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The Mysterious Loch Ness

LEISURELY SCOTLAND

Thursday, May 13 - Tuesday, May 25, 2010

A 13-day program through the Scottish Highlands. We will enjoy the magnificent heather-clad glens, misty islands and purple-hued mountains while being introduced to the pleasures of fine whisky, Celtic clan history, and Scottish culture in general. Escorted by Sandra and Steve.

PROPOSED ITINERARY

Day 1 – Thursday, May 13:

Evening departure from Toronto with Air France. Dinner and breakfast served on board.

Day 2 – Friday May 14:

Morning arrival in Paris. Time for a coach sightseeing tour of the French countryside before our late afternoon connecting flight to Edinburgh. Arrival at airport and bus transfer to Glasgow. Check into hotel and free time to settle in. Welcome dinner.

Day 3 - Saturday, May 15:

Breakfast at the hotel before boarding the coach and travelling to Alloway where we will visit the Burns National Heritage Park featuring the birthplace of Robbie Burns and a museum housing a unique collection of manuscripts. Continue to the beautiful seaside town of Ayr. Here we enjoy a 90-minute walking tour with an expert guide Donald Kay, who will regale us with stories of Scottish heroes such as Robert the Bruce, Mary Queen of Scots, and William Wallace. After a late lunch, return to Glasgow for an introductory panoramic city tour including George Square, St. Mungo's Cathedral, Mercat Cross, Kelvingrove Museum and Sauchiehall Street.

Day 4 – Sunday, May 16:

Early morning departure from Glasgow. We motor via Loch Lomond into Argyll in Glencoe. We visit the site of the infamous 17th-century massacre of Clan MacDonald. Continue to the old English military post of Fort William. Time for lunch in the shadow of Ben Nevis, the nation's highest

mountain, and an opportunity to visit the West Highland Museum. Via the Road to the Isles, we reach Glenfinnan and the memorial to the '45 Rebellion intended to bring Charles Edward Stuart, "Bonnie Prince Charlie," to the throne. From Mallaig we cross by ferry to our hotel on the Hebridean Isle of Skye.

Day 5 - Monday, May 17:

A full-day tour of the island, with the Storr and Quiring Ridges, Kilt Rock, and the community of Kilmuir with its Museum of Island Life. On to Dunvegan Castle, hereditary seat of the Clan Macleod. In the afternoon, a guided tour of the distillery of Talisker, renowned worldwide for its unique peat flavour. Return to the hotel in time for dinner.

Day 6 - Tuesday, May 18:

Leaving Skye by way of the Kyle of Lochalsh, we visit the quintessential poster castle of Eilean Donan. On to the Great Glen, a geological fault bisecting the Highlands. A series of natural freshwater lochs, linked by the Caledonian Canal, leads to Urquhart Castle with its unimpeded view of mysterious Loch Ness. Visit to the Monster Exhibition Centre at Drumnadrochit which explains all about "Nessie"! Late afternoon arrival at our hotel in Inverness, capital of the Highlands.

Day 7 - Wednesday, May 19:

After breakfast, a short drive leads to Culloden Moor where the memorial cairns and plaques offer mute testament to the last battle on British soil fought in 1745, in which the troops of George II destroyed both the Jacobite Rebellion with its Stuart ambitions and the centuries-old social fabric of clan life. Close by, the late Neolithic Clava Cairns, with their peculiar geometric patterns and burial tombs are clues to the Stone and Bronze Age inhabitants of the Highlands. In the afternoon, a Loch Ness cruise allow us to do some "Nessie"-watching and enjoy the lake's magnificent scenery. Evening free to enjoy an optional Highland *ceilidh*.

Day 8 - Thursday, May 20:

The full day's excursion will focus on Scotland's best known export - whisky! Entering the well-known Strathspey region by way of Elgin, the first stop on the Whisky Trail will be Chivas Brothers' Glen Grant Distillery at Rothies and Craigellachie. On to the famous distillery of The Glenlivet, for a relaxed lunch followed by a guided tour and further "nosing". Return to Inverness in time for dinner.

Day 9 - Friday, May 21:

Departure from Inverness after breakfast. We stop briefly at Cawdor Castle, one of the two legendary residences attributed to Shakespeare's MacBeth then continue into the Monadhliath and Cairngorn Mountains. Via the Forest of Atholl and the towns of Pitlochry and Dunkeld, we arrive in the Royal and Ancient Burgh of Perth in late afternoon. There will be enough time to enjoy an early evening stroll or a brief visit to the Black Watch Regimental Museum before dinner and overnight.

Day 10 - Saturday, May 22:

Leaving Perth after breakfast, we follow the River Tay to Dundee then continue to Fife and the university town of St. Andrew's. Lunch and an opportunity to inspect what is probably the most famous of all golf courses. In the afternoon we cross the Firth of Forth on our way to the nation's capital, Edinburgh. Dinner and overnight.

Day 11 - Sunday, May 23:

Morning panoramic tour, by coach and on foot, of Edinburgh with the elegant New Town, an excellent example of early town planning and architecture, Princes Street and Scott's Monument followed by a walk to the Old Town and the Royal Mile. Here, sights will include the Castle, St. Giles, John Knox

House, the Tolbooth, the Abbey and Palace of Holyroodhouse. The remainder of the day is free to shop or explore the city on your own: the Brass Rubbing Centre, the Royal Museum and the Parliament Buildings, all provide wonderful settings for the visitor to enjoy and absorb Scottish history!

Day 12 - Monday, May 24:

A leisurely breakfast before leaving for Stirling. Enroute, brief visit to the grounds of Linlithgow Palace, birthplace of Mary Queen of Scots. Our walking tour of Stirling will include the Castle, the Royal Burgh Visitor Center, the Back and Mar's Walk, Argyll's Lodging and the Tolbooth. After lunch, we focus on the Wallace Monument and the Bannockburn Heritage Center. Return to Edinburgh and some free time before our "Auld Lang Syne" dinner in a restaurant of the Old Town.

Day 13 - Tuesday, May 25:

Morning transfer to the airport and the return flight to Toronto via Paris.

TOUR COST: \$3,975.00 per person from Toronto.

Included in the price are:

- Return flights with Air France;
- Accommodation based on double occupancy in superior tourist class hotels and inns, single room supplement on request;
- Breakfast daily and six multi-course dinners;
- Overland transportation via deluxe private coach, equipped with AC, audio/video, etc.;
- All visits, sightseeing, museums and monuments as per itinerary;
- Hotel taxes and gratuities

Not included:

- airport taxes; (approximately \$395.00 subject to change)
- beverages with dinners;
- all expenses of a personal nature;
- coach driver gratuity approx. \$25 per person;
- travel insurance; available as follows:

All inclusive insurance:

Up to age 59: \$262.44

Ages 60 - 64: \$321.84

Ages 65 - 69: \$386.64

Ages 70 - 74: \$517.32

Ages 75 and over: Call for rates

Non medical insurance:

Up to age 59: \$224.64

Ages 60 - 64: \$254.88

Ages 65 - 69: \$287.28

Ages 70 - 74: \$327.24

Ages 75 and over: Call for rates



Isle of Skye

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS AND DEPOSITS:

Reservations should be made as early as possible to ensure the departure of your choice. A deposit of \$750.00 is required at the time of registration. **Your reservation is confirmed upon receipt of your deposit and application form. No reservations will be accepted without a signed application form.**

REFUND OF UNUSED ARRANGEMENTS:

Because the rates of Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. are based on group participation, no refund can be made for any tour accommodation or tour service or tour feature not taken. If cancellation occurs while the tour is in progress, no refund can be made for the tour portion not taken. We strongly suggest that to allow for any unexpected contingencies, you purchase the all-inclusive insurance.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

Refund of deposit is made in full if cancellation is received in writing by Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. more than 90 days prior of the departure date of the tour less a \$500.00 non refundable administrative fee per person. For cancellation received in writing 90 days prior or less the following cancellation charges apply:

90 days to 46 days before departure: 25% of tour cost
45 to 15 days before departure: 50% of tour cost
Within 14 days prior to departure: 100% of tour cost

RESPONSIBILITY:

Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. reserves the right without notice, to withdraw any part or all of the tour. Factors such as airline schedule changes, hotel overbookings, inclement weather, etc. may necessitate changes in the itinerary as outlined. There may also be other circumstances in which changes become necessary or advisable. Any savings realized by these changes will be passed on to the passengers, any resultant expenses shall be borne by the passenger. Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. acts only as an agent in securing hotel, transportation and other travel services and in no event shall be held responsible for the failure by any person or company to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. All hotel, transportation and other travel services are provided to tour members subject to all the terms and conditions under which they are offered to the public generally. The acceptance of the initial service to be provided under the tour shall be considered an acceptance by the tour member of those conditions. Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. also reserves the right to decline, to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour, in which case equitable refund will be made at the discretion of the tour operators.

AIR TRANSPORTATION:

Trans Atlantic economy flight by scheduled, IATA carriers, based on charter class fare. Other fares may also be used. All fares are subject to specific rules and regulations, to changes, and to government approval.

CURRENCY:

The tour cost is based on the current exchange rate of 1 CAD / 1.95 £. Should the rate of exchange rise or fall by 5% or more, the tour cost will be adjusted accordingly.

APPLICATION FORM

Please book ___ seat (s) on the Leisurely Scotland tour, May 13 - 25, 2010.

Enclosed is my/our deposit of _____ (\$750 per person, *plus* insurance premium if taken.)

Deposit and insurance premium, if taken, are due with registration. You will be invoiced for the balance approximately 45 days prior to departure.

WE NOW REQUIRE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT (INFORMATION PAGES ONLY) TO BE SENT WITH YOUR APPLICATION FORM AT TIME OF REGISTRATION.

Please indicate the appropriate title before each name (Mr., Mrs., Miss, Dr., Ms., etc.)

NAME(S): _____

If applicable, give your commonly used first name as you would like it to appear on your name tag: (e.g. "Liz" for "Mary Elizabeth") _____

ADDRESS: _____

Postal Code: _____

PHONE: (Residence) _____ (Business) _____ (Fax/Email) _____

If traveling alone, please indicate your willingness to share accommodations: YES _____ NO _____

SINGLE ROOM REQUIRED: _____

(We will try to find a roommate for those willing to share, but cannot guarantee success in doing so. For single travelers we are not able to match, the single supplement will apply.)

SPECIAL REQUESTS: (Dietary, wheelchair assistance, frequent flyer number, twin beds, etc.): Please list here so we can do our best to assist you. Please be advised that due to airline policies, individual seat selection cannot be made by the Agency.

I/we agree to the "terms and conditions" attached to the program. _____

Insurance, I/we accept:

All-inclusive Package _____ Non-medical Package _____ Decline Insurance _____

Signature (s) _____

If purchasing travel insurance, we require your date of birth:

Name: _____ Date of Birth _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth _____

PAYMENT:

Cheque payable to Pauwels Travel Visa Mastercard American Express

Amount Paid: _____

Card Number: _____ Expiry: _____

Signature: _____

Please forward this completed form, copy of passport and payment to:

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