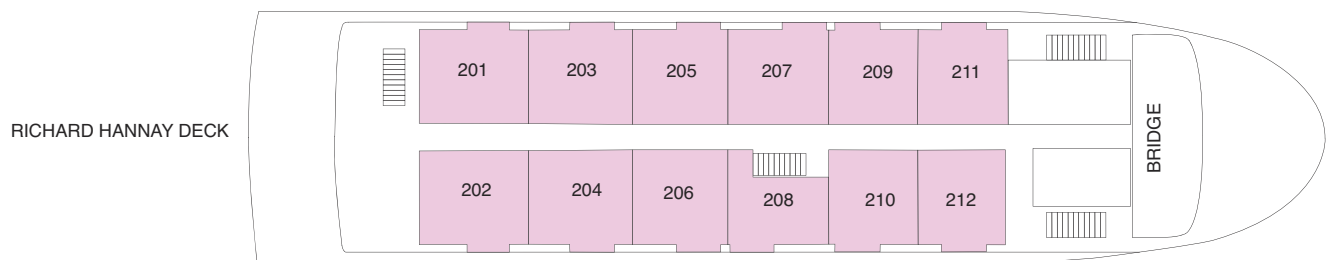
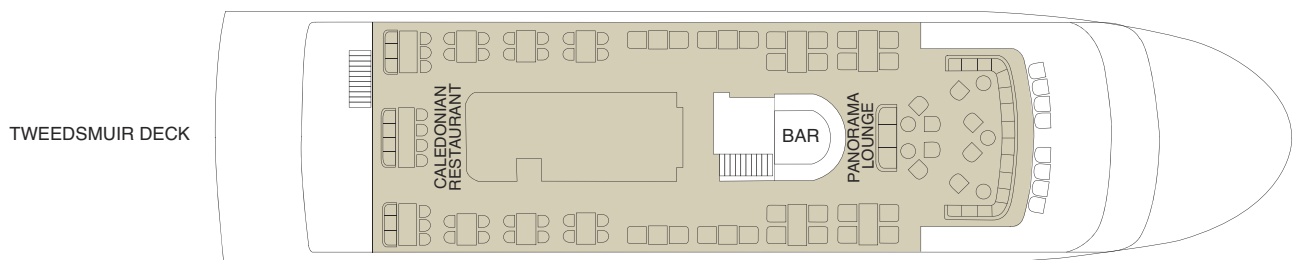
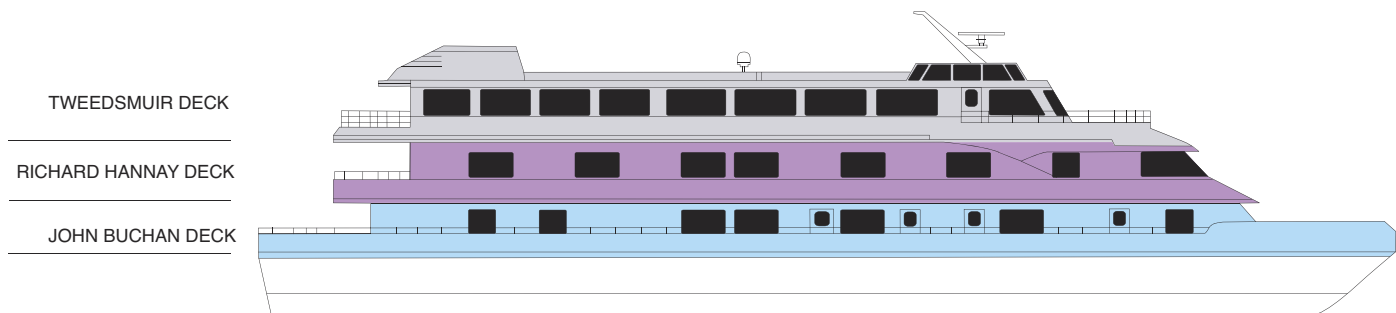


# CABIN FACILITIES AND DIMENSIONS GUIDE

Cabin Number	101	103	104	105	106	107	108	201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208	209	210	211	212
Price category																			
Deck location																			
Windows	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Double Bed							•												
Twin Bed	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Balcony			•	•	•	•													
Total private floor size (m²)	12.0	12.5	13.0	13.0	13.2	13.2	23.8	14.8	15.0	13.8	13.8	12.9	12.5	13.7	9.5	14.3	12.4	12.0	12.0
Total private floor size (sq ft)	129.2	134.5	139.9	139.9	142.0	142.0	256.2	159.3	161.5	148.5	148.5	138.9	134.5	147.5	102.5	153.9	133.5	129.2	129.2
Bathroom size (m²)	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	1.7	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3
Bathroom size (sq ft)	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	24.8	24.8	24.8	24.8	24.8	24.8	24.8	24.8	18.3	24.8	24.8	24.8	24.8



# LORD OF THE HIGHLANDS DECK PLANS



 CATEGORY 1  
DELUXE CABINS

**John Buchan Deck**  
**Richard Hannay Deck**  
**Picture Windows**  
**Twin beds**

The 14 deluxe cabins are located on the Richard Hannay and John Buchan Decks. All feature twin beds and large picture windows.

 CATEGORY 2  
BALCONY CABINS

**John Buchan Deck**  
**Private Balcony**  
**Twin beds**

The 4 balcony cabins are located on the John Buchan Deck and feature twin beds. The balconies afford privacy and are fitted with teak furniture for you to enjoy the magnificent scenery.

 CATEGORY 3  
SUITE

**John Buchan Deck**  
**Picture Windows**  
**Sitting Area**  
**King-sized bed**

The spacious suite is located at the forward end of the John Buchan Deck and features large picture windows both port and starboard affording delightful views. The sitting area is furnished with a comfortable sofa, coffee table and mini bar.



# Hebridean Island Cruises Limited Conditions of Business

## Booking Terms and Conditions

### 1 THE CONTRACT

**1.1** The contract is between HEBRIDEAN ISLAND CRUISES LIMITED ('The Company', 'we', 'us') and each person booking with the Company (including the parents or guardian of any person under 18 years of age) ('the Passengers', 'you', 'your'). Please note that information contained in the section headed "General Information" in our brochure or in these or any other comparable sections, and any other relevant information on our website also forms part of your contract with the Company.

**1.2** The Lead Passenger warrants as a fundamental term of the contract that he/she has read these terms and conditions and has the authority to and agrees to be bound by them. Furthermore that he/she is authorised by each Passenger named on the confirmation invoice (and, where such passenger is under 18, by his or her parents or guardian) to enter into a contract with the Company on their behalf. Unless otherwise indicated, the Lead Passenger warrants that the Passenger information given may be used by the Company or its partners for future marketing purposes.

**1.3** No contract exists until the Company has received the full deposit (or, where appropriate, the full price) and a confirmation invoice has been issued. Please note that a contract will exist even if the Company is unable to confirm all holiday details (e.g. flights) at the time of booking. A confirmation invoice will be sent to the Lead Passenger.

**1.4** All details on the confirmation invoice (and on any additional documents produced by the Company) will be deemed to have been accepted unless the Company receives notification to the contrary in writing from the Lead Passenger within 14 days of the date of dispatch (which will be deemed to be 2 days after the date of issue). If any errors are not immediately identified and reported, any cost of rectifying the same at a subsequent date must be met by the Passenger. Please note that Passengers not following these instructions will be fully liable for any costs that may subsequently be incurred in rectifying errors at a later date. In the case of flight tickets and e-tickets these must be checked by Passengers and the Company must be notified of any errors immediately.

**1.5** It is expressly agreed that all Passengers and their luggage are carried subject to the Conditions of Carriage of the airlines and shipping company used, some of which limit or exclude liability. Copies of these conditions are available on request. Any compensation payable for non-performance or improper performance of land, sea and air carriage services shall be limited in accordance with the international conventions which govern such services.

**1.6** All monies the Passengers pay to a travel agent are held by him on behalf and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust at all times. This is subject to the agent's obligation to pay it to the Company for so long as the Company does not fail. If the Company fails, any money held at that time by the agent, or subsequently accepted from the Passengers by him, is and continues to be held on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust without obligation to pay that money to the Company.

**1.7** The Company reserves the right to cancel bookings and levy cancellation charges on the

scale in section 7 below if balance payments are not received in full at least 16 weeks before departure.

**1.8** Travel insurance (where purchased through us or directly with a third party) does not form part of your contract with the Company or of any "package".

**1.9** All employees, agents, contractors, sub-contractors, suppliers and insurers of the Company shall be bound by these Booking Terms and Conditions.

**1.10** These Booking Terms and Conditions apply only to cruise packages booked directly with the Company or through a Travel Agent and where the Company is acting as principal.

**1.11** The contract and all other proceedings arising out of or in connection with it shall be governed by English law and the jurisdiction of the English courts. Passengers may, however, choose the law and jurisdiction of Scotland or Northern Ireland if they so wish. If and in so far as a claim against the Company is governed by the Athens Convention it may be brought in any Court specified in Article 17 of the Convention.

### 2 THE BOOKING PROCESS

**2.1** A deposit of 25% of the total fare due, or full payment for bookings taken within 17 weeks of departure, is due on booking. A higher deposit may be payable if any supplier(s) require additional payments for a service prior to the balance due date. Payment of a deposit means acceptance of these Booking Terms and Conditions. The Company takes no responsibility for foreign currency transaction processing fees levied by issuing banks.

**2.2** If the deposit and/or balance are not paid on time, the Company reserves the right to cancel the contract and apply any cancellation charges set out in section 7.

**2.3** Passengers with physical or mental disabilities or other conditions which may require special treatment or assistance (including Passengers who may require the use of a wheelchair) must advise the Company at the point of enquiry. They may then be required to complete a questionnaire before the suitability of the holiday is assessed, see section 10.

**2.4** The Company may (at its discretion) offer Passengers at the time of booking a guaranteed cabin booking (a "Guarantee Cabin"). Under such offers a Passenger is guaranteed to receive a cabin of a specified type although the precise location of the cabin is at the Company's discretion. The Company may (at its discretion) upgrade a Guarantee Cabin to a higher category cabin at no additional cost to the Passenger. The Company may allocate specific cabins under guarantee offers at any time up until the Passenger arrives on the vessel at the port of embarkation. Once Guarantee Cabins have been allocated, the Company is unable to accept Passenger change requests. If Passengers book two or more back-to-back cruises and one or more cruise includes Guarantee Cabins, it is possible that Passengers may be allocated different cabins on each cruise and may need to move between cabins on changeover day(s).

**2.5** Where you have booked a Package and the Company is acting as a Package Organiser, it will accept responsibility for the Travel Arrangements making up your Package as an "organiser" under the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018. It is the Company's duty where it is acting as the Package Organiser to ensure that the

Passengers have been provided with all details set out here

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2018/634/sc/hedule/1/made> before the booking is made. If you have not been given sufficient information please let the Company know immediately.

**2.6** More information on key rights under the Package Travel and Linked Arrangements Regulations 2018 can be found here <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2018/634/sc/hedule/2/made>

### 3 PRICES AND SURCHARGES

**3.1** The Company reserves the right to alter the published prices of any of the holidays. Passengers will be advised of the current price of the holiday that they wish to book before any contract is confirmed.

**3.2** The price of the travel arrangements in this brochure was calculated using exchange rates current at the time of publishing. Changes in the price of the carriage of passengers resulting from changes to the cost of fuel or other power sources, the level of taxes or other fees imposed by third parties including tourist taxes, landing taxes or embarkation or disembarkation fees at ports and airports or exchange rates mean that the price of travel arrangements may change after booking. The Company undertakes, however, that no changes to charges will be made within 30 days of departure.

**3.3** The Company will absorb and the Passenger will not be charged for, any increase equivalent to up to 2% of the total holiday cost (excluding any amendment charges). The Company may, at its discretion, charge the Passenger any increase above 2%. If the increase is more than 8% of the price of their travel arrangements, Passengers will have the option of accepting a change to another holiday if there is one or cancelling and receiving a full refund of all monies paid, except for any amendment charges. If the Company is able to offer another holiday of a higher price to the original holiday booked, then the Passenger will be asked to pay the difference. If the alternative holiday is a lower price, the Passenger will be refunded the difference. Should Passengers decide to cancel their holiday under these circumstances, they must do so within 14 days of the date of the invoice for the additional charge.

**3.4** Should the total cost to the Company of a Passenger's holiday fall by more than 2% due to any of the changes mentioned above then the Company will pass on to Passengers any refund due. Passengers should note that travel arrangements are not always purchased in local currency and some changes in local currency costs may have no impact on the price of Passengers' travel due to contractual and other protection in place.

**3.5** All outstanding balances on onboard accounts must be settled in full before the Passenger finishes the cruise. If any Passenger fails to settle their onboard account then the Company shall be entitled to take whatever steps may be necessary to recover the monies due and shall be entitled to pass on any costs incurred in doing so.

### 4 SHORE EXCURSIONS

**4.1** Unless stated otherwise (see section 4.4) all excursions are part of the Passengers' package holiday. The Company will at all times endeavour to appoint reputable and competent operators to supply excursions. **4.2** Passengers should be aware that they may also be subject to terms and conditions imposed by local excursion operators as well as these terms and conditions.

**4.3** In the event of an excursion being cancelled, the Company will take all reasonable steps to ensure that Passengers are offered a choice of an alternative excursion.

**4.4** If you request an exceptional or bespoke excursion to be arranged during your holiday that is not part of your original booking, this will not be part of your package holiday. Any exceptional or bespoke excursions booked will be subject to a separate contract with the relevant supplier providing that particular excursion or services. In this case the supplier's terms and conditions will apply and they will be responsible for the provision of the excursion. We will let you know if this is the case.

## 5 INSURANCE

**5.1** Passengers must have travel insurance arrangements in force for the entire duration of the holiday. Details of the insurance policy (which must at a minimum cover medical charges, cancellation, curtailment, evacuation (from the vessel) and repatriation costs for not less than £5 million) must be provided at the time of booking if possible, but no later than six months prior to the scheduled date of departure or at the time of booking if bookings are made within six months of the date of departure.

**5.2** The Company is not responsible for checking that Passengers have the correct level of insurance and will not be liable for any costs, howsoever arising, in excess of any travel insurance cover purchased.

## 6 CHANGES BY PASSENGERS

**6.1** The Company will do its utmost to ensure that amendments requested by Passengers are accommodated, but the Company makes no guarantee that these requests will be met. Any change request must be made in writing by the Lead Passenger and the Company reserves the right to pass on the costs we incur from our suppliers of making any such changes as well as our administration charge. Passengers must be aware that charges associated with amendments are likely to increase nearer to the date of departure.

**6.2** Additional passengers or cruises may be added to a booking at any time subject to availability. In each case a deposit (or full payment, as relevant) per additional Passenger will be required by the Company and all other booking conditions must be met before the new contract exists.

**6.3** Requests for significant amendments to booking details (e.g. change of ship or sail date) received before the balance due date will be treated as a new booking. At the Company's sole discretion, the original booking will either be deemed cancelled (and be subject to the cancellation charges set out in section 7), or will be deemed amended (and be subject to any costs we incur from our suppliers for making any changes as well as an administration charge of £75 per Passenger). Any deposit paid, discount applied or promotion applicable to a booking that is cancelled or amended will only be transferred to a new booking at the Company's discretion.

**6.4** For minor amendments to booking details received before the balance due date (e.g. passenger name changes) any costs we incur from our suppliers for making any changes as well as an administration charge of £30 per Passenger affected will be charged. If name changes are required to scheduled flight details, the supplier charge may be significantly more than other changes and will be quoted on request. Passengers should also be aware that

airlines may not allow transfer of Passenger names and in such cases a flight booking might need to be cancelled and rebooked, subject to availability, and at the Passenger's expense. Any non-refundable charges will be notified to you prior to booking.

**6.5** Except for section 6.6, amendments after the balance due date cannot be made and you will need to cancel your booking and make a new booking for any amendments to be made.

**6.6** You can transfer your booking to another person, who satisfies all the conditions that apply to this booking, by giving the Company notice in writing as soon as possible and no later than 7 days before departure. Both the Lead Passenger and the new Passenger are responsible for paying all costs we incur in making the transfer.

**6.7** After an amendment is applied a new confirmation invoice will be issued at which point the contract will be deemed to be amended accordingly.

## 7 CANCELLATIONS BY PASSENGERS

**7.1** A Passenger may cancel a booking at any time. Cancellation will take effect when the Company has received written notice of cancellation signed by the Lead Passenger. Since we incur costs in cancelling your holiday you will have to pay cancellation charges as follows:

Period before departure within which the Company receives notice	Cancellation charge per passenger
After payment of deposit	Loss of deposit + any non refundable charges (if applicable)
112 to 60 days before departure	60% of invoiced charge
59 to 29 days before departure	90% of invoiced charge
28 days before departure up to the departure date	100% of invoiced charge

**7.2** If the reason for your cancellation is covered under the terms of your insurance policy, you may be able to reclaim these charges.

**7.3** A Passenger will not have a right to exclusive occupancy of a cabin with two or more berths unless any applicable single occupancy premium has been paid. In the event of a Passenger becoming a single occupant of such a cabin due to a cancellation, he/she will become liable to pay any applicable single occupancy premium. Passengers are advised that certain reasons for cancellation are covered by their travel insurance.

**7.4** You can cancel your booking without paying cancellation charges if the performance of your holiday, or the carriage of passengers to your destination is significantly affected by unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances, see section 9. In such circumstances, we will arrange for your booking to be terminated and for you to receive a full refund. The Company will observe advice provided by the UK Foreign & Commonwealth Office.

## 8 CHANGES BY THE COMPANY

**8.1** It is a term of your booking that the Company is able to make changes to any aspect of your booking. If the change is insignificant, the Company will ensure that you are notified about it. Examples of insignificant changes include alteration of your outward/return flights by less than 12 hours, changes to aircraft type, change of accommodation to another of the same or higher standard, changes of carriers.

**8.2** If the majority of ports that the Company aims to visit during any one cruise have to be changed on Foreign Office advice before the cruise commences, the Company undertakes to offer Passengers an alternative cruise or refund of the cost of their cruise in full less any administration charges paid.

**8.3** The Company and the Master of the ship are unable to guarantee that the ship will call at every advertised port or follow every part of the advertised route. They will at all times endeavour to maintain the advertised programme but reserve the right at their sole discretion to make any alternations they deem necessary.

**8.4** The Company reserves the right at its sole and absolute discretion to use a substitute ship of similar standard to the original ship should it prove necessary to do so.

**8.5** In addition to the rights of the Company, Aircraft and Ship's Captains always have the right at their absolute discretion to vary any planned routing without prior notice or consultation if they deem it necessary to do so in the interests of safety.

**8.6** If for any reason details of a holiday have to be altered before departure the Company will notify the Lead Passenger as soon as possible.

**8.7** The Company will not be held responsible for, nor have liability in respect of, delays caused by third parties during passage through sea areas controlled by vessel traffic schemes, canals, rivers or any other navigable waterways.

**8.8** If the Company is constrained by circumstances beyond its control to alter significantly any of the main characteristics of the travel services that make up your package you will have the following rights: (1) accept the change; or (2) have a refund of all monies paid; or (3) accept an alternative holiday, where the Company offers one (any price difference if the alternative is of a lower value will be refunded, any price difference if the alternative is of a higher value will be payable by you). The Company will tell you the procedure for making your choice. Please read any notification of changes carefully and respond promptly as if you do not respond to the Company within the timescale given your booking may be cancelled.

**8.9** If you choose to accept a refund the Company will pay compensation as detailed below except where the significant change is due to unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances (as per section 9.1)

The compensation the Company offers does not exclude you from claiming more if you are entitled to do so.

Period before departure in which we notify you	Amount you will receive from us
More than 70 days	NIL
30 - 70 days	£10 per person
15 - 29 days	£20 per person
14 days or less	£30 per person

## 9 CANCELLATION BY THE COMPANY

**9.1** The Company reserves the right at its sole and absolute discretion at any time to cancel, postpone or alter without prior notice or consultation any cruise in whole or in part. The Company will not cancel less than 17 weeks before your departure date, except for unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances, or failure by you to pay the final balance, or because the minimum number required for the



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holiday to go ahead hasn't been reached in accordance with section 9.2. Unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances means a situation beyond the Company's control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all reasonable measures had been taken.

**9.2** If your holiday is cancelled in accordance with sections 9.1 above you can either have a refund of all monies paid (less any administration charges) or accept an alternative holiday of comparable standard from us if the Company offers one and the Company will refund any price difference if the alternative is of a lower value (which must be accepted in writing within 14 days of the offer being made). Any alternative holiday selected that is of a higher value than the original one, the difference will be payable by you.

**9.3** If, for any reasons under clause 9.1, the Company cancels a cruise after the scheduled departure date, it will return all Passengers as soon as practicable to the UK and make a proportional refund for any unused services, less any administration charges paid and any nonrecoverable expenses incurred.

**9.5** In the event a refund is paid to you, the Company will pay compensation as detailed in section 8.9 above except where the cancellation is due to unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances (see section 9.1). The compensation that the Company offers does not exclude you from claiming more if you are entitled to do so.

## 10 MEDICAL, IMPAIRED MOBILITY AND OTHER CONDUCT

**10.1** Passengers with disabilities or impaired mobility are required to advise the Company of full details of the extent of their disabilities and/or impaired mobility before booking (including requirements relating to accommodation, seating, required services and/or the need to bring medical equipment) so that the Company may advise Passengers on the suitability of any particular holiday. If the Company does not deem the holiday suitable to the Passenger's needs the Company shall, where possible, offer an acceptable alternative. Acting reasonably, if the Company is unable to properly accommodate your needs, it will not confirm your booking and/or if you did not give us full details at the time of booking, the Company will treat it as cancelled by you when the Company becomes aware of these details. We reserve the right to refuse embarkation in the event that we reasonably believe that an individual is not medically fit to travel or on the grounds of safety.

**10.2** The Company reserves the right at any time to require any Passenger to produce medical evidence of fitness to travel including the submission of any required medical certificates.

**10.3** Any Passenger boarding a ship at initial embarkation who has not filled in the required pre-boarding health declaration must inform the Company of any sickness and/or diarrhoea experienced less than 48 hours prior to embarkation. In the interest of Passenger's safety the Company reserves the right at its discretion, to refuse boarding. In such circumstances the Company shall not be liable to pay any compensation, nor shall Passengers have any further claim against the Company.

**10.3** Passengers affected by a disability or medical condition must be self-sufficient or travel with a companion (at the Passenger's or companion's own cost) who can provide the

necessary assistance at all times. At the point of embarkation, the Company reserves the right to refuse passage to any Passenger who had failed to notify the Company at the time of booking of any disabilities or the need for assistance and at least 48 hours before arrival or who, in the opinion of the Company is unfit to travel or who may constitute a danger to themselves or others whilst on board. Under those circumstances where no notice has been given Passengers will receive no refund of the cost of any part of the unused cruise package.

**10.4** The Company will endeavour to carry Passengers of limited mobility if it has been notified of such limitations at the time of booking (and has been informed of any deterioration in condition or new conditions between booking and travelling) and the Company has agreed that the holiday is suitable taking into account all of the Passenger's medical needs.

**10.5** Whilst the Company makes every effort to accommodate all Passengers' needs, Passengers using wheelchairs may have restricted access in certain areas of the ship due to a lack of lifts and may be unable to go ashore in certain ports, particularly those that require the use of tenders. Specific information can be provided prior to booking for particular holidays and ports.

**10.6** The Company does not accept any responsibility for Passengers unable to travel, or who incur any other loss because they fail to comply with any health formalities. The Company takes no responsibility for Passengers denied embarkation and/or disembarkation on medical grounds. Cancellation of any part of the holiday that arises due to health requirements will be subject to cancellation charges as set out in section 7.

**10.7** Any cost or expense reasonably incurred by the Company for or on behalf of the Passenger in respect of any form of medical, dental or similar treatment, hotel, transportation, repatriation or any other expense shall be repayable by the Passenger to the Company irrespective of whether the sum is covered by the Passenger's travel insurance arrangements.

**10.8** Unless approved by the Company in writing prior to departure, Passengers may not bring on board any controlled substances.

**10.9** Passengers may not bring on board any prohibited substances, any animals or any goods of a flammable or dangerous nature. Doing so will render the passenger strictly liable to the Company for any injury, loss, damage or expense suffered by the Company as a result. The Passenger will also be personally liable for any statutory penalties.

**10.10** Passengers are required at all times to follow the instructions of employees and crew regarding the use of ship's equipment (including hand sanitisers) and general behaviour whilst on board and the Company will not be responsible for any consequential injury, illness, financial or other loss incurred by Passengers if they fail to comply with the instructions they are given.

**10.11** The Master (or any employee or member of the crew authorised by the Master) will be entitled to search the cabin and/or personal luggage of any Passenger suspected of being in breach of these clauses. In addition, any employee or crew member will be entitled to enter a Passenger's cabin in order to carry out an inspection, or to undertake cleaning, maintenance or repair work.

**10.12** The Company has the right to refuse or revoke passage to anyone who, in its judgment, is in a physical or mental condition unfit for travel, or who may require care beyond that which the vessel can provide and under such circumstances the Company will offer the Passenger no refund of any part of the cost of their unused cruise package.

**10.13** If it appears that a Passenger's conduct, behaviour or health has or is likely to endanger the Passenger's own health or the health, safety or enjoyment of any other Passenger or crew or employee, or makes the Company liable for any significant unforeseen costs including medical treatment or repatriation, the Company and/or the Master reserve the right to take appropriate action and make appropriate charges. Actions may include disembarkation, confinement to a particular cabin or confinement to a hospital or similar institution at any port. If, under the terms of this clause, the Passenger's cruise is terminated the Company will offer the Passenger no refund for any unused part of their cruise package nor will the Company be liable for the cost of repatriating the Passenger.

**10.14** The Company may invite various affinity groups of people with shared interests who choose to travel together onto a cruise. The Company does not envisage that this will materially affect the normal day to day operation of the ship but Passengers must accept that there may be occasions when certain facilities are unavailable whilst these groups are on board.

**10.15** Should any Passenger have the misfortune to suffer illness, injury or death during the period of the cruise arising out of an activity that does not form part of the arrangement made by the Company, the Company will, where appropriate, provide any assistance it can to the affected Passenger, such assistance being limited to a maximum cost incurred by the Company of £5,000 per cabin.

## 11 COMPLAINTS

Any Passenger who encounters a problem during a cruise must immediately report it to the Chief Purser or a senior member of the crew on the ship and ensure that the issue is recorded in the ship's log together with any action taken to resolve it. If the matter cannot be resolved during the cruise, and the Passenger wishes to pursue a complaint, the Passenger must write to the Company's Customer Services Department at Kintail House, Carleton New Road, Skipton, North Yorkshire, BD23 2DE, within 28 days of final disembarkation.

## 12 CONDITIONS OF CARRIAGE BY SEA

**12.1** Travel on board the ship is subject to the shipping company's Conditions of Carriage some of which limit or exclude liability in accordance with international conventions. Copies of these conditions will be sent to Passengers with their travel documentation but they can be provided in advance upon request. They are also available on board the ship.

**12.2** If for any reason despite the above paragraph the Company would be otherwise liable in connection with carriage by sea the provisions of the Athens Convention relating to the carriage of Passengers and their luggage by sea 1974 ("the Athens Convention") and any modification thereof which may be in force at the time, may be applicable to the contract. The Company draws each Passenger's attention to the fact that the Athens Convention in most cases limits the carrier's liability for death or personal injury or loss of or damage to luggage

and makes special provision for valuables. The Athens Convention presumes that luggage has been delivered undamaged unless written notice is given to the carrier before or at the time of disembarkation or re-delivery or from the time when such re-delivery should have taken place. If and in so far as the Athens Convention is applicable to the contract, the Company shall be entitled to the benefit of all limitations, rights and immunities conferred by the Athens Convention. Any damages payable by the Company up to the Athens Convention Limits shall be reduced in proportion to any contributory negligence by the Passenger and by the maximum deductible specified in Article 8 (4) of the Athens Convention.

**12.3** Where a cruise is performed on a ship not owned by the Company, Passengers agree that the Company shall at all times nevertheless be deemed a ship owner for the purposes of any relevant laws in force in any relevant jurisdiction and therefore be entitled to any limit to its liability.

### **13 THE COMPANY'S LIABILITY TO YOU**

**13.1** You must inform the Company without undue delay of any failure to perform or improper performance of the travel services included in your package. If any of the travel services included in your package are not performed in accordance with the contract, or are improperly performed, by the Company or the travel service suppliers, and this has affected the enjoyment of your travel arrangements, you may be entitled to an appropriate price reduction or compensation or both. We will not be liable where any failure to perform or improper performance of the travel services is due to: you or another member of your party; or a third party unconnected with the provision of the travel services in the package and is unforeseeable or unavoidable; or unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances, which means a situation beyond our control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all reasonable measures had been taken.

**13.2** The Company's liability, except in cases involving death, injury or illness, shall be limited to a maximum of three times the cost of your travel arrangements. The Company's liability will also be limited in accordance with and/or in an identical manner to

**a)** The contractual terms of the companies that provide the travel services that make up your package. These terms are incorporated into this booking; and

**b)** Any relevant international convention, for example the Montreal Convention in respect of travel by air, the Athens Convention in respect of travel by sea, the Berne Convention in respect of travel by rail and the Paris Convention in respect of the provision of accommodation, which limit the amount of and conditions under which compensation can be claimed for death, injury, delay to passengers and loss, damage and delay to luggage. The Company is to be regarded as having all benefit of any limitation of the extent of or the conditions under which compensation is to be paid under these or any conventions.

**13.3** You can ask for copies of the travel service contractual terms, or the international conventions, from <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2018/634/regulation/16?view=plain+extent>. Under EU law (Regulation 261/2004) you have rights in some circumstances to refunds and/or compensation from your airline in cases of denied boarding,

cancellation or delay to flights. Full details will be publicised at EU airports and available from airlines. However reimbursement in such cases will not automatically entitle you to a refund of your holiday cost from the Company. Your right to a refund and/or compensation from the Company is set out in these booking conditions. If any payments to you are due from the Company, any payment made to you by the airline or any other service provider will be deducted.

**13.4** If it is impossible to ensure your return as scheduled due to unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances, the Company will bear the cost of necessary accommodation, if possible of equivalent category, for a maximum of three nights. The limit doesn't apply to persons with reduced mobility and any person accompanying them, pregnant women and unaccompanied minors, or persons in need of specific medical assistance, provided that you notified the Company of these needs at least 48 hours before the start of your holiday.

**13.5** This entire section 13 does not apply to any separate contracts that you may enter into for excursions or activities whilst on holiday.

### **14 GUIDES AND GUEST SPEAKERS**

**14.1** Independent contractors retained by the Company, including but not limited to lecturers, guides, guest personalities, cruise hosts and entertainers are subject to change and/or cancellation without notice. The Company also retains the right to change any member of ship's crew previously advertised or disclosed (e.g. the ship's Master) without notice.

### **15 FINANCIAL PROTECTION**

**15.1** For flight-based holidays this is through our Air Travel Organiser's Licence number 11249 issued by the Civil Aviation Authority, Gatwick Airport South, West Sussex, RH6 0YR, UK, telephone 0333 103 6350, email [claims@caa.co.uk](mailto:claims@caa.co.uk). When you buy an ATOL protected flight or flight inclusive holiday from us you will receive an ATOL Certificate. This lists what is financially protected, where you can get information on what this means for you and who to contact if things go wrong. We will provide you with the service listed on the ATOL Certificate (or a suitable alternative). In some cases, where we aren't able to do so for reasons of insolvency, an alternative ATOL holder may provide you with the services you have bought or a suitable alternative (at no extra cost to you). You agree to accept that in those circumstances the alternative ATOL holder will perform those obligations and you agree to pay any money outstanding to be paid by you under your contract to that alternative ATOL holder. However, you also agree that in some cases it will not be possible to appoint an alternative ATOL holder, in which case you will be entitled to make a claim under the ATOL scheme (or your credit card issuer where applicable).

**15.2** If we are unable to provide the services listed (or a suitable alternative, through an alternative ATOL holder or otherwise) for reasons of insolvency, the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust may make a payment to (or confer a benefit on) you under the ATOL scheme. You agree that in return for such a payment or benefit you assign absolutely to those Trustees any claims which you have or may have arising out of or relating to the non-provision of the services, including any claim against us, the travel agent (or your credit card issuer where applicable). You also agree that any such claims may be re-assigned to another body, if that other body has paid sums you have claimed under the ATOL scheme.

**15.3** When you buy a package holiday that doesn't include a flight, protection is provided by way of an independently administered trust account held by PT Trustees Limited of 2nd Floor, Nucleus House, 2 Lower Mortlake Road, Richmond, Surrey, TW9 2JA; email: [info@pttrustees.com](mailto:info@pttrustees.com); tel: 0208 878 8490; <https://pttrustees.com/>. All funds paid to the Company for non-ATOL flight packages are covered in accordance with The Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018 by means of this trust account. All customer funds paid to the Company remain fully trust protected and cannot be released to the Company until after you have completed your cruise/holiday.



# GENERAL INFORMATION

## Joining Information

Guests are required to confirm their joining arrangements in advance of travel on the pre cruise questionnaire which will be sent with your final invoice.

## Embarkation/Disembarkation

Voyages variously commence (or alternatively end) at Inverness, Oban, Kyle of Lochalsh or Fort Augustus, with embarkation at 16:00 and disembarkation after breakfast.

## Courtesy Transfer Service

A courtesy transfer service is provided at pre-determined times from / to select pick up and drop off points depending on the embarkation and disembarkation ports for each cruise.

Exact timings for the courtesy transfer will be provided approximately 16 weeks prior to departure.

The collection and drop off points are:

Embarkation Port	The Coach Collects from:
Oban	Glasgow Central Station & Glasgow International Airport
Inverness	Inverness Airport & Inverness Bus Station
Kyle of Lochalsh	Inverness Airport & Inverness Bus Station
Fort Augustus	Inverness Airport & Inverness Bus Station

Disembarkation Port	The Coach Drops off at:
Oban	Glasgow International Airport & Glasgow Central Station
Inverness	Inverness Bus Station and Inverness Airport
Kyle of Lochalsh	Inverness Bus Station and Inverness Airport
Fort Augustus	Inverness Bus Station and Inverness Airport

## Car Parking

Inverness - City Centre - Parking is available at The Old Town Rose Street Multi Storey Car Park. Sat Nav Postcode: IV1 1NQ. This car park is conveniently located adjacent to the bus station from where the courtesy transfer departs. Please enquire for further details and current charges.

For cruises which commence or end in Oban, secure car parking is available in Oban with transfers provided to or from the port of embarkation or disembarkation.

## Shipboard Information

**Access:** Access to the vessel, whilst on the Caledonian Canal, is via a lowered stepped gangway, and a ramp gangway whilst out at sea. Internally, there are two stairways each of 11 steps that inter-connect each deck level - all have a handrail. There is no lift on board and therefore, the ship is not suitable for guests with severe mobility impairment. Guests with limited mobility can be accommodated provided they are accompanied by an assisting companion.

**Air Conditioning/Heating:** *Lord of the Highlands* is both air-conditioned and heated as and when appropriate throughout the voyage. Cabins have individual controls to regulate the temperature.

**Children:** We regret that children under the age of 12 cannot be accommodated.

**Communication:** Mobile phones are in range for most of the voyage(s), but please note some blind spots do exist, particularly in the remote lochs and islands. Mobile phones should be switched off in public rooms. Wi-Fi access is available.

**Daily Programme:** The following day's daily 'activity programme' - comprising the intended navigation to be undertaken, any excursion activities, timings as well as other pertinent and interesting information - is placed in individual cabins each evening.

**Dietary Requests:** Most of the usual dietary requests can be arranged providing prior notification is made. However, diets that require specific or particular religious observance cannot be accommodated.

**Dress Code:** Dress is generally smart casual, with perhaps a jacket worn for dinner. Extra efforts are normally made for the welcome and farewell gala dinners. Black Tie is not necessary.

**Electrical Current:** Voltage on board is 220/240 with British sockets.

**En-suite:** Towels and toiletries are provided in the en-suite shower room, including shampoo, conditioner, shower gel, soap and a shower cap.

**Gratuities:** Hebridean operates a strict 'no-tipping' policy.

**Hairdryers:** Hairdryers are located in each cabin.

**Laundry:** Due to restrictions on space there are no dry (or wet) cleaning facilities on board. An iron and ironing board is available on request.

**Library:** A small selection of games and reference books is available in the lounge/bar area.

**Luggage Storage:** Suitcases can be stowed in the compartments provided under the beds.

**Medical Assistance:** Since *Lord of the Highlands* is never more than a few hours away from port, and most times within a few minutes, medical assistance can be arranged ashore.

**Caledonian Restaurant:** The single sitting Caledonian Restaurant provides for open seating, with the guideline meal times being - 08:00 till 09:30 for buffet breakfast, 12:30 lunch and 19:30 dinner. Times do vary on occasions, according to the departure and return times of excursions, and when so varied are indicated in the Daily Programme notes. For early risers, complimentary hot beverages are available in the bar on a self-service basis - as well as throughout the day.

**Safety:** At the beginning of each voyage, the Master will conduct a safety briefing indicating the emergency procedures and facilities on board. Special care should be taken not to embark or disembark the vessel whilst in the locks. Guests should note that the companionway decks around the exterior of the vessel are principally designed for ease of access, as well as more generally for manoeuvring the vessel. Whilst berthing or navigating through the locks guests should not access these areas since they could, in certain circumstances, represent a hazard given the constant crew movements along the vessel's length, and the stowing of fenders etc. Guests should, at all times, avoid those areas which specifically state for 'Crew Only'.

**Smoking:** The ship operates a non-smoking policy in all of the interior areas, including cabins. Smoking is restricted to certain exterior deck spaces and private balconies only.

**Satellite TV Channels:** The vessel is equipped to receive a limited number of satellite TV channels which are available in each cabin and certain public areas.

**Valuables:** A safe deposit box is located inside the wardrobe of each cabin.

**Windows and Portholes:** For security these cannot be opened.





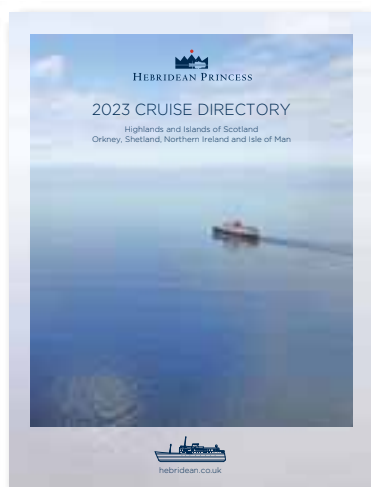
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## The Ultimate Escape from the Everyday World

Highlands and Islands of Scotland  
Orkney, Shetland, Northern Ireland and Isle of Man



Experience the magic that is *Hebridean Princess* as she reaches the unreachable and brings the dream to reality when visiting distant, off the beaten track places, many only accessible from her tenders. Join us to witness the magnificent Highlands and Islands of Scotland, steeped in history, abundant in wildlife with dramatic scenery and peaceful lochs – a spectacular setting in which to dine at anchor with the sun setting below the horizon.



- Multi award-winning ship
- A maximum of 48 guests
- A guest to crew ratio of almost 1 to 1
- Genuinely fully-inclusive cruise fares including meals, drinks, excursions and gratuities
- Fine dining with locally sourced produce
- Dedicated allocation of single cabins
- Knowledgeable and experienced guides
- Themed itineraries including wildlife, gardens, walking, food and drink
- Timeless elegance and a Country House atmosphere

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# 2023 LORD of the HIGHLANDS CRUISE Calendar

## SPRING

<b>May</b>			<b>Nights</b>	<b>Pages</b>
2nd	Caledonian Springtime	Oban to Inverness	6	16-19
8th	Highland Waterways Discovery	Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh	7	20-23
15th	Highland Gardens	Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness	7	28-31
22nd	Highland Waterways Discovery	Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh	7	20-23
29th	Caledonian Canal Explorer	Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness	7	24-27

## SUMMER

<b>June</b>				
12th	Caledonian Canal Explorer	Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness	7	24-27
19th	Highland & Island Wildlife	Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh	7	32-35
26th	Caledonian Canal Explorer	Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness	7	24-27
<b>July</b>				
10th	Rambling through the Great Glen	Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness	7	36-39
17th	Highland Waterways Discovery	Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh	7	20-23
24th	Caledonian Canal Explorer	Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness	7	24-27
31st	Highland Waterways Discovery	Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh	7	20-23
<b>August</b>				
7th	On the Jacobite Trail	Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness	7	40-43
14th	Highland Waterways Discovery	Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh	7	20-23
21st	Caledonian Canal Explorer	Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness	7	24-27
28th	Highland Waterways Discovery	Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh	7	20-23

## AUTUMN

<b>September</b>				
4th	Caledonian Canal Explorer	Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness	7	24-27
11th	Whisky Galore	Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh	7	44-47
18th	Caledonian Canal Explorer	Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness	7	24-27
25th	Highland Waterways Discovery	Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh	7	20-23
<b>October</b>				
2nd	Caledonian Canal Explorer	Kyle of Lochalsh to Inverness	7	24-27
9th	Rambling in Caledonia	Inverness to Oban	7	48-51
16th	Scenic Scotland	Oban to Fort Augustus	5	52-55
21st	Caledonian Tapestry	Fort Augustus to Oban	5	56-59
26th	Scottish Temptations	Oban to Inverness	5	60-63

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