



North Coast 500 Tour

Scheduled Departure
April 9th – 19^h, 2025



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Planned Day by Day itinerary

This itinerary could be influenced by weather, traffic and road conditions. Adjustments will be made by tour staff as needed with the best interest of the tour group in mind. The following is an abbreviated version of our day to day itinerary. We will of course be making additional photo stops and visits not included below. These are just some of the highlights!

April 9th – Departure from home airport – overnight flight to Scotland

April 10th – Arrival Inverness - transfer to our Castle Hotel. Remainder of the day at leisure to settle in, rest and then join our tour group this evening for dinner.

April 11th – Tulloch Castle - day at leisure Enjoy a full day for reading, relaxing, walking, playing games, exploring the castle or catching up on sleep. Optional local tours or transfers to Inverness will be available. Enjoy dinner at our Castle hotel again this evening (B, D)

April 12th – Tulloch Castle to Thurso. We set off on our road adventure today! Highlights include a visit to Dunrobin Castle, the home to the Earls and Dukes of Sutherland since the 1300s and wandering among the 200 mysterious stones at Hill O'Many Stanes. We end our day in the harbor town of Thurso where you will have time for dinner on your own. (B, D)

April 13th – Thurso to Thurso. Our day trip from Thurso will include seeing the ruins of Castle Sinclair, time for a photo with the world famous Journey's End sign at John O'Groats, and a visit to the Castle of Mey, a former Royal Residence as the Queen Mother's home in Scotland. (B)

April 14th – Thurso to Lochinver This morning we continue our 500 mile journey heading west. We visit the impressive Strathnaver museum to learn about life in the area and the brutal Highland Clearances. Take a short little walk down to mythical, and sometimes eerie, Smoo Cave, one of the largest sea caves in Britain. Lunch and a bit of shopping for local made wares in Durness before we continue our roadtrip and end our day at Lochinver Lodge with dinner together this evening. (B,D)

April 15th – Lochinver to Ullapool Today will be a day full of scenic drives! For those with geological interests it's also a day to explore the fascinating natural wonders of the area with a visit to Knockan Crag Nature Reserve where you can wonder at the mystery of how old rock can sit on top of much younger rock! Trust us when we say that even non rockhounds will enjoy this visit! We end our day in charming Ullapool where you will have a bit of time to explore and find your evening meal. (B)

April 16th – Ullapool to Applecross A visit to Inverewe Garden to explore plants from around the world in this stunning sub-tropical garden located in the most unusual location, on a rocky peninsula in northwest Scotland! We continue our day which will include beautiful beaches, an Iron Age Fort, a waterfall, a Viking Parliament site and more! What a day it will be! We overnight at the secluded Hartfield House complex. (B)

April 17th – Applecross to Inverness We start our day on adrenaline as we travel the Bealach na Ba Pass (Pass of the Cattle). The steepest road ascent in the UK! We continue around Loch Kishorn, take a little walk at Rogie Falls and then make our way into Inverness where we end our road trip adventure with dinner together in our hotel this evening. (B, D)

April 18th – Inverness The entire day is at leisure for you to enjoy Inverness or to take an optional day tour. Culloden Battlefield, Clava Cairns, Loch Ness, or a day to the Isle of Skye are just some of the options available. Return to the hotel for included dinner at your leisure. (B, D)

April 19th – Flights home Transfer to the Inverness airport for flights

(B) = included breakfast (D) = included dinner

Highlights: Small group – maximum of 12 participants! “Scotland's Route 66.” 500 miles of some of the most dramatic and amazing scenery in Scotland. Rugged mountains, secluded beaches, charming villages, open farm fields, amazing ruins and more. It is one of the world's most beautiful road trips.

What's included: 9 nights lodging, tour transportation, breakfast daily (except day of arrival), 5 dinners, service of professional agency tour manager and local historian/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, 4 dinners, items of personal nature, and gratuities to local guide and driver

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. **We spend one evening in a property where the majority of rooms have shared facilities. A limited number of ensuite rooms for this night are available at additional cost.** Your property assignment will be advised at time of travel document distribution 30 days prior to departure

To reserve your space complete the attached booking form and call or email:

Anchor Full Service 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. A limited number of single rooms are available. Single supplement \$600.

Nonrefundable deposit of \$500 per person is due at time of booking with balance due February 21st, 2025.

Travel insurance is available at additional cost and is highly recommended.

\$3465 per person land only based on double occupancy

Estimates were used in calculation of trip cost. If exchange rates or published fares warrant a price increase, that increase will be passed onto traveler at time of final payment. 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.

*While we do our best to accommodate all, this tour does involve walking over uneven surfaces, climbing stairs, some inclines and hills. Some of the lodging properties used during this tour incorporate old, historic buildings and do not have an elevator. Participants should be able to leisurely walk for at least 30 minutes without a break. Please speak to your agent if you have any mobility difficulties. It is recommended that guests dress in warm, layered clothing and wear flat, comfortable shoes. The order of sights visited may be altered or substitutions be made at the discretion of the tour, driver and guide. **All lodging, except for one night, will have private bathroom (not guaranteed to be in room) with shower only. Bathtubs are limited. Wi-Fi is limited in many areas of the highlands as well as in some areas of hotels. Connectivity during this tour may be limited.***

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. Final payment due: February 21st, 2025. Once confirmed cancellation/change penalties will apply. Land cancellation penalties: nonrefundable deposit. February 21st – March 9th = 50% cancellation penalty. March 10th - April 2nd = 75% cancellation penalty. April 3rd - departure = nonrefundable. Travel insurance is optional and additional but highly recommended. Ask your agent for details.

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Please register me for:

- Double occupancy • \$3465 per person
- Single • \$3465+600 single supplement

Passenger Information (1st Traveler)

Please record information exactly as it appears on your passport. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport.

Legal name: _____

Name for name badge: _____

Passport #: _____

Passport expiration date: _____

Passport Authority: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Dietary Needs: _____

Passenger Information (2nd Traveler)

Please record information exactly as it appears on your passport. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport.

Legal name: _____

Name for name badge: _____

Passport #: _____

Passport expiration date: _____

Passport Authority: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

Dietary Needs: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Work phone/cell: _____ E-mail: _____

Emergency Contact: (Name) _____ (Phone) _____

Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double Bed OR Twin Beds

Roommate Name: _____ OR Single Supplement: ___Yes ___No

Travel Insurance (please check one)

- I have been advised of the cost of travel insurance and would like to purchase a policy. Premium will be included with my deposit.
- I wish to decline the travel insurance offered.

Deposit Payment Information (please check one)

- Enclosed is my \$_____ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable).
- Please charge \$_____ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable) to my Discover/MasterCard/Visa/American Express

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Card ID Code (last three digits in signature box on the back of the card): _____

If preferred, you may call us (763-691-1416) with your credit card information.

_____ Initial to acknowledge you understand that Federal law prohibits the carriage of certain hazardous materials in your luggage or on your person aboard aircraft and could result in a fine or imprisonment. Visit www.tsa.gov for more information.

Prices in this brochure were effective on 11.01.24. By signing below, I understand that price changes are possible until the time of final invoicing due to exchange rates, an increase in carrier charges, fuel costs, taxes and tariffs, and the number of passengers travelling in the group. I agree to the terms and conditions of this tour.

Signature of 1st traveler: _____ Date: _____

Signature of 2nd traveler: _____ Date: _____