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10 July 2018  
to  
23 July 2018

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## At a Glance

<b>When</b>	Tue 10 July - Mon 23 July 2018
<b>Package</b>	14 days / 9 rounds / 2 days at The Open
<b>Accommodation</b>	4 nights at Hotel du Vin, St Andrews 4 nights at Kingsmills Hotel Inverness 5 nights at Chester Hotel, Aberdeen
<b>Golf</b>	St Andrews Links- New Course Kingsbarns Golf Links St Andrews Links- Old Course(Ballot) Nairn Golf Club Castle Stuart Links Royal Dornoch Golf Club Trump International Links Royal Aberdeen Golf Club Cruden Bay Golf Club
<b>Eat</b>	Daily breakfast Welcome dinner (Tues 10 July) Farewell dinner (Sun 22 July)
<b>Drive</b>	Transportation to/from golf course/accommodation and The Open Championship
<b>Escorted</b>	Fully escorted by Gary Lisbon and Matthew Ridge
<b>Other</b>	2-day ticket for The Open Championship (Fri 20 July, Sun 22 July) at Carnoustie

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## Pricing

TWIN golfer: £8,495.00 per person

SINGLE golfer: £9,950.00 per person

NON-golfer (twin share with golfer): £6,800.00 per person

**NB. All pricing is based on St Andrews Old Course tee times obtained via Ballot**

Day

Golf

Accommodation

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## Welcome

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Experience the best of golf in Scotland and the thrill of two days at the 2018 Open Championship at Carnoustie. Combining golf on the best courses in Scotland (including Ballot tee times on the Old Course at St Andrews) the trip promises to be highly memorable.

The trip commences in the historic region of St Andrews where you will stay for 4 nights (less than 200 metres from the first tee of the Old Course) and experience all that this famous area has to offer. The first 3 days of golf provide a 'wow' factor like no other - St Andrews New Course, St Andrews Old Course (ballot) and the spectacular Kingsbarns.

Apart from the world-class golf the charm of St Andrews cannot be underestimated and you will find yourself immersed in the history of golf over the last 700 years.

From St Andrews we will head north to the charming town of Inverness for 4 nights, with its breathtaking scenery and famous lochs. Golf in the Scottish Highlands is an incredible experience, and you will be dazzled by the links at Nairn, Castle Stuart and the highly regarded and very popular Royal Dornoch.

Following your time in Inverness we head back towards the North Sea to the township of Aberdeen, which will be our base for the final 5 nights. Golf at Trump International, Royal Aberdeen and the magnificent Cruden Bay, as well as spending the Friday and Sunday at the Open Championship at Carnoustie...where the winner will receive the famous Claret Jug.

Carnoustie is widely regarded as one of the toughest courses on The Open Rota. Most golfers will recall Jean van de Velde's epic loss in the 1999 Open Championship, where he famously took on the 'Barry Burn', capitulating with a triple bogey 7 on the 72nd hole to scrape his way into a play-off, won by Paul Lawrie. The 2018 Open is sure to provide its fair share of thrills.

This memorable trip finishes with a farewell dinner in Aberdeen where we will recount stories of "what could have been", "what was" and "what will be" and departure is on the morning on July 23, 2018. Of course you may choose to extend your trip beyond this time where we can certainly organise further golf and accommodation arrangements on your behalf.

### **\*\* Non-Golfing Partners \*\***

At each location we visit during this tour we can certainly provide a good range of sightseeing options for the non-golfing partner. There are a range of walking trails, shopping tours, local cooking classes, Castle tours, Distillery tours and many more attractions to keep non golfers entertained during this fantastic tour.






Download Information Package (<https://www.golfselect.com.au/pdf/2018%20open%20detailed%20package.pdf>)

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## Itinerary Day-by-Day




### Tuesday, 10 July 2018

-  Arrival into Edinburgh International Airport.
-  Transfer to Hotel du Vin St Andrews and check-in. \*\* There will be one set group transfer at a fixed time TBC \*\*
-  Afternoon at your leisure. Enjoy exploring the historic town of St Andrews. Optional tours and sightseeing experiences can be organised on request.
-  Celebrate with the group at the Tour's Welcome Dinner
-  **Hotel du Vin & Bistro St Andrews** (Package Inclusions: 4 nights accom with daily breakfast)  
Hotel du Vin St Andrews is in the heart of the old town, housed in a traditional stone and slate terrace building with stunning views of the famous West Sands, just a 200 metre walk down the hill to the famous 1st tee of the Old course at St Andrews.

### Wednesday, 11 July 2018

-  After breakfast, walk down the hill for your golf at St Andrews.
-  **St Andrews Links - New Course** (Tee time TBC: 18 holes of golf)  
Now over 100 years old, the New Course at St Andrews Links is probably the oldest "new" course in the world. Opened in April 1895, the course was built in response to increasing demand for golf at St Andrews, both from locals and visitors.
-  Enjoy the rest of the day and evening at leisure.
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### Thursday, 12 July 2018

-  Return transfers included (20min each way).
-  **Kingsbarns Golf Links** (Tee time TBC: 18 holes of golf)  
While its golf origins date back to 1793, the multi-award-winning Kingsbarns Golf Links only opened in the summer of 2000. It immediately established itself as one of the world's must-play links courses and is currently ranked 65th on Golf Magazines Top 100 World list.
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
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### **Friday, 13 July 2018**

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## **St Andrews Links - Old Course** (Tee time TBC: 18 holes of golf \*\*Subject to ballot\*\*)

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### **Saturday, 14 July 2018**

 After breakfast check out of accommodation. Coach transfer to Inverness (approx 3 hours) and check-in to the Kingsmills Hotel.

 Spend the afternoon and evening at leisure. Optional golf or sightseeing can be arranged on request.

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## **Kingsmills Hotel Inverness** (Package Inclusions: 4 nights accom with daily breakfast)

The Kingsmills Hotel is a luxury four-star resort, set within 4 acres of manicured grounds and only 1 mile from the centre of Inverness.

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
### **Sunday, 15 July 2018**

 Return transfers included (30min each way).

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## **Castle Stuart Golf Links** (9:40-10:20AM tee time: 18 holes of golf)

Castle Stuart Golf Links is spectacular. Rated 69 in the world by GOLF Magazine, this beautifully situated course has commanding views over the Moray Firth to the hills and mountains beyond. Castle Stuart hosted the first ever European Tour event in the Scottish Highlands in 2011.

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## **Kingsmills Hotel Inverness**

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### **Monday, 16 July 2018**


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-  **Nairn Golf Club** (9:40-10:20AM tee time: 18 holes of golf)  
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
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## Tuesday, 17 July 2018

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-  **Royal Dornoch Golf Club** (10:20-10:50AM tee time: 18 holes of golf)  
Royal Dornoch Golf Club is one of the best courses you will play. Rated 14 in the world by Golf Magazine it is easy to see why. Absolutely beautiful, yet wild and very isolated. There are plenty of great holes and is a definite MUST play.


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-  Enjoy the balance of the afternoon and evening at leisure.


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## Wednesday, 18 July 2018

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-  After breakfast check out of Kingsmills Hotel. Transfer to golf near Aberdeen (approx 2.5 hours).

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-  **Royal Aberdeen Golf Club** (2:40-3:20PM tee time: 18 holes of golf)  
The course runs essentially out and back along the North Sea shore. The outward nine (which is arguably acknowledged as one of the finest in links golf anywhere in the world) cuts its way through some wonderful dune formation and the inland nine on the plateau.


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-  Transfer to Chester Hotel after golf (20min drive) and check in to your room.

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-  **Chester Hotel Aberdeen** (Package Inclusions: 5 nights accom with daily breakfast)  
Chester Hotel is a luxury hotel on Aberdeen's Queens Road, located just a 20-minute walk from the city centre. A 19th century listed building with upscale, contemporary rooms.

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## Thursday, 19 July 2018


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-  Return transfers included (15min each way).

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-  **Trump International Golf Links** (9:00-9:45AM: 18 holes of golf)  
Trump International is certainly visually spectacular and a beautiful layout. Currently rated 48 in the world by Golf Magazine, Trump International is a classical Scottish links set on the North Sea coastline between Murcar Links and Cruden Bay.

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
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## Friday, 20 July 2018

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 After breakfast, take train to Day 2 of The Open Championship (60min train ride each way).

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 **Carnoustie Golf Links - Championship Course** (\*\* Watch Day 2 at The Open and see who makes the cut \*\*)  
Golf has been played over the links at Carnoustie Golf Links since the 1500s, but the present course came into being in 1850 when it was designed by Alan Robertson of St Andrews. It has had some modifications since then, however since 1937 it has remained untouched. Carnoustie provides the same challenge for the modern golfer that confronted players nearly 70 years ago.

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
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 Morning at own leisure.

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 12:45PM Transfer to golf (40min each way)

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 **Cruden Bay Golf Club** (2:10/2:30/2:50/3:00/3:10PM tee time: 18 holes of golf)  
Cruden Bay Golf Club creates unique challenges demanding the skills of power, placement and fine judgement upon the discerning golfer. Set against a backdrop of subtly contoured greens and magnificent panoramic views, a visit to Cruden Bay will be a most memorable one.

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
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## Sunday, 22 July 2018


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 After breakfast, transfer by train to the final day of The Open Championship (60min train ride each way).

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 Day 4 (Final Day) of The Open Championship.

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 Celebrate with the group at the Farewell Dinner.

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## **Monday, 23 July 2018**

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 After breakfast check-out of accommodation.

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 Farewell the group in Aberdeen.

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## Golf Courses

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### Trump International Golf Links



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AB23 8YE  
United Kingdom  
*Region: Scotland*

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### Cruden Bay Golf Club



Aulton Road, Cruden Bay,, Peterhead, SCO, AB42 0NN  
United Kingdom  
*Region: Scotland - Highlands & North East*

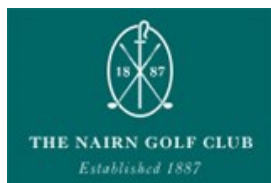


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## Nairn Golf Club



Seabank Road, Nairn, SCO, IV12 4HB  
United Kingdom

*Region:* Scotland - Highlands & North East



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## Royal Aberdeen Golf Club



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## Royal Dornoch Golf Club



Golf Road, Dornoch, Sutherland, SCO, IV25 3LW  
United Kingdom

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## Carnoustie Golf Links - Championship Course



Links Parade, Carnoustie, Angus, SCO, DD7 7JE  
United Kingdom

*Region:* Scotland - St. Andrews & East



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Balnaglack Farmhouse, Inverness, SCO, IV2 7JL

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## Kingsbarns Golf Links



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## Accommodation

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Culcabock Rd, Inverness, SCO, IV2 3LP  
United Kingdom  
*Region: Scotland*



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### Hotel du Vin & Bistro St Andrews



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