

## Hugh



Hugh has worked as a Tour Guide since 2002, passing the prestigious Scottish Blue Badge qualification. He has developed his interests in architecture, and has been involved in the production of a guide to Glasgow's Victorian buildings.

He is very interested in the complicated history of Scotland and has taken a number of courses at Stirling and Dundee University to further extend his knowledge. Nevertheless, he understands that a guide's role is as much to entertain as to inform.

Hugh was brought up and lived as a child in Glasgow. He graduated as a civil engineer from Glasgow University and then spent almost 40 years in the construction industry as a senior manager and director. Mostly working in Scotland, his work and business interests have taken him to every corner of mainland Scotland and many of the islands. During this time, he has gained an intimate knowledge of the country.

In addition to his tour guiding, for the last 5 years he has worked as a business consultant with clients who include a major international architects practice and is the owner of a training company specialising in Presentation Skills using his love of public speaking.

Today, he lives in Bridge of Allan, near Stirling, with his wife Kay, who keeps him organised and shares his enthusiasm and interest in the rich heritage of Scotland. They have two sons and one daughter.

Hugh's interests are equally impressive and diverse. Whilst at University he represented Scotland at Rowing and also shot for Royal Naval Reserve. Today, he is a Governor at Glasgow Caledonian University, making sure today's students have the same opportunities he had.

Hugh's love of all the best in Scotland is legendary. He maintains research into the finest lunching and dining places in Scotland with food and good restaurants feature particularly highly especially, when mixed with some locally produced real ale and single malt whisky.

### **What our clients say about Hugh**

"Hugh, you made our travel in bonny Scotland such a wonderful experience. We are grateful for your knowledge and most of all, your delightful sense of humour.

We learned so much about Scotland that we would have missed without you"

**Nancy and Tom – Georgia**

"I long for the twinkle in the eye of a great Scot who made our trip "spot-on". Many thanks to you"

**Jan – Canada**