

Flying to Scotland is generally very comfortable and easy. Some folks prefer to rent a car and drive after flying to their launch city in Scotland. In fact, it is by far the best way to travel, if you feel safe doing so. There is train service and bus service to most areas of Scotland, and also can allow maximum touring on an individual basis, if you prefer that. Many companies offer tours of Scotland, but we recommend Collette, as a well established and trustworthy group.

<http://www.gocollette.com/en/find-your-tour#q/content=Scotland>

From the United States and Canada:

During the 2017 Clan Baird Society Worldwide trip, we discovered that flying from Boston or New York to **Iceland** with **Icelandair** was very economical (\$600-\$800.00) round trip for each traveler. One can fly directly to Aberdeen on Icelandair. Also, they allow visitors to spend a few days in Iceland without charging a stop/start fee.

For those flying from the southern part of the United States, Atlanta to London direct, and then Edinburgh seems to be the best route, as far as fatigue and time.

Flying **Aer Lingus** is also a good option, especially from the mid-west, and Chicago-O'Hare. One flies directly to Dublin and then on to Edinburgh.

From the west coast, it is possible to fly non-stop to London and Dublin, with connections to cities in Scotland. We are not aware of direct flights to Scotland from the west coast at this time.

From Australia:

Flying from anywhere in Australia to London is the best route, according to our members there. One can either take the train to Edinburgh or Glasgow, rent a car, or get connecting flights to the Scottish city desired. Using the trains and rental cars allows travelers much more freedom in their travels and sight-seeing.

From New Zealand:

As flying from Australia, the best route is to London and then connect to the city in Scotland you prefer.

From Europe:

Train travel is extremely easy from most of Europe, as well as flights. Some flights go directly to the Scottish city you are planning to launch from, and are usually very economical.