

# Scotland

Optional Excursions 2026/27



Oxford International Juniors



# Welcome to our optional booklet for 2026–2027

We have created individual books for all of our regions, so if you are studying in England, Scotland, Vancouver, Toronto, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco or Halifax you will find a much greater selection of entrances suggested to enhance your time with Oxford International.



## NEW FOR 2026 Plan Ahead & Save! Pre-Book Your Excursions

Make the most of your upcoming trip by securing your group excursions before you travel – and enjoy exclusive discounted rates when you pre-book with us!

Booking in advance guarantees:

- Lower prices only available to pre-booked groups
- Priority availability on our most popular excursions
- A smooth, stress-free experience with everything arranged before you arrive

Don't miss out on the best value for your group. Lock in your excursions early, save money, and travel with confidence.

As well as new attractions, we have some old favourites now offering something extra, whether private tours, temporary exhibitions or exclusive activities. Each page contains an overview of the destination, what the students will see and do, and what they get for their money. Please contact us with any questions.

However, it is possible for you to book them with your Activity Manager when you arrive at the centre. Please note that this list is not exhaustive. If there is somewhere not listed here that your groups would like to see, please contact us and we will happily price the excursion for you. We look forward to meeting you all soon and here's to a successful and enjoyable stay with Oxford International in the UK in 2026!

## Booking at the centre

You will also be able to book at the centre, however we cannot guarantee availability for all the visits, therefore we recommend booking in advance.



## How to Book

The costs in this booklet are based on a group of 15 students and 1 group leader (free of charge). If your group is a different size, please ask the Admissions Team or your Regional Manager for an accurate quote.

On most attractions groups can benefit from our trade rate discounts, which apply to groups of 15 or more people. If your group is less than 15 students, the cost may increase, but we will do our best to accommodate your requests at the best possible price.

**The prices on display in this book are the entrance price only. They do not include transport to and from attraction if required.**

\*All rates are valid until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2027.



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# Tours of Edinburgh



## Ghost bus tours

Step aboard Edinburgh's Ghost Bus Tour for a fun, spooky, and slightly cheeky journey through the city's darker side. Combining creepy tales, quirky storytelling, and glimpses of haunted streets, the tour is full of laughs, surprises, and just the right amount of chills. It's a memorable way to explore Edinburgh's history and legends, perfect for anyone who enjoys a little thrill with their sightseeing!

**Guided tour price per student: £23.00**



## Witchery Tours

The Witchery Tours take a light hearted look at Edinburgh's darker side with tales of witchcraft, plague, torture and body-snatching. Blending history with humour your ghostly guide will lead you through the atmospheric alleyways of the historic Old Town, while our actors provide guaranteed ghostly encounters!

**Price per Student: £17.00**



## Sightseeing Bus Tour

A Sightseeing Bus tour in Edinburgh is a relaxed and easy way to explore the city's top sights. Hop on and enjoy the ride as the bus takes you past famous landmarks, historic streets, and beautiful viewpoints. With friendly commentary and the freedom to hop on and off, it's a fun and convenient way to discover Edinburgh at your own pace.

**Price per Student: £22.00**

# Main Attractions

## Palace of Holyroodhouse

The Palace of Holyroodhouse is Edinburgh's Royal Palace, His Majesty The King's official residence in Scotland, and stands at the foot of the Royal Mile against the spectacular backdrop of Arthur's Seat.

Throughout the year you can explore the Palace gardens, set against the spectacular landscape of Arthur's Seat, and the setting for the annual Garden Party, held in July for around 8,000 guests.

**Self-guided tour price per student: £14.00**



## Royal Yacht Britannia

Explore each of the five decks of The Royal Yacht Britannia and discover what life was like during Royal service on board HM Queen Elizabeth II's former floating palace. A great day out for your group!

**Price per Student: £16.00**



## The Real Mary King's Close

Guided by costumed character guides, you will be transported to the 17th century Edinburgh, to an area which has lain forgotten and abandoned until now. Experience what life was like in uniquely preserved streets and houses, with differing perspectives of the day, from maids, merchants, plague cleaners, and even the daughter of Mary King herself.

**Price per Student: £28.00**



## National Museum Of Flight

This is Scotland's premier aviation museum. Housed on a beautifully preserved WWII airfield, it features over 50 aircraft including Scotland's own Concorde and interactive galleries. You can walk around and board historic planes, learn how they fly in hands-on exhibits, and dive into the stories of the pilots and people who lived and worked here. It's a fun, inspiring day out for families, aviation fans, and anyone curious about the magic of flight.

**Price per Student: £13.00**



# Main Attractions

## The Edinburgh Dungeon

The Edinburgh Dungeon is an award-winning, 70-minute interactive and immersive, underground walk-through experience which brings 1000's of years of Scottish history to life before your very eyes! With live actors, special effects and a thrilling drop ride the only question is.. are you brave enough?

Price per student: £19.00



## Camera Obscura

Explore each of the five decks of The Royal Yacht Britannia and discover what life was like during Royal service on board HM Queen Elizabeth II's former floating palace. A great day out for your group!

Price per Student: £22.00



## Hard Rock Café

Enjoy authentic American cuisine with a touch of local Scottish flavours at the Hard Rock Café in Edinburgh, established since 1998 on George Street, just a short distance from Edinburgh Castle.

Price per Student: £20.00 (groups over 20)



## Maid of the Forth

Take to the seas with Maid of the Forth sightseeing boat trips where magnificent views of the Forth bridges can be had. Setting off from Hawes Pier in South Queensferry, Maid of the Forth will take you to Inchcolm Island where there is an abundance of marine wildlife to be seen, such as grey seals, puffins and guillemots. Inchcolm Island is also home to the magnificent Inchcolm Abbey for you to explore.

Price per Student (Ferry 1.5h): £15.00

Price per Student (Ferry 3h): £17.00

Coach price (full day excursion): £720 for a 50-seater



# Full-day Excursions

## Perth & Scone Palace

### Perth

Set on the banks of the River Tay Perth is a beautiful and historic city. Perth offers visitors beautiful natural scenery, exciting events, dozens of independent shops and many award-winning eateries. Be amazed by the surrounding hills and mountains and the lively city centre Perth has to offer.

### Scone Palace and Grounds

Scone Palace has an exciting and colourful history as one of Scotland's most important stately homes. Fifteen hundred years ago it was the capital of the Celtic language-speaking peoples. Since then, it has been the seat of parliaments and the crowning place of the Kings of Scots, including Macbeth and Robert the Bruce. Set in acres of stunning grounds, it's the perfect place to discover Scotland.

**Price per student: £16.00**

**Coach price (excursion 9am to 6pm):  
£910 for a 50 seater**



## St Andrews Excursion

Named after Saint Andrew the Apostle, St Andrews is a charming place of history, learning and culture, on the east coast of Fife. St Andrews has an impressive medieval centre and 2 great beaches, one being West Sands, where the famous opening scene of Chariots of Fire was filmed. Another feature of the town is the University of St Andrews, which is the oldest university in Scotland. It is often compared to Oxford and Cambridge, with graduates including Prince William. St Andrews is also known as the home of golf, having first been played here in the 15th Century.

### St Andrews Castle

Explore the picturesque ruins of St Andrews Castle, which has had many uses over its 450 year history including a Bishop's palace and a fortress. It has a unique underground mine along with one of medieval Britain's most famous castle prisons.

**Price per student: £9.50**

### St Andrews Cathedral

St Andrews also hosts a ruined medieval Cathedral, though even in its ruinous state, the cathedral remains a prominent landmark highly visible from the sea. As the headquarters of the medieval Scottish Church, dominating the Scottish religion until 1560, its prominence is noted from the thousands of pilgrims who travelled on foot to St Andrews.

**Price per student: £7.50**

**Coach price (excursion 9am to 6pm):  
£910 for a 50-seater**





## Loch Ness Day Trip

Loch Ness can be found at the base of the Highlands and is famous for its beautiful scenery, monuments and history. Tales of a large monster living in the depths of the Loch Ness have been told all over the world since the first photograph was taken in 1933. It is a part of Scotland not to be missed.

## Loch Ness Cruise

Grab your cameras, or just sit back and take it all in. As we depart from Fort Augustus, you'll be treated to breath taking views of Loch Ness in all its natural wonder. Cruise Loch Ness is based in the picturesque, bustling village of Fort Augustus, and the gateway to Loch Ness. Situated at the south west end of Loch Ness surrounded by the most unspoilt and rugged Highland landscape it is truly a unique experience.

**Price per student: £19.00 (Groups 4 or more pax)**

**Price per student: £28.00 (Speed Boat)**

**Coach price (excursion 9am to 6pm):  
£1680 for a 51-seater**



## RRS Discover and afternoon in Dundee

Dundee is a vibrant coastal city on Scotland's east coast, known for its creative energy, rich maritime history, and striking waterfront. Home to the V&A Dundee museum, two universities, and a growing tech scene, it combines cultural attractions with easy access to scenic landscapes along the River Tay.

The afternoon will be spent in the coastal city of Dundee, set at the mouth of the River Tay on the east coast of Scotland. You will be free to roam the area, giving the chance to take in the heritage and culture, or maybe sample the famous Dundee Cake. At the heart of the waterfront resides the restored RRS Discovery, a vessel which survived for two winters trapped in the Antarctic ice.

**Price per student RRS Discovery: £17.00**

**Coach price (excursion 9am to 6pm):  
£970 for a 50 seater**



# Full-day Excursions

## Glasgow excursion

Glasgow is a lively, welcoming city in Scotland known for its friendly locals, rich culture, and striking mix of old and new architecture. It's famous for its world-class museums, buzzing music scene, and colourful street art, as well as its beautiful parks and riverside walks. Whether you're exploring the elegant Victorian buildings of the city centre, discovering unique shops and cafés in the West End, or enjoying live music in one of its many venues, Glasgow has an easy-going charm that makes visitors feel right at home. It's a city full of energy, creativity, and personality.

### Kelvingrove Art Gallery

Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum opened in 1901 and is a firm favourite with local people and visitors. It has stunning architecture and a family friendly atmosphere. Explore our 22 galleries and discover everything from art to animals, Ancient Egypt to Charles Rennie Mackintosh and so much more.

**Price per student: FREE ENTRY**

**Coach price (excursion 9am to 6pm): £870 for a 53-seater**

**Train price £21.00 per adult and £10.50 per student**

## Loch Lomond

Loch Lomond has inspired writers, poets and artists for many years. Known as the Queen of the Scottish Lochs, the banks of Loch Lomond are one of the most enchanting places in the British Isles. The Loch's wildlife, history and natural beauty make it one of Scotland's most appealing visitor destinations.

### Loch Lomond Cruise

This one-hour tour of south Loch Lomond enjoys impressive views of Ben Lomond and passes several of Loch Lomond's stately homes and castles. Venture out towards Inchmurrin island- the largest of Loch Lomond's 33 islands and home to the ancient remains of Lennox Castle which was used by Robert the Bruce before he became King of Scotland

**Price per student: £21.00**

**Coach price (excursion 9am to 6pm):  
£970 for a 50-seater**





## Highlands 1 day Tour

12 - 13 hours

A one-day Highlands adventure from Edinburgh is a wonderful way to soak up Scotland's wild beauty and enjoy a full day of iconic scenery.

After leaving the city, the landscape quickly transforms as you travel towards **Glencoe**, one of the most dramatic and atmospheric valleys in the country. Its towering mountains and sweeping glens make it a perfect place for several stunning photo stops, giving you time to really appreciate the scale and mood of the Highlands.

Your next stop is **Kilmahog**, where you will have the chance to meet Hamish the Highland cow, a friendly local celebrity and a favourite highlight for many visitors.

From there, the journey continues north to the legendary shores of **Loch Ness**, before arriving in **Fort Augustus**. This peaceful village is a lovely spot to enjoy lunch, stretch your legs, and take in beautiful views of the famous loch.

The return journey leads you through **Spean Bridge**, known for its impressive Highland scenery, before heading south to **Pitlochry**. This charming Victorian town is a delightful place for a relaxed break, with its welcoming atmosphere and scenic surroundings offering a perfect pause near the end of the day.

Finally, the tour returns to **Edinburgh**, crossing back over the iconic bridges and rounding off a day filled with mountains, lochs, friendly stops, and unforgettable Highland landscapes.

**Coach price: £1,680 for a 50-seater**

*\*If you have different size of group, please speak with admissions for an accurate quote.*

## Scottish Highlands Games

Get your group ready for an unforgettable Scottish experience packed with fun and energy. Students will dive into a series of 6 lively activities that bring Scotland's vibrant culture to life.

- *Tossing the caber*: a must when in Scotland!
- *Wight over weight*: throwing wooden log over the rising bar
- *Scottish Piping and Dancing*: opportunity to dance and play the pipes
- *Throwing the hammer*: typical Scottish activity
- *Farmer Dash*: obstacle course with a Scottish twist
- *Tug O' War Finale!*

*\*equipment and weights available for all ages.*

**Price per student: £75.00**



## Bagpipe Workshop "Blaw & Squeeze"

Discover the magic of Scotland's iconic bagpipes in this fun, hands-on workshop! Students explore the instrument's history, see it taken apart to reveal how it works, and compare ancient and modern pipes.

Next comes the fun part—everyone will pick up a chanter and learn the basic finger movements of piping, before giving it a go themselves. It's engaging, interactive, and a brilliant way to experience Scottish musical tradition!

**Price per student: from £50.00**

*\*final price depends on group size*



## Friday Night Ceilidh Dance

Join us for a ceilidh (say KAY-lee), a lively Scottish group dance full of energy, music, and laughter! No experience needed: the steps are easy, the moves are called out, and everyone dances together. Come along, jump in, and enjoy a fun, welcoming way to dance, meet people, and have a great time.

**Price per student: £15.00**



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