Clan Kincaid/Lennox Gathering 2021 "Dreams Can Come True" Trip Itinerary & Info Sheet

WHO: All Kincaid and Lennox Descendants – their families and their friends.

WHAT: A "Gathering" To Celebrate Scottish and Family Heritage

WHERE: The Bonnie Land of Scotland (And optionally Northern Ireland as well.)

WHEN: August 7th to August 15th 2021 (With options for 5 days before and 8 days after)

The Core Tour Itinerary

Friday - August 6th – Depart your home on your overnight flight to Glasgow.

Saturday - August 7th – Arrive in Glasgow where you will be met by your tour host and provided with a tour of Glasgow before being delivered to the Bothwell Bridge Hotel to unpack and settle in for your 8 night stay. A welcome to Scotland Social and Dinner awaits you this evening.

Sunday - August 8th – The day begins with an optional "Thanksgiving Service" at the Bothwell Collegiate Church. We then set off to explore Stirling Castle and the Historic Battlefield of Bannockburn where King Robert the Bruce defeated the forces of Edward II of England.

Monday - August 9th – Off to the southwest to visit Culzean Castle (home of the Kennedys) and Historic Alloway – birthplace of Scotland's Bard – Robert Burns.

Tuesday - August 10th – Lennox Day when we will explore the landscapes of Lennox Country including a boat trip on Loch Lomond and a visit to the Lennox Stronghold of Dumbarton Castle.

Wednesday - August 11th – Free Day in Edinburgh. You will be provided with tickets to Edinburgh Castle and passes on the "Hop On - Hop Off Bus" so you can explore at leisure. This evening we will attend the world famous "Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo".

Thursday - August 12th – Off to the "Borders" to visit Sir Walter Scott's home at Abbotsford, the ruins of Melrose Abbey and a visit to Lochcarron Mills where Kincaid and Lennox Tartan is woven.

Friday - August 13th – The ancient Kingdom of Fife awaits you with visits to Culross Abbey, Dunfermline Abbey and Castle Campbell. (Optional Golf can be arranged)

Saturday - August 14th – Clan Kincaid Day with visits to Lennox Castle, The Clachan of Campsie (burial grounds), Kincaid House and the Campsie Glen. Back to the hotel to change for this evening's Cocktail Party and Gala Dinner at the Kincaid House Hotel.

Sunday - August 15th – transfer to Glasgow International Airport

Note: There will be evening programs on Lennox and Kincaid History, Scotch tasting, Heraldry, Fashion through the ages, Scottish Monarchy and Tartans. There will also be daily treats on board the coach.

What is included: - All transfers to and from Glasgow International Airport.

- All meals (excluding lunch and dinner in Edinburgh)
- 8 nights' accommodation at the Bothwell Bridge Hotel
- Services of a Blue Badge Scottish Guide.
- Admission to all sites and activities as per the itinerary.
- Luxury coach transportation.
- All taxes and gratuities

What is not included: - Airfare to and from Glasgow, insurance, alcoholic drinks, lunch and dinner in Edinburgh, souvenirs and items of a personal nature.

Cost: 2130 GBP pp/double occupancy (Great Britain Pounds). This equates to approximately \$2650 USD, \$3700 CAD and \$4300 AUD as of the printing of this announcement.

Booking Procedure; Contact Scotland Tours www.scotland-tours.com for details quoting Tour T19363.

Your Optional Pre Tour in Northern Ireland Itinerary

Monday - August 2nd – Depart your home on your overnight flight to Dublin, Ireland.

Tuesday - August 3rd - Arrival in Dublin where you will be met and transferred to you Coach for the journey to Northern Ireland. Before arriving at your hotel you will have a chance to explore the Titanic Exhibition in Belfast.

Wednesday - August 4th – Tourist highlights of the World Heritage Site Giants Causeway as well as the Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge, the scenic Glens of Antrim and awesome Dunluce Castle await you today. A stop at Bushmills Distillery for a wee dram to wet your whistle.

Thursday - August 5th – Full day in Historic Londonderry (Derry). You will have an orientation tour in the morning and afternoon after lunch you will have free to explore on your own.

Friday - August 6th – Many Kincaid/Lennox families passed through Ulster on their way to the New World. Today we explore life on both sides of "the pond" as we spend the day at the Ulster American Folk Park.

Saturday - August 7th – A relaxing day as we make our way from Northern Ireland to Scotland today to join with those who are arriving for the Core Tour. You will enjoy the ferry trip from Belfast, Northern Ireland to Cairnryan, Scotland where our coach awaits to take us to the Bothwell Bridge Hotel.

<u>Cost:</u> 1635 GBP pp/double occupancy - This equates to approximately \$2050 USD, \$2850 CAD or \$3300 AUD Same inclusions and exclusions as the Core Tour.

Your Optional Post Tour Itinerary – Islands and Highlands of Scotland

Sunday - August 15th – Inveraray Castle, home of the Duke of Argyle and Dunstaffnage Castle will provide todays exploration as we head for the west coast town of Oban for two nights.

Monday - August 16th – Our day trip today will feature the Isles of Mull with its stark glens, Iona – home to the burial grounds of Scottish Kings and birthplace of Scottish Christianity and Staffa – the geologic masterpiece and site of Fingal's Cave.

Tuesday - August 17th – We journey "Over the sea to Skye" today with stops in Glen Coe (site of the MacDonald Massacre in 1690) and Glen Finnan (starting point for Bonnie Prince Charlie's quest in 1745) along the way. We have two nights in Broadford.

Wednesday - August 18th – Skye's awesome scenery will enthral you as we head for Dunvegan Castle – home of Clan MacLeod then around the northern part of the island to visit the Quiraing, Kilt Rock and "The Old Man of Storr.

Thursday - August 19th – It is off to Inverness to go today with stops at Eilean Donan Castle – home of Clan MacCrea . Then it is over Glen Carron with its stunning highland moor scenery. Finally we will visit the ancient Clava Burial Cairns which date back as much as 5000 years before going to our hotel for our three night stay.

Friday - August 20th – Castle Leod, seat of Clan Mackenzie (Outlander site) occupies our morning then on to an afternoon boat cruise on Loch Ness searching for its legendary monster. The excursion includes Urquhart Castle – ancient home to Clan Grant.

Saturday - August 21st – This morning we will travel east of Inverness to visit historic Fort George overlooking the Beauly Firth. After lunch we will visit Cawdor Castle and Gardens and complete our day with a visit to the Culloden Battlefield – the last land battle on British soil in 1746. The end of the Jacobite Dream.

Sunday - August 22nd – Leaving Inverness for our final day of touring we will visit Dalwhinnie Distillery for a wee dram and a chance to buy a bottle of their fine 15 year old single malt to take home. Our last visit is Scone Palace – the traditional crowning place of ancient Scottish Kings and ancestral home of the Earls of Mansfield. A truly beautiful "Stately Home" and grounds.

Monday - August 23rd - After your Scottish breakfast you will be taken to Glasgow International Airport for your flight home or other onward destination you may wish to go.

Cost: 3040 GBP pp/double occupancy - This equates to approximately \$3800 USD, \$5275 CAD or \$6150 AUD based on rates as of this writing.

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