

# Golf Castles and Gardens in Scotland

7 Nights | 4 Rounds | 3 Garden Tours | St Andrews, Culzean Castle & Drummond Gardens

## Thursday, September 21

This evening depart the United States.

# Friday, September 22

On arrival at the Edinburgh Airport you will be met by PerryGolf personnel who will assist you with your luggage and transfer to your transportation.

Your preferred arrival & departure airport options are dependent on your personal preferences. The closest airport to your first hotel/golf course is listed first. Some airports have direct transatlantic flights from US cities while others only offer service with connections through European hub cities. Our air department is available to talk through your air travel options.

Approximate travel time to your hotel 1 hour 30 mins.

OVERNIGHT: Fairmont St Andrews - 2 Fairmont Room

### Saturday, September 23

Approximate travel time to your golf course today 10 mins

Golf today on the **New Course of St Andrews (tbc)**. Several holes at the oldest †new' course in the world – the New Course opened in 1895 – have been carved through punitive gorse, so accurate tee shots are required. Set beside and in contrast to the Old Course, this Old Tom Morris design includes undulating fairways and puts on display a fine test of links golf. The 17th can be a make-or-break par-3 coming home. It measures 229 yards from the back tees, forcing golfers to combine power and precision to find the green in regulation. The New is highly regarded among the locals because it is tighter and more defined than the Old.

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WEBCAST - A Greenside Chat: " The Story of The Inner Workings of The Home of Golf" ~ St Andrews Links Trust



OVERNIGHT: Fairmont St Andrews - 2 Fairmont Room

#### Sunday, September 24

Approximate travel time to your golf course today 10 mins

Today challenge the **Old Course of St Andrews (tbc)**, the ''Home of Golf''. The Old Course has played host to the greatest golfers and produced many of golf's most dramatic moments. Wide double fairways, seven extensive double greens, and a multitude of intimidating bunkers are just some of the unique features you will encounter. Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods each hoisted the Claret Jug here on two occasions. In 1927, Bobby Jones claimed The 62nd Open six years after taking four strokes to escape the Hill Bunker at the 11th and tearing up his scorecard! No. 17, the "Road Hole―, is always an adventure as is negotiating the Valley of Sin at the short par-4 18th.

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Learn how to play the famed 17th hole on the Old Course with Colin Dalgleish of PerryGolf click here.

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OVERNIGHT: Fairmont St Andrews - 2 Fairmont Room

#### Monday, September 25

OVERNIGHT: The Caledonian, Edinburgh - 2 Premium King Room

#### Tuesday, September 26

Play the **King's Course (tbc)** of Gleneagles Hotel. The King's course was the inspiration of James Braid, five time winner of the Open championship. It opened in 1919, representing the finest 'classical' golf course design. It is certainly one of the most beautiful and exhilarating places to play golf in the world. With the sweeping views from the tees all around, the rock-faced mountains to the north and the green hills to the south, and the peaks of the Trossachs and Ben Vorlich on the western horizon.

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OVERNIGHT: The Caledonian, Edinburgh - 2 Premium King Room

### Wednesday, September 27



OVERNIGHT: Marine Troon - 2 Classic King/Twin

#### Thursday, September 28

Play the **Ailsa Course (tbc)** at Turnberry. You can't rush perfection, Turnberry's Ailsa Course is proof. It was established in 1902, modified in 1906, modified again in 1909, redesigned in 1938 then nearly disappeared after the Second World War when it was converted into an airbase with several holes flattened into concrete runways. It was restored and reopened in 1951 as one of Scotland's finest links to the extent it hosted The Open for the first time in 1977 when Tom Watson's 65-65 weekend beat Jack Nicklaus' 65-66. MacKenzie & Ebert made extensive alterations before The Open in 2009 then Ebert returned for a major update in 2015. The result is spectacular, particularly but by no means limited to holes 9-11 that play across and along the bay atop rock outcrops on the left; dunes, pot bunkers and high fescue on the right. The club's famous lighthouse includes an incredible two-bedroom suite and one of the most memorable halfway houses in golf.

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OVERNIGHT: Marine Troon - 2 Classic King/Twin

## Friday, September 29

Depart the United Kingdom from Glasgow Airport.



# **Your Lodging**

#### Fairmont St Andrews

The 5-star Fairmont St Andrews is located on the outskirts of St Andrews along the road to Crail. Sitting on the summit of a spectacular cliff formation, the hotel and its two championship golf courses have breathtaking panoramic views of the River Tay estuary, the North Sea, the Fife countryside, and the medieval skyline of St Andrews. In addition to the two golf courses on site, you may enjoy the Spa, a haven of peace and tranquility. Enjoy a few easy lengths of the 18-metre pool, relax in the Jacuzzi, sauna or steam room. Included in your rate is full WiFi internet access in the public rooms and guest bedrooms.

### The Caledonian, Edinburgh

The Caledonian Edinburgh, Curio Collection by Hilton has recently undergone a luxury re-launch following a £35 million investment and renovation programme to bring this landmark Scottish property into the Curio Collection by Hilton portfolio. †The Caley', as it is affectionately known among Edinburgh locals, has embodied the very best in Scottish hospitality for over a hundred years. Situated at the west end of Princes Street, this former Victorian railway hotel nestles in the shadow of the historic Edinburgh Castle, just two minutes' walk from the designer stores and fashionable bars of George Street. Luxurious bedrooms contain the largest bathrooms of any hotel in Edinburgh.

### Marine Troon

The 4-star Marine Hotel is a grand building with magnificent views over the Firth of Clyde to the Isle of Arran, overlooking Royal Troon Golf Course. Built-in 1894, The Marine Hotel was designed by notable Glaswegian architects Salmon and Gillespie and is a significant landmark in Troon. Now newly refurbished, it features subtle Scottish themes, fabrics and textures all laced with the history of the building and surrounding area.