

# St Andrews & the Fishing Villages of Fife

An ancient university, breathtaking medieval ruins, and quaint coastal villages: explore all this and more on our adventure through Fife.

## Places you'll explore

**Forth Bridges** - An incredible engineering feat. A gorgeous setting. And a UNESCO World Heritage sight.

**Anstruther** - Be charmed by the cobbled lanes and quaint buildings of this traditional fishing village.

**St. Andrews Cathedral** - This ruined cathedral was once one of Scotland's most magnificent buildings.

**St Andrews Old Town** - Immerse yourself in 1,000 years of history as you explore the winding streets and ancient castle.

**The Old Course** - Golf was so popular in Scotland, it was banned in the 15th century. And nowhere was it more popular than in St Andrews, 'the Home of Golf'.

**Historic Village of Falkland** - This quaint town in the Kingdom of Fife boasts a beautiful palace and a serene setting.

## Prices per person in 2018

January, February and up to 27<sup>th</sup> March: £36 / £33 discounted

28<sup>th</sup> [March – 3<sup>rd</sup> April](#): £43 / £40 discounted

4<sup>th</sup> [April – 30<sup>th</sup> April](#): £37 / £34 discounted

May: £43 / £40 discounted

June – September: £48 / £45 discounted

October: £43 / £40 discounted

November up to 16<sup>th</sup> December: £37 / £34 discounted

17<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> December: £43 / £40 discounted

### Discounts

Students, seniors over 60, and children between 5 and 15  
(unfortunately, we don't carry children under 5 years old)

## Your journey

Contrast elegant architecture with sweeping coastal views. Compare the ruins of a wind-swept castle with the curves of an ancient golf course. And visit Scottish villages and towns that offer far more than their small size should allow.

## Tour details

### Departs

09.30 - Waterloo Place, Edinburgh, EH1 3EG - 3 minutes walk from Edinburgh Waverley railway station

### Returns

(Stirling customers please note, as this tour starts and finishes in Edinburgh and does not pass anywhere near Stirling, this means you will have to take the ½ hourly train from Stirling to Edinburgh Waverley – journey time 50 minutes)

18.00 approx

### Important information

Pack your waterproof clothing and walking shoes

Falkland Palace is closed November to Easter

### Tour inclusions

Transport in a 16 seat Mercedes mini-coach

Air conditioning as standard

The stories and services of a driver-guide

### Tour exclusions

## Entry fees to visitor attractions

### Itinerary

You leave Edinburgh and travel north to South Queensferry. You travel over the Forth Road Bridge, and get a great view of one of Scotland's greatest man-made landmarks, the Forth Rail Bridge.

You then enter the Kingdom of Fife and stop in the traditional fishing village of Anstruther (known as 'Enster' locally), where you can check out the old cobbled streets and take a walk along the seafront to the harbour.

From Anstruther, we continue north to the medieval town of St Andrews. St Andrew is the patron Saint of Scotland, and according to legend his remains were washed up on the Fife coast. St Andrews is also home to the third oldest university in Britain and a beautiful ruined castle perched on a cliff. You have around two and a half hours to explore this fascinating town.

After St Andrews, we take a pleasant drive through the rolling countryside of central Fife to Falkland. Falkland Palace dominates this old village, and was one of the main residences of the old Royal family of Scotland, the Stewarts (Stuarts). Aside from the palace the village is simply one of the most beautiful in Scotland with an array of old cottages and narrow winding streets.

Leaving Falkland we return to Edinburgh, passing Loch Leven, where Mary Queen of Scots was imprisoned by her Protestant nobility.

And then we once again cross the Firth of Forth and return to the city centre.