

The background of the entire page is a photograph of a dirt path winding through a forest. In the distance, a large stone structure, likely a megalithic site, is visible through the trees. On the left side, there is a semi-transparent map of Scotland with a red outline, indicating the location of the tour. The text is overlaid on a dark, semi-transparent rectangular area.

ORKNEY UNEARTHED

EXPLORING ANCIENT MYSTERIES OF
HISTORY IN INVERNESS AND ORKNEY

SEPT 15-22, 2024

Day 1: Arrive in Inverness and check into the Glen Mhor Hotel, where our journey into Scotland's ancient megalithic sites begins. In the evening, join us for a welcome dinner followed by engaging lectures that will provide an introduction to the fascinating history and significance of the megalithic sites we'll be exploring throughout our tour.

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SEPT 16 | DAY 2



Battlefield of Culloden, Clava Cairns, Culloden House



Our day begins with a visit to the historic Battlefield of Culloden, followed by an exploration of the nearby megalithic site of Clava Cairns. At 1 PM, we'll enjoy afternoon tea at Culloden House, where Bonnie Prince Charlie stayed in the days leading up to the Battle of Culloden. The afternoon is free for you to explore or relax. In the evening, we'll have dinner in town at 7:30 PM, with a pleasant walk to the restaurant.

SEPT 17 | DAY 3



John O'Groats Brewery, Ferry to Orkney, Ayre Hotel



We start with a 2.5-hour drive to John O'Groats, the northernmost point of mainland Great Britain. Here, we'll tour the John O'Groats Brewery and enjoy a tasting session. After grabbing a bite for lunch, we'll take the ferry to Orkney. Upon arrival, we'll check into the Ayre Hotel and have dinner at the hotel.

SEPT 18 | DAY 4



Ring of Brodgar, Stones of Stenness, Chambered Cairn of Maeshowe, Gin Tasting

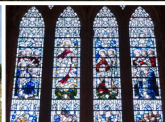


On Day 4, we'll visit several of Orkney's most famous megalithic sites, including the Ring of Brodgar, the Stones of Stenness, and the chambered cairn of Maeshowe, which features ancient runic inscriptions inside. In the afternoon, we'll have a gin distillery tour and tasting in town. Dinner will be at Lucanos Italian, offering a delightful end to a day of exploration.

SEPT 19 | DAY 5



Wideford Hill Cairn, St. Magnus Cathedral, Cuween Hill Chambered Cairn



We'll explore more of Orkney's ancient sites today, starting with Wideford Hill Cairn and Cuween Hill Chambered Cairn, followed by a visit to St. Magnus Cathedral, known for its many Sinclair effigies. We'll end the day with dinner at Helgi's Restaurant.

SEPT 20 | DAY 6

Earl's Palace, the Brough of Birsay, Skara Brae, Scapa Distillery



Our journey continues north to the Earl's Palace, the Brough of Birsay, and Skara Brae, a village older than the pyramids. An optional whisky tasting at Scapa Distillery is available for those interested. Dinner will be back at our hotel.

SEPT 21 | DAY 7



John O'Groats, Inverness, Urquhart Castle, Loch Ness River Cruise



We check out and take the ferry back to John O'Groats, then drive back to Inverness. On the way, we'll visit the ruins of Urquhart Castle and enjoy a scenic Loch Ness River Cruise. Once back in Inverness, we'll check into our hotel and have dinner there.



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THANK YOU!



Day 8: Our tour concludes as we depart from
Inverness. Safe travels!

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