



FINGAL

Welcome aboard Fingal.

A former Northern Lighthouse Board tender, now transformed into an exquisite 22-cabin hotel and exclusive use venue by the award winning team at The Royal Yacht Britannia.

Our crew are here to look after you during your time on board. If you have forgotten an essential item, need a recommendation of where to eat, drink or shop or simply want to quiz us on Fingal's unique history, pop along to reception or dial 5050 on your telephone and a member of our crew will be on hand to help.

I hope you have a memorable stay on board Fingal and thank you for joining us on this exciting voyage.

Mari-Nel Scorer
Hotel Manager

THE SPIRIT OF THE SEA

Launched in 1963, Fingal was the last ship to be built by the prestigious Blythswood Shipbuilding Co Ltd in Glasgow. She spent most of her service life working out of Oban helping maintain lighthouses and transporting their keepers, equipment and supplies to some of the most treacherous locations in Scotland. Fingal was originally registered in Leith and has now returned home to Edinburgh's vibrant waterfront, the largest deepwater port in Scotland.

Fingal's Cave, a sea cave on the uninhabited Scottish island of Staffa, is also suggested to be named after the eponymous hero from Macpherson's epic. The cave is formed entirely from hexagonally jointed basalt columns similar to the Giant's Causeway in Ireland.

Fingal's logo is the trident which was fixed to the bow of the ship during her service with the Northern Lighthouse Board. It is also the weapon of Poseidon, or Neptune, the god of the sea in Greek and Roman mythology.

The stamp of the ship's history is a recurring motif found throughout the interior design of the ship.

FINGAL AS A WORKING SHIP

Fingal patrolled the stormy seas from the Isle of Man to Oban and Skye as a working ship. Before the Northern Lighthouse Board had helicopters at its disposal, Fingal was responsible for carrying out reliefs across all remote lighthouse locations, navigating rocky inlets to escort valuable supplies and lighthouse workers to safe anchorage.

Fingal made her maiden voyage from Greenock to Oban in 1963 and was one of three Northern Lighthouse Board ships covering the Scottish coast until 1987. The maiden voyage was successful and according to Northern Lighthouse Board Secretary W Alastair Robertson, "the ship proved herself to be most comfortable and a very good sea boat, indeed, it is true to say that all concerned are most satisfied with her."

In May 1987, Fingal started her annual cycle of main lighthouse storing trips commencing with the Isle of Man and the Clyde area, working north to Neist Point in Skye and Ushenish in South Uist. During this time, up to 30 major lighthouses and as many smaller unmanned beacons were gallantly serviced across tempestuous waters.

In 1993 Fingal moved to Stromness and was then responsible for servicing Orkney and Shetland. Approximately 30 major lights and numerous smaller beacons fell under her jurisdiction during this time before she retired from her service in 2000. Fingal was then sold to a private owner who maintained the ship for 14 years.

The Royal Yacht Britannia purchased Fingal in August 2014. The Royal Yacht Britannia's trading company, Royal Yacht Enterprises, began renovations in the same year. Fingal has now been transformed into a floating boutique hotel, creating a unique experience in Scotland's historic Port of Leith. Fingal's 22 cabins are each named after lighthouses designed by the Stevenson family, whose towering monoliths have shaped the coastline since 1794.

As Patron to the Northern Lighthouse Board since 2003, Her Royal Highness the Princess Royal on occasion joined the commissioners' trip on board Fingal. Her sleeping quarters now form part of The Skerryvore Suite.

In July 2018, HRH The Princess Royal enjoyed a private preview of Fingal ahead of the launch of her next chapter as a boutique hotel.

YOUR CABIN

ARTWORK

The artwork featured in your cabin is by renowned Scottish lighthouse photographer, Ian Cowe. Ian has visited over 96 major lighthouses across the country, taking spectacular images of the impressive structures on his way. Paying tribute to the Stevenson family, the photographs demonstrate how the historic monuments have retained their splendour over the years.

ADAPTORS AND CHARGERS

Adaptors and chargers are available at reception should you require them. Cabins also have USB sockets, which you can use to charge most smart phones and tablets. The voltage is 230 volts.

AIR CONDITIONING

For your comfort, your cabin is fitted with air conditioning, which can be controlled via the panel either beside the bathroom door or next to the wardrobe or from reception. Please contact reception if you require guidance on using the AC control.

ALLERGIES

Our beds are made with bespoke goose down and feather duvets and pillows. If you would rather have your bed made with blankets or if you would like to request hypoallergenic substitutes, please let us know.

BATH ROBES AND SLIPPERS

You will find your slippers located in the wardrobe or in the bathroom. Remember they are yours to take home. Enjoy our big snuggly bath robe. Should you wish to take one home, you can purchase this item from reception.

BATHROOM AMENITIES – NOBLE ISLE

Noble Isle celebrates the finest fragrances from across the British Isles. If you wish to take home the full-sized products in your cabin, we can of course add them to your bill. Reception has a small collection available to purchase.

DRINKS AND SNACKS

Please help yourself to tea, coffee, shortbread and teacakes. If you require some fresh milk, please call our guest services team on 5050. You will find a selection of locally sourced goodies in your mini bar, see the separate mini bar list for pricing.

Operating instructions for the Nespresso machine are accessed through a QR code next to the machine.

YOUR CABIN

FIRE ALARM

The fire alarm is an audible tone accompanied by a flashing red beacon in your cabin. As soon as you hear it, please make your way to the assembly point via the escape route marked on the plan on your cabin door.

If your sight, hearing or mobility may impair your ability to evacuate the ship, please make one of the crew aware.

We test the fire alarms every Tuesday between noon and 1pm.

HAIRDRYER AND HAIR STRAIGHTENERS

You will find a hairdryer in your wardrobe for use during your stay.

We keep a set of hair straighteners for use on request: please dial 5050.

IRON AND IRONING BOARD

These can be found inside your wardrobe. Please do not leave hot or plugged-in irons unattended.

LAUNDRY AND SHOE SHINE

Please find a list of services and prices in your wardrobe. Please complete the form, place your laundry in the bag provided and drop them off at reception. Items received before 9.00am will be returned the same day.

A complimentary shoe shine service is available on request: please dial 5050.

RECYCLING

Please help us to recycle by placing dry mixed recycling items in the green compartment of the bin, and general waste items in the black compartment.

Please place any glass bottles beside the bin.

All other waste should be placed in the bathroom bin.

SMOKING

UK law prohibits smoking indoors in public places. If evidence is found in your cabin, a minimum fine of £150 will be charged. We ask that you refrain from smoking on board, this includes cigars, e-cigarettes and vapes. The smoking area is located at the foot of the entrance gangway.

YOUR CABIN

TELEPHONE

Your telephone is very simple to use. Dial 9 for an outside line and dial 5050 to speak to a member of our crew. External calls made from your cabin phone will be charged.

TELEVISION AND RADIO

Your smart television gives you access to popular apps such as BBC iPlayer, STV Player and YouTube. Chromecast is supported on your smart television, where you can stream apps like Netflix and Amazon Prime through your personal devices.

You can of course watch a number of television channels or listen to various radio stations. Please follow on-screen instructions, however, should you require any assistance, please contact a member of our crew.

VALUABLES

There is a safe located in the base of your wardrobe. Valuables are left in the safe at your own risk. Please ask a member of the crew if you require assistance with setting your own personal code.

WAKE-UP CALLS

Please ask at reception or dial 5050 to arrange a wake-up call.

EXTRAS

Let the crew know if there is anything else you need, such as a hot water bottle, additional blankets, more hangers for your wardrobe or additional toiletries.

We also have available in the cabin a vanity kit, shower cap, sleep kit, comb, mending kit and shoe mitt.

Available on request are a dental kit, shaving kit and loofah pad.

FINGAL SERVICES

GUEST SERVICES

Your crew know all the right people and all the best places to visit during your time in Edinburgh. Whether you need tickets to a must-see show or last-minute recommendations on where to eat; our guest services team will be delighted to help.

EMERGENCIES

Your safety and well-being is our primary concern, and we have crew members trained in First Aid on duty at all times. In the event of an emergency, dial 5050 or alert a member of the team.

CHECK OUT

Check out is at midday. If you need to leave a little later, please let us know and we will do our best. A supplement will apply for late check out.

HOUSEKEEPING

Cabins will be cleaned every day by 5pm. If you would like your cabin serviced before this, please dial 5050 for reception.

As part of our commitment to the Green Keys on Fingal, only towels placed on the floor will be refreshed. The crew will replace your bed linen every second day. If you wish to have your bed linen changed more frequently please contact reception.

If you do not require your cabin to be cleaned, please hang the 'Do Not Disturb' sign on your door. A turndown service is provided upon request between 5pm and 8pm each night throughout your stay. If there is an alternative time you would prefer please let us know.

WI-FI

Complimentary Wi-Fi is available throughout the ship. Select 'FINGAL' to join, no password required.

CAR PARKING

Fingal's car park is located across the road at the bow of the ship. The gates will be locked by 1am (unless otherwise advised) and opened by 7am. Cars parked at owner's risk.

MEETING AND EVENTS

Fingal has an elegant ballroom perfect for your next event, or why not entertain in style in The Bridge? Please ask a member of our crew if you would like more information.

FINGAL SERVICES

LUGGAGE STORAGE

If you would like us to store your luggage once you have checked out, please dial 5050 and we will collect this from your cabin.

NEWSPAPERS

Please let us know if we can order any newspapers or magazines during your stay, for a small extra charge.

CHAUFFEUR DRIVE AND TAXI

Your crew will be delighted to assist you with all your transport requirements. Please dial 5050 to arrange.

CHILDCARE

We are happy to arrange childcare for you. Please let us know if we can help.

KEYS

We kindly ask that you leave your key at reception when you disembark the ship.

UMBRELLAS

You will find a broly in your cabin to use during your stay. Should you reach the front door as the heavens open and your umbrella is still in your cabin, we keep a few at reception so you won't get caught by a shower.

DINING

THE LIGHTHOUSE RESTAURANT & BAR

The Lighthouse Restaurant and Bar has been designed to give our guests an unhurried sense of luxury. Experience meticulously prepared dishes bursting with flavour. Simple, passionate cooking from the galley team, using the best of British. Enjoy a delicious dinner including Fingal's hot smoked salmon (which is smoked on board) and a selection of dishes inspired by Fingal's journey from coast to port.

AFTERNOON TEA

Sit under a shimmering ceiling and choose from a range of the finest teas followed by a selection of perfectly formed savoury and sweet delicacies, all made on board by our team in Fingal's galley. The afternoon tea menu changes regularly to offer the freshest, locally sourced ingredients in line with the season.

BREAKFAST

Daily 8am - 10.30am

AFTERNOON TEA

Wednesday to Sunday - 12.30pm – 3.30pm

RESIDENTS LUNCH

Daily 12.30pm – 3.30pm

DINNER

Daily 6pm - 9pm

ROOM SERVICE

Breakfast, residents lunch and dinner are available for room service, within our opening hours above. Menus detailed below. Please dial 5050 to place an order.

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YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

THE SHORE

George IV was given a huge welcome when he landed in 1822 which was stage managed by Sir Walter Scott, as a result of the visit the wearing of kilts was made legal and tartan permitted. It is therefore extremely fitting that the foremost experts in Highland Dress, Kinloch Anderson, are based nearby at Dock Street.

A plate on the quayside near to the Shore Deli and to Wishart's Restaurant points out where Mary, Queen of Scots, also landed here on her return from France in 1561.

Scotland's first electric street lighting illuminated The Shore. You can still see the light standards with their Leith Coat of Arms.

LEITH MARKET

Every Saturday, 10-4pm.

A bustling market beside the Water of Leith. Meet a variety of independent traders and sample their wares. Fresh fish, meat, bread, fruit and vegetables along with delicious home bakes, olives, charcuterie and Scottish cheeses - you are spoilt for choice!

NEWHAVEN HARBOUR

Situated 10 minutes from Fingal on the banks of the Firth of Forth, you will find the old fishing village of Newhaven. The harbour is still in use and well worth a visit. Welch Fishmonger established in 1959 is a vibrant fishmonger with a morning fish market and shop (open Monday to Saturday). There is also a selection of great restaurants to enjoy, including The Fish Market, Loch Fyne and Porto & Fi.

TRINITY HOUSE MARITIME MUSEUM

A treasure chest of maritime heritage and an unparalleled collection of wonders gathered over centuries by Leith's mariners can be found within Trinity House.

You can admire four portraits by Sir Henry Raeburn, a French Tricolour captured at the Battle of Trafalgar, a 200-year-old whaling harpoon as well as a fleet of historic ship models. All displayed in the cosy master's room and the imposing convening room of this fine Georgian building.

GIFT COLLECTION

Please call or visit reception and the crew will be happy to assist you in choosing the perfect momento from your time on board Fingal. Gifts for family, friends, colleagues or simply yourself!

Araminta Campbell lambswool throw	150
Araminta Campbell lambswool scarf	80
Fingal Fluffy Bathrobe	85
Fingal Umbrella	35
Fingal Gin	48
Britannia Teddy	19.99
Johnstons of Elgin Cashmere Socks (per pair)	45
Noble Isle Willow Song Scented Reed Diffuser	50
Noble Isle Willow Song Single Candle Wick	42
Noble Isle Perry Pear Hair Shampoo	15
Noble Isle Perry Pear Hair Conditioner	17
Noble Isle Willow Song Bath & Shower Gel	22
Noble Isle Whisky & Water Bath & Shower Gel	22
Noble Isle Whisky & Water Hand Wash	20
Noble Isle Rhubarb Rhubarb! Hand Wash	20
Noble Isle Rhubarb Rhubarb! Hand Sanitiser	17
Noble Isle Rhubarb Rhubarb! Body Hydrator	26

GIFT VOUCHERS

Give the gift of Fingal. Treat friends, family or colleagues to a monetary gift voucher to spend however they choose. We also have vouchers for overnight stay experiences, Afternoon Tea as well as a Dinner & Cocktails package. Our guest services team will be happy to give you more information.

OUR ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENT

Sustainability is one of our main priorities. Aboard Fingal, our environmental commitment is a journey, making both big and small, consistent improvements to ensure we do our part in protecting the world for future generations. Headed by Fingal's Guest Experience and Environmental Manager, Charlie Granleese, Fingal's Green Team meet regularly to review progress.

We are proud to be accredited by 'Keep Scotland Beautiful' for our efforts with a National Award for Environmental Excellence – the business standard that enables organisations to benchmark their environmental achievements and improvements.

Our green culture builds on existing sustainable practises such as energy saving and wide-spread recycling. Refillable water bottles for rooms by the Belu filter, refillable toiletries from bulk, and refillable jam jars in The Lighthouse Restaurant & Bar are recent initiatives that our team have put in place. Small changes that can create a big difference overall without compromising on the five-star level we provide to our guests.

FINGAL MEADOW

From the outside starboard decks of Fingal you'll see our wildflower meadow and herb garden, the result of a successful collaboration with the Water of Leith Conservation Trust and the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh.

With over 34 species of plant and flower, the meadow is proving attractive to local wildlife with bumblebees and butterflies visiting on a regular basis. From lemon verbena to lavender and sage to scots lovage, we grow a number of herbs to enhance our offerings in the Lighthouse Restaurant & Bar.

We have a strong passion on board Fingal for improving the biodiversity in our local area, another step in our environmental commitment journey.

NEIGHBOURHOOD DINING - FINE

THE KITCHIN

The restaurant's philosophy 'From Nature to Plate' is a true reflection of Tom Kitchin's passion for the finest, freshest Scottish seasonal produce.

RESTAURANT MARTIN WISHART

The insight which saw Martin Wishart boldly unleash fine dining on Leith back in 1999 and garner Edinburgh's first Michelin star continues to drive his restaurant. It is a well-oiled machine still capable of surprising and delighting.

HERON

A Michelin-starred relaxed modern restaurant with waterfront views. With menus showcasing Scotland's highest-quality produce.

THE LITTLE CHARTROOM

A neighbourhood bistro with a nautical theme. Serving quirky French-British dishes. Independent, family-run. Concise menus. classy cooking.

NEIGHBOURHOOD DINING - RELAXED

THE SHIP ON THE SHORE

Proudly using the freshest ingredients, which arrive daily and are harvested from sustainable stocks. They offer a simple approach: the finest ingredients, passionately prepared and expertly presented.

FISHERS LEITH

The original Fishers, nestled on the historic shore in Leith, is set in a 17th century watchtower. This award-winning restaurant offers a great atmosphere and fabulous seafood.

KING'S WARK

Situated less than 10 mins walk away, the charming building is steeped in history and dates back to the 1400s, providing a relaxing and cosy environment. Serves the best gastro-pub food in the capital.

TOAST

Toast has a selection of smaller plates with a Mediterranean influence.

CHOP HOUSE LEITH

This popular steak restaurant boasts a modern design, which complements the original features in this former cork warehouse on Constitution Street. Chop House Leith is the ideal spot outside the city centre to enjoy some of the best steak in Edinburgh.

EDINBURGH DINING

TIMBERYARD

Modern yet traditional, cool yet unpretentious, Timberyard is set in a converted warehouse. On the menu you'll find responsibly sourced seasonal ingredients. While the larder is strictly Scottish, there is a Scandinavian feel to the décor and food presentation.

SCRAN & SCALLIE

With oysters or hake & squid risotto on the menu and some Michelin star-winning know-how, Scran & Scallie is a gastropub with attitude. The ingredients are responsibly sourced from mainly Scottish producers.

FHIOR

An understated restaurant presenting fine food and warm hospitality, delivered with passion and skill. The experience at Fhior is dictated by the farmers, fishermen and foragers that they work with.

NOTO

An independent restaurant focused on food for sharing, small domaine wine producers & bespoke cocktails. Noto has a Michelin Bib Gourmand, which is awarded for "simple and skilful cooking".

CONDITA

A Michelin-starred restaurant offering a surprise, no choice, tasting menu, which lasts around 3 hours. Every aspect of Conditia moves with the seasons; food, wine and décor. Dining is by reservation only.

ONDINE

Award-winning seafood restaurant in Edinburgh. A creative menu presents sustainable fish dishes in a light, modern, elegant space. The lively restaurant is dominated by an impressive horseshoe bar and a crustacean counter.

THE LOOKOUT

Take in the stunning views of the Edinburgh skyline and beyond at this modern restaurant situated at the top of Calton Hill. Menus that focus on simple, earthy ingredients that showcase the best, honest flavours nature has to offer. Thursday to Sunday.

THINGS TO DO

THE ROYAL YACHT BRITANNIA

As Fingal is part of The Royal Yacht Britannia's fleet, this is a must visit during your time in Edinburgh. Britannia was home to Queen Elizabeth II and the Royal Family for over 40 years, sailing over 1,000,000 miles around the world.

Berthed a short walk along the quayside from Fingal, you can follow in the footsteps of Royalty to discover the heart and soul of this most special of royal residences. Complimentary tickets are available from reception.

EDINBURGH CASTLE

Edinburgh Castle is one of the highlights of a visit to Edinburgh. Set in the heart of the city, the castle is alive with tales of its time as a military fortress, royal residence and wartime prison.

MARY KING'S CLOSE

You will be guided through the underground closes by one of the characters whose life touched Mary King's Close. Your guide will reveal dramatic episodes and extraordinary apparitions from the past, including ghost stories over 300 years old.

ST GILES' CATHEDRAL

Built in 1120, and a short walk downhill from Edinburgh Castle, this church is one of the most important architectural landmarks along the Royal Mile. It combines a stone exterior with surprisingly graceful and delicate flying buttresses. One of its outstanding features is its Thistle Chapel, housing beautiful stalls and notable heraldic stained-glass windows.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF SCOTLAND

A diverse collection that will take you on a journey of discovery through the history of Scotland and around the world, taking in the wonders of nature, art, design and fashion, and science and technology – all under one roof.

THE SCOTTISH NATIONAL GALLERY

This gallery houses Scotland's collection of fine art, from the early Renaissance to the late nineteenth century, and is located on The Mound in central Edinburgh. The imposing building was designed in a neoclassical style by prominent Scottish architect William Henry Playfair, and first opened to the public in 1859. Admission is free.

THINGS TO DO

ARAMINTA CAMPBELL

Araminta designed the Fingal weave that you will find in your cabin. The bed throws and cushions are available to purchase. Private tours of her atelier in South Queensferry can be arranged upon request.

CAMERA OBSCURA

This 1853 periscope at the top of the Outlook Tower throws a revolving image of nearby streets and buildings onto a circular table. Trained guides point out the landmarks and talk about Edinburgh's fascinating history. In addition, there are several entertaining exhibits, all with an optical theme.

PALACE OF HOLYROODHOUSE

The Palace of Holyroodhouse stands at the end of Edinburgh's Royal Mile. Explore the palace's close associations with some of Scotland's most well-known historic figures such as Mary, Queen of Scots and Bonnie Prince Charlie, and learn how today it is used by His Majesty The King when carrying out official engagements in Scotland.

SCOTT MONUMENT

On the death of Sir Walter Scott in 1832, the great and good of the city came together to agree on a fitting monument to this outstanding Scottish literary figure.

In 1836, an architectural competition was launched, inviting designs for an appropriate memorial. Two years later, the trustees approved the design submitted by George Meikle Kemp and construction began in 1840.

ROYAL BOTANIC GARDEN EDINBURGH

A trip to the world-famous Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh is unmissable. Experience an extravaganza of plants from around the world, learn about the garden's rich and diverse living collection and discover a history dating back nearly 350 years.

THE SCOTTISH NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY

One of Edinburgh's most remarkable buildings, the Scottish National Portrait Gallery sits proudly in central Edinburgh at No.1 Queen Street. It opened to the public in 1889 as the world's first purpose-built portrait gallery. Displays at the Gallery explore different aspects of the story of Scotland and her people, told through a wealth of imagery including portraits of famous historical figures, through to recent pioneers in science, sports and the arts.