



Visit spectacular Eilean Donan Castle

Pierre Fauchard Academy
Convocation and Induction
At Surgeons Hall, the Royal
College of Surgeons of Edinburgh
10 September 2022

With Pre-Convocation Tour of Edinburgh
9 – 10 September 2022

With Post-Convocation Tour of
Highland and Islands of Scotland
11 – 17 September 2022





The spectacular landscapes of Glencoe

There are two extension options around the Convocation; a pre- and a post-Convocation tour. The 1-night pre-Convocation extension is in Edinburgh and the 5-night post-Convocation tour travels to the highlands and islands of Scotland.

Before Convocation, spend a night in Edinburgh to visit Edinburgh Castle and explore the old city. After Convocation, take in the sweeping history and breathtaking landscapes of Scotland's north and west, from Edinburgh to Inverness to Oban and the islands of Skye, Mull and Iona, finishing in Glasgow. You will also stay in some distinctive hotels with magnificent settings for you to enjoy.

Sample local whisky, learn about Edinburgh's Enlightenment and medical history, and travel via the spectacular Cairngorms; cruise Loch Ness and visit the romantic ruin of Urquhart Castle and the haunting battleground at Culloden.

Cross the Kyle of Localsh to Skye to visit Talisker Distillery and take some beautiful walks. Visit Eilean Donan Castle and explore beautiful Inner Hebridean isles before driving to Glasgow via the breathtaking landscapes of Glencoe, Loch Lomond and the Trossachs.

Tour Leader

Derek Mahony is a Sydney based orthodontist who has spoken to thousands of practitioners about the benefits of interceptive orthodontic treatment. Early in his career Dr Mahony learned from leading clinicians the dramatic effect functional appliance therapy can afford patients in orthodontic treatment. He has been combining the fixed and functional appliance approach ever since. His lectures are based on the positive impact such a combined treatment approach has had on his orthodontic results and the benefits this philosophy provides in reducing extractions of teeth. After completing his Dental Degree at the University of Sydney Dr Mahony completed his Masters degree in orthodontics at the Eastman Dental Hospital, Institute of Dental Surgery, London, followed by a diploma in orthodontics at the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh. Dr. Mahony has also passed the Royal College of Dentists in Canada post graduate examination in the field of orthodontics.



Guide

Lorna Johnson worked as a professional musician for over 40 years and is a member of the Royal Society of Musicians. As a violinist with the Scottish Chamber Orchestra for most of her career, she travelled the world playing concerts in Europe, North and South America, Turkey, India, China, South Korea and Japan. Since qualifying as a hill-walking guide in 1997 and as a Blue Badge Guide in 2000, Lorna has led numerous tours throughout Scotland and in England. She has an extensive knowledge of and passion for Scotland, which she loves to share. Lorna has met the Visit Britain 'Good to Go' industry standard and will have a risk assessment in place.



Edinburgh (Kate Bielinski, Unsplash)

Pre-Convocation Tour of Edinburgh

9 – 11 September 2022

Join us on this fascinating tour of Edinburgh, looking at its long history alongside its stunning natural beauty and architecture, while staying at historic Ten Hill Place Hotel, owned by the Royal College of Surgeons (founded in 1505.)

After checking into the hotel take a tour of the superb Scotch Whisky Experience, which immerses you in the whisky making process, including sampling a dram, before a 3-course dinner with whisky pairings for starter and dessert.

The following morning take a guided bus tour of historic Edinburgh, including famous Edinburgh Castle, before an afternoon at leisure. There is the option to visit the excellent Surgeons Hall Museum, part of the Royal College of Surgeons complex, which contains one of the most significant surgical collections in the world.

The Museums' collections grew significantly from 1699 after 'natural and artificial curiosities' were publicly sought. In the 1800s, the original museum expanded to include the remarkable collections of surgeon and anatomists, Sir Charles Bell and John Barclay.

Originally developed as a teaching museum for students of medicine, these fascinating collections, including bone and tissue specimens, artefacts and works of art, have been open to the public since 1832, making Surgeons Hall Museum among Scotland's oldest museums.

The Wohl Pathology Museum is also home to one of the largest and most historic collections of surgical pathology in the world, containing human anatomical and pathological specimens from the late 18th century. Other objects, images and artworks trace surgery's history from Roman times to the present including the breakthrough discoveries of antiseptics and anaesthesia, the curious development of false teeth and the chilling Burke and Hare murders. Among the many more famous artefacts is a death mask of the 'bodysnatcher' William Burke and a small book made of his skin, after he had been publicly executed and dissected.



Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh

Pierre Fauchard Academy Induction Ceremony and Dinner

10 September 2022

Join the Pierre Fauchard Academy at its Induction Ceremony at the grand historic Surgeons Hall at the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh. These magnificent buildings reflect Scotland's history at the forefront of modern medicine since the 18th century. Scotland is still a leader in research and development today.

Arrive at Surgeons Hall for a welcome drink before the New Fellow Induction Ceremony. Toast the new fellows after the induction and hear a short speech before enjoying a sumptuous 3-course dinner with wine in the historic and opulent surroundings of Surgeons Hall.

All costs and inclusions for the pre-tour, Convocation and post-tour, plus all addition and options, can be found on the inside back page of this brochure. Please see page 9 for these details.



Fellows Library Dinner Edinburgh Royal College of Surgeons



Pre-Convocation Extension 9 – 10 September 2022

1 night Edinburgh

Day 1: Edinburgh (Fri, 9 Sept) **D**

- Pm:** Arrive in Edinburgh and check into Ten Hill Place Hotel.
- Eve:** Take a tour of the Scotch Whisky Experience followed by a 3-course welcome dinner with whisky pairing.

Day 2: Edinburgh (Sat, 10 Sept) **B**

- Am:** Half-day bus sightseeing tour, including seeing Edinburgh Castle.
- Pm:** At leisure; option to visit Surgeons Hall.
- Eve:** Pierre Fauchard Academy Convocation at the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh at Surgeons Hall.

Convocation 10 September 2022

Day 1: Edinburgh (Sat, 10 Sept) **D**

- Eve:** Pierre Fauchard Academy Convocation at the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh at Surgeons Hall.

Post-Convocation Extension Tour to the Scottish Highlands and Islands 11 – 17 September 2022

2 nights Inverness – 1 night Plockton
– 2 nights Oban – 1 night Glasgow

Day 1: Edinburgh / Inverness

(Sun, 11 Sept) **B D**

- Am:** Depart Edinburgh for Inverness. Visit St Andrews for sightseeing, including the Royal & Ancient Clubhouse and visit the famous Swilken Bridge on the Old Course. Walk through the ruins of St Andrews Cathedral, past St Andrews Castle and parts of St Andrews University, then into the town centre for free time and lunch at leisure. Option to visit the Golf Museum.
- Pm:** Drive through the Cairngorms National Park and see a sheep dog demonstration. Continue to Inverness and check into Bunchrew House Hotel.
- Eve:** Dinner at Bunchrew House.

Day 2: Inverness (Mon, 12 Sept) **B L**

- Am:** Visit Culloden Battlefield with a local expert. Explore Inverness with time for shopping and lunch.
- Pm:** In the afternoon take a cruise on Loch Ness and visit the romantic ruins of Urquhart Castle.

Day 3: Inverness / Isle of Skye

(Tue, 13 Sept) **B D**

- Am:** Depart Inverness and drive west to the Kyle of Lochalsh and cross over to the Isle of Skye. Visit the Clan Donald centre to view the ruins of Armadale Castle, stroll through the beautiful gardens and discover the history of the Hebrides and Clan MacDonald at the Museum of the Isles. Lunch at leisure.
- Pm:** Explore the dramatic scenery of Skye and continue to the famous Talisker Whisky Distillery.

Eve: Return to the mainland and overnight at The Haven Guest House located in the attractive coastal village of Plockton across the water from Skye. Dinner in a local restaurant.

Day 4: Isle of Skye / Oban (Wed, 14 Sept) B D

Am: Travel down the west coast and visit Eilean Donan Castle, situated on the small tidal island of Eilean Donan where three sea lochs meet - Loch Duich, Loch Long and Loch Alsh. View the Commando Memorial en route to Fort William where lunch is at leisure.

Pm: Continue to Oban via Glencoe and stay at the Oban Bay Hotel for two nights.

Eve: Dinner at the hotel.

Day 5: Oban / Isles of Mull & Iona (Thur, 15 Sept) B D

Am: Take the ferry from Oban to Mull, passing Duart Castle, the main residence of the MacLean chiefs. Mull has a volcanic landscape dominated by the towering peak of Ben More, diverse wildlife and sparkling sands. Keep an eye out for sea eagles as

you drive to the Ross of Mull. Your route takes you via Salen, near the mausoleum of Lachlan Macquarie and the island of Ulva where he grew up.

Pm: Take the short passenger ferry from Fionnphort to the Isle of Iona, considered to be the cradle of Christianity in Scotland, and enjoy a guided tour of the Abbey. Return to Mull and the Oban Bay Hotel in time for dinner. For those who do not wish to travel to Mull and Iona, the hotel has a spa and there is plenty to see and do in Oban.

Day 6: Oban / Glasgow (Fri, 16 Sept) B D

Am: Drive through the Trossachs National Park and along the shores of Loch Lomond. Stop at the pretty lochside village of Luss with time to explore and have lunch.

Pm: Arrive and check into the Hilton Glasgow with time to explore nearby sites including the Botanic Gardens, the University and Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum.

Eve: Farewell dinner.

Day 7: Glasgow (Sat, 17 Sept) B

Am: Depart Glasgow.





Bunchrew House

Convocation Hotel

Ten Hill Place Hotel (Edinburgh)

This excellent hotel is part of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh and is one of Edinburgh's most desirable city-centre hotels. A stylish hotel with exceptional customer service, it also offers a wine-bar and restaurant that provide the best quality Scottish produce with a vast plethora of Corney and Barrow wine.

Post Tour Hotels

Bunchrew House (near Inverness)

A magnificent 17th century baronial mansion sitting by the sea on the Beaully Firth, Bunchrew House is set within 20 acres of magnificent lawns and woodlands. It has lovely public rooms with log fires and a restaurant with stunning views over the sea to the Black Isle and the mountains beyond.

Haven Guest House

The Haven is a charming, friendly family-owned guesthouse near spectacular Plockton Bay. The recently refurbished rooms are comfortable and well equipped with tea making facilities and a large reception area with a log fire welcomes guests to sit, relax and enjoy a complimentary cup of tea with home-made shortbread.

Oban Bay Hotel

With a prime seafront position, Oban Bay Hotel & Spa has superb views to Mull and Kerrera. It offers a comfortable bar and lounge area and outdoor terrace from which you can watch the world go by, as well as an outdoor hot tub, spa treatments, along with a small sauna and steam room.

Hilton Grosvenor (Glasgow)

This upscale, contemporary hotel in a good location offers the usual Hilton quality; very comfortable and well equipped rooms, free Wi-Fi in public areas, a refined cocktail bar with a tapas menu and a fireplace, plus a relaxed tea lounge and a seafood grill. Additional amenities include an indoor pool, a sauna and a fitness centre. It also provides excellent service.



Oban Bay and Spa Hotel

The costs of the CONVOCATION CEREMONY AND DINNER per person is USD \$174 and includes:

- Playfair Hall
- Welcome drinks
- Three course dinner with wine
- One bottle of still/ sparkling water per person
- Coffee, teas
- Staff available throughout
- Local taxes
- Photographer

The cost excludes:

- Gowns (at client's expense)

The cost of the PRE-CONVOCATION Edinburgh tour per person sharing is USD \$493 and includes:

- Two nights' accommodation (9 & 10 September) in double or twin-bedded at Ten Hills Place

The single room supplement is USD \$215

- Breakfast daily
- Guided tour of Edinburgh
- All transport within Edinburgh for the tour
- Dinner and whisky tasting at the Scotch Whisky Experience
- Specially arranged visits and specialist guides
- Admission fees

The costs of the POST-CONVOCATION tour per person sharing is USD \$2,726 and includes:

- Six nights' accommodation in twin- bedded rooms in a Scottish Baronial Manor, a local traditional Inn and first-class hotels

The single room supplement is USD \$638

Premium Room upgrade in Bunchrew House USD \$278 per room for the two nights

Suite Upgrade at the Oban Bay Resort USD \$500 per room for the two nights

- Tour leader throughout (Dr Derek Mahony)
- National guide throughout (Lorna Johnson)
- Breakfast daily
- Dinner or lunch daily
- All transport within Scotland (bus and ferry)
- A full programme of cultural visits
- Specially arranged visits and specialist guides
- Admission fees throughout

The cost excludes:

- Travel to / from Scotland and transfers
- All personal extras such as portorage, laundry and drinks and meals not mentioned
- All optional excursions, tours and visits
- Travel insurance

Please contact us if you require additional nights before or after the tour in Edinburgh or Glasgow.

The Abbey on the Isle of Iona (credit Caroline Hall, Unsplash)



About Us

To travel with us is to dig below the surface, revealing the deeper destination. Of course, you will visit the great historical sites; marvel at the wonders of architecture and engineering; be moved by the riches of culture and art; and experience the most spectacular landscapes in the world. What we also do is make sure that you see the country as it is today, giving you privileged access that independent travel and other tour companies rarely get close to. We give you a variety of experiences, from the sublime to the humble, in the company of intelligent, curious, like-minded people. And while we can be worthy, we also make sure that you have a lot of fun.

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Edinburgh at sunrise (top); The Cairngorms;
The beautiful isle of Skye; Oban (above)



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