



5<sup>th</sup> April 2025

***Study Tour to Scotland, Wed 18<sup>th</sup> to Sat 21<sup>st</sup> June 2025 – Irish Farm Buildings Association***

Dear Member,

The IFBA are organising a Study Tour to Scotland in June. The organising committee are endeavouring to keep costs as low as possible while maintaining the high standards associated with previous Study Tours. The total cost for the Scottish Tour is €1,375 on a single room basis. This cost includes all transport (airfares and transfers by coach), meals (except lunch Royal Highland Show), entry fees and accommodation for the duration of the event. IFBA membership for 2025 of €50 is included in the cost if you have not already paid that. All delegates travelling must be IFBA members. A limited number of shared rooms are available at a lower rate (Please note to avail of this option you must confirm the name of the sharing delegate on the booking form).

The Association does not seek to profit from the organisation of such educational events so the final costs to delegates are kept as low as possible. Flights and accommodation for the event have had to be pre-booked and in order to facilitate the final planning of the itinerary we would be grateful if you could pay a non-refundable deposit of €600 (or preferably full payment) by the end of April 2025. Please complete the booking form (with payment by credit card or bank transfer) and return by email or post to the addresses indicated. Also, please provide details of the name on your passport and a copy of the relevant page of your passport with these details. Final payment is required by the end of May 2025.

We greatly appreciate your support on previous events and look forward to meeting you at the upcoming event. The Study Tour will be strictly limited to 50 people. Therefore, all bookings must be on a first come basis with the deposit guaranteeing a place on the trip for the first 50 respondents.

Yours gratefully,

Philip O'Dwyer,  
Secretary/Treasurer

## **Draft Itinerary IFBA Scottish Study Tour – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

### **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June:**

- Arrive in Glasgow Airport at 16.50 on direct Aer Lingus flight from Dublin departing at 15.30
- Transfer & Check-in at Doubletree by Hilton Glasgow Central Hotel, Cambridge Street  
[www.hilton.com/en/hotels/glagwdi-doubletree-glasgow-central/?SEO\\_id=GMB-EMEA-DI-GLAGWDI](http://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/glagwdi-doubletree-glasgow-central/?SEO_id=GMB-EMEA-DI-GLAGWDI)
- Transfer to Clydeside Distillery, 100 Stobcross Road, Glasgow for Reception and Dinner  
[www.theclydeside.com](http://www.theclydeside.com)
- Overnight at Doubletree by Hilton Hotel

### **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June:**

- Transfer to the Royal Highland Show, Edinburgh  
[www.royalhighlandshow.org/](http://www.royalhighlandshow.org/)
- Return to Doubletree by Hilton Hotel for Dinner and overnight

### **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June:**

- Transfer to Site Visit at SRUC (Scotland's Rural College) Barony Campus, Dumfries.

*SRUC was established in 2012 through the merger of the Scottish Agricultural College (SAC) with Barony, Elmwood and Oatridge Agricultural Colleges. These institutions can trace their lineage on agriculture Research & Development, Education and Advisory services over 100 years. SRUC is currently relocating their Dairy research activity from the Crichton Royal Farm and establishing research on a new site at Barony Campus.*

*Richard Dewhurst Professor of Ruminant Nutrition & Production Systems and Head of the Dairy Research Centre will host the visit. (Richard was formerly Head of the Animal Bioscience Centre at Teagasc Grange).*

- Lunch at SRUC
- Farm Visit locations to be confirmed in the afternoon
- Return to Doubletree by Hilton Hotel for Dinner and overnight

### **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June:**

- Check-out and depart hotel
- Visit Celtic Park Stadium, Parkhead, Glasgow (including lunch)  
<http://www.celticfc.com/visit-celtic-park/>
- Visit to Fairfield Ship Building Heritage Centre with presentations on the role of Govan Glasgow in world shipbuilding.  
<https://www.fairfieldgovan.co.uk/>
- Transfer to Glasgow airport for return flight to Dublin departing at 17.20 and arriving at 18.30

## I.F.B.A. 2025 Scotland Study Tour Booking Form

<b>Name:</b>		
<b>Company Name:</b>		
<b>Address:</b>		
<b>Email:</b>		
<b>Phone:</b>		
<b>Mobile:</b>		
<i>Membership for 2025 - €50 (if not travelling on the Study Tour)</i>	€	
<i>Study Tour Deposit - €600</i>	€	
<i>Study Tour Full Cost - €1,375 (single room incl. membership)</i>	€	
<i>Study Tour Full Cost - €1,175 (shared room incl. membership)</i>	€	
<i>Name of sharing partner</i>		
<b>Total</b>	€	
<b>Name on Passport: (please forward copy of passport)</b>		
<p>Payment Methods (Please indicate): Credit/Debit Card <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/> Bank Transfer <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/></p> <p>To Make Payments:</p> <p>1. For Credit / Debit Card Payment ring 066 7131952 or 087-2556511</p> <p>2. For Electronic Funds Transfer Payments<sup>1</sup> to:</p> <p><b><i>Irish Farm Buildings Association, Bank of Ireland, Tullamore, Co. Offaly</i></b></p> <p>IBAN: IE44 BOFI 9019 0969 3916 60</p> <p>BIC: BOFIE2D</p>		

Please return by email to: [info@ifba.ie](mailto:info@ifba.ie)

or by post to: Philip O'Dwyer, IFBA Secretary, Foxfort, Causeway, Co Kerry. V92F6T2

Telephone queries to: 087-2556511, 066-7131952

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<sup>1</sup> When making an Electronic Payment please include a reference to " Your Name " with the payment