

West Coast Walking Tour

Scheduled Departure August 1st – 7th, 2020



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Planned Day by Day itinerary

Most days will offer a morning 3 to 5-mile walk option as well as an alternate activity. The group will rendezvous around noon and continue touring together in the afternoon.

This itinerary has more strenuous activities which may include extensive walking, uneven and steep terrain, high altitudes and extreme conditions. Please read the itinerary carefully and speak to a member of our staff to find out if this tour is right for you.

August 1st – Departure

August 2nd – Arrival in Glasgow remainder of the day free at leisure. Join your fellow travelers this evening for a welcome drink. *Overnight Glasgow*

August 3rd – Glasgow to Castle Semple

Walkers will enjoy a 4 mile walk this morning with views over Castle Semple and Barr Lochs. Non-walkers will have time for a visit to Kelburn Castle. We will regroup for lunch at Nardinis Cafe in Largs. Our afternoon will include a ferry to Rothesay and a visit to Mount Stuart for a tour and the gardens. *Overnight Rothesay (B)*

August 4th – Rothesay to Tarbert

This morning's walk is one of the finest walks on the Isle of Bute with coastal scenery, fantastic views and a ruined chapel. Non-walkers visit the Isle of Bute Discovery Centre and Ardenraig Gardens. This afternoon we will ferry back to the mainland and then to Tarbert where we will spend our evening. *Overnight Tarbert (B)*

August 5th – Tarbert to Lochgilphead

We spend this morning at the Kilberry Sculpted Stones and enjoying free time in Tarbert. This afternoon we will tour the Kintyre Peninsula with stops at Saddell Sculptured Stones before we end our day with a distillery tour. *Overnight Lochgilphead (B)*

August 6th – Lochgilphead to Oban

Today's 4 mile trek will take our walkers high about the sea with views of Jura, Scarba and the Argyll coastline. Weather permitting non-walkers may also have the opportunity for a short walk along the Crinan Canal. Weather not permitting, it will be a visit to Cairbann Castle, the Cairnbaan Cup and Ring Marks. The afternoon will be spent exploring the fascinating Kilmartin Glen and Kilmichael Glassary including Dunaad, believed to be the capital of the ancient kingdom of Dalriada. We finish our day in seaside Oban. *Overnight Oban (B)*

August 7th – Oban to Glasgow

We begin our morning with a visit to St. Conans Kirk and Kilchurn Castle before time at magnificent Inveraray Castle. Walkers will spend their afternoon with the summit of Dumgoyne as their intended destination. Non-walkers might take a tour of Glengoyne Distillery. We make our way into Glasgow for a farewell dinner and overnight. *Overnight Glasgow (D)*

August 8th – departing flights for home or post tour extensions ** ask about extending your trip to include the Edinburgh Military Tattoo!



Highlights

Small group – maximum of 12 participants!

Beautiful sites, natural beauty and of course immersion into the Scottish customs, history and culture with our fantastic guide Hugh Allison.

What's included: 6 nights lodging, tour transportation, all ferry transport, breakfast daily (except day of arrival), 1 dinner, service of professional agency tour manager and local, historian and guide while in Scotland, sightseeing as indicated on itinerary

What's NOT included: airfare (we can assist with booking your air or you can book your own), daily lunch, 5 dinners, items of personal nature, and gratuities to local guides/drivers

Accommodations: due to the nature of this tour the group may be split into multiple accommodation options for each evening. All lodging will be 3-4 star Scottish Tourist Board approved hotels, inns, guesthouses or B&B's. Your property assignment will be advised at time of travel document distribution 30 days prior to departure

To reserve your space complete the online booking form or call/email:
Anchor Travel at 763-691-1416 or Tawnya@anchorfullservicetravel.com

Price is based on double occupancy (2 people sharing a room), is subject to change and availability until booked and confirmed. Single supplement \$250. Space is limited. Nonrefundable deposit of \$500 is due at time of booking with balance due June 15th. Travel insurance is available at additional cost and is highly recommended.

\$2197 per person land only based on double occupancy



Ferry schedules and pricing may not be published until early 2020. Estimates were used in calculation of trip cost. If exchange rate or published fares warrant a price increase, that increase will be passed onto traveler at time of final payment.

The moderate walks on this tour may not be suitable for all. They may require navigation, steep terrain, trekking through wetlands and mud. Please contact your agent if you have questions. Walkers should pack accordingly to be prepared for weather conditions and unexpected situations.

This itinerary could be greatly influenced by weather, traffic or other unexpected delays.

Travel adjustments, if necessary, will be made accordingly by your tour staff with the best interest of entire group in mind. Refunds will not be issued due to unexpected changes in itinerary.

Streets and alleyways (wynds/closes) are uneven and made of cobblestone and there are stairs at most visitor sites. Lodging properties used during this tour often incorporate old, historic buildings and do not offer elevators (lifts).

*Luggage must be hand carried to your room. Please pack accordingly.
If you have mobility difficulty, please advise agent at time of booking for further discussion.*

If you are traveling solo and would like to be paired with a same gender roommate let us know and we will try to match you. Air from your home departure airport is available. Please ask for a quotation. \$500 tour deposit is due at the time of booking. Balance is due June 15th, 2020. Once confirmed cancellation/change penalties will apply. Land cancellation penalties: nonrefundable deposit. March 30th – April 30th = 50% cancellation penalty. May 1st – June 15th = 75% cancellation penalty. June 15th - departure = nonrefundable. Travel insurance is optional and additional but highly recommended. Ask your agent for details. Organizers reserve the right to modify itinerary if necessary. Please plan to tip driver \$5-\$8 per person per day and guide \$5-\$10 per person per day. Tipping is at your discretion and is not mandatory.