



New Lanark World Heritage Site



Abbey of Iona



Inveraray Castle

Scotland: Visionaries & Sacred Isles

A Private Two-part Tour for Historic New Harmony
September 7–23, 2026



Join Us

Join Us on a remarkable journey that follows a transatlantic thread—from the mills of the River Clyde in Scotland to the banks of the Wabash in New Harmony. This 17-day tour celebrates two visionary communities united by ideals of education, social reform, and spiritual renewal.

We will retrace the steps of visionaries like David Dale, Robert Owen, George MacLeod, and Jane Blaffer Owen, exploring the landscapes, castles, and sacred isles that inspired them. This is more than a trip; it's a pilgrimage into the heart of the New Harmony idea.

Important Note: This tour is a unique hybrid arrangement. **Days 1–3** are a private Pre-Trip Extension organized by Historic New Harmony, and **Days 4–17** are an Overseas Adventure Travel (Grand Circle Co.) tour adapted specifically for our interests.

The New Harmony–Scotland Connection

This custom-built itinerary is designed to explore the deep, living connections between our two communities:

- **The Owenite Legacy:** We'll begin with a 2-night immersive stay at **New Lanark World Heritage Site**, the model industrial village David Dale and his son-in-law Robert Owen created before Owen founded New Harmony.
- **A Spiritual Bridge:** We will visit **Iona Abbey**, a center for spiritual renewal linked to New Harmony through Jane Blaffer Owen's friendship with Rev. George MacLeod. We will also visit **Govan Old Church** in Glasgow—where MacLeod nurtured the plan to found the Iona Community—to see the stunning Viking Age Govan Stones.
- **The Clan Campbell & Stewardship:** We'll explore **Inveraray Castle**, seat of the Clan Campbell, and learn of the historic ties between the Campbell, Dale, and Owen lineages.
- **Living History:** We'll visit the **David Livingstone Centre**, born from the same mill culture as New Lanark, and meet with guest historians and naturalists.

Your Guide & Organizer

Tour Guide (Main Tour): David Campbell Our O.A.T. tour is led by David Campbell, a Glasgow native, historian, and highly rated O.A.T. guide. Known for his warmth, humor, and gift for storytelling, David brings Scotland's history to life.

Pre-Trip Organizer: Caroline Dale “Docey” Lewis The private Pre-Trip Extension to New Lanark is organized by Docey Lewis, a Robert Owen descendant and a member of the Historic New Harmony Advisory Committee.



Our 17-Day Journey

PART 1: THE NEW LANARK PRELUDE (Private Arrangement)

Days 1–3 | Guided by Docey Lewis & Local Experts

Day 1 (Mon, Sept 7): Depart U.S.

- Depart from Evansville (EVV) on an overnight flight to Edinburgh, Scotland (EDI).
- **Accommodation:** N/A (In transit)

Day 2 (Tue, Sept 8): Arrive in Scotland

- Arrive at **Edinburgh Airport (EDI)** and take our private group coach to the New Lanark Mill Hotel for a "soft landing."
- Afternoon free to rest. Evening special guest presentation
- **Guest:** Helen Kendrick, Historian & New Lanark Trustee.
- **Accommodation:** New Lanark Mill Hotel
- **Meals:** Lunch "tea" & Dinner (Included in Pre-Trip)

Day 3 (Wed, Sept 9): New Lanark World Heritage Site

- A full day to explore Robert Owen's utopian mill village, the innovative school, and the scenic Falls of Clyde. Guided tour.
- Informal pre-dinner presentation by Lorna Davidson
- **Guest:** Lorna Davidson, former Director of the New Lanark Trust.
- **Accommodation:** New Lanark Mill Hotel
- **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner (Included in Pre-Trip)

PART 2: THE MAIN O.A.T. ADVENTURE

Days 4–17 | Guided by David Campbell

Day 4 (Thu, Sept 10): David Livingstone & Glasgow

- Transfer to Glasgow, stopping at the David Livingstone Centre.
- Arrive in Glasgow, where we officially join the O.A.T. tour and meet our guide, **David Campbell**.
- Special dinner at The Piper's Tryst (cost not covered by O.A.T)
- **Accommodation:** Maldron Hotel Glasgow City
- **Meals:** Breakfast (at New Lanark), (Lunch & Dinner not included)

Day 5 (Fri, Sept 11): Glasgow City Tour

- A panoramic tour of Glasgow, including Ramshorn Kirk and the Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum.
- O.A.T. Welcome Dinner.
- **Accommodation:** Maldron Hotel Glasgow City
- **Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner (Lunch on your own)

Day 6 (Sat, Sept 12): Robert Burns, Govan Stones & Home-Hosted Dinner

- Journey to Alloway to visit Robert Burns's Cottage and the Poet's Path.
- Lunch at Soul Food Sisters.
- Afternoon: Free time **or** join David for an optional visit to the **Govan Stones**.
- Evening: Special Home-Hosted Dinner with a local family.
- **Accommodation:** Maldron Hotel Glasgow City
- **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 7 (Sun, Sept 13): Loch Lomond & Inveraray Castle

- Travel the scenic A83 route along Loch Lomond to Inveraray Castle, the ancestral home of the Clan Campbell.
- Arrive in the seaside town of Oban.
- **Accommodation:** Perle Hotel
- **Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner (Lunch on your own)

Day 8 (Mon, Sept 14): Oban & Highland Cattle

- Experience 'A Day in the Life' at a Highland cattle farm and meet the "coos".
- Lunch on the farm; free afternoon in Oban.
- **Accommodation:** Perle Hotel
- **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch (Dinner on your own)

Day 9 (Tue, Sept 15): The Isle of Iona

- Make the pilgrimage to the sacred Isle of Iona.
- Full-day journey includes two ferry crossings and a guided tour of historic Iona Abbey.
- **Accommodation:** Perle Hotel
- **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch (Dinner on your own)

Day 10 (Wed, Sept 16): Loch Ness & Urquhart Castle

- Journey to the Highlands, stopping at Loch Ness.
- Visit the ruins of Urquhart Castle before arriving in Inverness.
- **Accommodation:** Lochardil House Hotel
- **Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner (Lunch on your own)

Day 11 (Thu, Sept 17): Culloden & Whisky

- Explore the Culloden Battlefield.
- Free time followed by a local whisky tasting.
- **Accommodation:** Lochardil House Hotel
- **Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner (Lunch on your own)

Day 12 (Fri, Sept 18): Dunkeld, Birnam & Glamis Castle

- Visit the Loch of the Lowes wildlife reserve and the Birnam Arts Centre.
- Discover the magnificent Glamis Castle.
- **Accommodation:** Apex City Quay Hotel & Spa (Dundee)
- **Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner (Lunch on your own)

Day 13 (Sat, Sept 19): St. Andrews & Dundee

- Day trip to St. Andrews for a walking tour of the historic university, castle, and cathedral ruins.
- Optional afternoon visits in Dundee.
- **Accommodation:** Apex City Quay Hotel & Spa
- **Meals:** Breakfast (Lunch, Dinner on your own)

Day 14 (Sun, Sept 20): Scottish Estate & Edinburgh

- Travel to Edinburgh, stopping at a local Scottish estate for a bagpipe greeting and lunch.
- **Accommodation:** The Bruntsfield Hotel
- **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 15 (Mon, Sept 21): Edinburgh Castle & Royal Mile

- Discover Edinburgh with a guided tour of the Royal Mile and the iconic Edinburgh Castle.
- Afternoon free for independent exploration or an optional tour.
- **Accommodation:** The Bruntsfield Hotel
- **Meals:** Breakfast (Lunch, Dinner on your own)

Day 16 (Tue, Sept 22): Leith & Royal Yacht Britannia

- Visit the port of Leith to tour the Royal Yacht Britannia.
- Free afternoon followed by a final Farewell Dinner.
- **Accommodation:** The Bruntsfield Hotel
- **Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner (Lunch on your own)

Day 17 (Wed, Sept 23): Depart for U.S.

- Transfer to **Edinburgh Airport (EDI)** for your return flight.
- **Accommodation:** N/A
- **Meals:** Breakfast

Tour Cost & Booking

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 16

Total Estimated Land Cost: \$6,870 per person *(Based on double occupancy. This total includes both the O.A.T. Main Tour and the Private Pre-Trip Extension. Please note these are paid separately to different providers.)*

Part 1: New Lanark Pre-Trip (\$525 est.)

- 2 nights' accommodation (New Lanark Mill Hotel)
- 6 meals (2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners)
- **Meals not covered:** ~\$25 lunch
- Private coach transport (Edinburgh Airport transfer to New Lanark and New Lanark to Glasgow)
- Site entry and private lectures at New Lanark
- Gratuities for local guides and drivers

Part 2: O.A.T. Main Tour (\$6,345)

- 13 nights' accommodation
- 25 meals (13 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 8 dinners, including 1 Home-Hosted Dinner)
- All land transport & airport transfers (exclusive of pre-trip)
- Services of a full-time O.A.T. Trip Experience Leader (David Campbell)
- All 7 small group activities and site entries on the main tour
- Gratuities for local guides, drivers, and luggage porters

Additional Costs to Budget:

- **International Airfare:** *Approximate or from only* ~\$1,500 (Can be booked independently or through O.A.T.)
- **Optional O.A.T. Insurance:** \$949 for 100% "cancel-for-any-reason" waiver **For OAT portion**
- **Meals On Your Own:** ~\$350-\$400 (8 lunches & 4 dinners)
- **Main Guide Tip:** ~\$200 (For David Campbell)
- **HNH Donation:** \$250-\$500 (Paid separately to USI Foundation)

Activity Level & Physical Requirements

This is a moderately active tour. To fully enjoy the experience, please note:

- **Daily Walking:** Expect to cover 2–4 miles each day across city sidewalks, cobblestone streets, and rural paths.
- **Mobility:** Participants must be able to climb up and down multiple flights of stairs (indoors and out).
- **Accommodation Note:** The **Lochardil House Hotel** (Days 10 & 11) does not have an elevator. However, there are ground-level rooms available in the main house and garden extension. **Please advise Patrick Phelan if you require a ground-floor room when you sign up.**

☑ How to Book This Two-Part Journey

STEP 1: Register for the Main Tour (Days 4–17)

- **Action:** Text **Patrick Phelan** at O.A.T. to schedule a signup call: **(469) 794-7030**.
- **Payment:** \$500 Deposit paid directly to Overseas Adventure Travel.
 - **Note:** Group is limited to **16 travelers**; space is available on a **first-come, first-served basis**.
- **Deadlines & Promotions:**
 - **Dec 31, 2025 (Promotion):** Book by this date and **save \$500 per person**.
 - **PLUS:** You can save an **additional 10%** off the land and air (booked through O.A.T.), if you pay in full with a checking account within two weeks of booking.
 - **Jan 24, 2026:** Final deadline for \$500 Deposit.
 - **June 9, 2026:** Final Balance Due (if not taking advantage of the 10% pay-in-full savings).

STEP 2: Secure Your Pre-Trip Room (Days 1–3)

- **Action:** Contact **Dacey Lewis** to receive the specific booking instructions for the New Lanark Mill Hotel.
 - Email: **DOCEYDLD@GMAIL.COM**
 - Phone: **(812) 270-0606**
- **Payment:** You will call the hotel directly to authorize your room charge (~\$525).
- **Deadline:** The room block is held until **Jan 24, 2026**. Payment is fully refundable up to 7 days prior to arrival.



Overseas Adventure Tour Guide David Campbell Wrestling a Coo

