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**SEE THE SIGHTS OF SCOTLAND WITH NEW SHORT BREAK FROM DUBLIN**

IRELAND’S leading ferry company, Stena Line, has teamed up with tour operator Travel Department, to launch a new short break package giving holidaymakers the opportunity to enjoy a sightseeing break in Scotland as well as Northern Ireland’s leading tourist attraction.

This fantastic 4-night trip, departing on Thursday September 19 for only €469pp, includes tea and coffee before departure in the Alexander Hotel in Dublin, luxury return coach from Dublin, a guided tour of Titanic Belfast with lunch, return ferry travel from Belfast to Cairnryan, four nights’ accommodation with breakfast each morning and one evening meal and entry into a number of Scotland’s top tourist attractions and tours.

Enjoy a city tour of Edinburgh which takes in its most famous attraction, Edinburgh Castle and the Royal Yacht Britannia where you can follow in the footsteps of royalty to discover the heart and soul of this most special of Royal residences.

In the afternoon guests will visit the Scotch Whisky Experience which provides visitors with a sensational journey! Take a swirling, bubbling barrel ride through a replica distillery as you become part of the whisky making process. Along the way you’ll hear the stories behind this magical craft, with expert tour guides and whisky advisors with you every sip of the way.

This action-packed short break also includes a full day excursion to St Andrews with a visit to the castle and cathedral included. The coastal return journey provides breathtaking views as the luxury coast will pass charming coastal towns.

Accommodation on the first evening will be at the 4-star North West Castle Hotel in Stranraer with dinner also included and the following three nights will be at the centrally located 4-star Novotel.

Lisa Brougham, Travel Department’s Product Manager said: “We have put together this wonderful package with Stena Line which gives people the opportunity to visit some of Scotland’s most popular tourist attractions. It is superbly priced and includes all travel, accommodation and entry fees. What’s more, there is free time for additional sightseeing and shopping, so it really does provide people with a unique way to see Scotland.”

Ian Baillie, Stena Line’s Key Account and Product Sales Manager added: “We are delighted to be working with Travel Department on this fantastic new short break package to Scotland. As well making the most of the trip to Scotland, people will be able to set sail in style with Stena Line and enjoy indulgent lounge areas to unwind in; delicious dining options to choose from as well as free movies and Wi-Fi.”

For further information or to book, contact the Travel Department at [www.traveldepartment.ie](http://www.traveldepartment.ie) or call 01 637 1600.

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