

# Simply Nice Tours

## Orkney & Northern Scotland



### DAY 1

After meeting at Edinburgh rail station or airport we head north through the Cairngorm Mountains with its amazing scenery. We will stop at the Victorian town of Pitlochry and Aviemore before reaching the Clava Cairns a group of very well preserved Bronze Age burial cairns very near to the battlefield site of Culloden Moor

We stay in Inverness the Capital of the Highlands for the night.



### DAY 2

Continuing our journey north we cross over the Moray Firth. If we are lucky we may see the famous school of dolphins. We travel through Black Isle with a stop at the Glen Ord whisky distillery. We hug the coast as we travel to one of the most remote and rugged parts of Scotland. We stop at the Grey Cairns of Camster and the Hill o' Many Stanes with over 200 upright stones before reaching the Northernmost tip of Britain at John O Groats. Here we explore the cliffs along the north coast and visit the Castle of Mey before settling into our accommodation in the town of Wick.

### Day 3

We catch our the ferry to the Orkney Islands leaving from Gills Bay and arriving at St Margaret's Hope on the Island of South Ronaldsway.

Here visit the Tomb of the Eagles, a Neolithic chambered tomb in. The artifacts from the tomb are on display at in a small museum. A walk along the cliff top takes us to the amazing location. To enter the tomb you can crawl or make use of the wonderful skateboard contraption provided by the owners it is a very worthwhile adventure.

To reach mainland Orkney we cross several causeways where we to get to Kirkwall the island capital or Stromness. Kirkwall is the largest town in the Orkneys with strong ties to Viking exploration. It is a delight to wander the narrow cobbled stone street.



### Day 4 Neolithic day

Today we visit Maeshowe Neolithic burial chamber with Viking graffiti carved inside. Then onward to Unstan burial chamber, the Stones of Stenness and the Ring of Brodgar. Recent archaeological excavation has shown that this important group of monuments are part of a larger important ceremonial centre.

We visit other tombs including Finstown and Blackhammer.

### Day 5

Today we visit Skarra Brae the world famous Neolithic village, the Viking settlement at Birsay and the Broch of Gurness.

In the afternoon we spend time in Kirkwall with a visit the Orkney Museum and St Magnus Cathedral.



### Day 6

We travel back to mainland Scotland taking a route along the shores of Loch Ness through the Great Glen.

We bid you farewell as the tour ends in Edinburgh.



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### PRICES:

Name of Tour	Orkney & Northern Scotland
Number of Days/Nights	6 Days / 5 Nights
Price per Person based on two people sharing a twin or double room.	\$2,236.00
Start	Edinburgh Airport or Railway Station
End	Edinburgh Airport or Railway Station

Premium rooms may be available on some tours, please email for price.

Space may be available for a solo traveler, please email for availability and price.

All prices are subject to change without notice, your deposit will lock in your price, guide and tour dates.

### TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

- Guide Services
- Transfer
- B&B accommodation with an en-suite room
- Full breakfast for each night of accommodation

### TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Air travel
- Lunch, Dinners and beverages, you choose when to eat, what to eat and how much you spend.
- Admissions, train or boat you only pay for the admissions and rides that interest you.
- Any travel related insurance coverage.

AIR:- Please confirm your air arrangements with us before booking with the airline.

**We reserve the right to change the sequence of days, or, itinerary due to weather, or other unforeseen circumstances.**

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