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Proposed itinerary

Day	Date	Activity	Accommodation
Thurs	Oct 2015	Your designated River & Green representative will meet you on arrival at Edinburgh Airport and drive you to your accommodation in the Hope Scott Wing of Abbotsford House Canapés and champagne on arrival Dinner	Hope Scott Wing, Abbotsford House
Fri	Oct 2015	Breakfast **08:30 –** your River & Green representative will collect you after breakfast and drive you to the shoot Driven pheasant and partridge shooting for 8 guns using hired shotguns (200 bird day) **09:00** - The head keeper will deliver a brief safety talk before the days shooting commences. Driven shooting (2 drives) **11:00** – Break for “elevenses” Driven shooting (1 drive) **12:30** – Break for cooked lunch Driven shooting (2 or 3 drives) **15:00** / **15:30** Shooting ends Your River & green representative will collect you at the end of the shoot and drive you back to Abbotsford House Dinner	Hope Scott Wing, Abbotsford House

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Sun	Oct 2015	Breakfast Your River & Green representative will collect you from your accommodation and drive you back to Edinburgh Airport in time for departure	

Shooting

You will be shooting driven pheasant & partridge for 2 days on one of three estates in the heart of the Scottish Borders, near the market town of Kelso. Together, the estates cover almost 9000 acres of mixed arable land and mature native woodland. You will shoot as a line of 8 guns up to a bag limit of 200 birds per day. Overages beyond about 10% will attract an additional cost of £41/bird.

Shooting will begin at 09:00 with an introduction from the head keeper or Shoot Captain. Depending on the ground selected, you will do 2 or 3 drives in the morning with a break at around 11:00 for “elevenses” and 2 or 3 further drives in the afternoon. There will be a break for a cooked lunch provided by the estate at around midday. The day closes at around 15:00 – 15:30. The exact number and timings of drives are dependent on the weather and the disposition of the birds.

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The shoot is very professionally managed and the situation whereby the limit is reached early in the day will be avoided.

The estate's experienced and traditional gamekeeper will accompany you and use his skill, judgement and local knowledge to ensure that you take maximum enjoyment from your sport. Hired shotguns will be provided. The cost of cartridges is payable directly to the keeper dependent on actual consumption and at a rate of about £8/box of 25.The estate will provide beaters, pickers up and dogs.

Although the walking is generally quite easy on the ground you will be shooting, nonetheless it is the client's responsibility to ensure that he or she is sufficiently fit to undertake the required physical exercise in safety. The weather can be bad during the shooting season. All members of the shooting party must wear good quality walking boots and have warm waterproof clothing of a subdued colour. All hunters must be in possession of fully comprehensive insurance. You may be asked to produce your certificates of insurance before hunting can commence.

Accommodation

The Hope Scott Wing, Abbotsford House

Abbotsford House's Hope Scott Wing provides luxury accommodation in the heart of the Beautiful Scottish Borders and a unique opportunity to experience the splendour of the surroundings that proved such an inspiration to Sir Walter Scott, Scotland's greatest poet and writer. Over the years Abbotsford House has been visited by many famous names from British, Scottish and world history including Queen Victoria, Charles Dickens, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Nathaniel Hawthorne, President Ulysses S. Grant and J.M.W. Turne.

The Hope Scott Wing was a family home, created to protect the Hope Scotts' privacy after Scott's historic rooms were opened to the public. Because of this, each of its luxury bedrooms is one of a kind, individually styled and named after family members and other distinguished guests who stayed here, including Queen Elizabeth II's aunt, Princess Alice, who was a regular visitor.

The public rooms include a sumptuous sitting room – originally the withdrawing room of Scott's wife, Charlotte – a formal dining room seating 16 and featuring one of Scott's most treasured views over the River Tweed, a reading room and a billiard room. There is also a spacious, interior-designed kitchen with plenty of room for informal dining, a private courtyard and a private patio garden.

As part of the recent refurbishment, many of the original features have been retained, as well as some of the family's belongings, including original artworks and furniture, creating a unique combination of the personal and the historical in this intimate and luxurious country retreat.

House ameneties:

Five-star luxury bedrooms and bathrooms (4 rooms en suite; 2 rooms are private suites with bathrooms adjacent to rooms; 1 room en suite but shared 'Jack & Jill' bathroom);

Free access to Abbotsford (the historic house) for the duration of your stay, during opening hours;

Access to all the fabulous grounds and woodland, and the River Tweed, during and after opening hours;

Gun room, boot room, fishing tackle room;

Billiard/games room;

WiFi throughout;

Up to 3 well-behaved dogs allowed in basement of the Wing (no charge, but must be booked in advance);

TVs and DVD players in rooms;

2 Very well-appointed kitchens and 3 relaxing sitting rooms – one complete with a Bechstein 'baby grand';

Wood for fire provided;

Fire pit available for use in the courtyard or grounds;

Hot tub bookable on request - £200 supplement

Other outdoor activities can be arranged on request (eg mountain biking; croquet; boules etc. etc.);

Welcome hamper/breakfast hamper available on request (surcharge applies).