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## Authentic Scotland ~ Aberdeen and The Highlands

6 Nights | 5&nbsp;Rounds including Cruden Bay, Nairn, and Royal Dornoch

This six-night, five-round package explores some of Scotland's most hidden gems which are sure to offer a heartfelt welcome and **memorable Scottish golfing experience**. It's available from April to October. **Murcar Links** is a hidden gem, presenting a stiff wind-driven challenge along the dunes. **Cruden Bay**, also a fixture in the World's Top 100, presents a pleasing mixture of blind shots tucked between large sand dunes and panoramic views of the North Sea. Founded in 1889 and originally designed by Old Tom Morris, the Old Course at **Moray Golf Club** holds its own with the best links courses in Scotland. **Nairn**, like so many courses in the region, traces its roots to descendants Old Tom Morris and James Braid, along the shores of Moray Firth, 20 miles northeast of Inverness. Finally, tee it up at **Royal Dornoch**, the most northerly championship layout in the United Kingdom, and the home of legendary architect Donald Ross is considered the ultimate "thinking golfer's" course. Deluxe accommodations are available at Malmaison Aberdeen and Kingsmills Hotel.

### Monday, August 21

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This evening depart the United States.

### Tuesday, August 22

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On arrival at the Airport you will be met by PerryGolf personnel who will assist you with your luggage and transfer to your transportation.

Your preferred arrival & departure airport options are dependent on your personal preferences. The closest airport to your first hotel/golf course is listed first. Some airports have direct transatlantic flights from US cities while others only offer service with connections through European hub cities. Our air department is available to talk through your air travel options.

OVERNIGHT: **Malmaison Aberdeen** - 2 Standard Room

### Wednesday, August 23

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Golf on **Murcar (tbc)**. We certainly understand how visitors are attracted to Scotland's marquee clubs. There are dozens but there are also an equal number of hidden gems where the welcome is particularly warm, the golf is exceptional, and the expense is less expensive. Murcar Links is another such example. Established in 1909, the original Archie Simpson design is found next door to Royal Aberdeen. James Braid would eventually appear to work his magic, which as usual endures to this today. The par 71, 6,516 links is set on spectacular terrain including huge dunes producing a number of elevated tees (and stunning views), blind shots, tumbling fairways and wicked rough.

**Murcar Links Golf Club, Scotland** by LINKS Magazine

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OVERNIGHT: **Malmaison Aberdeen** - 2 Standard Room

## Thursday, August 24

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Today play the outstanding **Cruden Bay (tbc)**. Those who make their way to the Highlands by way of Aberdeen will not want to miss Cruden Bay. This is an old-fashioned gem of a links with greens and fairways hidden between massive dune, driveable par fours, blind shots and of course gorgeous view of the North Sea. There is evidence that golf started here in the 18th century but it was in 1899 when the original layout by Old Tom Morris and Archie Simpson opened for play at 5,290 yards. The course was redesigned in 1926 which essentially stands today playing with more than an additional 1,000 yards. •Port Erroll•, the 193-yard 4th, played from an elevated tee to an elevated green, will get your attention. Cruden Bay is a regular among the world's top 100 clubs.

WEBCAST - A Greenside Chat: "The Story of an Authentic Scottish Golf Club" ~ Cruden Bay Golf Club

Cruden Bay Golf Club, Scotland by LINKS Magazine

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OVERNIGHT: **Malmaison Aberdeen** - 2 Standard Room

## Friday, August 25

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Today play **Moray - Old Course (tbc)**. The Old Course at Moray Golf Club holds its own with the best links courses in Scotland. Founded in 1889 and originally designed by Old Tom Morris, the layout features a formidable collection of par fours and as much gorse in play as you'll find anywhere which is a sight to see when the blooms appear in early summer. The course begins and ends in Lossiemouth with one of the most celebrated home holes in the country. With bunkers left and out of bounds right, the unusual uphill approach demands your best drive of the day. Please note a very limited supply of golf carts are available for hire. Certain restrictions may apply, please advise your Golf Travel Specialist.

OVERNIGHT: **Kingsmills Hotel** - 2 Classic Room

## Saturday, August 26

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Play today at **Nairn (tbc)**. Nairn was among the first of the Highlands courses to make an international name for itself when it hosted the Walker Cup in 1999. It has gone on to host the British Amateur and the Curtis Cup. Founded in 1887 on an elevated piece of linksland overlooking the Moray Firth, an all-star collection of architects have had a hand in the layout including Old Tom Morris and James Braid. Most recently, the club commissioned MacKenzie & Ebert for a major modernization including numerous new greens, bunkers and tees. The result

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capitalizes on what are some of the very best turf conditions in Scotland – a Nairn trademark.

Drone Footage: Nairn Golf Club, Scotland

Nairn Golf Club, Scotland by LINKS Magazine

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OVERNIGHT: **Kingsmills Hotel** - 2 Classic Room

## Sunday, August 27

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Golf today on **Royal Dornoch (tbc)**. An hour north of Inverness, along a crescent shaped stretch of the Dornoch Firth is a narrow strip of softly contoured dune land rising on two distinctive levels, providing just enough room for fairways framed by heather and gorse. It is here where Royal Dornoch was founded in 1877. Old Tom Morris extended the layout to 18 holes in 1886 which has been modified over the years to produce a layout consistently ranked today among the world's top 20. MacKenzie & Ebert improved four holes and built a new 7th. The club was Donald Ross's famous inspiration for raised, domed greens. A very limited supply of golf carts are available for hire. Certain restrictions may apply, please advise your Golf Travel Specialist.

WEBCAST - A Greenside Chat: "The Story of Royal Dornoch" ~ Neil Hampton

Royal Dornoch Golf Club, Scotland by LINKS Magazine

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OVERNIGHT: **Kingsmills Hotel** - 2 Classic Room

## Monday, August 28

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Depart the United Kingdom from Airport.

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## Your Lodging

### Malmaison Aberdeen

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The Malmaison Aberdeen is a striking addition to the group of 12 Malmaison boutique hotels. Formerly The Queen's Hotel, the building has been transformed into a stunning luxury hotel with the usual Malmaison style and flair for design blending period features with the modern making it a striking and eye-catching sight in the heart of Aberdeen. With 80 sumptuous rooms and suites, it has all the flair and luxury you have come to expect. Stylish bedrooms, ubiquitous plasma screens and even a spa and Whisky Snug. Part of the hotel is still in its traditional style, while there is also a section which inevitably adds to the renowned Malmaison flair and style. This continues through each part of the interior in addition; through the rooms and suites, the brasserie, bar and wine tasting cellar and into the spa and gym. The brasserie brings together a range of top quality cuisines and top wines to tempt your taste buds.

### Kingsmills Hotel

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Originally a Scottish mansion house, the Kingsmills Hotel is set in 4 acres of beautiful gardens and is just one mile from Inverness city centre. The hotel presents a seamless blend of style and substance, proud of a reputation for warmth of welcome, traditional values of service, yet, flexible to the needs of today's business executive. Rooms are spacious and if you need to work in your room, there's plenty worktop space for papers and laptops and high speed wifi is available throughout. Fine foods from exciting menus sourced locally served in the restaurant or the garden conservatory are complimented by an excellent wine list and a large selection of single malt whiskies. In 2010 saw the opening of the stand alone Kingsclub and Spa. Small and very select with 37 bedrooms with a choice of Cocoon or Retreat luxury air-conditioned bedrooms, a beauty spa, mezzanine lounge, business centre, massage suites, relaxation area, nail salon, green space, golf course views, exclusive bar and restaurant all with a city centre location. In the club spirit the bar is exclusive to guests of The Kingsclub; informal and peaceful it's a cocktail before dinner or dissect the day's successes on the golf course. Jump on our golf buggy and relax over dinner in our Inglis Restaurant or Conservatory Brasserie in the Kingsmills Hotel.