



FILM AND LITERATURE

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Day One

JM Barrie's Birthplace

Cared for by the National Trust for Scotland. Explore the birthplace and childhood home of Peter Pan creator, J M Barrie, and see how his early life inspired his work. Your clients can visit the exhibition, complete with original theatrical costumes and manuscripts and stop by the wash-house where the young author performed his first play at the age of seven.

JM Barrie's Birthplace

9 Brechin Rd,
Kirriemuir,
DD8 4BX



W: <https://www.nts.org.uk/visit/places/j-m-barries-birthplace>



The Scottish Crannog Centre

Your clients will walk in the footsteps of the original Crannog dwellers and immerse themselves in village life with original artefacts; demonstrations of textiles, cooking and ancient crafts & technologies; visitors can also paddle into prehistory in a replica log boats and take in the atmosphere inside the Crannog Roundhouse. Opened following the reconstruction of an Iron Age Crannog as an archaeological experiment, the Scottish Crannog Centre has evolved over the years to become a unique insight into life in the Iron Age. Throughout the visit, your clients will find a team of passionate, knowledgeable and friendly interpreters to help transport you through your Iron Age adventure.

The Scottish Crannog Centre

Kenmore,
Perthshire,
PH15 2HY

W: <https://www.crannog.co.uk/>



Beatrix Potter Exhibition and Birnam Oak

Your clients will step back in time in the world of a Victorian classroom, put on their own puppet show featuring Peter Rabbit and friends or experience a wash day in the style of Miss Tiggywinkle! Just a few of the treats in store for your clients when they'll visit this delightful interactive exhibition of Beatrix Potter.

Birnam Arts Centre

Station Rd,
Birnam,
Dunkeld,
PH8 0DS



W: <https://www.birnamarts.com/visitor-tourist-attractions/beatrix-potter-exhibition-garden/>

Day Two

Doune Castle

The formidable Doune Castle was built for the Regent Albany. The striking keep-gatehouse combines domestic quarters including the splendid Lord's Hall with its carved oak screen, musicians' gallery and double fireplace. This was used as a film location for the BBC production of *Ivanhoe* and Monty Python and the Holy Grail. Doune Castle was also used for the castle known as Winterfell in the pilot of the award-winning TV series *Game of Thrones* as well as Castle Leoch in *Outlander*.

Doune Castle

Castle Hill,
Doune,
FK16 6EA



W: <https://www.historicenvironment.scot/visit-a-place/places/doune-castle/>



Royal Burgh of Culross

Wandering around this charming town is about as close to stepping back in time to the 16th century as possible. The whitewashed, red-tiled buildings are well preserved, such as the Town House, where witches were tried and held while awaiting execution. The nearby ochre-coloured Culross Palace, built by wealthy coal merchant George Bruce in the late 16th century, is in fact not a palace but a grand and impressive house. Your clients can explore the small rooms and connecting passageways, with wonderful painted ceilings, pine panelling, antique furniture and curios. This unique setting stood-in for Inverness when filming the first season of *Outlander*.

Royal Burgh of Culross

Fife,
KY12 8JH



W: <https://www.nts.org.uk/visit/places/culross>



Dunfermline Abbey

Situated in Scotland's original capital city, Dunfermline Abbey is a site of major significance in Scottish history. It is also the final resting place of King Robert Bruce, notably minus his heart, along with seven other Scottish kings. More recently, the Abbey stood in for Westminster Abbey in the Netflix epic about Robert the Bruce, *Outlaw King*.

Dunfermline Abbey

St Margaret St,
Dunfermline
KY12 7PE



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W: <https://www.historicenvironment.scot/visit-a-place/places/dunfermline-abbey-and-palace/>

**Broomhall House**

Broomhall House is one of Scotland's grandest stately homes. The Family of Bruce, a name linked to valour and legend throughout Scottish history, has lived at Broomhall House for centuries. For the first time, this extraordinary home is available for exclusive private and corporate events and as an unparalleled film location. Lord Bruce will be taking a tour round his ancestral home and showcasing the powerful history of Broomhall and the Bruce family which has inspired countless adaptations in film, tv and literature.

Broomhall House

Charlestown,
Dunfermline,
KY11 3DU

W: <https://www.broomhallhouse.com>

Day Three**Hopetoun House**

Hopetoun House is a place of outstanding natural beauty with Scotland's finest stately home at its heart and has been home to the Hope family since 1699. Your clients can explore the historic ancestral home, the 150 acres of gardens surrounding the house or relax in the licensed tearoom. As a five-star visitor attraction Hopetoun is the perfect location to visit, take part in outdoor activities or as an exceptional hospitality venue. Situated only 30 minutes from the centre of Edinburgh and 15 minutes from Edinburgh Airport, the house and estate are frequently utilised as a filming location and has been used extensively in the filming of Outlander.

Hopetoun House

South Queensferry,
EH30 9RW

W: <https://hopetoun.co.uk/>



Edinburgh Castle

When Robert the Bruce laid siege to Edinburgh Castle in 1314, he had every building destroyed – except St Margaret’s Chapel, which grants it the status of the oldest building in the country. It would be decades before Edinburgh Castle was fully rebuilt. Today this stunning fortress is a world-famous icon of Scotland. Perched upon the cliffs of a former volcanic rock, it’s home to the Honours of Scotland, which are the UK’s oldest crown jewels, the One o’clock Gun, which is still fired ceremonially, and the Stone of Destiny, which is still used in coronation ceremonies to this day.

Edinburgh Castle

Castle Hill,
Edinburgh,
EH1 2NG

W: <https://www.edinburghcastle.scot/>



Greyfriars Kirkyard

It was in Scotland's capital city that JK Rowling started to plot the adventures of Harry and his pals. With cobbled streets, winding alleys and medieval architecture, the city certainly has a few things in common with the settings from the books and films. Greyfriars Kirkyard is a spine-tingling graveyard, and burial place of several notable Edinburgh academics and writers of the past. However, also buried here are a few other notable residents: Thomas Riddell, William McGonagall and Elizabeth Moodie. A coincidence? We think not.

Greyfriars Kirkyard

26A Candlemaker Row,
Edinburgh,
EH1 2QE

W: <https://greyfriarskirk.com/visit/>

Rosslyn Chapel

Founded in 1446, as the Collegiate Church of St Matthew, Rosslyn Chapel today attracts visitors from far and wide, drawn by its unique and mysterious carvings and the beauty of its setting. The chapel took some 40 years to build and its ornate stonework and mysterious symbolism have inspired - and intrigued – artists and visitors ever since. The chapel has appeared in the Da Vinci Code Hollywood film.

Rosslyn Chapel

Chapel Loan,
Roslin,
Midlothian,
EH25 9PU

W: <http://www.rosslynchapel.com/>



VisitScotland's Themed Years

Year of Scotland's Coasts and Waters 2020

In 2020, Scotland celebrates its Coasts and Waters with a year-long programme of events and activities which will shine a spotlight on these vital elements of our landscape.

From our beautiful natural features including coasts, lochs and rivers to our industrial heritage such as our canals, mills and the creation of our national drink – whisky, Scotland's Coasts and Waters have shaped our culture, our stories and our way of life.

So, whether you want to navigate your way around distant isles or canals, experience Scotland's maritime heritage at a visitor attraction, enjoy Scotland's abundant natural larder or discover Scotland's wildlife on a local boat trip - Scotland's coasts and waters are perfect for get-away-from-it-all adventures.

For more info www.visitscotland.com/ycw2020 and join the conversation using #YCW2020



Year of Scotland's Stories 2022

Scotland's Year of Stories 2022 will shine a spotlight on the richness of our stories, past and present; celebrating our literary Icons and heroes, diverse voices, stories that have leapt from page to screen and stage, the richness of our myths, legends and local tales - and the places that have inspired them.

The words of Robert Burns are known and celebrated across the world, as are works by Sir Walter Scott and Robert Louis Stevenson, while stories by modern Scottish authors, such as JK Rowling's Harry Potter tales, are inspiring today's generation.

The story of real-life legends such as King Robert the Bruce, Sir William Wallace, Mary Queen of Scots have inspired poems, books and even Oscar winning movies.

Stories of magic, ghosts, witches, haunted castles and tales of mystical figures such as Kelpies abound, and there are the oral traditions handed down through generations in Scotland's many diverse communities. We invite visitors to join us in exploring the rich history of Scotland's stories in 2022, including a programme of events which will take place across the year



VisitScotland Websites

Our travel trade website offers the travel industry a one-stop-shop for **Scotland information, inspiration and tool kit**. The site is designed to assist tour operators and agents to sell destination Scotland more effectively to their clients.

Travel trade website **www.visitscotlandtraveltrade.com**

Destination Education Programme **www.visitscotlandtraveltrade.com/scotsagent**

VisitScotland consumer site **www.visitscotland.com**

Information on travel trade website

- Inspirational itineraries
- Downloadable e-brochures and maps
- Link to multimedia library for images and videos
- Online destination education programme
- Opt-in to receive our monthly travel trade e-newsletter.
- A comprehensive directory of Scottish companies who have committed to special rates, discounts and commissions exclusively available for the travel trade.

General websites

Britrail	<u>www.britrail.com</u>
News & Weather information	<u>www.bbc.co.uk/weather</u>
British Train information	<u>www.nationalrail.co.uk</u>
Scottish Train information	<u>www.scotrail.co.uk</u>
Bus information	<u>www.citylink.co.uk</u>
Historic Environment Scotland	<u>www.historic-scotland.gov.uk</u>
National Trust for Scotland	<u>www.nts.org.uk</u>
Scottish Tourist Guides Association	<u>www.stga.co.uk</u>