Abercrombie & Kent



ROYAL SCOTSMAN, A BELMOND TRAIN: SCOTLAND'S CLASSIC SPLENDOURS

Enjoy the ultimate Royal Scotsman experience with our four-night classic Scottish Highlands tour, travelling through some of the country’s finest scenery: Plockton, Kyle of Lochalsh, Boat of Garten, Dundee.

Luxury Rail Journeys

Europe, Scotland

5 days Call for a quote pp

Private

Journey Overview

Discover the wild wonders and picturesque scenery that Scotland has to offer. Start your journey through the former Kingdom of Fife, and enjoy a ride on one of the most scenic routes in Britain. Later, admire the views as you pass Inverness and stop at Boat of Garten, and Dundee.

Estimated departure: 13:45 – arrival: 09:40

Our train is subject to national railway constraints and timings are purely indicative. Please check your final itinerary for confirmed timings.

Includes

- Luxury Accommodation
  Four nights aboard the Royal Scotsman luxury train with 24-hour steward service
- Fine Dining
  All meals aboard the train: full Scottish breakfast, two-course lunch, three-course dinner including cheeseboard, coffee, tea and petit fours. All beverages including alcoholic drinks
- Historical Tours
  A private visit to Ballindalloch Castle, a choice of country pursuits at Rothiemurchus Estate, guided tour of Glamis Castle, a seal-watching boat trip and a visit to Blair Athol Distillery
- Entertainment
  Traditional ceilidhs on board, evening entertainment in the Observation Car and a gala dining experience



Itinerary

Day 1: Edinburgh

The train departs Edinburgh and heads north, crossing the Firth of Forth via the magnificent Forth Railway Bridge. Enjoy a leisurely afternoon tea as you pass Arbroath, Montrose and Aberdeen before arriving in Keith. Informal dinner and entertainment in the Observation Car.

Day 2: Kyle of Lochalsh

Head west along the Moray Firth towards Inverness, capital of the Highlands. Lunch is served on the way to Kyle of Lochalsh, the most scenic railway route in the UK. Travel onwards through Achnasheen, then commence the climb to the Luib summit and Achnashellach Forest, before descending to Strathcarron for a visit of Attadale Gardens.

Alternatively, stay on board the train to the picturesque village of Plockton, which boasts an incomparable location in a sheltered bay of Loch Carron. Take a boat trip to see the colony of wild seals and enjoy magnificent views across the bay to the Applecross Mountains.

Set off on a woodland walk, and enjoy a traditional Highland welcome in the Plockton Hotel. Back onboard, a formal dinner is served, followed by coffee and liqueurs in the Observation Car.

Day 3: Boat of Garten

Join your host for an invigorating early-morning walk over the bridge that links the mainland with the Isle of Skye. Breakfast is served as the train retraces part of yesterday's route as far as Dingwall — have your cameras ready for the views of Plockton across the bay to the left, where white-washed cottages with fishing boats and yachts riding at anchor set the stage.

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

Options at Ballindalloch include a private castle tour or an exclusive look at Scotland's only single estate distillery. The night is spent on board at Boat of Garten on the private Strathspey Railway. After an informal dinner, our Highlander regales guests with tales and weaponry displays.

Day 4: Rothiemurchus

Travel by coach to Rothiemurchus Estate in the heart of the Cairngorms National Park, where fishing, clay pigeon shooting or a tour of the estate can be enjoyed. Rejoin the train at Kingussie, where lunch is served during the journey south to Dunkeld.

Disembark for a visit to Glamis Castle, childhood home of the late HM Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother. Alternatively, visit the quaint town of Pitlochry and Blair Athol Distillery for an afternoon tour. Return to the train in Perth for a gala dining experience, entertainment and an overnight stay on board in Dundee.

Day 5: Edinburgh

After breakfast, the train heads south to Edinburgh where your itinerary ends. For transportation after your journey or to book a reservation in one of the Scottish capital's finest accommodations, please speak to your Train Manager.

Accommodation

Belmond Royal Scotsman



A journey on Belmond Royal Scotsman revives the romantic age of rail travel in Scotland. 40 guests travel through Scotland’s breathtaking countryside in luxurious State Cabins fitted with rich wood panelling, fine furnishings, tartan trim and en suite bathrooms. Life on-board is relaxed and indulgent, with gastronomic dining and the convivial atmosphere of celebrating with friends. Traditional Scottish entertainment is a nightly highlight and the newly launched Bamford Haybarn Spa carriage is a relaxing sanctuary offering bespoke treatments.

The Cabins
Luxury cabins provide a welcome sanctuary after a day in the Highlands. Lined with rich marquetry, each one features plush beds fitted with soft Scottish wools and tartans. An elegant dressing table and en suite add to the indulgence. Savour the glorious scenery from the comfort of your private cabin. The train offers 15 twin, three double and four single cabins with the option of interconnecting cabins.

Dining
The mahogany panelling and rich upholstery that adorn the two dining cars, Raven and Swift, set the scene for an unforgettable on-board dining experience. Belmond Royal Scotsman on-board chefs create dishes using the freshest seasonal local produce.

Entertainment
After a sumptuous dinner on the train, enjoy traditional Scottish entertainment in the Observation Car, including storytelling from a clansman or music
from local musicians.

Observation Car
The splendour of the Observation Car provides the perfect backdrop to Scotland’s stunning scenery. Views may be admired from the comfort of the interior, or from the exhilarating open veranda. Enjoy a drink from the bar, including a choice of over 50 whiskies.

Haybarn Spa
Belmond has partnered with British artisanal brand Bamford to create the first ever pamper carriage, the Haybarn Spa. This sanctuary consists of two interconnecting treatment rooms where guests can enjoy soothing therapies, such as the Bamford Bespoke Facial or Deep Tissue Massage, or spruce up with a manicure or pedicure.

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