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HIKING HOLIDAYS GREAT GLEN WAY

Hiking: Great Glen Way

Scotland – just like in a picture book

As the most important trading route in the Scottish Highlands, the «Great Glen» has plenty of stories to tell. While the legend of Loch Ness probably belongs to the world of fantasy, this region has also been part of countless disputes and battles between clans. Nowadays, little disturbs the peace that reigns in the «Great Glen».

The Great Glen Way follows the Caledonian Canal, takes you to the shore of crystal clear lochs and in little towns with cosy pubs. This scenery is framed by green hills of the Scottish Highlands, which provides a wonderful contrast to the still waters. The Great Glen Way shows Scotland like in a picture book.

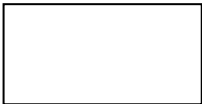


9 Days / 8 Nights



Self-guided tour

To the online version



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DAY
1

Arrival in Fort William





The small town of Fort William is picturesquely situated on the deep blue Loch Linnhe. Behind the roofs of the town, the peak of Ben Nevis rises majestically into the air. The diverse landscape makes Fort William a popular starting point for excursions into the nearby Highlands.

DAY
2

William – Gairloch/Spean Bridge

Ben Nevis and the peaks of the surrounding Highlands provide wonderful scenery for the first few miles. The Great Glen Way takes you close to the water through the outskirts of Fort William and through small parks.





After a few kilometres you reach the Caledonian Canal, which you will follow to Inverness. The walk is flat until you reach the locks at Gairloch. From here it is only a stone’s throw to your accommodation in Spean Bridge.

 approx. 5 – 5.5 h  approx. 20 – 23 km  180 m  120 m

DAY
3

Spean Bridge – Laggan





The shores of Loch Lochy await you today. Keep your eyes open, because this loch also has its supernatural. “Lizzie” is less well known than “Nessie” the Loch Ness Monster. The wild shore of Loch Lochy inspires folklore tales. You walk the entire length of the loch and soon the first houses of Laggan village come into view.

 approx. 6 – 6.5 h  approx. 24 km  220 m  240 m

DAY
4





Laggan – Fort Augustus

A variation of the Great Glen Way takes you a little higher today and offers views over nearby Loch Oich. You will walk through tranquil woodland with a myriad of colourful thistles lining the path. At Aberchalder, the Great Glen Way rejoins the Caledonian Canal, which takes you through a beautiful floodplain to Fort Augustus.

 approx. 5.5 h  approx. 20 km  230 m  250 m





DAY
5**Fort Augustus – Invermoriston**

Today you will reach the legendary Loch Ness. This stage is a little shorter than the previous ones, giving you the opportunity to take it easy on today's hike. In the village of Invermoriston you will find a small waterfall and some cafés and restaurants.

 approx. 3.5 h  approx. 12 km  200 m  150 m





DAY
6**Invermoriston – Drumnadrochit**

Today's stage offers two variants. The "high" tour leads you over steep steps to wonderful viewpoints. The "low" variant on the shores of Loch Ness involves less altitude gain, but it too climbs after a few kilometres. After the two paths have come together again, the path leads through untouched woods and moors to Drumnadrochit.

 approx. 6.5 to 7 h  approx. 22 – 24 km  565 – 615 m
 565 – 625 m





DAY
7**Drumnadrochit – Loch Laide**

The long final leg of the Great Glen Way is split into two shorter stages. In the morning a transfer takes you to Loch Laide. From here you will walk through tranquil woodland and heathland back to Drumnadrochit. In the village you have the option of visiting the Nessie Visitor Centre, one of the nearby waterfalls or the ruins of Urquhart Castle.

 approx. 3.5 h  approx. 12 km  375 m  120 m

DAY
8**Loch Laide – Inverness**

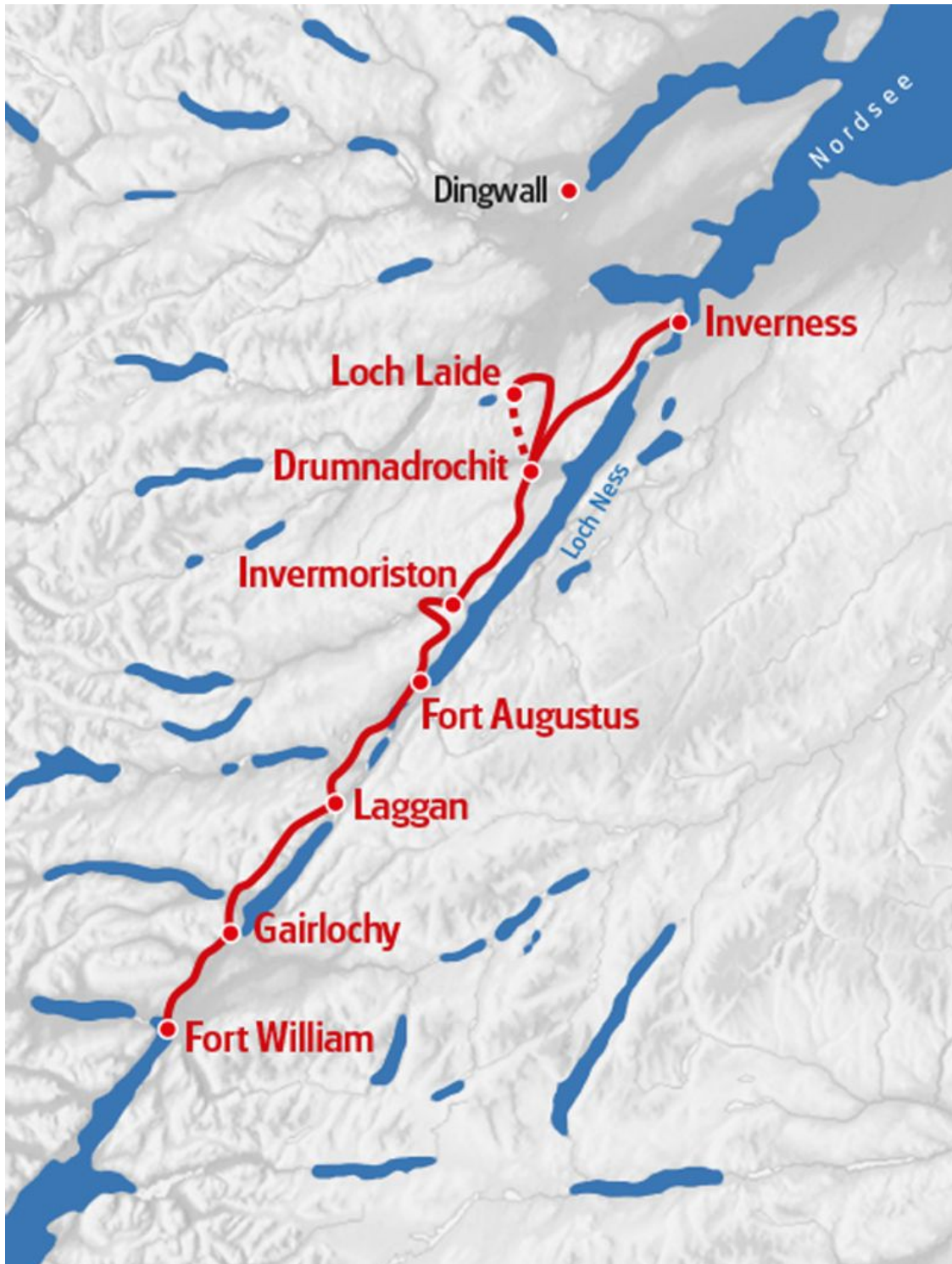
In the morning transfer back to Loch Laide. The last stage leads through idyllic woodland with occasional views of the city of Inverness. After a gentle descent to the banks of the River Ness, this channel leads you into the city. Your destination is Inverness Castle, which towers picturesquely over the city and marks the end point of the Great Glen Way.

 approx. 4.5 h  approx. 19 km  60 m  335 m

DAY
9**Departure or extension**

TOUR CHARACTER

Good physical condition is mandatory for the Great Glen Way. Occasionally there are steep climbs to overcome but the long stages are the biggest challenges in this long-distance hike. As in many other long-distance hikes, the Great Glen Way has occasional sections on asphalt roads. The entire route is perfectly sign-posted.



PRICES & DATES

PLACE OF ARRIVAL: FORT WILLIAM

Season 1	Season 2
16.03.2024 - 29.03.2024 06.04.2024 - 26.04.2024 28.09.2024 - 13.10.2024 Arrival daily	30.03.2024 - 05.04.2024 27.04.2024 - 27.09.2024 Arrival daily

Great Glen Way, 9 days, UK-SOWFI-09X

Base price	1'395.-	1'469.-
Surcharge single room	929.-	929.-

Category: 3* hotels and Bed & Breakfasts

ADDITIONAL NIGHTS

PLACE OF ARRIVAL: FORT WILLIAM

Season 1	Season 2
Mar 16, 2024 - Mar 29, 2024 Apr 6, 2024 - Apr 26, 2024 Sep 28, 2024 - Oct 13, 2024 Arrival daily	Mar 30, 2024 - Apr 5, 2024 Apr 27, 2024 - Sep 27, 2024 Arrival daily

Fort William

Double room/BB	129.-	129.-
Surcharge single room	129.-	129.-

Inverness

Double room/BB	99.-	99.-
Surcharge single room	59.-	59.-

Prices per person in CHF

SERVICES & INFORMATION

Services

Included:

- Accommodation as mentioned incl. breakfast
- Daily luggage transfer
- Carefully elaborated route description
- Detailed travel and tour documents 1x per room (German, English, French)
- Transfers according to programme
- App for Navigation and GPS-data
- Service hotline

Note:

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price
- Reservation fee of CHF 20.- per adult (incl. legally required customer money protection)

Information

Arrival/Departure:

- Arrive by flight in Edinburgh or Glasgow. Take the train or bus to Fort William, a journey of (Edinburgh) 4.5 hours respectively (Glasgow) 6.5 hours. Alternative arrive by flight to Inverness (daily with KLM via Amsterdam) and then travel by bus to Fort William in about 2 hours. Timetable and reservations for bus and train are recommended:
www.citylink.co.uk / www.nationalrail.com
- Travel back from Inverness by train or bus in about 3.5 hours to Glasgow or Edinburgh. For return journey from Airport Inverness by bus to the Airport in about 25 minutes.

Other important information:

- The distance travelled is approximate and may differ from the actual distance.
- Travel cancellation insurance, including travel interruption insurance is recommended.

CONTACT & BOOKING

Do you still have questions about the tour? We are happy to help and look forward to your inquiry.

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