

## Authentic Scotland ~ Carnoustie and Aberdeen

6 Nights | 5 Rounds including Carnoustie, Royal Aberdeen and Cruden Bay

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. Begin at Panmure Golf Club, which dates back to 1845, has strong ties to Ben Hogan and epitomizes the essence of Scottish golf. Continue on and admire the amazing list of Champions who have seized the Claret Jug at Carnoustie. Make your way to Royal Aberdeen, the sixth-oldest course in the world, stretching along the shore of the North Sea. Continue north to Murcar Links, a hidden gem presenting a stiff wind-driven challenge along the dunes. Finally, play 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. Deluxe accommodations are available at The Malmaison Dundee and The Malmaison Aberdeen.

## Wednesday, August 23

This evening depart the United States.

### Thursday, August 24

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 Dundee - 2 Standard Room

#### Friday, August 25

Today play **Panmure (tbc).** Just a matter of minutes from Carnoustie and slightly inland is Panmure, one of the gameâ€<sup>TM</sup>s oldest clubs formed in 1845. The present site in Barry is yet another Old Tom Morris design which James Braid lengthened in 1922 to produce the essence of a course sturdy enough to host final qualifying for The Open. This is where Ben Hogan spent two weeks practicing for the 1953 Open at Carnoustie (which he won) after famously mowing Panmureâ€<sup>TM</sup>s 17th green himself to his specifications! Please note 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 Panmure Golf Club" ~ Epitomizing the Essence of Scottish Golf



#### Panmure Golf Club, Scotland by LINKS Magazine

OVERNIGHT: Malmaison Dundee - 2 Standard Room

Saturday, August 26

Today play **Carnoustie (tbc).** The first record of golf played on this links land dates to 1527. In 1842, a 10-hole course was designed by Alan Robertson followed by an 18-hole course by Old Tom Morris in 1857. James Braid extended the layout in 1926 which is essentially the links found today. While it is relatively flat, Carnoustie is exposed to the elements. A combination of length and accuracy are required as golfers face narrow corridors from the tee while approach shots demand precision to greens heavily guarded by steep bunkers and burns. Arguably the toughest finishing holes in championship golf are found here highlighted by the par-4, 476 yard 14th and the 245 yard par-3 16th. Ben Hogan won The 82nd Open at Carnoustie in 1953. Tom Watson and Gary Player also hoisted the Claret Jug here as has Padraig Harrington and mostly recently Francesco Molinari in 2018.

Click here for the golf course IMAGE GALLERY

OVERNIGHT: Malmaison Dundee - 2 Standard Room

Sunday, August 27

Play Royal Aberdeen (tbc). Founded in 1780, this is the sixth oldest golf club in the world. It has hosted The Senior Open won by Tom Watson and the Scottish Open won by Justin Rose. It is a tale of two nines. The outward holes are recognized as nine of the best pure links in the game. The first plays from beside the clubhouse directly to the North Sea. The next eight run parallel to the shore through a valley of dunes. The inward nine play on high ground where the full force of the wind regularly wreaks havoc. Eighteen is a serious par four requiring two of you best to simply reach the green.

Royal Aberdeen Golf Club, Scotland by LINKS Magazine

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OVERNIGHT: Malmaison Aberdeen - 2 Standard Room

Monday, August 28

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

Tuesday, August 29

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

Wednesday, August 30

Depart the United Kingdom from Airport.



# **Your Lodging**

#### Malmaison Dundee

Malmaison Dundee provides stylish, boutique accommodation in the heart of the city. Located in the former premises of the famous Tay Hotel, Malmaison Dundee is a beautifully-reconstructed building. With a mixture of historic character and modern flair, the property has all the facilities for a comfortable stay. Each stylishly furnished room has an en suite bathroom with a power shower, moody lighting and a flat-screen TV. Rooms come complete with a hairdryer and tea and coffee making facilities. The hotel has its own cosy brasserie and Josper Grill, open for lunch, dinner and Sunday Brunch. The hotel's Malbar venue has a comprehensive list of classic and quirky cocktails, wines, ice cold beers and whiskys.

#### Malmaison Aberdeen

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.