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# West Michigan Concert Winds

*Scotland & Ireland*

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## UPADED ITINERARY (as of December 14 2023)

### Saturday, June 08, 2024

**Evening** Depart airport on your overnight flight to Scotland.

### Sunday, June 09, 2024

**Early Morning** Welcome to Scotland. Arrive at Edinburgh Airport. Here you will meet your drivers and tour director who will be with you for the duration of your tour. Once we're ready we'll transfer to Glasgow City (1.5 Hrs).

**Lunch** Lunch at your own expense

**Afternoon** This afternoon we'll take a walking tour of **Glasgow**, Scotland's largest, funniest and most unpredictable city.

**Afternoon** Check in to your Glasgow City hotel.

**Dinner** Welcome dinner at a city center restaurant.

### Monday, June 10, 2024

**Breakfast** Breakfast included at your hotel

**Morning** **The Kelpies**, located in Falkirk, Scotland tower a colossal 30 metres above the Forth and Clyde Canal and form a dramatic gateway to the canal entrance on the East Coast of Scotland. Created by Scotland's leading sculptor Andy Scott, The Kelpies are a monument to horse powered heritage across Central Scotland.

**Lunch** Lunch at your own expense

**Afternoon** Visit **Stirling Castle**, on top of Castle Hill, with Robert The Bruce looking out over Stirling with the Wallace Monument in the background, a very impressive sight which also includes Stirling Bridge, famous for the Battle of Stirling Bridge, where the Scots under William Wallace defeated the English in 1297 resulting in thousands of English infantry killed.

**Afternoon** Performance at Stirling Castle (subject to approval).

**Dinner** Dinner at your hotel tonight.





## Tuesday, June 11, 2024

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| <b>Breakfast</b> | Breakfast included at your hotel   |
| <b>Morning</b>   | Visit <b>Edinburgh Castle</b> , a world famous icon of Scotland and part of the Old and New Towns of Edinburgh's World Heritage Site. A mighty fortress, the defender of the nation and a world-famous visitor attraction, Edinburgh Castle has dominated the skyline for centuries. |
| <b>Lunch</b>     | Lunch at your own expense  |
| <b>Afternoon</b> | <b>Day at leisure in Edinburgh!</b> Explore Old Town and the Royal Mile. Old Town is the district of the Scottish capital, where most of Edinburgh's tourist attractions can be found. The Royal Mile is the main street of this Edinburgh area.                                     |
| <b>Dinner</b>    | Dinner at a city center restaurant tonight.  |
| <b>Evening</b>   | Evening performance in St. Giles Cathedral.  |

## Wednesday, June 12, 2024

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| <b>Breakfast</b> | Breakfast at your hotel  |
| <b>Morning</b>   | Today we'll discover "Royal" Edinburgh with visits to a Royal Palace and Yacht!  |
| <b>Morning</b>   | Visit the <b>Palace of Holyroodhouse</b> commonly referred to as Holyrood Palace or Holyroodhouse, the official residence of the British monarch in Scotland.  |
| <b>Lunch</b>     | Lunch at your own expense  |
| <b>Afternoon</b> | Visit the <b>Royal Yacht Britannia</b> . For 44 years this ship was the official means of transportation for the British Royal Family by sea. Today you can visit the yacht in Edinburgh's harbor town of Leith. Tour the royal family's five-deck yacht and learn about the state apartments, crew cabins, and spectacular royal banquets that took place right here. |
| <b>Dinner</b>    | Dinner at your hotel this evening.   |





### Thursday, June 13, 2024

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| <b>Breakfast</b> | Breakfast included at your hotel.   |
| <b>Morning</b>   | Depart Edinburgh on a short 1.5 hour flight to Dublin.  |
| <b>Lunch</b>     | Lunch at your own expense   |
| <b>Afternoon</b> | After meeting with your buses and drivers in Dublin Airport, take a panoramic tour of Dublin City.                      |
| <b>Afternoon</b> | Check in to your Dublin City Hotel  |
| <b>Dinner</b>    | Dinner at your hotel tonight with entertainment by award-winning Irish mythology storytellers, <i>Candlelit Tales</i> . |
| <b>Dinner</b>    | Enjoy live entertainment by local Irish Storytellers and/or Musicians   |

### Friday, June 14, 2024

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| <b>Breakfast</b>    | Full Irish Breakfast included at your hotel.   |
| <b>Morning</b>      | Admission included for your visit to <i>EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum</i> . Winner of Europe's Leading Tourist Attraction at the World Travel Awards 2019. EPIC is an interactive journey about how a small island made a big impact on the world. Discover why Irishness is celebrated around the world, with a journey through Irish history & culture, told from the perspective of those who lived. |
| <b>Lunch</b>        | Lunch at your own expense  |
| <b>Afternoon</b>    | Discover <i>Trinity College Dublin</i> , Ireland's oldest university, founded by Queen Elizabeth I in 1592. Amongst its many artifacts, the College is home to the medieval Book of Kells, one of Ireland's greatest cultural treasures.   |
| <b>Dinner</b>       | Pre-concert dinner at your hotel   |
| <b>Evening</b>      | Performance in Dublin alongside the Rathfarnham Concert Band.  |
| <b>Late Evening</b> | Post-concert Afterglow lite-bites at your hotel tonight.   |





## Saturday, June 15, 2024

- Breakfast** Full Irish Breakfast included at your hotel.
- Morning** Check out of your hotel and depart for Athlone in the heart of Ireland.
- Morning** Visit the **Guinness Storehouse**. Make your way through the famous gates located in the heart of St James's Gate, in Dublin City. Explore seven floors of the Guinness Storehouse building, which was once the fermentation plant of the brewery. Discover more about the ingredients, history and culture that tell the Guinness story before taking in the 360 degree views of Dublin City from one of Dublin's highest vantage points, at the Gravity Bar. (*alternative visit to Jameson Distillery available subject to numbers and availability*).
- Lunch** Lunch at your own expense
- Evening** Check in to your Athlone Hotel
- Dinner** Dinner at your hotel
- Evening** Performance alongside the **Ballinasloe Town band**

## Sunday, June 16, 2024

- Breakfast** Full Irish Breakfast included at your hotel.
- Morning** Nestled in the heart of Connemara, on the Wild Atlantic Way, **Kylemore Abbey** is a haven of history, beauty, serenity and is home to a Benedictine order of Nuns for the past 100 years.
- Daytime** Travel to **Galway City** today and explore the European Capital of Culture with your Tour Director and then some time on your own.
- Lunch** Lunch at your own expense
- Dinner** Dinner in Galway City tonight.





### Monday, June 17, 2024

- Breakfast** Full Irish Breakfast included at your hotel.
- Morning** Today we'll journey through the world-famous *Burren region*. The vast, moon-like Burren in County Clare is one of Ireland's most compelling landscapes. Here, cool grey rock etched with crevices and cracks tumbles down to the wild blue Atlantic Ocean.
- Lunch** Lunch at your own expense
- Afternoon** Entrance is included for your visit to the *Cliffs of Moher*. Experience Ireland's most visited natural attraction. They stretch for 8km (5 miles) and reach 214m (702 feet) at their highest point north of O'Brien's Tower, where you can enjoy unrivaled views of the Atlantic Ocean..
- Dinner** *BBQ at Seans Bar*, the oldest pub in Ireland! (subject to availability) Tonight we'll say farewell and Slainte with a farewell meal and entertainment.

### Tuesday, June 18, 2024

- Morning** Full Irish Breakfast included at your hotel.
- Morning** Hotel check-out. Today's itinerary is subject to your flight schedule.

