

## Scotland Tour 2019 Proposed Route.

Day one (map pages 36,35)\*

Travel from Peterborough to Penrith (222 mls, approx 5 hrs driving on the A1, A684 and M6). Not the fastest route, but we would cross the Yorkshire Dales National Park on the way.

Day two (map pages 40,39,45,50)

Penrith to Pitlochry (190 mls, approx 4 hrs, via M6, A74, A701, A702, Edinburgh Queenferry Crossing, M90, A9).

Day 3 (map pages 50,53,57,58)

Pitlochry to Wick (190 mls, approx 4 hrs, via A9, A99). This would take us through the Cairngorms National Park and start us on the North Coast 500 route once we passed through Inverness.

Day 4 (map pages 58,57)

Wick to Durness (110 mls, approx 3 hrs, via A99, A836). We would pass through John O'Groats and Thurso on the way.

Day 5 (map pages 57,56,52,53)

Durness to Inverness (128 mls, 3 1/2 hrs, via A838, A894, A837, A835). This would take us through Unapool and Ullapool, and take us back to the start of the North Coast 500. NB:- the online sites are saying you should allow 3 to 5 days to complete the full 513 mile route, so I have cut it short by about 160 mls to save at least one day, to give us the opportunity to see other areas of Scotland further south.

Day 6 (map pages 53,49,48)

Inverness to Oban (109 mls, 2 1/2 hrs, via A82, A828, A85). This takes us along the banks of Loch Ness and gives us the opportunity to visit Fort William.

Day 7 {optional} (map pages 48,49)

Oban to Tarbet and back to Oban (120 mls, 3 hrs, via A85, A82, A83, A819, A85). Chance to explore Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park, or chill out!

Day 8 (map pages 48,43,49,45,39)

Oban to Gretna Green (216 mls, 5hrs, via A816, A83, A82, A811, A875, A81, A891, A80, join M80 at J7, Exit M80 at J4 onto M73, Exit M73 at J1 onto M74, Exit J22 A74M onto A75 to Gretna Green). This route enables us to drive around Loch Lomond, then fast road to Gretna Green.

Day 9 (map pages 39, 40, 35, 36).

Gretna Green to Peterborough (239 mls, 5 hrs, via M6, A66, A1).

Total trip mileage approx. 1550 mls.

\* AA Road Map