

2012 British Open Tour

9-23 July 2012



The British Open. For many this encapsulates the essence of how golf should be played. A well worn tradition dating back to 1860, the British Open is held proudly in the golfing hearts of many. Whilst only 8 contested the inaugural event in Prestwick, Scotland it is fair to say that golf has come a long way since those times and Go Golfing is delighted to present you the unique opportunity of experiencing your very own Open moment.

The Claret Jug, once of the most recognised trophies in sporting history in fact was not the original winners prize-the Challenge Belt was where it all started. The Jug however has since proved a prestigious trophy in the world of golf. The question however is, who will hold aloft the 2012 trophy? We can take you there.

2012 British Open will be hosted by Royal Lytham St Anne's Golf Club in the hamlet of Lancashire. The course is one of the premier links courses and has triumphantly hosted ten open championships, two Ryder Cups a rich tapestry of golfing greats have graced it's fairways. Before we get to see the best in action we are lucky enough to test our own golfing prowess on the hallowed greens of St Andrews, Royal Birkdale, Royal Troon and Turnberry... It does not come bigger than this.

A private clinic hosted by Jim Farmer will provide a valuable insight into links golf techniques, how to manage mighty pot bunkers and the art of the cheeky bump and run will have you ready to tackle the best of the British.

Taking in landmark cities of Edinburgh and Liverpool you'll be able to experience a private whisky tasting in an authentic distillery and bust out your best Beatles impersonation with an optional Beatles tour in Liverpool.

Along the way, your every whim is taken care of by experienced hosts and at the end of a long day rest assured that we have that covered too, historic hotels and manors will provide warm hospitality.

Places are strictly limited to the first 32 participants. Be quick to reserve your place. Tick this off your bucket list!

** Tour in conjunction with Teed Up Golf Tours.*





Tour Highlights

INCLUSIONS

- 9 rounds of golf (walking)
- Pull buggies provided at all courses (excluding St Andrews)
- Caddy at The Old Course, St Andrews
- 14 nights accommodation
- Daily breakfast
- Saturday and Sunday admission British Open
- Links golf clinic with Jim Farmer
- Welcome event inclusive of canapés and beverages
- Presentation dinner with beverages
- Private whisky distillery tour and luncheon
- Golf competition and prizes
- Luxury coach transfers
- Airport meet & greet
- 3 golfers luncheons



TOUR PACKAGES

Golfer	\$14,490pp twin share
Non Golfer	\$7,690 pp twin share
Single Supplement	\$1,980

Package is based on UK£/AUD\$ exchange rate of £.65 /\$1 AUD. Price will be recalculated 13 Feb 2012 if rate falls below £.62.

TRAVEL PLANNING SERVICE

Go Golfing Travel would be delighted to provide you with a non obligation quotation for your international flights and pre/port touring requirements. Call our experienced consultants today!

Important flight information:

Arrival 9 July, 2012.
 Departure 23 July, 2012 (after 1pm)



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Itinerary

DAY 1: Monday 9th July

Arrival into Edinburgh. Please advise flight details for airport meet & greet. Check in to MacDonal Holyrood Hotel, conveniently located in the heart of Edinburgh. At leisure this evening.

DAY 2: Tuesday 10th July

Following breakfast the group is divided up and half will play a prestigious private course whilst the other half will take their first swing at Kingsbarns Golf Links. Designed by Kyle Phillips, Kingsbarns has offered golfers a hearty welcome since 1793. The course is ranked in the top 100 and has made the best of its setting by an amphitheatre along the coast nearly every hole boasts unchallenged views of the North Sea. This evening we get to know each other at our informal welcome cocktail party.

DAY 3: Wednesday 11th July

Steeped in history... Strong in tradition... Famed for hospitality.... Welcome to Carnoustie! Widely recognised as the toughest test in Open Championship golf the Championship course is one of the ten oldest golf clubs in the world. Infact the layout has changed little over the last 75 years and provides a challenge for the modern golfer its beauty lies in the James Braid signature bunkering. Evening at leisure.

DAY 4: Thursday 12th July

Today is the reverse match of your Tuesday experience. If you played Kingsbarns you will today experience the inner sanctum of the private course and vice versa. This afternoon the group transfers to St Andrews and the famous Rusaks hotel. The hotel is uniquely situated in an enviable position over the first tee and 18th green of the Old course. Evening at leisure.

DAY 5: Friday 13th July

This morning we are in for a real golfing treat. Jim Farmer, Captain of the British PGA will take us through a private clinic articulating the techniques of links golf. A religious experience, the privilege of playing St Andrews Old Course is often referred to. Known as the home of golf this will be a day never to forget - 600 years of golf lays before you. Evening at leisure.

DAY 6: Saturday 14th July

Set on a rugged cliffline overlooking the ancient town of St Andrews, the Castle Course combines breathtaking views with a memorable golfing challenge. The youngest course in the seven on offer at St Andrews, the Castle Course is already proving itself a worthy challenge.

DAY 7: Sunday 15th July

Following breakfast today we transfer from St Andrews to the golfing resort of Turnberry. Along the way we enjoy a private distillery tour drinking in the essence of Scottish whisky complimented by lunch featuring regional fare. Check in at the Turnberry Hotel. Evening at leisure.





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DAY 8: Monday 16th July

The Ailsa Course... Currently ranked as Britain's number one golf course and consistently rated within the world's best. Watson, Norman and Price have all won here at Ailsa, home to the famous 'duel in the sun' of Watson and Nicklaus. Commissioned by the Marquess Ailsa, it is watched over by the prominent lighthouse on the peak, a stunning feature of this golfing beauty. Evening at leisure.

DAY 9: Tuesday 17th July

Golfers the world over vie to play Royal Troon's famous links and today you'll do the very same. Royal Troon boasts both the longest and shortest holes in Open golf. The par 3 8th hole ("postage stamp") measures a brief 123 yards whilst the par 5 6th (Turnberry) is 601yards. This afternoon we transfer to Liverpool. Check in Atlantic Tower Hotel. Evening at leisure.

DAY 10: Wednesday 18th July

Royal Liverpool or Hoylake as it is known by locals is a leading course opened in in the late 1860's on the then Liverpool racecourse. Many comments have been made over the years about the quality and toughness of the links. The quote by legendary golf writer Bernard Darwin 'Hoylake, blown up by mighty winds, breeder of mighty champions' gives an insight to the character of this seaside links layout. Will you be a mighty champion?

DAY 11: Thursday 19th July

Royal Birkdale, situated on England's Golf Coast stands out as a perfect example of links golf. One of the first tournaments the course hosted was the 1909 Ladies British Open Matchplay. Our own Peter Thomson enjoyed two sensational victories at Royal Birkdale. Whilst the 6690 yards itself is a test for the accomplished golfer, the wind whistling down the fairways when it comes from the sea adds to the challenge.

DAY 12: Friday 20th July

Our final golfing test is at the impressive layout of Formby. Firm greens, and undulating fairways set amongst pine trees will provide some reprieve from coastal winds. Heather and rough form a natural boundary together with bunkers and sandhills, it pays to concentrate! This evening we'll celebrate our victors with presentation dinner, the British Open is about to reveal itself!

DAY 13: Saturday 21st July

Transfer this morning to Royal Lytham and St Annes Golf Club for the 3rd round of the British Open. The course has produced some of the most memorable moments in golf history including Seve's famous 'car par' shot in 1979.

DAY 14: Sunday 22nd July

Soak up the history of the final round of the 2012 British Open at Lytham, watch the modern games young guns come to terms with traditional links golf. An exciting finale to your British Open experience.

DAY 15: Monday 23rd July

Transfer to the Liverpool airport for your onward travel arrangements. We recommend flights departing after 1pm.

