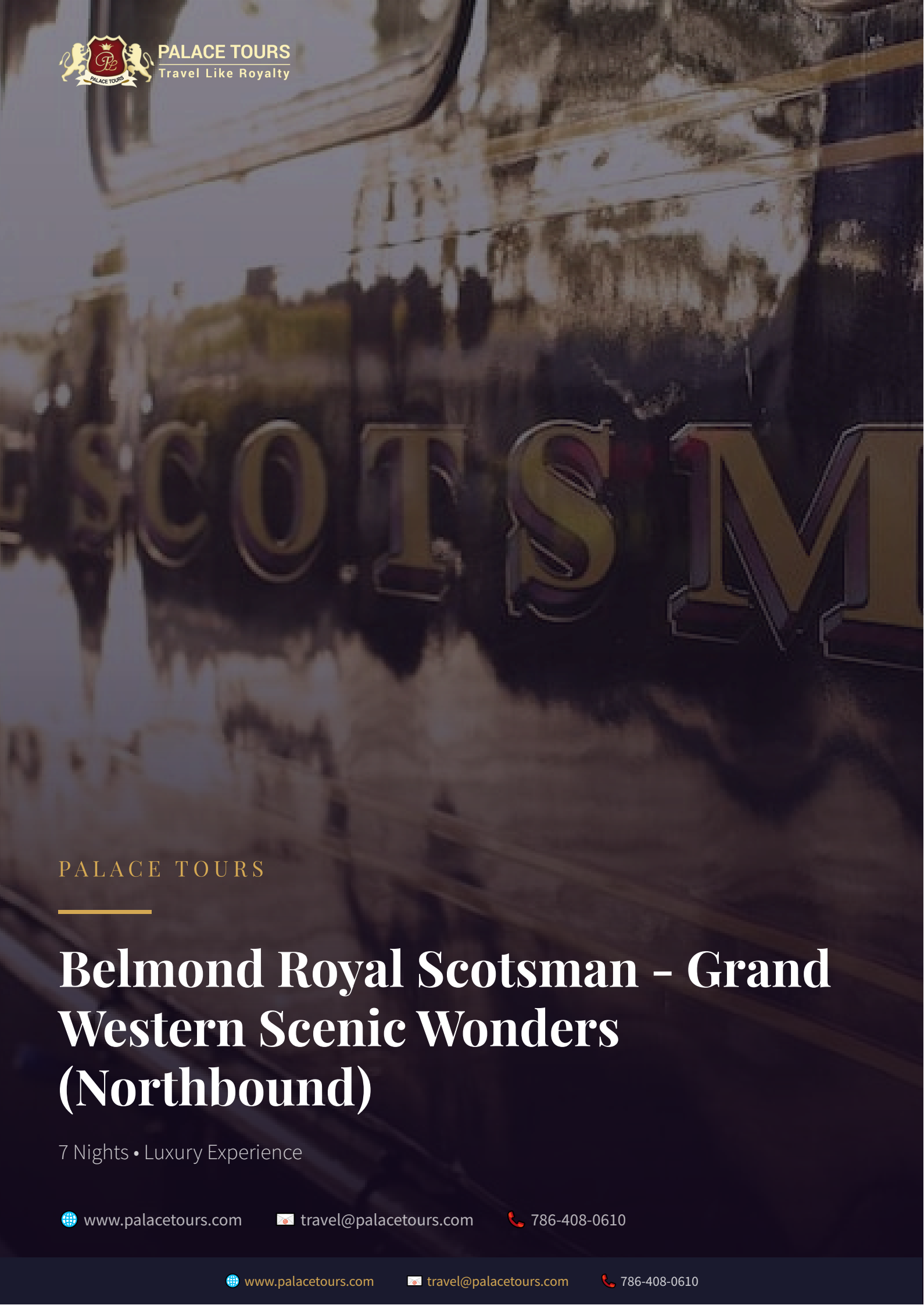

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Belmond Royal Scotsman – Grand Western Scenic Wonders (Northbound)

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Overview

Discover the breathtaking landscapes and rich heritage of Scotland aboard the Belmond Royal Scotsman - Grand Western Scenic Wonders (Northbound). This luxury train journey takes you from the historic city of Edinburgh to the stunning Kyle of Lochalsh, allowing you to witness the majestic beauty of the Scottish Highlands. Each day introduces you to iconic destinations like the picturesque Boat of Garten and the vibrant city of Dundee, where cultural experiences and scenic vistas await at every turn.

On this exclusive voyage, guests will indulge in luxury accommodations and gourmet dining, while enjoying unparalleled views of rolling hills, lochs, and castles. As you travel through this enchanting region, you will gain insight into Scotland's fascinating history and traditions, making this not just a trip, but a profound exploration of the heart and soul of the country. With the Belmond Royal Scotsman, you are invited to immerse yourself in a world where luxury travel meets the timeless charm of Scotland's scenic wonders.

DAY BY DAY

Your Itinerary



DAY 1

EDINBURGH / KEITH

As the train glides away from Edinburgh, you feel a thrilling sense of anticipation wash over you, the iconic Forth Railway Bridge framing the horizon like a promise of adventure. Each passing moment reveals the lush landscapes of the former Kingdom of Fife, stirring feelings of connection to the rich history and vibrant culture of Scotland.

With every mile you travel along the east coast, from Arbroath to Aberdeen, a sense of peace envelops you, as if the world outside is inviting you to discover its wonders. The laughter and camaraderie shared over informal dinner and delightful entertainment in the Observation car create cherished memories that you will carry forever.

DAY 2

KEITH / KYLE OF LOCHALSH



You glide through the breathtaking landscapes of the Highlands, where the tranquil Moray Firth whispers tales of adventure and discovery. As you journey towards Inverness, the beauty of Loch Luichart and the mighty Torridon mountains envelops you, filling your heart with a profound sense of peace and wonder.

In the quaint fishing village of Plockton, the laughter of seals harmonizes with the gentle lapping of waves, drawing you closer to nature's embrace. A traditional Highland welcome at the Plockton Hotel deepens your connection to this enchanting land, leaving you with cherished memories that resonate long after your luxury train tour has ended.



DAY 3

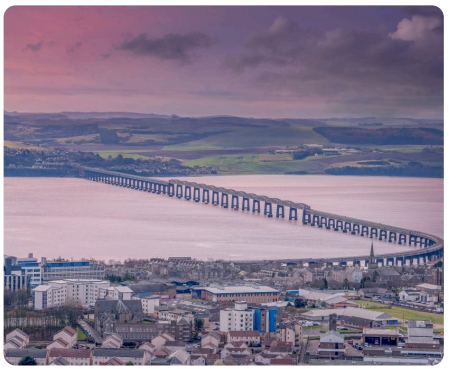
BOAT OF GARTEN / KYLE OF LOCHALSH

As you savor a delightful breakfast aboard the Belmond Royal Scotsman, the gentle rhythm of the train rekindles memories of Scotland's breathtaking landscapes. The tranquil journey along the Beauly Firth and the Caledonian Canal invites you to reflect on the beauty surrounding you, fostering a deep connection to this enchanting land.

Arriving at Ballindalloch Castle, you feel the romance of Scotland seep into your soul. Whether exploring the castle's storied halls or teeing off on the lush 9-hole golf course, every moment ignites a sense of wonder. As the sun sets, the tales of Highland heroes shared by your guide become cherished memories that will linger in your heart forever.

DAY 4

BOAT OF GARTEN / DUNDEE



You awaken to the crisp morning air of the Cairngorms, feeling a sense of wonder as you transfer to Rothiemurchus Estate, where nature's beauty embraces you. The thrill of clay pigeon-shooting or the tranquility of fishing invites you to connect deeply with the landscape, igniting a joy that inspires your spirit.

Your heart swells as you stroll through the enchanting gardens of Glamis Castle after a leisurely lunch aboard the Belmond Royal Scotsman. The rich history whispers tales of the past, leaving you with cherished memories, and as the evening unfolds in Dundee, the after-dinner music beckons you to dance, fostering a sense of community and celebration.



DAY 5

DUNDEE / SPEAN BRIDGE

As the Belmond Royal Scotsman glides away from Dundee, you feel a rush of excitement mingled with serenity, the Tay Bridge a fleeting glimpse of the vibrant history surrounding you.

The gentle rocking of the train cradles you, while the beauty of Scotland unfolds outside your window, igniting a sense of wonder that lingers in your heart.Your guided tour aboard the Royal Yacht Britannia in Edinburgh deepens your connection to this extraordinary land, where each moment spent exploring the lively capital fills you with joy.

DAY 6

BRIDGE OF ORCHY / SPEAN BRIDGE

As you gaze upon the majestic Ben Nevis, the highest peak in the UK, a sense of wonder envelops you; the beauty of Scotland's landscapes ignites a spark within your soul.

Strolling along the pristine Morar Sands, each grain of sand whispers stories of the past, and you feel a profound connection to the land and its history, enriching your spirit.With every moment at Glenfinnan, where the echoes of Highland tales resonate, you find joy in the shared narratives of the storytelling Highlander.





DAY 7

BRIDGE OF ORCHY / GLASGOW

As the Belmond Royal Scotsman glides away from the enchanting Bridge of Orchy, you are enveloped by the serene beauty of Scotland's Highlands. The majestic landscapes whisper tales of adventure and reflection, urging you to embrace the tranquil moments that shape your journey.

With every passing mile towards Glasgow, feelings of connection and discovery swell within you. The 35-minute ferry ride to the Isle of Bute reveals a patchwork of stunning vistas, culminating in the awe-inspiring Mount Stuart. Here, you lose yourself in the artistic grandeur and mystical ambiance, creating cherished memories that will linger long after the sun sets.

DAY 8

EDINBURGH / GLASGOW



As dawn breaks, you savor the gentle rhythm of the Belmond Royal Scotsman, a luxury train journey unfolding towards Edinburgh. The soft clinking of fine china accompanies your leisurely breakfast, filling you with profound appreciation for the enchanting landscapes rolling by, their beauty awakening a sense of wonder within you.

Upon disembarking in Edinburgh, you carry with you the warmth of connections made and the joy of discovery. The historic streets whisper tales of the past, inviting you to explore their charm. Glasgow awaits with its vibrant spirit, promising new experiences that will linger in your heart long after this remarkable tour of Scotland has concluded.

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Tips & Travel Guide

A Day Aboard

Days follow an unhurried rhythm: a full Scottish breakfast, a two-course lunch and afternoon tea on scenic runs, then a three-course dinner with cheeseboard, coffee and petits fours. Dinners alternate between informal evenings (smart casual) and formal or gala nights, when a dark suit, tuxedo or kilt is customary for gentlemen and a cocktail dress or tartan for ladies. All meals, all drinks - including an extensive whisky selection - excursions and nightly entertainment in the Observation Car are included in the fare. Most evenings the train stables in a quiet country station, so you sleep to stillness rather than motion.

Know Before You Go

Boarding: journeys depart from Edinburgh Waverley station. Check-in is at The Balmoral Hotel beside the station; deposit your luggage with the concierge between 11:00 and 12:15 and it will be transferred to the train for you.

Luggage: cabins are compact - one suitcase and one carry-on per guest is recommended. Under-bed storage measures roughly 71 x 23 cm; larger cases can be stored at The Balmoral for the duration of the journey.

Packing: bring a warm waterproof jacket and sturdy shoes for Highland excursions, comfortable clothing for the train, and formal wear for gala evenings. UK electricity is 220/240V - pack an adaptor.

Wi-Fi: available in the Observation Car, though coverage drops in the remoter stretches of the Highlands.

Mobility & health: excursions involve coach transfers, uneven ground and some walking; optional guided hikes require a reasonable level of fitness. There are no medical facilities on board. If you or a companion need special assistance, contact us before booking and we will advise on the best-suited departures.

Children & pets: children may travel at the Train Manager's discretion (infants under two travel free); the atmosphere is geared to adults, and families are advised to book interconnecting cabins or a Grand Suite. Pets are not permitted, with the exception of assistance dogs.

Dietary requirements: vegetarian, vegan and allergy-aware menus are available when requested at the time of booking.

Smoking: not permitted anywhere on board, including electronic cigarettes.

Documents & insurance: overseas visitors need a passport valid for at least six months beyond the journey; check UK visa requirements for your nationality. Comprehensive travel insurance is strongly recommended. Fares do not include gratuities or insurance.

DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates & Rates

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
Apr 5, 2027	Grand Suite	**£85,800**	**£42,900**
	Suite - Double	**£46,400**	**£23,200**
	Grand Suite Early Bird	**£85,650**	**£42,750**
	Suite - Double Early Bird	**£46,250**	**£23,050**
Apr 12, 2027	Grand Suite	**£85,800**	**£42,900**
	Suite - Twin	**£49,000**	**£24,500**
	Grand Suite Early Bird	**£85,650**	**£42,750**
	Suite - Twin Early Bird	**£48,850**	**£24,350**
Jun 28, 2027	Grand Suite	**£85,800**	**£42,900**
	Suite - Double	**£47,700**	**£23,850**
	Grand Suite Early Bird	**£85,550**	**£42,650**
	Suite - Double Early Bird	**£47,450**	**£23,600**
Aug 9, 2027	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed)	**£44,400**	**£22,200**
	Suite - Double	**£47,700**	**£23,850**
	Suite - Twin	**£47,700**	**£23,850**
	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed) Early Bird	**£44,150**	**£21,950**
	Suite - Double Early Bird	**£47,450**	**£23,600**
	Suite - Twin Early Bird	**£47,450**	**£23,600**
Aug 16, 2027	Grand Suite	**£85,800**	**£42,900**
	Suite - Double	**£48,800**	**£24,400**

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
	Grand Suite Early Bird	£85,550	£42,650
	Suite - Double Early Bird	£48,550	£24,150
	Suite - Twin Early Bird	£48,550	£24,150
Sep 20, 2027	Suite - Double	£53,000	£26,500
	Suite - Double Early Bird	£52,750	£26,250
Apr 3, 2028	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed)	£44,000	£22,000
	Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds)	£44,000	£22,000
	Grand Suite	£90,650	£45,325
	Suite - Double	£50,100	£25,050
	Suite - Twin	£50,100	£25,050
	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed) Early Bird	£43,750	£21,750
	Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds) Early Bird	£43,750	£21,750
	Grand Suite Early Bird	£90,400	£45,075
	Suite - Double Early Bird	£49,850	£24,800
	Suite - Twin Early Bird	£49,850	£24,800
Apr 10, 2028	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed)	£44,000	£22,000
	Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds)	£44,000	£22,000
	Grand Suite	£90,650	£45,325
	Suite - Double	£50,100	£25,050
	Suite - Twin	£50,100	£25,050
	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed) Early Bird	£43,750	£21,750
	Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds) Early Bird	£43,750	£21,750
	Grand Suite Early Bird	£90,400	£45,075
	Suite - Double Early Bird	£49,850	£24,800
	Suite - Twin Early Bird	£49,850	£24,800

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
May 29, 2028	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed)	**£44,000**	**£22,000**
	Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds)	**£44,000**	**£22,000**
	Grand Suite	**£90,650**	**£45,325**
	Suite - Double	**£50,100**	**£25,050**
	Suite - Twin	**£50,100**	**£25,050**
	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed) Early Bird	**£43,750**	**£21,750**
	Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds) Early Bird	**£43,750**	**£21,750**
	Grand Suite Early Bird	**£90,400**	**£45,075**
	Suite - Double Early Bird	**£49,850**	**£24,800**
	Suite - Twin Early Bird	**£49,850**	**£24,800**
Jun 12, 2028	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed)	**£44,000**	**£22,000**
	Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds)	**£44,000**	**£22,000**
	Grand Suite	**£90,650**	**£45,325**
	Suite - Double	**£50,100**	**£25,050**
	Suite - Twin	**£50,100**	**£25,050**
	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed) Early Bird	**£43,750**	**£21,750**
	Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds) Early Bird	**£43,750**	**£21,750**
	Grand Suite Early Bird	**£90,400**	**£45,075**
	Suite - Double Early Bird	**£49,850**	**£24,800**
	Suite - Twin Early Bird	**£49,850**	**£24,800**
Jul 3, 2028	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed)	**£44,000**	**£22,000**
	Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds)	**£44,000**	**£22,000**
	Grand Suite	**£90,650**	**£45,325**
	Suite - Double	**£50,100**	**£25,050**
	Suite - Twin	**£50,100**	**£25,050**

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed) Early Bird	**£43,750**	**£21,750**
	Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds) Early Bird	**£43,750**	**£21,750**
	Grand Suite Early Bird	**£90,400**	**£45,075**
	Suite - Double Early Bird	**£49,850**	**£24,800**
	Suite - Twin Early Bird	**£49,850**	**£24,800**
Aug 7, 2028	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed)	**£44,000**	**£22,000**
	Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds)	**£44,000**	**£22,000**
	Grand Suite	**£90,650**	**£45,325**
	Suite - Double	**£50,100**	**£25,050**
	Suite - Twin	**£50,100**	**£25,050**
	Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed) Early Bird	**£43,750**	**£21,750**
	Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds) Early Bird	**£43,750**	**£21,750**
	Grand Suite Early Bird	**£90,400**	**£45,075**
	Suite - Double Early Bird	**£49,850**	**£24,800**
	Suite - Twin Early Bird	**£49,850**	**£24,800**

Rates shown in British Pound GBP (GBP). Approximate USD equivalents available upon request.

Rates shown are per person. Single rate applies to single occupancy; Double rate applies per person in double occupancy.

EARLY BIRD FARES

Book early, pay less

Plan ahead and you'll pay less for exactly the same journey. Every cabin on this tour has an Early Bird fare. Look for it in the booking calendar, right next to the regular fare: it is labelled "<cabin> Early Bird".

6 MONTHS OR MORE BEFORE DEPARTURE

Save £250

per person

3 TO 6 MONTHS BEFORE DEPARTURE

Save £150

per person

INSIDE 3 MONTHS

Regular fare

the Early Bird fare closes

CABIN	REGULAR DOUBLE (PP)	EARLY BIRD, 6+ MONTHS AHEAD	EARLY BIRD, 3–6 MONTHS AHEAD
Grand Suite	**from £42,900**	**from £42,650** save £250	**from £42,750** save £150
Suite - Double	**from £23,200**	**from £22,950** save £250	**from £23,050** save £150
Suite - Twin	**from £23,850**	**from £23,600** save £250	**from £23,700** save £150
Double Cabin (Matrimonial Bed)	**from £22,000**	**from £21,750** save £250	**from £21,850** save £150
Twin Cabin (2 Twin Beds)	**£22,000**	**£21,750** save £250	**£21,850** save £150

Double fares per person, two sharing; "from" is the lowest fare across the departures listed above. The saving depends on the cabin's regular price per person: £250 / £150 on journeys from £8,000, £150 / £100 from £5,000, and £50 on shorter trips. It's the same cabin, the same itinerary and everything included as before. The only difference is the price. Early Bird fares are limited to the cabins on each departure and close automatically. If you already know your dates, now is the time to book.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Terms & Conditions

Booking Conditions

Deposit: 25% of the total fare confirms your booking. **Balance:** due 120 days before departure; bookings made within 120 days of departure are payable in full at booking.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations must be made in writing and take effect when acknowledged. Charges apply as a percentage of the total fare for the person(s) cancelling:

- 120 days or more before departure: 25%
- 119–90 days before departure: 50%
- 89–30 days before departure: 70%
- 29 days or less before departure, or no-show: 100%

Date changes follow the same charge schedule as cancellations. A booking may be transferred to another guest up to 14 days before departure (an amendment fee plus any supplier costs apply); name changes require at least 7 days' written notice. No refunds are made for unused services or no-shows.

Important

Comprehensive travel insurance covering cancellation is strongly recommended. Schedule per Belmond's Trains & Cruises booking conditions (world excluding EEA/UK, last updated 11 February 2026). Palace Tours' terms and conditions also apply.

COMMON QUESTIONS

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the route of the Royal Scotsman Grand Western Scenic Wonders Northbound journey?

> This 8-day, 7-night journey leaves Edinburgh over the Forth Railway Bridge to Keith, rides the Kyle line to Kyle of Lochalsh, then visits Ballindalloch, Rothiemurchus and Glamis Castle. After a day in Edinburgh it takes the West Highland Line across Rannoch Moor to Morar and Glenfinnan, finishing with the Isle of Bute and a return to Edinburgh.

How is the Northbound version different from the Westbound Grand Western Scenic Wonders?

> The two journeys share the same highlights in a different order. The Northbound running starts with the east coast, Speyside and the Kyle line, and saves the West Highland Line, Morar, Glenfinnan and the Isle of Bute for the second half. The Westbound running does the reverse.

Which dates are available for the Northbound journey?

> Departures are on sale from 5 April 2027 through 20 September 2027. The departure list on this page shows each date and the fare for every cabin type, so you can compare spring, summer and early autumn options.

Where does the Northbound journey begin and end?

> It begins at Edinburgh Waverley station, with check-in at The Balmoral Hotel beside the station, and departs in the early afternoon. The final night is spent near Glasgow, and breakfast is served on day 8 as the train travels east to Edinburgh for onward travel.

Which cabins are available on the Northbound journey, including for solo travellers?

> You can choose a Single Cabin, a Double Cabin with a matrimonial bed, a Twin Cabin with two twin beds, or the Grand Suite. The Single Cabin makes this a good option for solo travellers, and every cabin has an en suite with shower, washbasin and WC.

What are the cabins like on the Royal Scotsman?

> Cabins are lined with rich marquetry and furnished with Scottish wools and tartans, with lower berth beds, a dressing table, full-length wardrobe, opening windows, ceiling fans, a 220/240 volt supply, high-quality toiletries, a hairdryer and a cabin service call button.

What is included in the Northbound Grand Western Scenic Wonders fare?

> Seven nights on board, 24-hour steward service, all meals, all beverages and all excursions are included: the Plockton seal trip or Eilean Donan Castle, Ballindalloch Castle, Rothiemurchus Estate, Glamis Castle, the Royal Yacht Britannia, Morar Sands, Glenfinnan or the Steall Waterfall walk, and Mount Stuart, plus traditional entertainment.

What is excluded from the Northbound journey price?

> Travel insurance, domestic or international airfare, transfers before or after the train journey, crew gratuities, and personal items or souvenirs are not included. We are happy to arrange Edinburgh hotel nights before or after the journey.

How much does the Grand Western Scenic Wonders Northbound journey cost?

> Fares follow dynamic pricing and vary by date and cabin type. The exact fare for each departure is shown on this page. You can start your booking online to hold a cabin without a financial commitment, then call us to check current offers.

What are the deposit and balance terms for the Northbound journey?

> A deposit of 25 percent secures your cabin, and the balance is due 125 days before departure. For an April 2027 departure, that falls around the start of December 2026.

What happens at Plockton or Eilean Donan Castle on day 2?

> Lunch is served on the Kyle line past Loch Luichart and the Torridon mountains. At Plockton you can take a boat trip to the bay's wild seal colony with a Highland welcome at the Plockton Hotel, or visit Eilean Donan Castle, the island fortress at the meeting point of three lochs, before a formal dinner at Kyle of Lochalsh.

What are the options at Ballindalloch Castle?

> On day 3 you disembark at Carrbridge for Ballindalloch, one of Scotland's most romantic castles. You can tour the house and grounds or play the castle's 9-hole golf course, among other options. In the evening at Boat of Garten, a Highlander recounts the history and heroes of the Highlands.

What happens at Rothiemurchus Estate and Glamis Castle on the Northbound journey?

> On day 4 you transfer to Rothiemurchus Estate in the Cairngorms National Park for fishing, clay-pigeon shooting or an estate tour, with refreshments in the hunting lodge. In the afternoon you enjoy a private tour of Glamis Castle and its gardens, then a formal dinner with musicians and Scottish country dancing.

Is the Royal Yacht Britannia included on this journey?

> Yes. On day 5 the train crosses the Tay Bridge to Edinburgh, where you can choose a guided tour of the Royal Yacht Britannia followed by a light lunch on board, or free time in the capital, before rejoining the train in the early afternoon.

Does the Northbound journey cross Rannoch Moor?

> Yes. On the afternoon of day 5 the train joins the West Highland Line at Craigendoran, serves afternoon tea along Gare Loch, and climbs through Crianlarich and Bridge of Orchy onto Rannoch Moor, one of Scotland's last true wildernesses, before dinner on the way to Spean Bridge.

What are the Morar and Glenfinnan options on day 6?

> The train passes Ben Nevis to Arisaig for a walk on the Silver Sands of Morar with views across the Sound of Sleat. In the afternoon you visit Glenfinnan with a storytelling Highlander and take cream tea at Inverlochy Castle Hotel, or, weather permitting, hike through Nevis Gorge to the Steall Waterfall.

What is the Isle of Bute day at the end of the journey?

> On day 7 you take the 35-minute ferry from Wemyss Bay to the Isle of Bute to visit Mount Stuart, the Victorian Gothic house created by the 3rd Marquess of Bute, with interiors reflecting his passions for art, astrology and mythology. Afternoon tea in the Drawing Room is followed by the formal farewell dinner on board.

What should I pack for formal nights on the Northbound journey?

> There are three formal dinners, on days 2, 4 and 7. A dark suit, tuxedo or kilt is customary for gentlemen and a cocktail dress or tartan for ladies. Other evenings are smart casual, and sturdy shoes and a waterproof layer are useful for the Morar walk and Steall hike.

Can children travel on the Grand Western Scenic Wonders Northbound?

> Child pricing bands are set by age at departure (under 5, and 5 to 10), but the journey is adult-paced with long touring days and formal dinners. Please contact us before booking with children so we can confirm acceptance and the fare for your date.

How do I ask a question or book the Royal Scotsman Grand Western Scenic Wonders Northbound?

> Every departure listed on this page is bookable directly, with the fare shown for each cabin type. For questions, email travel@palacetours.com, call 786-408-0610, or message us on WhatsApp at https://wa.me/17864080610, answered by a travel specialist or our AI assistant.

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