

Scotland & Northwest England Escorted 2023 Attend **The 151st Open at Royal Liverpool**

8 Nights | 4 Rounds | Saturday & Sunday at The Open | July 16 - 24

PerryGolf is thrilled to offer this 8-night, 4-round Escorted Tour which includes attendance to the final two rounds of **The 151st Open at Royal Liverpool**. Before watching the world's finest compete for the famed Claret Jug at golf's oldest major, we will play a remarkable quartet of courses, three of which have been regular hosts of The Open - **Royal Troon, the Ailsa Course of Turnberry**, and **Royal Lytham**, plus **Hillside Golf Club** which has long been recognized as one of the very finest links courses on the Lancashire coast.

We start at the renowned **Turnberry Resort** in Ayrshire, which enjoys a stunning coastal setting overlooking its championship courses.

While here we will play the **Ailsa Course of Turnberry**, and **Royal Troon**. Of course, Tom Watson and **Turnberry** are synonymous. The five-time Open champion outlasted the great Jack Nicklaus in their "Duel in the Sun" in 1977 and then, at age 59, lost in heart-breaking fashion to Stewart Cink in 2009. The course reopened in 2016 after an extensive renovation that married the links with the sea. The layout at **Royal Troon** took its current form in 1888. The delicate 8th, the "Postage Stamp" is one of the world's signature par-3s. Henrik Stenson outdueled Phil Mickelson in a battle for the ages there in 2016 on what's considered a links beyond compare.

Next we journey south to Lancashire, "England's Golf Coast", making Liverpool our convenient base. Walk in The Beatles' footsteps, tour the interesting cathedrals and museums, and visit **Albert Dock's** popular attractions. We play **Royal Lytham** which first hosted The Open, with its winners including Bobby Jones, Peter Thomson, Tony Jacklin, Gary Player, and the legendary Severiano Ballesteros. **Hillside Golf Club** is widely regarded as the best links never to have hosted The Open

If you enjoy combining your love of golf with a passion for travel, you'll find a relaxing and highly rewarding experience on this Escorted Tour for a party of 20 to 30 guests. Every aspect is fully managed from the handling of your luggage and equipment to hotel and golf course check ins. Various meals, guided sightseeing, carts / caddies, local taxes, service charges and gratuities (excluding caddies) are included in addition to sandwiches, snacks plus an open bar for beer and wine during our time at each of the golf courses. Best of all, this PerryGolf vacation promises an ideal opportunity to join a group of like-minded new friends.

Photo Album

Detailed Itinerary

SUNDAY, JULY 16: TURNBERRY, SCOTLAND



Arrive Glasgow Airport. Met on arrival where you will be transferred to relax at your hotel, Turnberry Resort.

This evening Welcome Cocktails & Dinner.

OVERNIGHT: Turnberry, A Luxury Collection Resort - Deluxe Non-Ocean View Room

MONDAY, JULY 17: TURNBERRY, SCOTLAND

GOLF: Today play the **Ailsa Course at Trump Turnberry**. The course has undergone a redevelopment and reopened with a stunning new layout in June 2016. Lying on a spectacular curve of rockbound coast in the southern reaches of Ayrshire. The course now makes the most of the coastal scenery especially from the 4th through the 11th passing the famous landmark lighthouse at the turn, which is now a stunning halfway house. This is a demanding links course, and an ever-present wind will make for a tough examination of your golfing skills. In 2009 the Ailsa Course hosted The 138th Open for the 4th time when golfing legend Tom Watson lost out to Stewart Cink in a playoff for the Claret Jug.

SIGHTSEEING: Non-Golfers will enjoy a visit to **Culzean Castle & Country Park**. Converted by Robert Adam to include a 'Roman' viaduct and Ruined Arch to add drama to this Italianate castle in its spectacular cliff top setting. It contains a fine collection of paintings and furniture, and a display of weapons in the Armoury. The Circular Saloon has a superb panoramic view over the Firth of Clyde and the beautiful Oval Staircase is Robert Adam's final masterpiece of interior design. In 1945 the top floor was given to General Eisenhower as a token of Scotland's recognition of his role during World War II.

OVERNIGHT: Turnberry, A Luxury Collection Resort - Deluxe Non-Ocean View Room

TUESDAY, JULY 18: TURNBERRY, SCOTLAND

GOLF: Today play **Royal Troon**. Nine time venue of The Open, the course most recently hosted the championship in 2016. It is consistently praised for its testing but fair set up. A long and demanding links, Troon boasts both the longest and the shortest holes in Open golf; the 6th named "Turnberry" at 577 yards and No. 8, the "Postage Stamp" 8 at only 126 yards.

SIGHTSEEING: Non-Golfers enjoy a morning visit to **Dumfries House**, one of Britain's most beautiful stately homes and best kept heritage secrets. Saved by the intervention of HRH the Prince of Wales in 2007, Dumfries House combines the architecture of Robert Adam with the furniture of Thomas Chippendale and leading 18th century Scottish cabinet makers. On the return journey we will take in the scenic beauty of the **Heads of Ayr** and the ruins of 13th century Dunure Castle built for John de Kennedy.

OVERNIGHT: Turnberry, A Luxury Collection Resort - Deluxe Non-Ocean View Room

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19: TURNBERRY, SCOTLAND / LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND

This morning make the journey from **Turnberry to Southport** (4hrs 45 mins) by luxury motor coach. We travel south skirting the Lake District National Park with a stop for lunch along the way.

Afternoon arrival in Liverpool where you have time to relax and freshen up before dinner.



This evening enjoy a dinner in Liverpool (included tour feature).

OVERNIGHT: Hope Street Hotel, Liverpool - Deluxe Room

THURSDAY, JULY 20: LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND

GOLF: Today play **Royal Lytham**. Arguably the toughest of England's championship links courses. Unusual for a British links it does not sit beside the sea. Its main defense is the vast numbers of deep bunkers guarding both the fairways as well as the greens that present a virtual one-shot penalty. It enjoys a very special atmosphere. It was here in 1926 that Bobby Jones won the Open Championship and his legendary shot to the 17th green is commemorated by a plaque.

SIGHTSEEING: Non-Golfers enjoy a visit to the ancient city of **Chester**, one of the finest heritage cities in the world, with the most complete city walls and largest Roman Amphitheatre in Britain as well as thousand year old cathedral. Explore the exciting history of Chester walking through the unique half-timbered galleried streets and enjoy the splendour of the black and white buildings.

OVERNIGHT: Hope Street Hotel, Liverpool - Deluxe Room

FRIDAY, JULY 21: LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND

GOLF: Today play **Hillside Golf Club**, widely regarded as the best links never to have hosted The Open although it has been a final qualifying site for the event on many occasions. The links weaves through sandhills and tranquil pines to deliver a variety of holes certain to test the best players. The course is well known for its wonderful conditioning and slick greens. The back nine holes are considered among the best in Britain.

SIGHTSEEING: Non-Golfers enjoy a visit to the lively and cosmopolitan city of **Liverpool**. Visit the Albert Dock, Britain's most popular heritage attraction, which has something for everyone, interesting shops and gift carts, together with top class attractions such as the Beatles Story, Merseyside Maritime Museum and the Tate Gallery. The city also boasts some amazing architecture from the Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral to the Liver Building and Liverpool Cathedral. The World Museum also has thousands of exhibits with one of the finest collections of ancient Egyptian artefacts.

OVERNIGHT: Hope Street Hotel, Liverpool - Deluxe Room

SATURDAY, JULY 22: LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND

Today travel by motor coach to attend the third round of **The 151st Open at Royal Liverpool Golf Club**. Despite its flat and somewhat benign appearance, Royal Liverpool is among the toughest and most demanding of the great seaside championship links of Britain. Hoylake, as it is more commonly known, lies at the very heart of the history and development of golf in Britain. It has been a regular host venue for The Open, most recently in 2014 when Rory McIlroy won the title.

OVERNIGHT: Hope Street Hotel, Liverpool - Deluxe Room

SUNDAY, JULY 23: LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND



Today travel by motor coach to attend the final round of The 151st Open at Royal Liverpool Golf Club.

This evening enjoy Farewell drinks and dinner (included).

OVERNIGHT: Hope Street Hotel, Liverpool - Deluxe Room

MONDAY, JULY 24: LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND

After breakfast transfer to Manchester Airport for homeward flights.

Golf Schedule

Trump Turnberry - Ailsa Course



You can't rush perfection, Turnberry's Ailsa Course is proof. It was established in 1902, modified in 1906, modified again in 1909, redesigned in 1938 then nearly disappeared after the Second World War when it was converted into an airbase with several holes flattened into concrete runways. It was restored and reopened in 1951 as one of Scotland's finest links to the extent it hosted The Open for the first time in 1977 when Tom Watson's 65-65 weekend beat Jack Nicklaus' 65-66. MacKenzie & Ebert made extensive alterations before The Open in 2009 then Ebert returned for a major update in 2015. The result is spectacular, particularly but by no means limited to holes 9-11 that play across and along the bay atop rock outcrops on the left; dunes, pot bunkers and high fescue on the right. The club's famous lighthouse includes an incredible two-bedroom suite and one of the most memorable halfway houses in golf.

Click here for the golf course IMAGE GALLERY

Royal Troon

Royal Troon is a course in the current Open rota. Arnold Palmer, Tom Watson and Tom Weiskopf (his only win in a major) have won here as did Henrik Stenson whose Sunday round of 63 outlasted Phil Mickelson's 65 to claim The 145th Open. A long links that is consistently praised for its testing but fair set up. Troon boasts the shortest hole among Open venues, being the "Postage Stamp" 8th at 126 yards. The layout gives you a chance to find your game with a gentle opening but the inward nine is considered one of the most difficult sides in major championship golf.





Click here to watch how to play the Postage Stamp

Click here for the course VIDEO

Hillside



Situated next door to Royal Birkdale, Hillside Golf Club is widely regarded as the best links never to have hosted The Open although it has been a final qualifying site for the event on many occasions. The links weaves through sandhills and tranquil pines to deliver a variety of holes certain to test the best players. The course is well known for its wonderful conditioning and slick greens. The back nine holes are considered among the best in Britain.

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Accommodations

Trump Turnberry



The world renowned Trump Turnberry overlooks Scotland's South West Ayrshire coast. Contained within 360 acres this luxury hotel, golf and leisure resort with few equals in the world. Turnberry's spectacular Ailsa course was chosen for The Open in 1977, 1986, 1994 and 2009. The Hotel was built at the turn of the century and underwent a complete renovation, restoration and remodeling of all guestrooms, suites, corridors, restaurants and public spaces that was completed in June 2016. The famous Ailsa Course was also overhauled with significant changes made to the links, including incredible improvements from holes 9 to 11. The changes are set to further enhance its reputation as one of the finest links courses in the world. Turnberry has a lavish Spa, with indoor and outdoor amenities, which reopened in 2017. Nearby are riding stables, sea



and river fishing, rough shooting, stalking, and trap shooting.

Hope Street Hotel

In the heart of the city's cultural quarter, Hope Street Hotel is ideally located between Liverpool's two cathedrals, across the road from the Philharmomic concert hall and surrounded by theatres and restaurants. Built in 1860, in the style of a Venetian palazzo , Hope Street is a privately owned Design Hotel. The hotel's individually designed rooms have real wood floors warmed by under floor heating as well as king sized beds draped in Egyptian cotton. There are LCD widescreen TVs, DVD and CD players, along with unmetered broadband access in every room. Rain-dance showerheads the size of dinner plates, huge soft towels and mist free mirrors complement timeless bathrooms. Picture windows and skylights capture some of the stunning architecture that fills the city, offering views that include the river, world heritage skyline and cathedrals.

