

# **St Andrews** Escorted 2021 Attend The 150th Open at St Andrews

7 Nights | 4 Rounds | Grounds Series Pass To The Open | July 12 - 19

# Tour **Pricing** Per Guest

Golfer: \$10,795 | Non Golfer: \$9,150

**PerryGolf** is thrilled to offer a 7-night, 4-round Escorted Tour to the Home of Golf, featuring a Grounds Series Pass to The **150th Open at St Andrews**. Experience the excitement of a major championship while spending the entire week in St Andrews with daily access to the Old Course to watch the world's best golfers compete for the Claret Jug. Play **Carnoustie**, eight-time host of The Open, the brilliant links at **Kingsbarns**, impressive new comer **Dumbarnie Links** and the **Torrance Course** at the Fairmont St Andrews.

Unpack just once on this Escorted Tour, spending all seven nights in the luxurious **Fairmont St Andrew**s, an international resort that opened in 2001. The hotel offers panoramic views of the River Tay estuary, the North Sea, the Fife countryside and the medieval skyline of St Andrews, while also providing amenities such as a luxurious Spa, 18-metre pool, Jacuzzi, sauna and steam room.

Become acquainted with this charming town amid the bustle of The Open, visiting **St Andrews Cathedral** or walking the campus of St Andrews University, one of Britain's most prestigious universities. The non-golfers in our party will travel by train for a day in **Edinburgh**, the capital of Scotland, where the **Old Town** offers history and the **New Town** promises shopping, dining and bars. Back in St Andrews have a pint at the **Jigger Inn** or the **Dunvegan**, wind along the cobbled streets and peruse the many shops in a town that dates to medieval times.

The golf is diverse and spectacular. **Carnoustie** has earned its reputation as the most demanding links in The Open rota. Francesco Molinari used flawless golf to outlast Tiger Woods and other contenders in 2018. Ben Hogan, Gary Player and Tom Watson won the championship here as well. Jean Van de Velde squandered his chance in 1999 on the 72nd hole. **Kingsbarns**, a Kyle Phillips design, delivers the premium links experience for which Scotland is famous. **Dumbarnie Links**, set to open in spring 2020, is Scotland's newest links layout, delivering panoramic views of the Firth of Forth. The **Torrance Course** was remodeled in 2009 and has played host to the European Seniors Scottish Open and final qualifying for The Open.

The **Old Course at St Andrews** is playing host to The Open for the 30th time. Through the years, the great champions from each era have emerged with the Claret Jug on the venerable layout. After a rocky start, Bobby Jones fell in love with the course and the town on his way to victory in 1927. Sam Snead snagged the title in 1946. Bobby Locke and Peter Thomson won here and the two best players of the modern era - Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods - claimed The Open four times combined at St Andrews.

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

## MONDAY, JULY 12: ST ANDREWS, SCOTLAND

Arrive Edinburgh Airport. Met on arrival where you will be transferred to relax at your hotel, **Fairmont, St Andrews**.

**St Andrews**, known worldwide as The Home of Golf, and also boasts Scotland's oldest university. The Royal and Ancient Golf Club first met here in the spiritual home of golf in 1754, though it was first played here as early as the 15th century.

St Andrews University, founded in 1410, dominates the center of town. The elegant, ivy-clad buildings and delightful quadrangles and gardens have seen a procession of famous graduates such as Prince William. One of the top universities in Britain, St Andrews is often compared to Oxford and Cambridge for its defining presence and the collegiate feel it gives to the town. The Medieval center of St Andrews consists of a series of narrow alleys and cobbled streets packed with shops, restaurants and cafés.

Your Ground Series ticket to **The 150th Open at St Andrews** will allow you to visit to the tournament at any time during the week.

This evening attend our Welcome to Scotland Function.

OVERNIGHT: Fairmont Hotel, St Andrews - Fairmont Room

#### TUESDAY, JULY 13: ST ANDREWS, SCOTLAND

GOLF: Today play **Carnoustie**. The club has been in The Open rota since 1931 having hosted the event on 8 occasions, most recently in 2018. It is regarded as the most difficult course the game's greats face in golf's oldest championship. While the links is relatively flat it is exposed to the elements. A combination of length and accuracy are required as golfers face narrow corridors from the tee. Approach shots demand precision to the greens heavily guarded by steep bunkers and burns. Arguably the toughest finishing holes in championship golf, errant shots are severely penalized.

SIGHTSEEING: Non-Golfers will enjoy a visit to **Glamis Castle**, childhood home of Queen Elizabeth, The Queen Mother, and birthplace of Princess Margaret. The family home of the Earls of Strathmore and Kinghorne it has been a Royal residence since 1372 and is the legendary setting of Shakespeare's play Macbeth.

OVERNIGHT: Fairmont Hotel, St Andrews - Fairmont Room



## WEDNESDAY, JULY 14: ST ANDREWS, SCOTLAND

GOLF: Today play **Kingsbarns Golf Links**. Its sandy, links land soils are the basis for this heritage, and produce the fine-bladed fescues which are the cornerstone of fast-and-firm playing surfaces that characterize links golf. Designed by Kyle Phillips and opened anew in 2000, its rebirth has been shared with golfers from near and far with outstanding reviews. The links features spacious rolling fairways, large greens, and exceptional sea views on every hole. A challenging yet enjoyable championship-standard traditional Scottish links course.

SIGHSEING: Non-Golfers will today enjoy a fascinating walking tour of St Andrews visiting **St Andrews Castle**, parts of **St Andrews University**, and taking in the ruins of **St Andrews Cathedral**, once one of the most important religious sites in Europe. Old Tom Morris and his son young Tom, are buried in the Cathedral Grounds. St Andrews also offers a wide selection of shopping within a very convenient central area.

The remainder of the afternoon is free for Golfers and Non-Golfers to relax and enjoy the many resort facilities.

OVERNIGHT: Fairmont Hotel, St Andrews - Fairmont Room

### THURSDAY, JULY 15: ST ANDREWS, SCOTLAND

Today attend the first round of **The 150th Open at St Andrews**. The Old Course remains essentially unchanged from the days of Old Tom Morris in the mid-to-late 19th century. The double fairways, double greens and natural bunkering combine to produce a set of strategic demands on the golfer which are unmatched and completely unique. In the course of its 29 Opens, St Andrews has had a habit of throwing up winners who are the best of their generation. Tiger Woods, Nick Faldo, Seve Ballesteros, Jack Nicklaus, Peter Thomson and Bobby Locke. Bobby Jones created such an impression on St Andrews during his 1927 win that it proved to be the beginning of a lifelong connection with the town.

OVERNIGHT: Fairmont Hotel, St Andrews - Fairmont Room

#### FRIDAY, JULY 16: ST ANDREWS, SCOTLAND

GOLF: Today play **Dumbarnie Links**. Scotland's newest golf course, Dumbarnie is scheduled to open in spring of 2020. A links layout, the course occupies an outstanding site. Duel elevations connected by a flowing escarpment have provided the opportunity to create a number of elevated tees where holes play directly towards panoramic views of the Firth of Forth. A number of the tees and greens are also in close proximity to the sea and the design incorporates a several drivable Par-4's and risk and reward holes.

SIGHTSEEING: Non-Golfers will travel by train to enjoy **Edinburgh**, the capital city of Scotland; famous for its **Parliament**, Castle, **Holyrood Palace**, history, architecture, festivals, and city walking. The city is divided between the Old Town and the New Town. The Old Town is where you will find the greatest gathering of historical buildings whilst the New Town is more a celebration of business, order and classical Georgian architecture. This is the terrain of the shops, offices and banks as well as many bars and cafes. Enjoy an overview of the city before having free time to explore on your own.

OVERNIGHT: Fairmont Hotel, St Andrews - Fairmont Room

SATURDAY, JULY 17: ST ANDREWS, SCOTLAND



GOLF: Today play the **Torrance Course**. A spectacular course incorporating cliff-edge holes and stunning views over the North Sea and the medieval skyline of historic St Andrews. The course is in the style of a Scottish Links offering risk/reward opportunities at many of the holes. The course received a major refurbishment between 2008 and 2009 with new revetted bunkering, mounding and improved routing. It has played host to the European Seniors Scottish Open and served as a final qualifying venue for The Open in 2010. Now known to have some of the best putting surfaces in the area, the Torrance provides quality golf and a very enjoyable round. Note: Golf cart venue

Early starting times scheduled for this morning will allow you the opportunity to attend the 3rd round of **The 150th Open at St Andrews**.

This evening enjoy our Farewell function in Fairmont St Andrews.

OVERNIGHT: Fairmont Hotel, St Andrews - Fairmont Room

## SUNDAY, JULY 18: ST ANDREWS, SCOTLAND

Today attend the final round of **The 150th Open at St Andrews**.

OVERNIGHT: Fairmont Hotel, St Andrews - Fairmont Room

## MONDAY, JULY 19: ST ANDREWS, SCOTLAND

After breakfast transfer to **Edinburgh Airport** for homeward flights.

## Golf Schedule

#### Fairmont St Andrews - Torrance Course



A spectacular course incorporating cliff-edge holes and stunning views over the North Sea and the medieval skyline of historic St Andrews. The course is in the style of a Scottish Links, after receiving a major refurbishment that allowed it to reopen in July 2009, with new revetted bunkering, mounding and improved routing. It has played host to the European Seniors Scottish Open and served as a final qualifying venue for The Open in 2010.

#### **Dumbarnie Links**

Dumbarnie Links is one of Scotland's newest links courses opened in 2020. Located 9 miles south of St Andrews, the layout plays over 345 acres, part of the 5,000-acre Balcarres Estate held by Lord Anthony Balniel and his





family since the 16th century. Designed by Clive Clark, a member of the 1973 Great Britain and Ireland Ryder Cup team, the site is highlighted by a mile and a half of sea frontage featuring panoramic views over the Firth of Forth. Its dual elevations, which are connected by a flowing escarpment, provide a number of elevated tees where holes play directly towards the sea. The design incorporates three potentially drivable par-4s along with several holes that present tempting risk/reward opportunities. This course is designed to inspire rather than intimidate golfers. Total yardage varies from 5,300 to 6,900 yards.

Drone Footage - Dumbarnie Links, Scotland

WEBCAST - A Greenside Chat: "The Story of Scotland's Newest Links" ~ Dumbarnie Links

Dumbarnie Links, Scotland by LINKS Magazine

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#### Carnoustie



The first record of golf played on this links land dates to 1527. In 1842, a 10-hole course was designed by Alan Robertson followed by an 18-hole course by Old Tom Morris in 1857. James Braid extended the layout in 1926 which is essentially the links found today. While it is relatively flat, Carnoustie is exposed to the elements. A combination of length and accuracy are required as golfers face narrow corridors from the tee while approach shots demand precision to greens heavily guarded by steep bunkers and burns. Arguably the toughest finishing holes in championship golf are found here highlighted by the par-4, 476 yard 14th and the 245 yard par-3 16th. Ben Hogan won The 82nd Open at Carnoustie in 1953. Tom Watson and Gary Player also hoisted the Claret Jug here as has Padraig Harrington and most recently Francesco Molinari in 2018.

### Kingsbarns

Golf dates to a nine-hole layout here in 1793. It was commandeered by the military during the Second World War not to reappear until Kyle Phillips took an interest in the late 1990s. His design ushered in the era of "modern classics" when it opened in 2000 looking like it had been there for years. The terrain is links style perfection with tumbling fairways and sandy soil that produce the fine-bladed fescues which are the cornerstone of fast-and-firm playing surfaces that characterise links golf. The fairways are





spacious, the greens are large, exceptional views of the North Sea are found on every hole.

## **Accommodations**

#### Fairmont St Andrews



The 5-star Fairmont St Andrews is located on the outskirts of St Andrews along the road to Crail. Sitting on the summit of a spectacular cliff formation, the hotel and its two championship golf courses have breathtaking panoramic views of the River Tay estuary, the North Sea, the Fife countryside, and the medieval skyline of St Andrews. In addition to the two golf courses on site, you may enjoy the Spa, a haven of peace and tranquility. Enjoy a few easy lengths of the 18-metre pool, relax in the Jacuzzi, sauna or steam room. Included in your rate is full WiFi internet access in the public rooms and guest bedrooms.