



# Long Weekend Golf Trip to Aberdeenshire

## Day 1: Arrival and Golfing

- **Morning:** Arrive in Aberdeenshire. Depending on where you're coming from, consider flying into Aberdeen International Airport or driving.
- **Afternoon:** Tee off at **Trump International Golf Links**. This stunning course offers breathtaking views of the North Sea and is known for its challenging layout.
- **Evening:** Have dinner at **The Silver Darling**, a seafood restaurant with beautiful views of the harbor. Enjoy some local dishes and fresh seafood.

## Day 2: Castle Exploration and Golf

- **Morning:** Visit **Crathes Castle**, a beautiful 16th-century castle surrounded by gardens. Take a guided tour to learn about its history and explore the grounds.
- **Afternoon:** Play a round at **Banchory Golf Club**, a charming parkland course known for its friendly atmosphere and scenic views.
- **Evening:** Enjoy dinner at **The Douglas Arms Hotel** in Banchory. This local pub serves hearty Scottish fare and has a cozy atmosphere.

## Day 3: More Golf and Local Culture

- **Morning:** Head to **Royal Aberdeen Golf Club**, one of the oldest golf clubs in the world. The Balgownie Links course is a must-play,

featuring traditional links golf.

- **Afternoon:** Take a break from golf and explore **Aberdeen's Maritime Museum**, which provides insights into the city's rich maritime history.
- **Evening:** Dine at **Moonfish Café** in Aberdeen, known for its innovative menu and commitment to local ingredients. Enjoy a fusion of Scottish and international cuisine.

## Day 4: Departure

- **Morning:** If time allows, play a quick round at **Peterhead Golf Club**, which offers a beautiful coastal setting.
- **Afternoon:** Depart Aberdeenshire, possibly stopping at a local distillery for a whisky tasting on your way out.

## Additional Tips:

- **Local Experiences:** Consider scheduling a whisky distillery tour at places like **Fettercairn Distillery** or **Old Pulteney Distillery** to enrich your cultural experience.
- **Transportation:** Renting a car is advisable for easy access to various golf courses and attractions.
- **Accommodation:** Look for a golf hotel or a charming B&B in the area for a cozy stay.

## Language and Communication Tips

1. **Language Considerations:** While English is widely spoken in Aberdeenshire, you might encounter locals who speak Scots or Doric (a local dialect). Familiarize yourself with a few Scots phrases, such as "aye" (yes) and "wee" (small).
2. **Local Customs:** Scots are generally friendly and appreciate polite conversation. A simple "thank you" or "please" goes a long way.
3. **Dining Reservations:** Popular restaurants like The Silver Darling and Moonfish Café may get busy, so make reservations in advance.
4. **Golf Course Etiquette:** Familiarize yourself with basic golfing etiquette, such as being quiet while others are putting.
5. **Transport Communication:** Ensure you have a GPS or a reliable map app on your phone, and consider downloading offline maps.
6. **Local Events:** Check for local events happening during your stay for unique insights and cultural experiences.

Enjoy your golfing adventure in Aberdeenshire!