

# St Andrews & the Scottish Highlands

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Old Course at St Andrews, ranked among the World's Top 100 Courses New Course at St Andrews, ranked among the World's Top 100 Courses Dumbarnie Links, great links experience close to St Andrews Royal Dornoch, ranked among the World's Top 100 Courses Castle Stuart & Old Petty at Cabot Highlands, outstanding venues on the Moray Firth Rusacks St Andrews, 5-star lodging Kingsmills Hotel, 4-star lodging

#### Monday, June 1

This evening depart the United States.

### Tuesday, June 2

On arrival at the Edinburgh or Inverness 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.

Today play **Cabot Highlands - Castle Stuart** . Once Kingsbarns opened, developer Mark Parsinen began his search for an encore. He found it in the Highlands overlooking the Moray Firth less than ten miles from Inverness where he and Gil Hanse fashioned another modern links classic. The first three holes on each nine run away from the clubhouse and along the water. The remaining six on each side play on top of the escarpment offering spectacular views on your way back to the exceptional clubhouse. Castle Stuart is a true links course in every sense with revetted natural bunkers, waste bunkers, rumpled fairways and run-up greens. This three-time host to the Scottish Open complements any visit to the Highlands.

Click here for the golf course IMAGE GALLERY

OVERNIGHT: Kingsmills Hotel - 2 Classic Room

#### Wednesday, June 3

Golf today on **Royal Dornoch**. An hour north of Inverness, along a crescent shaped stretch of the Dornoch Firth is a narrow strip of softly contoured dune land rising on two distinctive levels, providing just enough room for fairways framed by heather and gorse. It is here where Royal Dornoch was founded in 1877. Old Tom Morris extended the layout to 18 holes in 1886 which has been modified over the years to produce a layout consistently ranked today



among the world's top 20. MacKenzie & Ebert improved four holes and built a new 7th. The club was Donald Ross' famous inspiration for raised, domed greens. A very limited supply of golf carts are available for hire. Certain restrictions may apply, please advise your Golf Travel Specialist.

WEBCAST - A Greenside Chat: " The Story of Royal Dornoch" ~ Neil Hampton

Royal Dornoch Golf Club, Scotland by LINKS Magazine

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OVERNIGHT: Kingsmills Hotel - 2 Classic Room

Thursday, June 4

Today play **Cabot Highlands - Old Petty** . Designed by acclaimed golf architect Tom Doak, it is scheduled to officially open in 2026. Old Petty is an authentic celebration of Inverness's rich history. Doak's routing threads along a tidal estuary, bringing golfers even closer to the 400-year-old castle, and plays alongside Old Petty Church, which was built in 1839. The course's logo honours the region's iconic highland cow ("coo―) and rich colours.

OVERNIGHT: Kingsmills Hotel - 2 Classic Room

#### Friday, June 5

Golf today on the **New Course of St Andrews**. Several holes at the oldest †new†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: Rusacks Hotel - 2 Rusacks King/Twin Room

Saturday, June 6

Today challenge the Old Course of St Andrews, 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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Sunday, June 7

Today play **Dumbarnie Links**. Dumbarnie Links is one of Scotland's newest links courses opened in 2020. Located 9 miles south of St Andrews, the layout plays over 345 acres, part of the 5,000-acre Balcarres Estate held by Lord Anthony Balniel and his family since the 16th century. Designed by Clive Clark, a member of the 1973 Great Britain and Ireland Ryder Cup team, the site is highlighted by a mile and a half of sea frontage featuring panoramic views over the Firth of Forth. Its dual elevations, which are connected by a flowing escarpment, provide a number of elevated tees where holes play directly towards the sea. The design incorporates three potentially drivable par-4s along with several holes that present tempting risk/reward opportunities. This course is designed to inspire rather than intimidate golfers. Total yardage varies from 5,300 to 6,900 yards.

Drone Footage - Dumbarnie Links, Scotland WEBCAST - A Greenside Chat: "The Story of Scotland's Newest Links" ~ Dumbarnie Links

Dumbarnie Links, Scotland by LINKS Magazine

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OVERNIGHT: Rusacks Hotel - 2 Rusacks King/Twin Room

Monday, June 8

Depart the United Kingdom from Edinburgh Airport.



## **Your Lodging**

### Kingsmills Hotel

Originally a Scottish mansion house, the Kingsmills Hotel is set in 4 acres of beautiful gardens and is just one mile from Inverness city centre. The hotel presents a seamless blend of style and substance, proud of a reputation for warmth of welcome, traditional values of service, yet, flexible to the needs of today's business executive. Rooms are spacious and if you need to work in your room, there's plenty worktop space for papers and laptops and high speed wifi is available throughout. Fine foods from exciting menus sourced locally served in the restaurant or the garden conservatory are complimented by an excellent wine list and a large selection of single malt whiskies. In 2010 saw the opening of the stand alone Kingsclub and Spa. Small and very select with 37 bedrooms with a choice of Cocoon or Retreat luxury air-conditioned bedrooms, a beauty spa, mezzanine lounge, business centre, massage suites, relaxation area, nail salon, green space, golf course views, exclusive bar and restaurant all with a city centre location. In the club spirit the bar is exclusive to guests of The Kingsclub; informal and peaceful it's a cocktail before dinner or dissect the day's sucesses on the golf course. Jump on our golf buggy and relax over dinner in our Inglis Restaurant or Conservatory Brasserie in the Kingsmills Hotel.

#### Rusacks Hotel

Occupying a landmark 1600's building, overlooking the iconic Old Course, the Home of Golf, the hotel is the newest offering from Marine & Lawn Hotels & Resorts. Reopened in July 2021 following a major transformation and extension housing new rooms overlooking the 18th fairway. Warm woods and antique furnishings meet luxurious materials and mystical touches to create a vivid ode to the Highlands and Linksland of Scotland. Selected rooms feature prime views of the surrounding courses and natural landscapes, and come with a wide array of fine amenities to make your stay as enjoyable as possible. A stunning destination rooftop 18 sits on the fourth floor of the new extension to the previous footprint and its full glass wall offers a panoramic view across the Old Course, West Sands and the North Sea. The ground floor will house The Bridge, for casual all-day dining option and One Under Bar, an intimate, underground bar will serve the very best pub favourites, beers, whiskies and cocktails.