



Discover Loch Ness Cruise Sample Itinerary

Fort Augustus to Inverness

This holiday offers an opportunity to really understand the uniqueness of the waterway and immediate countryside along the Caledonian canal, Loch Dochfour and Loch Ness. Our barges, lovingly converted for 12 guests, make the perfect base from which to explore this Scottish Highland waterway and all it has to offer. From the bustling village of Fort Augustus to the capital city of the Highlands Inverness, enjoy the space to breathe offered by Loch Ness and the Caledonian Canal.

Fort Augustus

Day 1 After arrivals, the barge will start locking down through the Fort Augustus flight of locks. This is an excellent early opportunity to watch the barge work and experience a taste of canal life. Alternatively, if you are feeling a bit more energetic you could take the rest of the afternoon to explore Fort Augustus and some of the surrounding countryside by bike or by foot. Our crew will be able to direct you to the best routes for any ability. Once the barge reaches the bottom of the locks it will tie up at a pier and will stay in Fort Augustus for the night.

Fort Augustus to Foyers

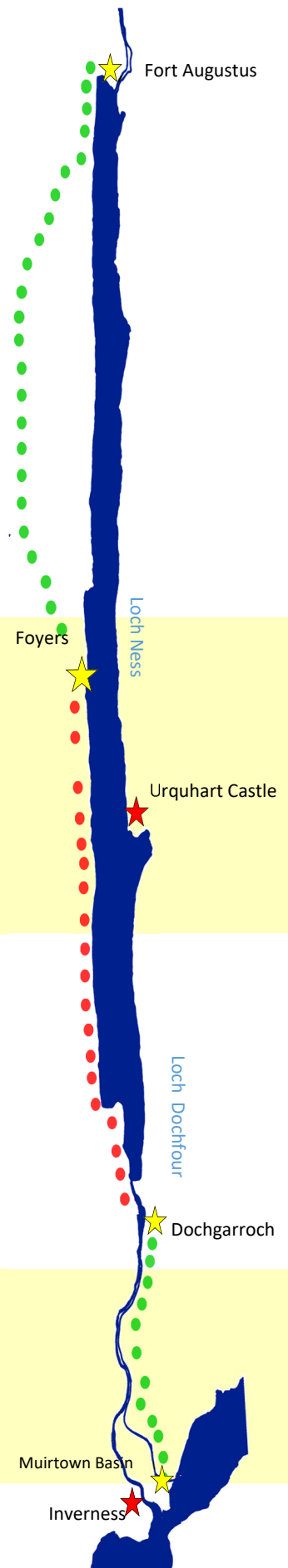
Day 2 Your first full day aboard will begin with a scenic morning cruise along the “wild side” of Loch Ness to Foyers. Known as the “wild side” as this part of the glen can only be accessed from the loch. For the more adventurous there is an active cycle available, taking a quiet road high above Loch Ness for wonderful views to the Monadhliath mountains, before descending back to Loch Ness at Foyers. Once there, you will have plenty of opportunities to explore ashore and weather permitting try your hand at some canoeing.

Foyers to Dochgarroch

Day 3 The morning will start with a cruise from one side of the loch to the other and across the deepest part of Loch Ness, arriving at Urquhart Castle, one of Scotland’s most popular historic sites. From the castle we will then cruise to the north end of the loch where there could be an opportunity for canoeing in Loch Dochfour and a chance to explore the grounds of Aldourie Castle and the surrounding ancient woodlands. The barge will finish for the day at Dochgarroch.

Dochgarroch to Inverness

Day 4 On the final morning you will be you have a choice of staying on board and enjoy the countryside slowly changing from a rural scene into some lovely views of the city and the River Ness. Alternatively, you could cycle along the towpath to Inverness to meet up with the barge which will have passed you on route for a farewell tea or coffee.



Guests are fully briefed each day on the cruise plan and activity options. The itinerary above is an example all activities are subject to weather conditions