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**BRILLIANT  
THINGS TO DO  
IN SCOTLAND**

Come and find out more



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Live like the Downton Abbey aristocracy for the day with a visit to **Duff House in Aberdeenshire**

Go for a bike ride on the **7stanes trails** across the south of Scotland



Follow in the footsteps of US presidents with a stay at the **Eisenhower Apartment at Culzean Castle, Ayrshire**

Keep your eyes on the sunning skies of **Mull** watching the eagles soar; or meet the famous **Tobermory Cat!**



See the Falls of Lora at the end of **Loch Etive**

Explore **Achamore Gardens** on the **Isle of Gigha**

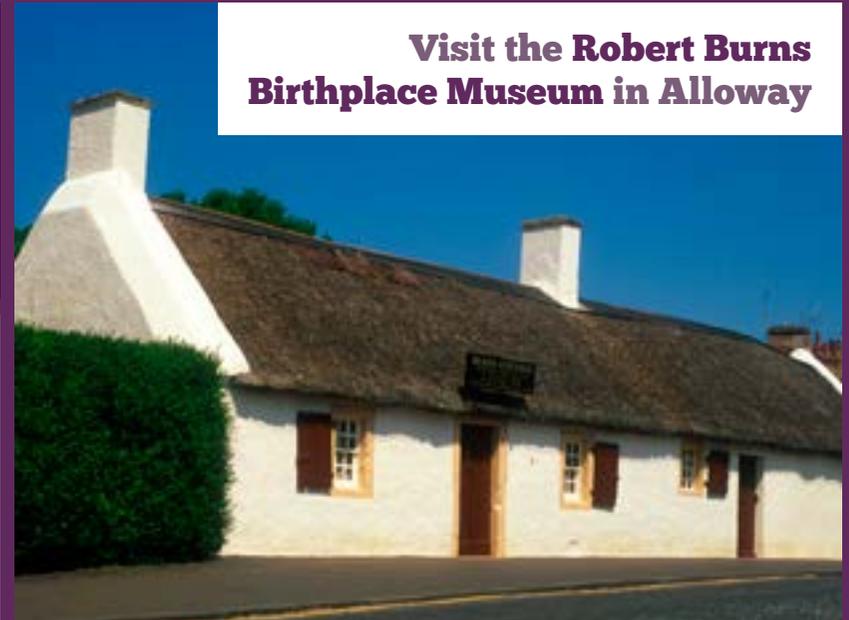
Watch the 40ft **Wickerman** spectacularly set alight at the **Wickerman Festival, Dumfries & Galloway**

Get up close and personal with **Jaws** at the **Coll of the Sharks Festival, Isle of Coll**

Spend a day visiting **art galleries and museums**, followed by an evening at the theatre, in the city of **Aberdeen**

Take a tour of the farm, learn how ice cream is made and enjoy the adventure playground at the **Cream O'Galloway Visitor Centre, Dumfries & Galloway**

Visit the **Robert Burns Birthplace Museum** in **Alloway**



**Visit Gretna Green's Famous Blacksmiths Shop**

**Visit the Drover's Inn, Loch Lomond, an old inn used by the Highland drovers who used to drive their cattle down the side of Loch Lomond to the markets**



**See some free shows during the Edinburgh Festival Fringe**

**Explore Scotland's Seafood Trail, including the renowned Loch Fyne Oyster Bar and the Pierhouse Hotel in Appin**

**Eat a real Forfar Bridie**

**Explore Scotland's Castle Trail, Aberdeenshire**



**Take a trip to Caerlaverock Castle, near Dumfries, one of Scotland's greatest medieval fortresses and the UK's only triangular shaped castle**

**Journey through the past in Dundee & Angus by following the Pictish Trail and discover the mysterious Pictish stones**

**Take a walk along Broughty Ferry beach and enjoy great views across the estuary**



**Climb aboard the RRS Discovery in Dundee**

**Check out the interiors of Mount Stuart, a 19th century country manor house, on the Isle of Bute**

**Check out the locations for various films made in Scotland, including the famous red phone box in Pennan, Aberdeenshire from 'Local Hero'**

**View the Corryvreckan whirlpool**

**Drive or walking through Glencoe Pass**

**Blow away the cobwebs with a walk in the Pentland Hills, just outside Edinburgh**

**Discover Charles Rennie Mackintosh's House for an Art Lover, Glasgow**

**Share the road at Plockton with Highland Cows and palm trees**

**Visit the Globe Inn in Dumfries, Robert Burns' favourite pub - if you sit in his former chair you have to be able to recite his poetry or you owe everyone in the pub a drink!**

**Have lunch by the sea at North Berwick's Scottish Seabird Centre**

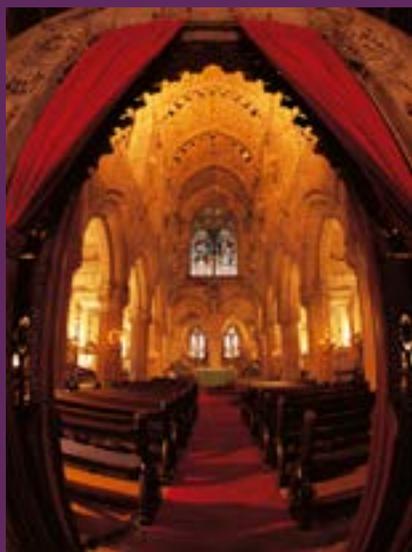
**Climb to the top of Arthur's Seat in Edinburgh**

**Walk all of the Munros - there are 282 of them (and they are all over 3000ft)**



**Visit Glamis Castle, renowned as being one of the most haunted castles in Scotland!**

**Play golf at the oldest  
golf course in world,  
Musselburgh Links,  
The Old Golf Course**



**Search for the  
Holy Grail at  
Rosslyn Chapel,  
Midlothian**

**Explore  
Quarrier's Village  
- a conservation  
village, formerly  
the famous  
Victorian orphan  
community  
built by William  
Quarrier - in  
Inverclyde**

**Drive the Fife  
coastal tour,  
stopping off  
and exploring  
villages en route**

**See the Kelpies,  
part of the John  
Muir Festival, at  
the Helix Park  
in Falkirk**



**Go down to the  
woods and spend  
a night in a  
treehouse at Fernie  
Castle in Fife**

**Enjoy  
Michelin star  
restaurants  
and visit the  
Royal Yacht  
Britannia in  
Leith**



**Play the Old Course  
at St Andrews**

**Explore your  
senses with  
whisky during  
Whisky Month  
at Create: Eat:  
Whisky in  
Edinburgh**

**See Robert the  
Bruce's grave  
in Dunfermline  
Abbey**

**Enjoy fish & chips  
sitting at Crail  
Harbour in the  
East Neuk in Fife**

Follow in the fictional footsteps of **Inspector Rebus** on a walking tour around **Edinburgh**



Come face to face with characters from the past at **Stirling Castle**

Become a warrior and plan your own military strategy with a visit to the **Bannockburn Visitor Centre** in **Stirling**

Enjoy a watersport on **Loch Lomond**

Take a ferry out to **Inchmahome Priory** near **Stirling** to see the priory established in the 13th Century by a small community of **Augustinian monks**

Choose from the great choice of places to eat in the atmospheric cobbled **Ashton Lane** in the **West End of Glasgow**.

Experience a gig at the famous **Glasgow Barrowlands**



Go on a ghost tour along **Edinburgh's Royal Mile** (one of the spookiest places in the country)

Take in a live science show and go and see the latest **IMAX®** movie at the **Glasgow Science Centre**

**Follow the Clackmannanshire Tower Trail, a route taking you around four tower houses and one manor house**

**Take the shortest scheduled flight in the world from Westray to Papa Westray, two of Orkney's smaller islands (it takes two minutes)**

**Drive up the Pass of the Castle (Bealach na Ba) to Applecross and take in the amazing views**

**Cycle through the Cairngorms National Park**

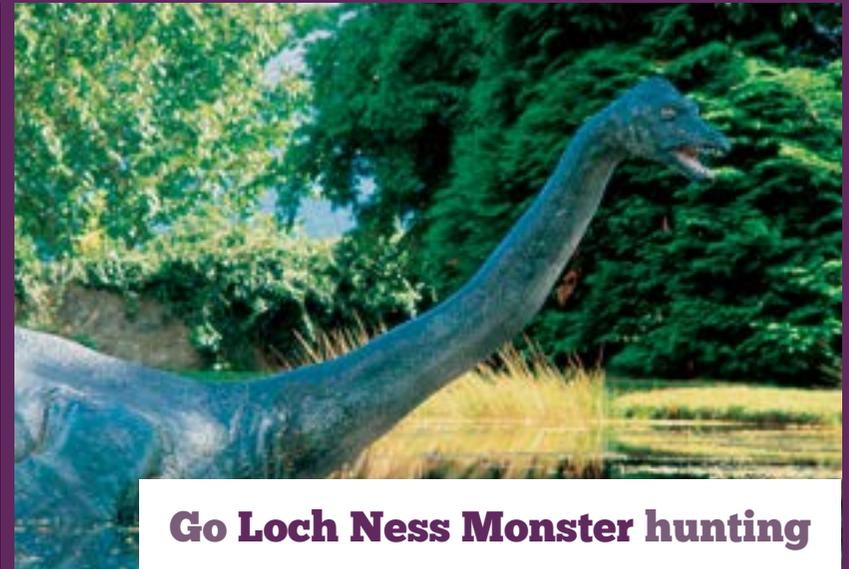


**Get a taste for the 'Water of Life' on the world-famous Malt Whisky Trail through Speyside**

**Go dolphin-watching at Chanonry Point on the Black Isle**



**Explore two UNESCO World Heritage Sites and discover ancient Roman stories and what working life was like in the 1700s with a visit to the New Lanark World Heritage Site and the Antonine Wall in Lanarkshire**



**Go Loch Ness Monster hunting**



**Follow in the footsteps of Harry Potter crossing the Glenfinnan Viaduct by train**

**Follow the scarecrows on Skye at the Tattie Bogal Festival**



**Make some new four legged friends at the World Sheepdog Trials in Tain in September 2014**

**Take a scenic tour around Orkney Islands and see the spectacular Old Man of Hoy**

**Pull on your wellies and go to T in the Park**

**Mix with the Heavies at the Highland Homecoming Festival in Inverness**

**Walk along the beach at Achmelvich in Sutherland**

**Surf the world class waves at Thurso**

**See the Northern Lights**



**See the panoramic view around Castle Stuart Golf Links in Inverness**

**Take the West Highland line to Mallaig, a 164-mile train ride**



**Visit the Ring of Brodgar Stone Circle in Orkney, one of the largest and finest stone circles in the British Isles**

**Fly to Barra and land on the beach**

**Take a boat trip to the unique Fingal's Cave in the Inner Hebrides**

**Visit the Callanish Standing Stones in Lewis**



**Sample whisky at one of Islay's many distilleries**

**Walk along the beach on Tiree**



**Step back 5,000 years at Skara Brae in Orkney**

**Visit the home of Sir Walter Scott, Abbotsford House, by Melrose in the Scottish Borders**



**Walk along the white sand beaches on Harris and Lewis**

**Do a Highland wildlife safari near Aberfeldy; with kilted landrover drivers, whisky nips in a bothy at the top of a mountain and plenty of wildlife**

**Get out on the water and try your hand at watersports in Perthshire including white-water rafting and canoeing**

**Enjoy a spot of afternoon tea at the Dryburgh Abbey Hotel, Melrose in the Scottish Borders**

**See a theatre production at the Pitlochry Festival Theatre**

**Bungee jump at Killiecrankie**

**Sit and relax on a park bench in Kelvingrove Park, Glasgow in the springtime**

**Catch a traditional music session at the Taybank in Dunkeld**

**Explore St Ninian's Isle in Shetland and see the puffins and many other seabirds**



**Follow in the footsteps of world-class golfers and get in the mood for the Ryder Cup, with a trip to the Gleneagles Hotel and Golf Resort in Perthshire**



Visit the most northerly golf course in Scotland, which is situated on the small island of Whalsay, in the Shetland Islands

Watch the cricket on the beach in Elie, Fife during the summer

Eat haggis at any time of the year all over Scotland!

Spend midsummer at the northern tip of Unst

Soak up the atmosphere in Glasgow, host city of the XX Commonwealth Games and Glasgow 2014 Cultural Programme including the Festival around Games time

Come face to face with the famous ponies of Shetland!

Go to a ceilidh and learn that fabulous dance **Strip the Willow**

Discover Scotland's Viking history in the town of Kirkwall in Orkney

Watch the sun set near Brodick Castle on the Isle of Arran



Be inspired by the work of famous contemporary artists with **GENERATION**, a celebration of 25 years of art in Scotland





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