



# Clans Livingstone and MacLea Summer 2009

A four day escorted tour of the 'homelands' of the Clans Livingstone and MacLea followed by the two day Gathering Event in Edinburgh's Royal Park and at Edinburgh Castle.

JULY

Monday 20th

Participants of the Tour will arrive in Edinburgh today from their various embarkation points in preparation for the Clan tour to begin tomorrow.

Accommodation In Edinburgh you will stay in a Guest House in the Newington area on the South side of the city. You will have private ensuite facilities and a full Scottish breakfast is included here. You can have your evening meal at any of the many city restaurants and hotels. This accommodation will also be used for the nights of 24th 25th 26th, the weekend of the Clan Gathering Event.

Tuesday 21st

You will be collected by coach from your accommodation this morning at 8.30 a.m. and driven north-west to Lochaline on Morvern. Your route will take you through some spectacular scenery including the brooding splendour of Glencoe and you visit Kile Cemetry to view the tomb of Donald Livingstone. There will be stops en-route for "comfort" and lunch.

After lunch you will board the ferry at Lochaline for the 20 minute crossing to the Isle of Mull and you will have a short tour of Mull via Duart Castle the ancestral home of Clan MacLean, to the ferry point of Craignure from where you will sail back to the mainland at Oban arriving at your hotel on the sea front in time for dinner.

Accommodation tonight will be overlooking the sea in The Oban Bay Hotel on a Dinner Bed and Breakfast basis and your stay will be for the nights of Tue 21st, Wed 22nd and Thurs 23rd.

Accommodation Oban Bay Hotel - Dinner Bed and Full Scottish Breakfast

Wednesday 22nd

Today you visit the areas of Argyll associated with different branches of Clan MacLea. Your coach will collect you at 8.30 a.m. after breakfast. You will drive south from Oban via Kilmartin, Crinan and Kilmichael Glassary to Lochgilphead on Loch Fyne. From here you have views across the loch to Otter Ferry and nearby Lindsaig. From Lochgilphead you return to Oban via the pretty lochside town of Inveraray.

Accommodation Oban Bay Hotel - Dinner Bed and Full Scottish Breakfast

Thursday 23rd Today you visit the home of the Baron of Bachuil, on the Island of Lismore. You will be

driven by coach, firstly to Loch Nell, then Achnacree near Benderloch, Achnacloich before arriving at Port Appin. Lunch will be taken at Port Appin overlooking Castle Stalker and after lunch you take the short crossing on the passenger ferry to Lismore. Activities on the island will be organised by the Baron of Bachuil.

At the end of the day you return to Port Appin by ferry to meet the coach for your return trip to Oban

Accommodation Oban Bay Hotel - Dinner Bed and Full Scottish Breakfast

Friday 24th This is your day of departure from Oban.

Please remember to settle all extras in your hotel before leaving this morning, this includes bar expenses, telephone calls, newspapers etc.

Leaving Oban by coach you will be driven east to Crianlarich then south down the side of Loch Lomond. "The Bonnie Banks"! Then to Blantyre where you visit the birthplace of David Livingstone the great explorer and missionary. On your return journey to Edinburgh you will visit Callander House and Linlithgow Palace, arriving in Edinburgh in good time to enjoy any pre Gathering 2009 celebrations in the city.

Accommodation Newington Guest House - Bed and Breakfast

Saturday 25th Today you are at leisure to enjoy the Gathering festivities in the city. The Highland Games in

Holyrood Park then the Parade of the Clans up Edinburgh's Royal Mile will be followed by

the 'Clan Pageant' on the Castle Esplanade.

Accommodation Newington Guest House - Bed and Breakfast

Sunday 26th Today you are at leisure again to enjoy the Gathering festivities in the Royal Park at

Holyrood.

Accommodation Newington Guest House - Bed and Breakfast

Monday 27th When checking out this morning please remember to settle bills for any extras before

your onward travel.

The price for this complete tour will be £950 (G.B.Pounds) (about \$1860 based on the rate at 7th May 2008)

For those already with Passports and accommodation in Edinburgh booked, the Highland Tour alone will cost £740

For more details on anything in this tour please contact Lesley Gray at Scottish Ancestral Trail. Contact details below.

# This tour has been organised for Clan MacLea by:



#### Payment:

Payment will be in British Pounds by credit or debit card or by Bank Transfer. 30% payable when booking, the balance being due 6 weeks before commencement of your tour. 15th June 2009.

**N.B.** Please note that if you already have passports for The Gathering please let us know and we can adjust the price accordingly.

### **Included in the price:**

Gold Passports (ticketing) for The Gathering 2009.

Accommodation for 7 nights

All Breakfasts and Evening meals on 3 nights

Luxury Coach transport

Ferry fares to and from Mull, Lismore, Oban

Guide to accompany your Highland tour

### Not included in the price

Flights. Additional services or purchases within your accommodation. Anything not mentioned above.

#### **Terms and Conditions**

Our Terms and Conditions are available separately.

## For more information and to reserve your place on this tour please contact:

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