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GREATER GLASGOW & THE CLYDE VALLEY
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A warm welcome to Glasgow, Scotland’s largest city and a proud, passionate place to visit. Find amazing culture around every corner, from the City Centre Mural Trail to museums and art galleries filled with some of the finest collections in the UK, including world-famous designs by Charles Rennie Mackintosh. Spend time exploring the city’s varied neighbourhoods and green spaces. And you won’t be short of amazing entertainment to choose from. Why not catch a gig in this UNESCO City of Music – discover one of the hottest new bands or catch a traditional music session.

From big-name festival favourites to world-class theatre, dance, music, sport, visual arts and exhibitions, family fun and much more. Within easy reach of the city, you’ll also find lush countryside and a stunning coastline where you can try out all sorts of outdoor activities and enjoy great family days out. There’s some fascinating history too, including two UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
Glaswegians take pride in their friendly, energetic city – a place where people are up-front, stylish, and full of life. Discover the ultimate destination for an urban Scottish experience, from enjoying a dram of whisky at the docks to taking part in a ceilidh in the heart of the city. With a wealth of rich heritage, non-stop entertainment and year-round events to enjoy, you won’t be short of things to do.

Immerse yourself in the city and explore Glasgow’s diverse neighbourhoods. In the north you will be forgiven for thinking you have left the city as you wander the Forth and Clyde Canal. Discover the city’s industrial heritage or take in urban adventures along the waterway. Head west to tree lined streets hiding away historic attractions, as well as one of Glasgow’s trendiest neighbourhoods. In the north you will find densely packed streets with 19th century tenements, independent eateries all packed streets with 19th century tenements, independent eateries where people are up-front, stylish, and full of life. Discover the ultimate destination for an urban Scottish experience, from enjoying a dram of whisky at the docks to taking part in a ceilidh in the heart of the city. With a wealth of rich heritage, non-stop entertainment and year-round events to enjoy, you won’t be short of things to do.

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Don’t miss…

- A performance that blends a fantastical fusion of theatre and breathtaking mechanics at the Sharmanka Kinetic Theatre in Trongate 103.
- Free entry to one of only five Clyde-built sailing ships still afloat. Glasgow’s Tall Ship, the Glenlee, is berthed at the Riverside Museum.
- A musical performance at one of the city’s varied and world-famous venues, including the Barrowland Ballroom and King Tut’s Wah Wah Hut.

City Facts

- Did you know that Glasgow is a UNESCO City of Music? If you had enough ears you could enjoy over 100 live music events every week in venues ranging from intimate clubs and music pubs to stadiums and historic concert halls.
- Glasgow Green thrills to the sound of hundreds of bagpipers every August, at the fantastic World Pipe Band Championships. Glasgow has been named the European Capital of Sport in 2023.
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GLASGOW AT A GLANCE

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Glasgow Cathedral

TRUMAN, THE PAVILION AND THE KING’S THEATRE.

The Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre, SSE Hydro and Clyde Auditorium (Armadillo)

The Barras Market as well as a host of independent retailers, with the iconic Barrowland Ballroom entertainment venue nearby. Discover the very heart of the city at Glasgow Cathedral, which sits on the spot where Glasgow was founded, and learn more about the city’s past at the Glasgow Necropolis and Provand’s Lordship, the city’s oldest house.

When you’re walking the streets make sure to ‘look up’! It’s the best way to discover the city’s varied architecture. Take in the Neo-Gothic University of Glasgow as well as some of the finest Victorian architecture in the UK. Discover the Art Nouveau wonders of Charles Rennie Mackintosh, the famed architect and designer, at venues across the city, including Mackintosh at the Willow and House for an Art Lover. You’ll find amazing art every corner in Glasgow – just follow the City Centre Mural Trail to find out. The city is one of the UK’s major centres for the arts and has been a European City of Culture.

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The city is always bustling with amazing events, from Celtic Connections, the UK’s premier celebration of Celtic music, to the eclectic Merchant City Festival and Glasgow International Comedy Festival. As a UNESCO City of Music, you’ll find brilliant gigs to suit all tastes every night of the week. Catch big star names or discover up and coming acts. Glasgow is also one of the world’s top sporting cities, having played host to several world-class events, so make sure to take in a bit of the action on your visit.

In the city centre you’ll find some of the best shopping in the UK outside London. All the major high street brands you can think of are here as well as a host of independent retailers. In the Merchant City you’ll find a fantastic mix of designer stores (such as Cruise, Mulberry and Emporio Armani), stylish cafes, bars and bistros, and independent art galleries, all housed in some striking Victorian buildings.

In the boho West End you can uncover a treasure trove of unique, quirky stores, craft shops, vintage clothing and gift boutiques. Looking for something a little different? Urban Market at Drygate Brewery is a hot bed for Glasgow’s up and coming design talent and farmers markets are a great place to pick up local treats.

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East Dunbartonshire
As far as the Romans were concerned, the Antonine Wall, now a UNESCO World Heritage Site, marked the edge of civilisation. It was the northernmost extent of their empire in the second century. Today, you can see the remains of this unique archeological treasure at Bearsden and Kirkintilloch, north of Glasgow.

Look out for not one but two ruined castles in Mugdock Country Park. You can also take to the cycling or orienteering trails, and try ranger-led activities.

Renfrewshire
Guess what the famous Paisley pattern was named after? That’s right, the town of Paisley, which has a centuries-old history as a weaving town. The town museum holds the finest collection of Paisley shawls in existence – a Recognised Collection of National Significance for Scotland.

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HIGHLIGHTS
- The Falls of Clyde Wildlife Reserve, home to more than 100 species of birds and its cheeky resident otters.
- intu Braehead – for all the latest brands and more, including a cinema and curling rink. It’s also home to Snow Factor which boasts the UK’s longest real snow indoor slope.
- ‘Braveheart’ William Wallace was first schooled in Paisley’s magnificent medieval abbey, which dates from the mid 12th century.

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The locals hold Glasgow Green very close to their hearts. It’s the city’s oldest parkland and it stretches out alongside the River Clyde. Come for a lunchtime stroll and look out for the beautiful Victorian greenhouses of the Winter Gardens and the People’s Palace, Glasgow’s social history museum.

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Dear Green Place ‘Dear green place’ is how Glasgow translates from Gaelic, and while the city has a proud industrial heritage, it also has a surprising number of beautiful parks, gardens and open spaces. Duck out of a shopping expedition for a quick breather, plan a family day out or go wild in the surrounding countryside.

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Robert the Bruce was charging through the forest hunting deer when the Cadzow Oaks were planted in the woodlands of Avon Gorge. In the seven centuries since, these venerable trees at Chatelherault Country Park have seen a lot of human drama. Nearby are the ruins of 16th century Cadzow Castle, and the splendid Adams-designed historic house of Chatelherault guards the gateway to the park.

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Bluebells herald the arrival of spring in Scotland’s newest country park, Dams to Darnley. Here you can explore 1,350 acres of water, wetland, woodland and grassland on foot, by bike or on horseback.

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Have lunch first, or go shopping? It doesn’t matter at the Three Sisters Bake. At this café and craft shop in Quarriers Village you can savour a tasty lunch and velvety coffee before browsing the local crafts and gifts.

Why not enjoy a dram of whisky in a traditional bar, or head straight to the source and take a tour of a nearby distillery? You can create your very own blend of whisky at Glengoyne Distillery, by Killearn, or choose from a choice of whisky experiences at Auchentoshan Distillery by Dalmuir, Clydebank.

Twirl an olive in your cocktail in a stylish bar like the Corinthian Club, which has its own casino, or admire the views from the rooftop Red Sky Bar at the Radisson Red Hotel.

Sup authentic ale at the Clockwork Beer Company on Cathcart Road, which has its own microbrewery on site and serves four of its unique ales every day.

Learn more about the treats that Glasgow has to offer with a foodie tour. Once Upon a Whisky uncovers some of the best whisky bars in the city, Eat Walk Glasgow highlights the best food and drink in town and Scot Beer Tours focuses on the history of Glasgow as a brewing city.

Pick up a tipple to take home from the Good Spirits Company on Bath Street or join in one of their tasting sessions or masterclasses.

Sample British-inspired dishes with an international twist at The Ivy on Buchanan Street, or take in a drink in their stylish bar.

For more information and suggestions visit community.visitscotland.com
Enjoy some tranquility with a walk through Pollok Country Park, then why not step back in time at Pollok House with an impressive collection of Spanish Art as well as an Edwardian Kitchen Cafe.

European Museum of the Year is just one of the accolades given to the Riverside Museum, designed by Zaha Hadid and access is free. You can clamber into the cabs of real steam engines, view an entire wall of classic cars and take a step back in time along a lovingly recreated old Glasgow street. You can also visit Glasgow's Tall Ship, the Glenlee, berthed just outside on the Clyde.

Antonine Wall, the world’s largest permanent display of J M Whistler’s art and The Mackintosh House – a selection of reassembled interiors from the Glasgow home of Charles Rennie Mackintosh.

Spark your family’s imagination with science and technology that come to life in unique, fun and inspiring ways at Glasgow Science Centre. There’s a busy daily programme of events and activities, workshops and shows, and even a planetarium and IMAX cinema.

Time travel at the Tenement House, a portal into the past that shows everyday life in early 20th century Glasgow.

Right in the heart of the city centre is Scotland’s most visited modern art gallery – Glasgow’s Gallery of Modern Art. Ask a local why the Duke of Wellington statue outside always has a traffic cone on its head. Discover more amazing contemporary art in the gallery spaces at Tramway in the city’s southside.

Explore the medieval Glasgow Cathedral. It’s thought that this magnificent building was erected on the site where St Kentigern, or Mungo, was buried in AD 612. Football is a big part of Glasgow with many passionate fans. Take a tour at Celtic Park or Ibrox Stadium to learn about the history of the city’s biggest and most well known clubs.

Take a tour of the city on a City Sightseeing Bus Tour, explore on two-wheels with Glasgow Bike Tours, or immerse yourself in the city’s musical culture with Glasgow Music City Tours.
Famed for his architectural designs, as well as his iconic interiors and furnishings, Charles Rennie Mackintosh is one of Glasgow’s most famous sons. You can discover his remarkable contribution to art and architecture at attractions across the city such as the historic Mackintosh at the Willow and nearby in Helensburgh at The Hill House, considered to be his finest domestic work.

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If you are looking for impressive views alongside a round of golf then look no further than Greenock Golf Club. Its high position above the town rewards you with spectacular views over the Clyde Estuary and towards the Argyll hills.

DID YOU KNOW?

75% of the world’s ships were once built along the River Clyde.
You won’t forget a night out at Celtic Connections in January. It’s one of the largest celebrations of folk and world music anywhere and you’ll soon be on your feet and dancing.

Hot Wheels Monster Trucks, Disney on Ice and Diana Ross don’t have much in common – apart from the fact that you can see them all at the SSE Hydro, which is the largest entertainment venue in Scotland and the fourth busiest in the world!

In February, enjoy the red carpet buzz at the Glasgow Film Festival or the buzz on the track at the Muller Indoor Grand Prix, which sees the biggest athletic stars from across the globe compete.

Be inspired by some of the world’s most innovative artists as Glasgow International, Scotland’s largest festival for contemporary art, returns in April, or be equally inspired as you cheer on the competitors at the World Men’s Curling Championships.

Also in April, is The Paisley Food and Drink Festival where you can savour the very best of Scotland’s producers from vegan delights to local gin, as well as Scotland’s largest real ale festival.

Football fans are in for a real treat, with Hampden Park selected as one of the host venues for games in the UEFA EURO 2020 tournament. You can also enjoy a number of exciting activities in the city’s fan zones at George Square and in the Merchant City.

The Glasgow Science Festival happens every June and you’ll find its one of the biggest and best festivals of its kind in the UK. You can see all the cool contributions that Glasgow researchers have made to the worlds of science, technology, engineering, maths and medicine – and get to do some awesome hands-on activities yourself.

The Merchant City Festival in mid-summer is a creative celebration bringing the carnival atmosphere to the heart of the city.

In August, the streets of Glasgow are filled with the sound of bagpipes as Piping Live! and the World Pipe Band Championships come to the city. There is plenty of fun and entertaining performances, workshops, concerts and of course the best pipe bands in the world!

Live the high life at the Strathaven Balloon Festival in August or take part in the Great Scottish Run in the city.

Catch international stars and discover local talent at the Playground Festival, a weekend-long music festival in Rouken Glen Park. The festival also plays host to some of the best local street food around.

See the River Clyde brought to life with colour, activity and lots of boats at the Clydebuilt festival in September. Catch Scotland’s biggest open water rowing event, learn traditional skills, or just relax with a drink and some toe-tapping music.

WHAT’S ON

You could go out every day of the year in Glasgow and experience a different event every time. From the superb music fest Celtic Connections to art festivals, comedy events and even Highland games, we guarantee you will be entertained!

Paisley Food Festival

Pipeband Championships

Glasgow Science Festival

Discover an array of exciting events across the region.

www.visitscotland.com/events

FIND OUT MORE

DON’T MISS...

- Glasgow International Comedy Festival in March.
- Aye Write Book Festival in March.
- World Men’s Curling Championships in March.
- The West End Festival in June.
- Glasgow International Jazz Festival in June.
- Shotts Highland Games in June.
- Glasgow Mela in June.
- Kirkintilloch Canal Festival in August.
- TRNSMT in Glasgow Green during summer.
- Doors Open Days in September.
- Scotland’s Boat Show: River of Light in October.
- Paisley Halloween Festival in October.
- Glasgow’s Whisky Festival in November.
- UEFA EURO 2020 in June.
- Events at the Beacon Arts Centre in Greenock.
Getting around Glasgow is easy. The city has the best public transport network in the UK outside London, with a choice of buses, trains or the Subway. Getting out of the city and into the countryside is also straightforward – there are excellent local services to the towns and villages in Greater Glasgow & The Clyde Valley.

By road
The M74 (called the A74 (M) on its southern section) is a north-south motorway that will take you from the England border through the Clyde Valley and on into the centre of Glasgow.

Follow the Clyde Valley Tourist Route signs for a more scenic alternative route south of the city by way of the A73, A72 and A702.

For more information about National Tourist Routes, go to www.visitscotland.com/touristroutes

By bus
Buchanan Bus Station is Scotland’s biggest bus centre, and a brilliant hub for heading out on your adventure.

Pick up a FirstDay ticket for all-day use on local First Bus services in Glasgow from bus drivers on the day of travel. For more information visit www.firstgroup.com

By rail
Glasgow has two railway stations in the city centre, with services to the south mainly from Glasgow Central Station and the majority of trains to the east and north going from Glasgow Queen Street Station.

For all rail information call National Rail Enquiries on 08457 48 49 50 or visit www.nationalrail.co.uk

By Subway
The Subway is Glasgow’s underground railway. There is one circular line with 15 stations. For a map, station details and fares visit www.spt.co.uk/subway

By bike
You can now rent a bicycle 24 hours a day in Glasgow from nextbike, which has 53 stations and 650 SMARTbikes across the city, including electric bikes!

For all rail information call National Rail Enquiries on 08457 48 49 50 or visit www.nationalrail.co.uk

MONEY-SAVING TIPS

- With a Roundabout Ticket you get one-day unlimited use of the local rail and Subway network, covering over 110 stations. For more information visit www.spt.co.uk
- Daytripper Tickets are a one-day family travel pass with unlimited use on rail, Subway, most buses and some ferries throughout Strathclyde. Pick them up at staffed rail stations and the SPT Travel Centre.

WHERE TO FIND OUT MORE

Discover more of Greater Glasgow & The Clyde Valley in a VisitScotland iCentre. Our friendly information experts can offer advice on what’s on and where to go as well as book accommodation and tickets for events, activities and transport. Our Shop Local initiative promotes local artisans so we can also help you find the perfect Scottish gift.

Find us at:
• 156a/158 Buchanan Street, Glasgow, G1 2LL
You can also get tailored advice and top tips on the local area from our accredited iKnow Partners.
Find out more at www.visitscotland.com/iknow

For all local and national public transport timetables and journey planning contact Traveline Scotland 24 hours a day on 0871 200 22 33, www.travelinescotland.com or download their app.
PRACTICAL INFORMATION
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The listings within this guide have been split into the following sections:
- Places to visit
- Leisure activities
- Shopping
- Food & drink
- Tours

- Transport
- Events & festivals
- Family fun
- Local services
- Accommodation

Businesses within these sections are listed in alphabetical order by business location then by business name. Each entry has a map reference (see example) rating to the map which appears at the back of this guide. Most entries have a postcode which can be used to pin point locations but it is always wise to check the actual location before making your journey.

SAMPLE ENTRY
Location
‘By’ designates that a property is within 10 miles of this location. Mileage in brackets after the location indicates the distance from the named location.

Name of business

Contact details

Business description

Quality award
Where a Quality Assurance award has been included on an entry, the business has been graded by VisitScotland and provides assurances on quality and standards. Further information on page 23 of this guide. Quality Assurance awards are correct as at January 2020.

Pricing
Prices shown in entries for accommodation, services and facilities are provided by the advertisers. Please note that prices are for your guidance only and include VAT where applicable (VAT as at December 2019). It is always advisable to check cost prior to booking.

Booking
Accepting a booking by telephone or in writing means you have entered into a legally binding contract with the proprietor of the establishment. If you cancel or fail to turn up, for whatever reason, the proprietor has the right to ask you for compensation. You should always check the cancellation terms in advance and, if you must cancel a booking, advise the business immediately. Online bookings are also subject to terms and conditions, please check directly with the proprietor of the business.

Insurance and cancellations
Should you have to cancel for whatever reason, it is reassuring to know that you can be insured against any compensation claim. It is advisable to take out cancellation insurance prior to your trip.

Accessibility
Whether you want a cosmopolitan city break or a relaxing holiday in the countryside, you’ll find a great range of accessible accommodation, attractions, things to see and do and transport. You can stay in a bustling city centre, with great access-friendly attractions right on your doorstep, or out in the countryside, where you can enjoy accessible walks or trips to the beach. For more information go to www.visitscotland.com/holidays-breaks/accessible. Also go to www.euansguide.com for information on businesses throughout Scotland with good access reviews from disabled people, their family and friends.

Businesses with the logo (below) on their www.visitscotland.com entries have their own Accessibility Guide which will include information on their facilities such as onsite restaurants, free WiFi, hearing loop, level access and accessible parking or drop off points. It is always advisable to check the businesses own website for this information, which will be highlighted by this symbol ( ).

Facilities and symbols
See page 23 and the page opposite for details.

Map reference
To assist you further in locating each business, this grid reference relates to the map on pages 96 to 98.

Opening times and admission prices

EXAMPLE

9.30am-4pm. Closed Christmas and New Year.
Admission: Adult £3, Concs £2, Child £0.50, Family £6. Car parking £5 all day.

SCOTLAND S DRINK DRIVE LIMIT IS 50 MG (OF ALCOHOL PER 100 ML OF BLOOD). THE SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT RECOMMENDS THE BEST APPROACH IS TO HAVE NO ALCOHOL AT ALL, IF YOU ARE INTENDING TO GET BEHIND A WHEEL IN SCOTLAND.

For further information go to www.visitscotland.com
Our accredited iKnow Partners are based throughout Scotland and can offer tailored advice to help you make the most of your visit. Chat with them for insider tips about the must-see attractions in the local area. Find them at visitscotland.com/iKnow

Our friendly information experts can offer advice on what’s on, where to go and book tickets for events, activities and transport. Our Shop Local initiative promotes local artisans so we’re sure to help you find the perfect gift from Scotland. Find us on page 19.

Only in Scotland can you find information and advice in so many places.

The Mackintosh Tower

Glasgow Science Centre – 5 star Visitor Attraction

You’ll be surprised where our search for quality takes us

Quite simply, it takes us the length and breadth of Scotland to visit thousands of different properties every year and grade them on the things we know matter to you. Things like the overall quality on offer and warmth of welcome to help you make a more informed choice. VisitScotland Quality Assurance – Quality you can trust.

- An acceptable standard
- A good, all-round standard
- Very good standard, with attention to detail in every area
- Excellent – superb food where provided and friendly, professional service
- An exceptional standard where quality, hospitality and service are hard to fault

Serviced accommodation establishments awarded gold stars have consistently achieved the highest levels of excellence within their star grading.

Taste Our Best
One way to ensure that you’ll enjoy great quality Scottish food and drink, prepared with care and delivered with passion, is to look for places that are part of Taste Our Best, our food and drink quality scheme.

We want you to feel welcome – find establishments that pay particular attention to your specific needs:

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Anglers
Classic Cars
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Field Sports
Ancestral Tourism
Experiencing Gaelic

We care about the environment and strive to provide a sustainable and enjoyable experience. Our Green Tourism initiative promotes businesses that work in a sustainable, environmentally friendly way. Bronze (☆), Silver (☆☆), or Gold (☆☆☆), find out more at www.green-tourism.com.

For any feedback or comments you may have on quality assured properties please email us on qa@visitscotland.com.
GLASGOW SOUTH SIDE

Tramway
25 Albert Drive, Glasgow G41 2PF
T: 0845 330 3501 info@tramway.org www.tramway.org
An internationally renowned art space in the heart of Glasgow’s trendy south side. Tramway was once a transport depot, now converted into galleries, theatres and a café bar. It retains many features from its industrial past. Visit for historical architecture, the beautiful Hidden Gardens, special events and ambitious contemporary art exhibitions.

Open: Exhibition opening times: Tue-Fri 12-5pm, Sat & Sun 12-6pm (closed Mondays), Café bar opening times: Mon-Sat 10am-4.30pm, Sun 11am-4pm. Venue and café opening times may differ on performance evenings.
Admission: Free entry | Fully wheelchair accessible | Open to all

GLASGOW CITY

Glasgow Cathedral
Historic Scotland, Cathedral Precinct, Castle Street, G1 0JZ
T: 0141 552 8699 T: 0141 552 0988
customer@hes.scot www.historicenvironment.scot/dayout
The most complete medieval cathedral on the Scottish mainland is still a working church with an active congregation.

Open: Check website for up to date opening times.
Admission: Free.

HAMPTON

Hamilton Mausoleum
Motelhill, Hamilton T: 01698 452382
Built for 10th Duke of Hamilton in 1845, the dome has a famous 15 second echo. Tours are available on the first Sunday of the month, February to November.

Open: Tours: Feb-Nov: Sun, 2pm. Book via Low Parks Museum, 01698 452382
Admission: No Disabled access. Admission Charge.

By LANARK

Craigmethan Castle
Historic Scotland, from the M74, take junct 8 or 9, follow signs to Blackwood ML11 9PL T: 01555 860364 customer@hes.scot www.historicenvironment.scot/dayout
Built about 1530, it was the personal residence of Sir James Hamilton of Finnart, talented master of works for King James V.

Open: Check website for up to date opening times.
Admission: Check website for current admission prices

DUMBARTON

Dumbarton Castle
Historic Scotland, Castle Road, Dumbarton, G82 1JJ
T: 01389 732167 customer@hes.scot
www.historicenvironment.scot/dayout
This iconic Rock of the Clyde has heritage as a Renaissance mansion. Eat lunch at The Doocot or enjoy a spot of shopping. The most complete medieval castle on the Scottish mainland is still a working church with an active congregation.

Open: Check website for up to date opening times.
Admission: Check website for current admission prices.

PORT GLASGOW

Newark Castle
Historic Scotland, Castle Road, Port Glasgow, Renfrewshire, PA14 5NH
T: 01475 841 451 customer@hes.scot
www.historicenvironment.scot/dayout
The 15th century castle is most associated with Patrick Maxwell and his notoriety for murder. He transformed the castle into a fine Renaissance mansion.

Open: Check website for up to date opening times.
Admission: Check website for current admission prices.

GLASGOW CITY

The Lighthouse
11 Mitchell Lane, G1 3NJ
T: 0141 276 5360 information@thelighthouse.glasgow.gov.uk www.thelighthouse.co.uk
Explore this Mackintosh-designed building and its design and architecture exhibitions. Learn more about the life and work of Charles Rennie Mackintosh in the Mackintosh Interpretation Centre. Experience panoramic views of Glasgow from the viewing platform which is accessible by lift or by climbing the helical staircase to the top of the Mackintosh tower. Eat lunch at The Doocot or enjoy a spot of shopping.

Open: Check website for up to date opening times.
Admission: Check website for current admission prices

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GLASGOW
Map 2 B1

The Mackintosh House
82 Hillhead Street, University of Glasgow, Glasgow G12 8QQ
T: 0141 330 4221 hunterian-enquiries@glasgow.ac.uk
www.glasgow.ac.uk/hunterian

One of Glasgow’s most popular attractions, the Mackintosh House is a reconstruction of the principal interiors from 78 Southpark Avenue (originally 6 Florentine Terrace), the Glasgow home of Charles Rennie Mackintosh and his wife, the artist Margaret Macdonald Mackintosh, from 1906–1914.

- Mackintosh’s reconstructed home
- Original Mackintosh furniture and fittings

Open: All year: Tues-Sat, 10am-5pm; Sun, 11am-4pm. Closed Mon.
Admission: Admission charge. Admission is self-guided. See website for details.

Deanston Distillery and Visitor Centre
Deanston, By Doune, Stirling FK16 6AG
T: 01786 843010 F: 01786 841439 info@deanstondistillery.com
www.deanstondistillery.com

Visit Deanston to experience the sights, aromas and sounds of a true working Scotch whisky distillery. Situated eight miles north of Stirling on the A84, a warm welcome awaits you. Relaxed visitor centre and shop offering in-depth guided tours.

- Distillery Tours
- Whisky Tastings
- Whisky Shop
- Unique Distillery Warehouses
- Delicious distillery café

★★★★ Visitor Attraction

Open: All year. Daily, 10am-5pm. Closed 25 and 26 Dec and 1 and 2 Jan. Reduced opening times during Christmas and New Year. Booking recommended to avoid disappointment.
Admission: Child £9, Child £4.

Glengoyne Distillery
Dumgoyne, by Kilmarnock, Glasgow G63 9LB
T: 01360 550254 F: 01360 550094 reception@glengoyne.com
www.glengoyne.com

One of Scotland’s most beautiful distilleries for guided tours, whisky tastings, masterclasses & superb whisky shop.

Open: All year. Daily; Mar-Nov, 9am-5pm. Dec-Feb 9am-4pm.
Admission: TASTINGS £8 - Your admission cost can then be redeemed against any bottles of Crossbill Gin purchased to take away.

Crossbill Distilling Ltd
Unit 1, 84a G1, 54 Colintraive, Glasgow, G80 2SB
T: 0141 237 4664 info@crossbillgin.com www.crossbillgin.com

Join us to sample our range of Gins while we explain the botanicals and methods used to create them.
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- Gin Distillery
- Shop
- Tastings
- Gin School

Open: Mon-Fri 10am-4pm. Gin School by booking only. Visit our website for information & booking.

DEANSTON, by DOUNE

GOUROCK
Map 2 B1

Cardwell Garden Centre
Lunderston Bay, Cloch Road, Gourock, Inverclyde PA19 1BB
T: 01475 521339 F: 01475 521136 info@cardwellnurseries.com
www.cardwellgardencentre.co.uk

Family owned since 1962, we are much more than a garden centre. Over 20 departments, including gifts, books, kitchenware and, of course, gardening. An Edinburgh Woollen Mill and Peacocks clothing store are within the garden centre and our spacious restaurant is open all day.

★★★★ Garden Centre

Open: All year. 9am-5.30pm. Patio Restaurant, 9am-5pm. Full details on our website.
Admission: Free.

HAMILTON
Map 1 D2

Chateletelau Country Park
Carlisle Road, Ferniegair, Hamilton ML3 7UE
T: 01698 426213 F: 01698 427741 www.silurusandulture.co.uk

This popular country park features a hunting lodge and visitor centre with café, shop, exhibitions, house tours, miles of secluded walks. Children’s play areas.

★★★★ Visitor Attraction

Open: All year. Visitor Centre: 10am-5pm, all year round.
Hunting Lodge: Sun-Thurs, 10am-4.30pm. Park: daylight hours all year.
Admission: Free.
Places to visit
Museums

Also check Visitor attractions.

Coatbridge
Summerlee Museum of Scottish Industrial Life
Heritage Way, Coatbridge ML5 3ED
T: 01205 234567 museums@culturenl.co.uk
www.culturenl.co.uk/summerlee


 Visitor Attraction
Open: Mar-Oct: 10am-5pm. Nov-Feb: 10am-4pm. Closed 25th & 26th Dec and 1st & 2nd Jan
Admission: Entry is free at Summerlee. Interactive family fun and activities. Only 15 minutes from Glasgow City Centre.

Glasgow
Glasgow Museums Resource Centre
200 Woodhead Road, South Nitshill, Glasgow G33 7UN
T: 0141 276 9300 F: 0141 276 9305
www.glasgowmuseums.com

Uncover Glasgow’s hidden treasures – join a tour of Glasgow Museums’ store, housing over one million objects!

 Museum
Open: All year: Tue-Thurs, 10am-5pm; Fri, 11am-5pm; Sat, 10am-5pm; Sun, 11am-5pm.
Admission: Free. All visits must be booked in advance.

Glasgow Police Museum
Alstair Drive, MBE (First Floor), 30 Bell Street, Glasgow G1 1LG
T: 0141 512 1818
curator@policemuseum.org.uk
T: 0141 552 1818
www.glasgowmuseums.com


 Museum
Open: Summer hours (1 Apr-31 Oct): Mon-Sat, 10am-4.30pm; Sun, 12noon-4.30pm. Winter Hours (1 Nov-31 Mar): open Tues & Sun only.
Admission: Free

Kelvingrove, Glasgow
Kelvingrove Art Gallery & Museum
Argyle Street, Glasgow G3 8AG
T: 0141 276 9599 F: 0141 276 9540 museums@glasgowlife.org.uk
www.glasgowmuseums.com

One of Scotland’s most popular attractions, Kelvingrove boasts 22 galleries displaying an astonishing 8,000 objects. The internationally significant collections are extensive, and range from natural history to arms and armour, from fine art to design – and much more.

 Museum
Open: All year: Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm; Sun, 11am-5pm (except for Christmas Day, Boxing Day and 1 & 2 Jan; closed 31 Dec from 1pm).
Admission: Free

The Hampden Experience
Hampden Park, Glasgow G42 9AR
T: 0141 616 6139 info@scottishfootballmuseum.org.uk
T: 0141 616 6139
www.scottishfootballmuseum.org.uk

The Hampden Experience will reveal the sights, sounds and stories of the history of medicine in the West of Scotland and Lord Kelvin’s scientific instruments.

 Museum
Open: All year: Mon-Sat, 10am-4.30pm; Sun, 12noon-4.30pm. Winter Hours (1 Nov-31 Mar): open Tues & Sun only.
Admission: Free

The People’s Palace
100 Pointhouse Place, Glasgow G3 8RS
T: 0141 287 2720 museums@glasgowlife.org.uk
www.glasgowmuseums.com

Riverside Museum is Glasgow’s award-winning transport museum. With over 3,000 objects on display there’s everything from skateboard designs to prams, paintings to prams and cars to a Stormtrooper. Discover Glasgow’s rich shipbuilding history, explore the car and motorbike walls and help put out a fire with our interactive fire engine.

 Museum
Open: All year: Mon-Thurs, 10am-5pm; Fri, 11am-5pm; Sat, 10am-5pm; Sun, 11am-5pm (closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day and 1 & 2 Jan; closed 31 Dec from 1pm).
Admission: Free
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GLASGOW CITY

Scotland Street School Museum
225 Scotland Street, Glasgow G5 0QR
T: 0141 287 0500 F: 0141 287 0515
museums@glasgowlife.org.uk
www.glasgowmuseums.com
Once a working School, this building was designed by Charles Rennie Mackintosh. Now as a museum, it tells the story of 100 years of education in Scotland.

Visitor Attraction
Open: All year: Tues-Thurs, 10am-5pm; Fri, 11am-5pm; Sat, 10am-5pm; Sun, 11am-5pm. Closed 24-26 Dec, 1-2 Jan. Closes 1pm on 31 Dec.
Admission: Free.

GLASGOW CITY

St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art
2 Castle Street, Glasgow G4 0RH
T: 0141 276 1825 F: 5141 276 1826
museums@glasgowlife.org.uk
www.glasgowmuseums.com
Explore religion across the world and across time in this unique museum. Featuring Britain’s first Zen garden!

Visitor Attraction
Open: All year: Tues-Thurs, 10am-5pm; Fri, 11am-5pm; Sat, 10am-5pm; Sun, 11am-5pm. Admission: Free.

BALKOCH

Loch Lomond Shores
Ben Lomond Way G83 7BU
info@lochlomondshores.com www.lochlomondshores.com
Loch Lomond Shores is a 5* visitor attraction which offers visitors a unique blend of shopping, outdoor activities, cafes & restaurants, set within the National Park on the banks of Loch Lomond. With a great range of quality shops, the Loch Lomond Sea Life Aquarium and the opportunity to canoe, climb or cycle, there’s nowhere else like it.

Visitor Attraction
Open: 10am to 6pm in spring & summer and 10am to 5pm in winter. Note that shop opening times may vary so visit our website for full details.
Admission: Free but activities and Sea Life charges vary. See website for details.

HAMILTON

Low Parks Museum
129 Muir Street, Hamilton ML3 6BU
T: 01698 452382 www.silviusandculture.co.uk
Discover the history of South Lanarkshire - how its communities were shaped by farming, weaving and coal mining. Enjoy a tasty treat at our Mezzanine Café.

Visitor Attraction
Open: All year: Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm. Sun, 12noon-5pm.
Admission: Free.

CRÉETOWN

Creetown Gem Rock Museum
Chain Road, Creetown, Wigtonshire DG8 7HU
T: 01671 820357 enquiries@gemrock.net www.gemrock.net
An inspiring world-class, worldwide collection of gemstones, crystals, minerals & fossils set out in 3 halls. Crystal cave display, fire in the Stones Alive. Owned by gemmologist Tim Stephenson and wife Carolyn for over 37 years. Also has a quality gift shop, silversmith/lapidary workshop and a tearoom serving home baked and fresh food.

Visitor Attraction
Open: Apr-Sep: Daily, 10am-5pm; Oct: Daily, 10am-4pm. Nov-Mar: Wed-Sun, 10am-4pm. Closed 22 Dec-31 Jan.
Admission: Adult £6, Concs £4.50, Child £3, Family £12.50. Tickets are valid for 2 weeks. Mention “see & do” for 20% off.

DUNSYRE, SOUTH LANARKSHIRE (1 mile)

Little Sparta - the garden of Ian Hamilton Finlay
Stonypath, Dunsyre ML11 8NG
www.littlesparta.org.uk/visit
Little Sparta is Ian Hamilton Finlay’s greatest work of art. Finlay moved to the farm of Stonypath in 1966 and, in partnership with his wife Sue Finlay, began to create what would become an internationally acclaimed garden across seven acres of a wild and exposed moorland site. Collaborating with stone carvers, letter cutters, other artists and poets, the numerous ‘concrete’ poems created by Finlay explore themes as diverse as the sea and its fishing fleet, our relationship to nature, classical antiquity, the French Revolution and the Second World War.

Visitor Attraction
Open: June-September, Thurs-Sun, 12:30-5pm (last entry 4pm). Admission: Adults/Seniors £12.50. Students/Young Scot Card £7.50. We participate in the Gardeners’ World Magazine 2-for-1 scheme.

EAST KILBRIDE

Clydebank visitor centre
34 Clydebank Parade, Clydebank G81 4JL
T: 08456 105252
www.clydebank.org.uk
Clydebank is a town with a lot of history! Visit the visitor centre and enjoy a walk along the Clyde River.

Visitor Attraction
Open: All year: Wed-Sun, 10am-4pm. Closed 24 Dec-3 Jan.
Admission: Free.

EAGLESHAM

Whitelee Windfarm Visitor Centre
Moor Road, Eaglesham, East Renfrewshire G76 0QX
T: 0161 434 0851 whitelee-enquiries@glasgowsciencecentre.org
www.whiteleevisitors.org
A fantastic free family day out only 20 minutes from Glasgow. Set in a spectacular vista, there’s more than 130 km of trails woven between 215 wind turbines for you to explore by foot and cycle. There’s mountain bike trails too! Also features a visitor centre with interactive exhibits, a café and bus tours.

Visitor Attraction
Open: Access to the windfarm is all year round. Visitor centre: Mar-Sun; Daily; 10am-5pm. Reduced tours in Dec & Feb. Closed during Jan. Please check the website for further details.
Admission: The visitor centre, car park and access to the windfarm are all free.

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• “Certain gardens are described as retreats when they are really sinkholes” - HF

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• Activity and zoo charges may vary. See website for details.
Note that shop opening times may vary so visit our website for full details.
• Small fee for child/adults.

• Winter times: 10am-4pm (last entry 3.30pm).

• Conservation and zoo: 10am-5pm (last entry 4.30pm).
Winter times: 10am-4pm (last entry 3.30pm).
• Conservatory and zoo: 10am-5pm (last entry 4.30pm). Reduced hours in Dec & Feb. Closed during Jan. Please check the website for further details.
Admission: The visitor centre, car park and access to the windfarm are all free.
**32 PLACES TO VISIT**

**EAST KILBRIDE**

East Kilbride Art Centre
31-53 Old Coach Road, East Kilbride G74 4DU
T: 01355 261000 F: 01355 261280
artcentre@southlanarkshireleisure.co.uk
www.silencesoundandculture.co.uk

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THE PERFECT
Out of Town
SHOPPING DESTINATION
If you are looking to bring home something special from your visit to Glasgow, then you need to check out the city centre's hidden gem Maia Gifts!

Full of exciting products, the store is the perfect place to find gifts, jewellery, home accessories and Scottish keepsakes that friends and family will love.

Maia Gifts’ store is centrally located on Bath Street; just a short walk from the Buchanan Subway and the Buchanan Galleries Shopping Centre. Their collection is specially selected, so each visitor has the chance to find gifts that aren’t easily found anywhere else.

The business just celebrated its 10th anniversary this year and continues to grow in popularity with locals and tourists alike.

Although the store sits in the busy city centre, its lower ground setting lends to a very unique and relaxing shopping experience.

The collection has over 2500 products and all at great prices. You’ll find many lovely things that feature designs from Scottish artists including the stunning works of Sue Gardiner. Her striking art features vividly-coloured Highland Cows and Stags designs. You’ll find Prints, Mugs, Cushions and Coasters in the range. Each design beautifully captures the essence of Scotland and makes the perfect home accessory.

Another of their best-sellers are the ‘Whisky Frames’ made from reclaimed whisky barrels. Each frame is truly unique and if you have a good sense of smell you can even detect the scent of the whisky.

Don’t miss the opportunity to take home some special gifts and help support a wee independent business!

Visit their website for more information: www.maiagifts.co.uk

“Fantastic gift shop in the centre of Glasgow! Fabulous selection of quirky gifts with great service from fantastic staff! Highly recommended!” – Google Reviews
Voted ‘Scotland’s Favourite Building’ by the public in 2016, Princes Square is Glasgow’s leading speciality shopping, dining and entertainment destination. Offering an unrivalled mix of high street brands and designer labels, stylish restaurants and bars, and now a new boutique cinema - Princes Square has something for everyone, all under one elegant roof.

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Open: All year: Mon-Thurs, 11am-12midnight; Fri-Sat, 11am-1am; Sun, 11am-12midnight.

**Brett Wine Bar & Eatery**
321 Great Western Road G4 9HR
info@barbrett.co.uk www.barbrett.co.uk
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Cafés/tearooms/coffee shops

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50-60 King Street, Glasgow G1 5QT
T: 0141 553 1638 office@13note.co.uk www.13thnote.co.uk

Popular café bar venue serving great vegan food in a relaxed atmosphere with live music nightly.

Open: All year: Daily, 12noon-12midnight.

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**Three Sisters Bake**
Faith Avenue, Quarriers Village. Renfrewshire PA11 3TF
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### Glasgow, Merchant City

**The Left Bank**

33-35 Gibson Street, Glasgow G12 8NJ

T: 0141 339 5969

info@theleftbank.co.uk

www.theleftbank.co.uk

Open: All year: Sun-Thurs, 12noon-1am; Fri & Sat, 12noon-2am.

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**Metropolitan Cocktail Bar and Restaurant**

Merchant Square, Candleriggs, Glasgow G1 1LE

T: 0141 553 1488 info@metropolitan-bar.com

www.metropolitan-bar.com

Open: All year: Mon-Sat, 12noon-12midnight; Sun, 12noon-12midnight.

- Award-winning cocktails • Late night venue • Scottish restaurant menu • Internal courtyard area • Balcony restaurant.

**The Spanish Butcher**

80 Miller Street, Glasgow G1 1DT

T: 0141 552 3038

www.spanishbutcher.com

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T: 0141 334 2665

reservations@stravaigin.co.uk

www.stravaigin.co.uk

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Open: All year, excl 25 Dec & 1 Jan.

Restaurant: Mon-Fri, 5-11pm; Sat-Sun, 12noon-11pm.

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### Glasgow, City Centre

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**The Bungo**

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T: 0141 423 0023

contact@thebungo.co.uk

www.thebungo.co.uk

Open: Mon-Sat, 12noon-12midnight; Sun, 12noon-11pm.

- A watered classic & contemporary dishes using seasonal and local produce wherever we can.
- A relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

**The Dhabba**

44 Candleriggs, Glasgow G1 1LD

T: 0141 553 1249 info@thedhabba.com

Open: All year: Mon-Fri: 12noon-2pm; 5-11pm. Sat-Sun: 1-11pm.

- Indian menu
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Fam – Family
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