



SPIRIT OF SCOTLAND - CALEDONIAN CANAL (TOUR CODE: 11844)

STARTS AND ENDS

in Inverness

TRAVEL PERIODS

06 Apr 25 - 26 Oct 25

EXPERIENCE

Cruising
Food & Wine

TRAVEL STYLE

Cruise

Spirit of Scotland is an elegant hotel barge with extensive public areas inside and out that are perfect from which to admire the breath-taking Scottish Highlands scenery in comfort as she cruises the Caledonian Canal and the lochs of the Great Glen.

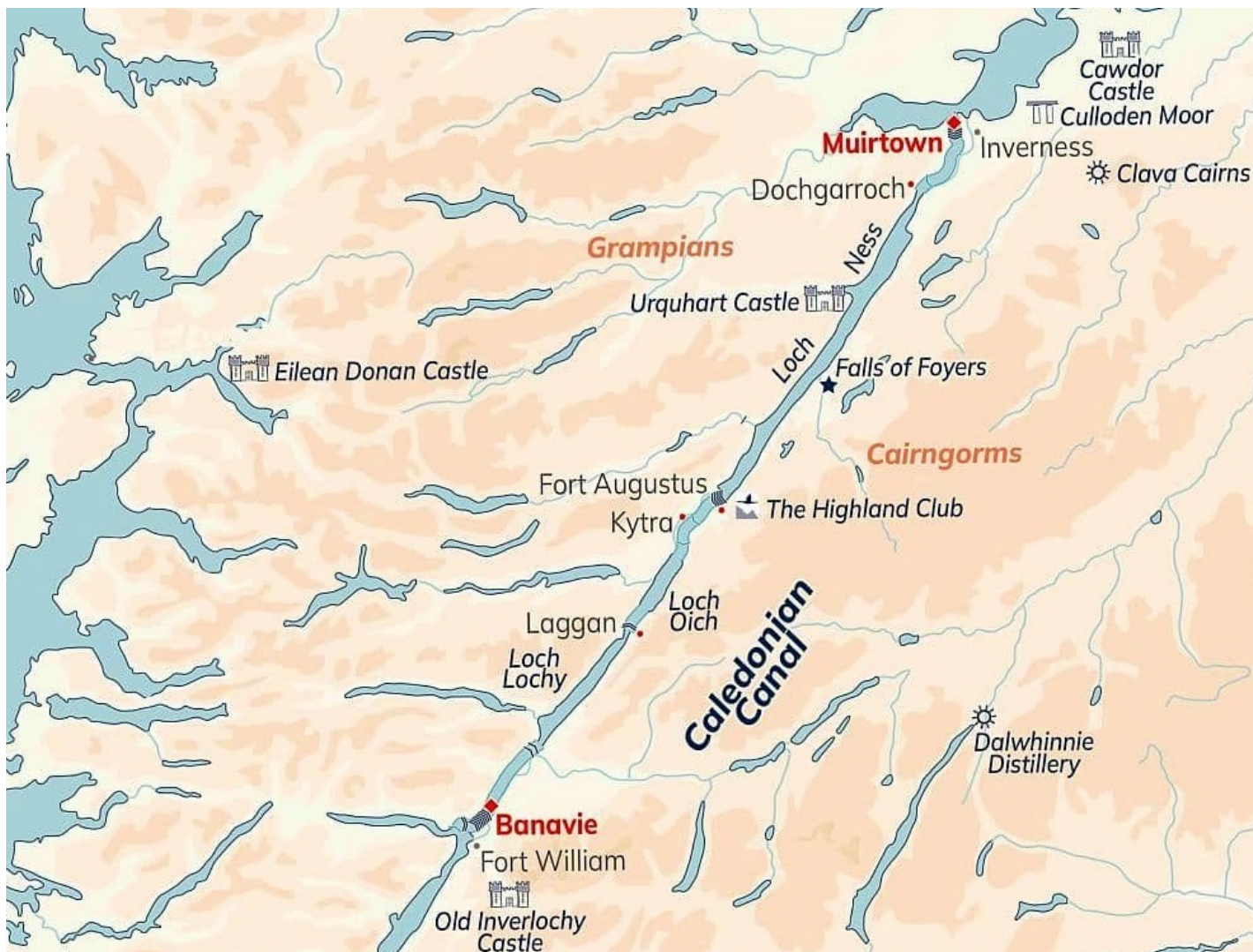
Highlights

- Tour of **Cawdor Castle** and gardens, home of Shakespeare's Macbeth
- Tour of the renowned **Ben Nevis Distillery** with a private whisky tasting
- Visit Eilean **Donan Castle**, featured in The World is Not Enough and Highlander
- Wonderful river, canal and loch cruising & excellent opportunities for walking

Accommodating up to 12 passengers in comfort, Spirit of Scotland's interior features a bright and spacious saloon and dining area with picture windows, a separate bar, and an integral forward wheelhouse giving views of the cruise route ahead. The 6 air-conditioned cabins offer a choice of twin or double beds and are complemented by well designed en suite shower rooms.

Outside, there are separate areas where you can relax on a recliner, or perhaps in the heated spa pool, or on the covered dining terrace. And the large upper sun deck is the ideal place to admire the dramatic backdrop as you cruise on deep-water lochs such as Loch Oich and past historic landmarks along the way.

Your voyage aboard Spirit of Scotland will be an unforgettable experience, giving you the opportunity to appreciate the very best this dramatic region of Scotland has to offer from a unique perspective.



INCLUSIONS

- 6 nights onboard the Hotel Barge Spirit of Scotland in a Stateroom
- Crew of 6 (Captain, tour guide, chef and hostesses)
- Transfers by an air-conditioned minivan
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily prepared by your chef
- Captains farewell dinner on your last night
- Selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages
- Excursions as per itinerary
- Use of barge facilities

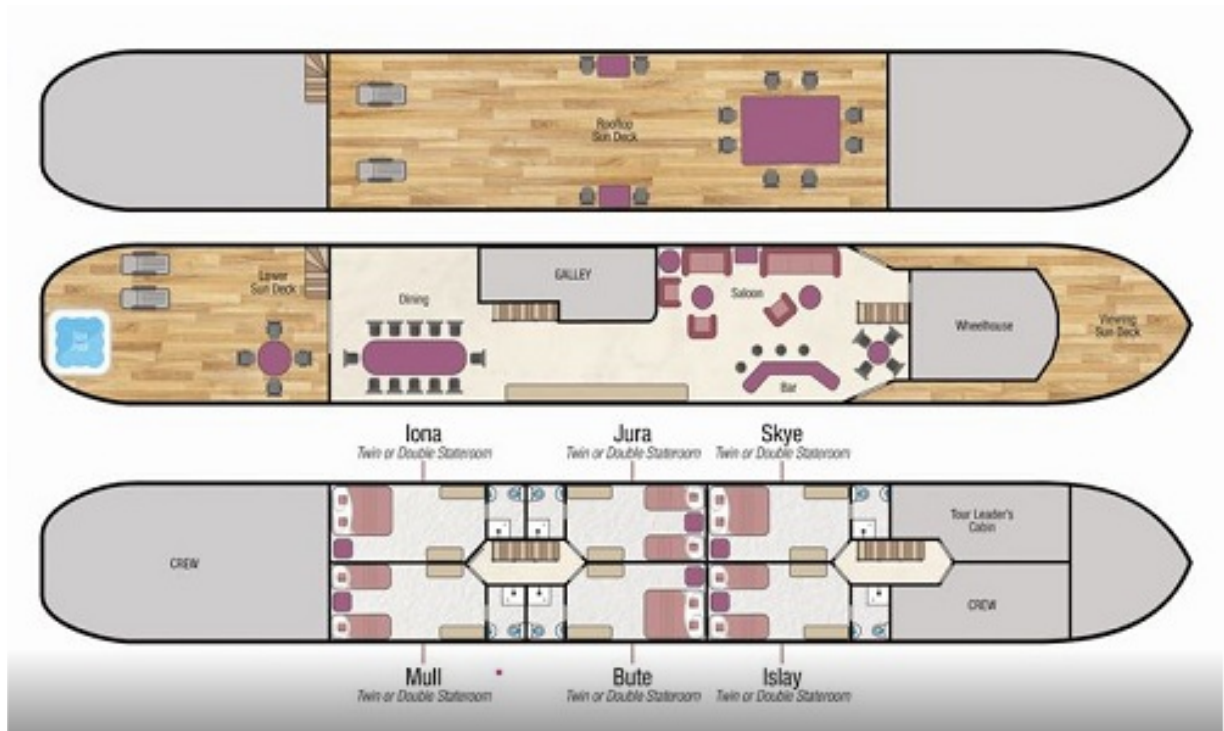
ITINERARY

Deck Hotel Barge Spirit of Scotland

Deluxe | 12 Passengers | 6 Crew

- 126 Feet Long
- 6 Twin/Double Staterooms (130sq ft incl. en suite)
- Separate Cabin for Tour Leader
- Centrally Heated / Air-Conditioned

- TV/DVD Player in Cabins
- Spa Pool



Day 1

Inverness Banavie

Guests are met at the Kingsmills Hotel in Inverness and transferred by private chauffeured minibus to the Spirit of Scotland. A champagne welcome by the Captain and crew and perhaps an early evening stroll before our first dinner on board.

Overnight stay onboard **Hotel Barge Spirit of Scotland** in a Stateroom.

Selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages included.

Dinner

Day 2

Banavie Laggan

Begin your week this morning with a cruise through Moy Bridge, the last hand-operated bridge of its type on the waterway, before crossing Loch Lochy. As you approach your mooring at **Laggan**, a Highland Piper may be there to greet you with a stirring rendition of traditional Scottish music. After lunch on board, your tour today takes you to the **Ben Nevis Distillery** for a tour and private tasting of several single malts. Dinner on board.

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Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day 3 Laggan Kytra

This morning take in some of the finest scenery Scotland has to offer as we drive to one of its best known and most photographed castles, **Eilean Donan** – a beautiful spot overlooking three sea lochs, well known amongst film aficionados having featured in *The World is Not Enough* and *Highlander*. After lunch on board, you will cruise across the very scenic Loch Oich, perhaps for a spot of fishing or a gentle stroll, and then onto your pretty mooring at **Kytra**. Dinner on board.

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Selection of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages included.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day 4 Kytra Fort Augustus

This morning, cruise to Fort Augustus and down the flight, to moor opposite the Benedictine Abbey at the entrance to Loch Ness. After lunch on board, visit the private **Highland Club**, an exclusive set of residences sited in a former 19th century

Benedictine Monastery. Here, you're treated to a falconry and birds of prey demonstration on the banks of Loch Ness, and the majesty of the swooping birds against the backdrop of the sweeping Scottish Highlands is not easily forgotten. This evening, have dinner ashore at a local restaurant.

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Day **5**

Fort Augustus Dochgarroch

This morning enjoy a picturesque cruise across world-famous Loch Ness, with perhaps a chance of spotting "Nessie", where en route we pass **Urquhart Castle**, navigating closely beneath its spectacular 13th century ruins, before continuing your cruise to moor at the hamlet of **Dochgarroch**. After lunch, visit **Culloden Moor**, scene of the last major battle on British soil in 1746, where English Government troops faced the Highlanders of "Bonnie Prince Charlie". If time allows, then you may take a tour of Clava Cairns, a pre-historic clan chieftain burial site dating back to 2,000 B.C and setting for the Outlander TV series. Dinner on board.

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Day **6** Dochgarroch Muirtown

This morning, your final cruise takes us through the Tomnahurich swing bridge to the locks at **Muirtown**, where there is the opportunity to take a bicycle ride or stroll to the sea lock with wonderful views over the Moray and Beaulieu Firths. After lunch, visit **Cawdor Castle**, forever immortalised in Shakespeare's 'Scottish Play', Macbeth. The picturesque gardens have been listed amongst the top 100 in the UK. The castle contains a superb collection of tapestries, pictures and furnishings and is still in use as a home for the Dowager Countess of Cawdor who resides there for several months of the year.

Captain's Farewell Dinner on board.

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Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **7** Muirtown Inverness

After breakfast, guests are transferred by private chauffeured minibus to their choice of location in Inverness.

Breakfast

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Departure Date and Pricing:

2025 Cruise Rates		
Rates are for 6 nights either: per person based on double occupancy per cabin or on a whole barge charter basis. Prices below are in Euros.		
Accommodation	Value	Regular
Stateroom	€5,690	€6,550
Single Supplement	€2,100	€2,400
Charter (Whole Barge)		
Charter 8 passengers	€55,800	€64,900
Charter 9 passengers	€57,700	€67,100
Charter 10 passengers	€59,300	€68,900
Charter 11 passengers	€60,900	€70,700
Charter 12 passengers	€62,500	€72,500
Departure Dates (Sunday)	Rates	Cruise Region
Apr 6, 13, 20, 27	Value	Scotland - The Caledonian Canal
May 4, 11, 18, 25; Jun 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; Jul 6, 13, 20, 27; Aug 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; Sep 7, 14, 21, 28; Oct 5	Regular	Scotland - The Caledonian Canal
Oct 12, 19, 26	Value	Scotland - The Caledonian Canal

- This is a sample itinerary and is subject to change. On alternate weeks, the cruise will be in the reverse direction.
- This barge is available for charter bookings and theme cruises. Contact us for more details.

Booking / Payment Process

- On our website the Barge Cruise prices are show in Euros
- All payments will be made to us in Australian Dollars
- The current exchange rate will be used at the time of deposit and balance
- Our invoice will make this clear and our team is here to assist you

Supplier Booking Conditions Apply

Due to the boutique nature and limited capacity of this travel experience, under our Bookings Conditions this package classifies as “Booking Type 2 – Travel Experience where we act as agent only”. Your contract for the delivery of travel arrangements will be with the principal supplier and will be subject to their Booking Conditions. We will advise you prior to confirming your booking the full details and Booking Conditions of the principal supplier. Our responsibility to you where we sell travel arrangements as agent for the supplier is specified in the ‘Responsibility’ section of our Booking Conditions.

Blackout dates may apply during festive season.

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package