

1st MidAmerica Credit Union presents...

Exploring Scotland & Ireland

with Optional 3-Night London Pre Tour Extension

September 22 – October 4, 2024

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\$200
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SPECIAL TRAVEL PRESENTATION

Date: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 Time: 2:30 PM

At the Bethalto Senior Center



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13 Days • 18 Meals: 11 Breakfasts, 7 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Edinburgh, Edinburgh Castle, St. Andrews, Loch Ness Cruise, Urquhart Castle, Highland Evening, Glasgow, Belfast, Titanic Experience, Giant's Causeway, The Causeway Coast Rail Journey, Derry, Cider Farm Tour, Dublin

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Radisson Collection Hotel Royal Mile Edinburgh, Edinburgh
Days 4, 5	Best Western Palace Hotel Inverness, Inverness
Day 6	Hilton Glasgow, Glasgow
Days 7, 8	Maldron Hotel Belfast City, Belfast
Days 9, 10	City Hotel Derry, Derry
Days 11, 12	Herbert Park Hotel, Dublin

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Sunday, September 22, 2024 Overnight Flight From rugged natural beauty to vibrant and historical cities, the diverse charms of Scotland and Ireland await.

Day 2: Monday, September 23, 2024 Edinburgh, Scotland - Tour Begins Your tour opens in Edinburgh, Scotland's capital city. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 3: Tuesday, September 24, 2024 Edinburgh This morning, visit Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels and enjoy a panoramic tour of Edinburgh's new town and an insightful walking tour up to the castle. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore the city further at your leisure. Tonight, you might like to join the optional tour to the Spirit of Scotland Show. (B)

Day 4: Wednesday, September 25, 2024 Edinburgh - St. Andrews - Inverness Depart Edinburgh and travel onto St. Andrews, the beautiful town in the Kingdom of Fife that gave the world the game of golf – see the Royal and Ancient Clubhouse and the famous Old Course. Continue on to Inverness, the capital of the Highlands. (B, D)

Day 5: Thursday, September 26, 2024 Inverness - Loch Ness - Inverness This morning, take a scenic cruise on Loch Ness before disembarking at the base of the famed Urquhart Castle. Explore the ruins of this historic stronghold where acts of chivalry and defiance exhibit more than 1,000 years of Scottish history. Return to Inverness and have time to explore the city or take a riverside walk. This evening, enjoy a Highland evening filled with storytelling, singing and Scottish dancing! (B, D)

Day 6: Friday, September 27, 2024 Inverness - Fort William - Glencoe - Glasgow Depart Inverness and stop just north of Fort William to take in the historic Caledonian Canal and its famous Neptune's Staircase, a flight of eight locks and an incredible feat of engineering. Continue to the scenic valley of Glencoe, one of Scotland's most historic and breathtaking glens. Your day ends in Glasgow. (B, D)

Day 7: Saturday, September 28, 2024 Glasgow - Belfast, Northern Ireland This morning, explore Glasgow with a local guide. Highlights include a visit to George Square, and passing by Glasgow Cathedral, Provand's Lordship, the oldest house in the city discovering the rich industrial heritage of the area. Travel to the scenic Ayrshire coast to your ferry. Cross the famed Irish Sea as you head for Northern Ireland's capital city of Belfast. (B)

Day 8: Sunday, September 29, 2024 Belfast Enjoy a privately guided tour of Belfast, Northern Ireland's largest city. Learn about the struggles in this great city's history as you pass through its distinctive neighborhoods. See "Samson" and "Goliath," the massive cranes of the Belfast shipyard. Complete today's tour with a visit to the award-winning Titanic Experience museum. (B, D)

Day 9: Monday, September 30, 2024 Belfast - Glens of Antrim - Giant's Causeway - Derry Venture along the stunning Antrim Coastal Route, stopping at the Giant's Causeway (UNESCO). Formed by volcanic activity millions of years ago, the causeway resembles an old, cobbled road leading mystically into the sea. Then, embark on one of the world's most beautiful railway* journeys along the Causeway Coast. Soak up the incredible scenery before arriving in the walled city of Derry. Set out on a walking tour featuring the medieval city walls, St. Augustine's Cathedral, and the Guildhall. Perhaps you will discover why Derry is one of Ireland's best-kept secrets during an optional evening with a local singer playing traditional music at a pub serving traditional pub-style food. (B)

Day 10: Tuesday, October 1, 2024 Derry - Donegal Town - Derry Today's journey showcases the rugged beauty of County Donegal. Start your day with a visit to Donegal Castle, a restored 15th-century castle with a unique history. Enjoy some free time to explore Donegal Town, a picturesque village at the mouth of the River Eske. Return to



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Double \$5,799; **Double \$5,599***
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For bookings made after Mar 23, 2024 call for rates.

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Lambert St Louis Intl, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$449 per person

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from STL

Upgrade your in-flight experience with Elite Airfare

Additional rate of: Business Class \$4,290

† Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (See registration form for consent.)

Derry, where tonight, it's *Diner's Choice*... choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of Derry's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 11: Wednesday, October 2, 2024 Derry - Armagh - Cider Farm Visit - Dublin, Ireland Depart on a journey through the scenic countryside of Northern Ireland, stopping in Armagh to view the twin cathedrals dedicated to Ireland's Patron Saint. The two St. Patrick's Cathedrals, one Catholic and one Protestant, symbolize the two souls of Ireland. Then, visit a family-run cider farm. Meet the family and explore the orchards before sampling their award-winning Irish ciders. Continue on to the Republic of Ireland. Your day concludes in Dublin, Ireland's vibrant capital city. (B)

Day 12: Thursday, October 3, 2024 Dublin A locally guided tour of Dublin highlights the world-renowned St. Patrick's Cathedral,

O'Connell Street, Phoenix Park and the city's magnificent rows of lovely Georgian town homes. You may choose to join an optional tour with lunch at a local pub followed by a visit to the Guinness Storehouse. Spend the rest of your day at leisure as you delve further into Dublin's cultural treasures. This evening, toast the end of an incredible adventure during a farewell dinner at one of the city's most popular local restaurants. (B, D)

Day 13: Friday, October 4, 2024 Dublin - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close. (B)

Experience It! Titanic Experience in Belfast

Perhaps the greatest moment to mark your time in Belfast will be your visit to the Titanic Experience museum. Belfast is, after all, the birthplace of the *Titanic*. Before you even enter the doors of this great museum, see "Samson" and "Goliath," the massive cranes of the Belfast shipyard. As you make your way into the award-winning museum, prepare to be amazed; the museum extends over nine galleries and combines special effects, dark rides, full-scale reconstructions and interactive features to tell the *Titanic*'s tragic and unbelievable story in a truly fresh way. From her turn-of-the-century conception in Belfast to the discovery of the wreck, trace the ship's full journey. It is an experience that will undoubtedly be a highlight of your tour.

EXTEND YOUR VACATION WITH

Optional 5 Days 3-Night London Pre Tour Extension

Per Person Rates: \$899.00 USD double, \$1,299.00 USD single, land only

For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit
<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1213105>

PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Mar 23, 2024, valid on air inclusive packages only.
IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Days of features are interchangeable.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

*Trains from Coleraine to Derry are subject to scheduling changes, maintenance and cancellation.

City center hotel rooms are quite often smaller than those in the USA and not all UK hotels are equipped with air conditioning.

For the walking tour of Edinburgh, please wear comfortable walking shoes. There will be some hills and inclined walkways, cobblestoned streets, small alleys and stairs to ascend/descend to reach Edinburgh Castle.

Guests arriving in Edinburgh from August 3 - 24, 2024, will receive tickets to Edinburgh's famous Military Tattoo show.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. Expect some longer days with early mornings or late nights balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travelers who require mobility assistance devices.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.



For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of March 16, 2024 are based upon availability. Final payment due by July 24, 2024. Deposits are refundable up until March 23, 2024.

CST#2006766-20 UBN#601220855 Nevada Sellers of Travel Registration No. 2003-0279

For important reservation information visit
<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1213105>.
You can also find this information on your tour documents.



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If paying by credit card, please complete this form and return to 1st MidAmerica Credit Union. We can only charge your credit card for the amount noted if the signature, address and phone number are listed below. Thank you!

CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM

BOOKING NUMBER: 1213105 TOUR: Exploring Scotland & Ireland
 DEPARTURE DATE: September 22, 2024 GROUP NAME: 1st MidAmerica Credit Union

Name of Passenger:
 Salutation: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____ Suffix: _____
 (Mr., Mrs., Rev.) (Please print as it appears on Passport) (Jr., Sr.)

Cardholder Name: _____
 (Please print as it appears on your Credit Card)

Cardholder Address: _____
 (as it appears on your credit card statement)

Cardholder Phone: _____

Credit Card Type: ___American Express ___Discover ___MasterCard ___Visa

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Amount to be charged: \$ _____

Cardholder's Signature: _____ Date: _____

I agree to pay according to the card issuer agreement. I understand and accept Collette cancellation policy, terms and conditions.

Participating credit card companies are now requiring a billing address and phone number for **FRAUD PREVENTION**. All information **MUST** be provided. Thank you for your cooperation!
 If using your credit card for payment, please return this Authorization Form by mail to:

1st MidAmerica Credit Union
 Attn: Martha Morse
 731 E Bethalto Dr
 Bethalto, IL 62010-1872

Or by Fax to: (618) 258-6001

Above credit card information has been called in to Collette.

BOOKING NUMBER: 1213105
DEPARTURE DATE: September 22, 2024

TOUR: Exploring Scotland & Ireland
GROUP NAME: 1st MidAmerica Credit Union

Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

Derry

The Spirit of Derry

\$80 USD

Explore one of Ireland's best-kept secrets. Enjoy an engaging evening that reveals the history of Derry and the North through music and song. The tale of Derry is intertwined with many of Ireland's most important events. Come and experience a three-course dinner at a restaurant serving pub-style food. See first-hand why Derry was named the UK City of Culture in 2013. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Dublin



Pub Lunch & The Guinness Storehouse

\$85 USD

Enjoy a traditional pub lunch at a historic pub where you will soak up the atmosphere of days gone by. After lunch, continue on to the nearby Guinness Storehouse, Ireland's top international visitor attraction. Learn about the brewing process that creates this beloved beverage and discover the technique needed to pour the perfect pint! Classic Guinness ads and memorabilia create a nostalgic ambiance as you indulge in a complimentary pint and learn about a different yet key part of Ireland's history. Reservations will not be accepted within 7 days of departure. This option is not offered on St. Patrick's Day or Easter Sunday. Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult and may not participate in the tasting at Guinness Storehouse. *Duration: Approximately 3.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Edinburgh



Scottish Cultural Show: A Night of Food, Song & Dance

\$135 USD

Join us for a rollicking evening of tastes, sights and sounds that are classically Scottish. Feast on a banquet prepared from a selection of local recipes. Your taste buds will savor the true flavor and goodness of this distinctive country. Tonight will be filled with entertainment including Highland pipers and dancers who deliver the very best in Scottish music, song and dance. Be prepared for a Scottish night of food, fun and many fond memories! This option will not be offered on departures that include the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.



TRAVEL DATE: 9/22/2024 TERRITORY: M7
RES#: 1213105

Exploring Scotland & Ireland

For Reservations Contact: Martha Morse (618) 258-4557 email: Martha.Morse@1stmidamerica.org
1st MidAmerica Credit Union, 731 E Bethalto Dr, Bethalto, IL 62010-1872

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YOUR INFORMATION:

Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.

IMPORTANT: In order to avoid any unnecessary change fees, it is imperative that all guest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the legal name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel <passport/driver's license> including middle names or suffixes <Jr, Sr>.

First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____

Nickname: _____ Gender: () Male () Female Date of Birth: month _____ day _____ year _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: () _____ Cell: () _____ Email Address: _____

Passport Number: _____ Expiration Date: (month/day/year) _____ Date of Issuance: (month/day/year) _____

City, State, Country of Issuance: _____ Citizenship: _____

Should you become ill or injured, whom should we contact (not traveling with you): _____ Phone: () _____

ROOMING WITH: Check if address is the same as Passenger #1

First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____

AIR GATEWAY: Departure airport for this tour: _____

Air Seat Request: () Aisle () Window () Next To Traveling Companion

Collette cannot guarantee your seat preference. If you have not purchased air through Collette and wish to purchase transfers, you must transfer at our pre-scheduled times. Please be advised, when travelling as part of a group, many airlines do not provide seat assignments. Preferred seating may be available for an additional charge.

Please reserve an upgrade to Elite Airfare for an additional rate of: Business Class \$4,290

Service is limited and not available on all flights or carriers. Other restrictions may apply. Please note: if you purchase an upgrade we cannot guarantee the same flight schedule as the group. If Business class service has been purchased, it is for the international portion of the journey only.

Are you willing to separate from the group air schedule to accommodate your upgrade request? () Yes () No

"Federal law forbids carriage of hazardous materials such as aerosols, fireworks, lithium batteries & flammable liquids aboard the aircraft in your checked or carry-on baggage. A violation can result in 5 years' imprisonment and penalties of \$250,000 or more. Details on prohibited items may be found on TSA's "prohibited items" web page: <http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/prohibited-items>."

TRAVEL PROTECTION: () Yes, I wish to purchase travel protection \$449 () No, I decline

If you choose not to purchase Collette's Waiver Insurance Plan, you will incur penalties for changes and cancellations. Travel Protection Payment is due with first deposit. The Waiver Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. The single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. (There is coverage under Part B which includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,500 for certain covered reasons. See Part B for details.)

EXTENSION: I wish to purchase "3-Night London" () Yes () No

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: 1st MidAmerica Credit Union () Check () Credit Card

Waiver/Insurance Amount: \$ _____ Deposit Amount: \$ _____ Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Cardholder Name (if paying by Credit Card): _____

Cardholder Billing Address: Check if address is the same as above _____

Cardholder Phone: _____ Amount: \$ _____

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SIGNATURE REQUIRED for acceptance of the below conditions and agreement to credit card use:

Date: _____

I agree to pay according to the card issuer agreement. I understand and accept the cancellation policy, terms and conditions. See <http://www.gocollette.com/about-collette/terms-and-conditions> for full terms and conditions of your purchase.

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Salutation: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____ Nickname: _____
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✓	Option	Price Per Person (USD)
	The Spirit of Derry	80.00
	Pub Lunch & The Guinness Storehouse <i>Reservations will not be accepted within 7 days of departure. This option is not offered on St. Patrick's Day or Easter Sunday. Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult and may not participate in the tasting at Guinness Storehouse.</i>	85.00
	Scottish Cultural Show: A Night of Food, Song & Dance <i>This option will not be offered on departures that include the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo.</i>	135.00

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3 Meals: 3 Breakfasts

Day 1: Overnight Flight

You're on your way to the United Kingdom. Begin in England and enjoy a 3-night stay in London.

Day 2: London, England - Extension Begins

Experience London, the esteemed capital of the United Kingdom. Often described as a world within a city, London is a sophisticated metropolis with a timeless style all its own.

Day 3: London

Navigate the city with a local expert. Using your included Oyster card, hop on the famous underground Tube. Take a walking tour around Westminster, The Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace. Your tour will end in Trafalgar Square, one of London's most iconic landmarks. Enjoy the afternoon to further explore the city. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 4: London

See London your way today! Be sure to take advantage of your included ticket to the Tower of London to peek into the city's storied past and uncover the secrets of this 11th-century fortress. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 5: London - Edinburgh, Scotland

Wish London goodbye as you take a high-speed train through the English countryside to Scotland. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Please Note:

Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

During this extension, you can expect to have a **hosted** experience or two, with a local representative revealing more of what this destination has to offer. Enjoy a mix of independent exploration and guided sightseeing and experiences.

Hotels rooms in the UK are usually smaller than those in the USA and not all hotels have air conditioning.

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If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 4 passengers is not met to operate.

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