



# PRODUCT GUIDE

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# WELCOME



We're proud to present VisitAberdeenshire's travel trade product guide, highlighting the brightest and best of Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire's trade-ready products for you and your clients.

The region's product offering is growing, supported by our dedicated Travel Trade Ready programme and enhanced by significant investment in new attractions and new infrastructure to improve access. From fine art to fine food, via Royal highlights, golf galore, and 'Scotland's Alcatraz', the range of experiences on offer is matched by the quality and capacity of our hotel stock.

We look forward to working with you.

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**CHRIS FOY**

CEO, VISITABERDEENSHIRE

Ensuring our local tourism businesses understand your world is just one of the ways we support the travel trade. We offer a range of complimentary services to share our local knowledge and help you to plan unique and memorable experiences for your clients. These services include:

- Full itinerary planning and development
- Sourcing quotes
- Sales training and product updates
- Familiarisation visits - both in person and virtually
- Access to content, including images and video

# Discover Aberdeen & Aberdeenshire

Home to 263 castles, dramatic coastline and majestic landscapes of Royal Deeside, Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire region offers not only a true taste of Scotland but an unrivalled destination where your clients can immerse themselves in local culture, enjoy authentic experiences and escape to majestic landscapes.

Pinned as a cultural hot spot, colour splashes its way through the city streets thanks to the renowned Nuart Aberdeen festival captivating visitors with spectacular street art. When your clients have finished touring the streets, the revamped Aberdeen Art Gallery welcomes visitors to explore acclaimed pieces by local, national and international artists bringing another world-class venue and attraction to the city.

Out of the city, the wild outdoors of Aberdeenshire awaits with bundles of adventure opportunities and castles galore to escape bustling city life. Your clients can head out on the open water to explore 165 miles of stunning coastline by sea-safari and paddleboard where (if lucky) dolphins, puffins and seals can be spotted. Or if staying firmly on dry land sounds more appealing, the countryside is calling with Munros to bag, epic cycling climbs and tranquil walks deep in ancient woodland and around enchanting castle grounds.

With great escapes comes great appetite and the food and drink scene in North-east Scotland is booming with culinary flair and eight Michelin Guide restaurants

to relish in the local highlights from the field and sea. And it doesn't stop there, your clients can choose from a range of immersive and authentic food and drink experiences including, ancient whisky distilleries, experiencing life on a Scottish farm, trying local delicacies on an Aberdeen food tour, contemporary gin distilleries, and experience the craft beer revolution at BrewDog.

Safe to say, Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire is a place for all tastes.

## Getting here

### Aberdeen Airport

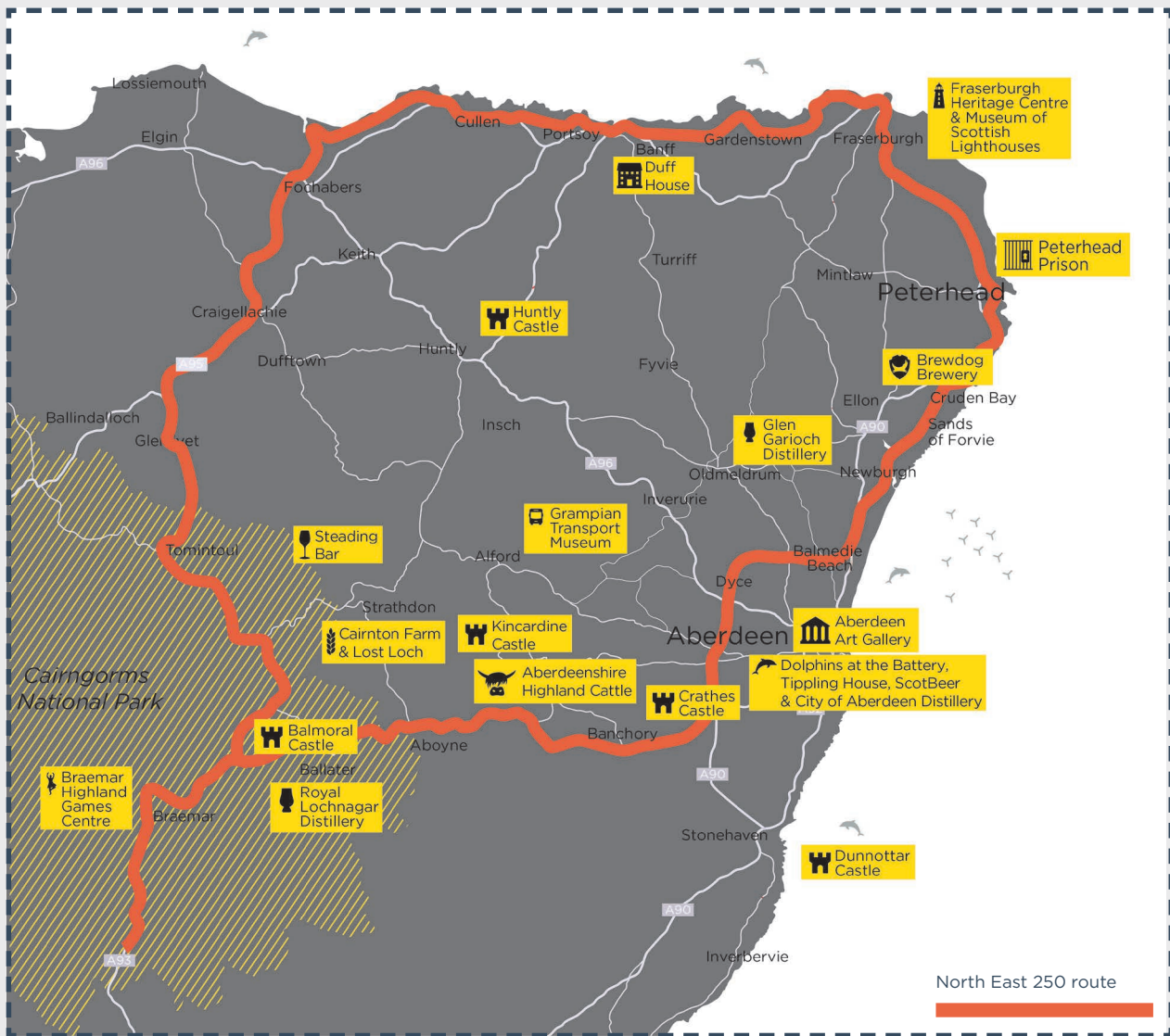
- Daily UK flights
- Daily European flights
- Connected to 6 hub airports - London Heathrow, Amsterdam, Paris, Dublin, Manchester and Copenhagen

### Aberdeen Train Station

- 36 direct trains a day from Edinburgh
- 26 direct trains a day from Glasgow
- 6 direct trains a day from London Kings Cross
- Caledonian Sleeper runs 6 nights a week from London Euston

### Aberdeen Harbour

- Nightly sailings from Aberdeen to Shetland
- Sailings from Aberdeen to Orkney 3 - 4 times per week



## Touring

If the group tour or self-drive FIT itinerary starts in central Scotland, you can plan for your clients to join the A90 which meanders along an impressive coastline. Continuing this route from Aberdeen, they can travel along 165 miles of coastline on the way to Inverness, or they can take the A96 and travel through malt whisky country.

They could take the scenic SnowRoads from Blairgowrie (or from Grantown on Spey if coming from Inverness) through the Cairngorms National Park and discover Royal Deeside.

From any of these routes, your clients can join Scotland's castle trail. You'll find product information for a range of castles including National Trust for Scotland, Historic Environment Scotland and privately owned properties in the 'Castles and Gardens' section of this guide.

Finally, they can follow the **North East 250**, a circular route taking in Speyside, the Cairngorms National Park, Royal Deeside, Aberdeen and the stunning coastline. You can find sample itineraries for the North East 250 [here](#).

# Well Connected

Aberdeen is two flights from almost anywhere in the world

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Aberdeen airport is a 5 minute journey from P&J Live at TECA

### UK FLIGHTS PER DAY

## 12-14

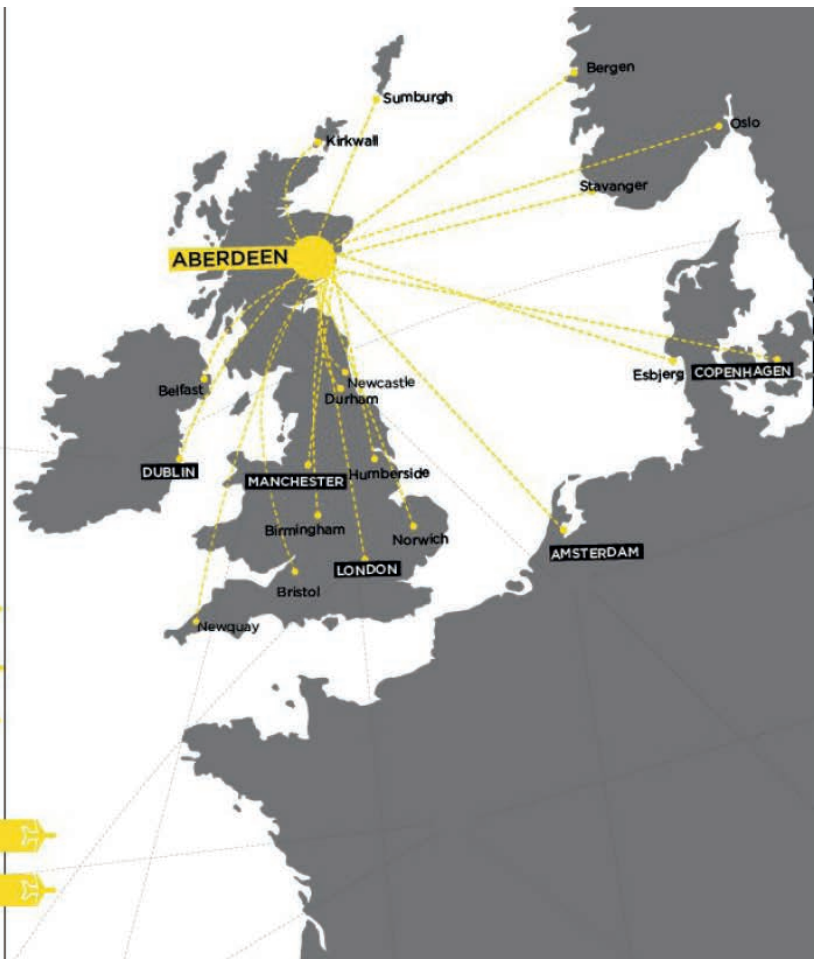
### EUROPE FLIGHTS PER DAY

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### CONNECTING HUBS:

- London
- Dublin
- Amsterdam
- Manchester
- Copenhagen

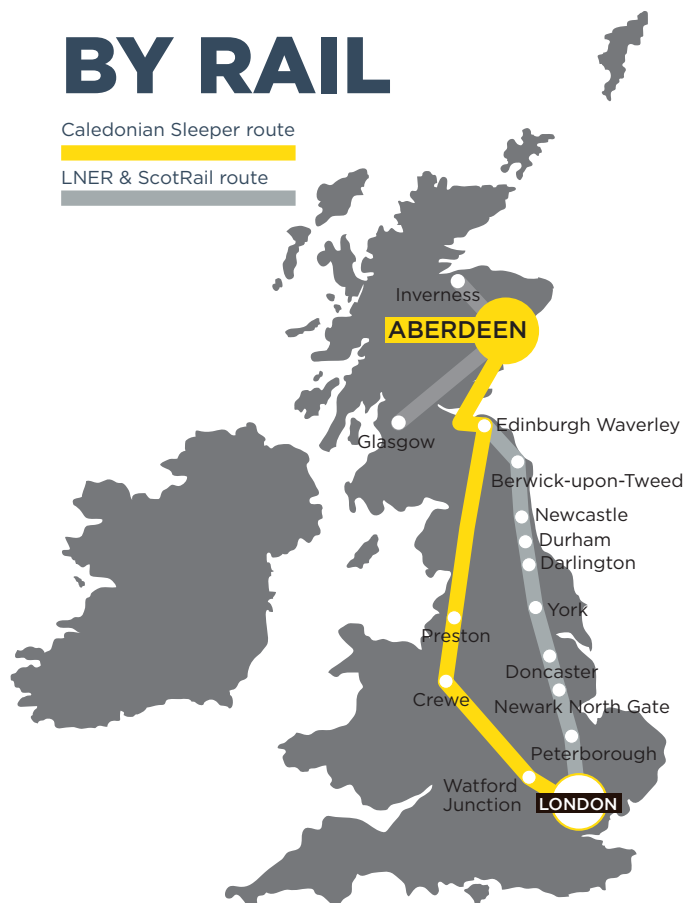
Manchester 4 flights a day / 28 flights per week	1hr 25 mins	
Birmingham 3 flights a day / 21 flights per week	1 hr 25 mins	
Bristol 1 flight a day / 7 flights per week	1hr 25 mins	
London Heathrow 7 flights a day / 49 flights per week	1 hr 35 mins	
London Gatwick 3 flight a day / 23 flights per week	1 hr 35 mins	
Dublin 1 flights a day / 7 flights per week	1 hr 20 mins	
Belfast 1 flights a day / 7 flights per week	1 hr 10 mins	
Amsterdam 5 flights a day / 35 flights per week	1 hr 30 mins	
Copenhagen 1 flights per week	1 hr 50 mins	



## BY RAIL

Caledonian Sleeper route

LNER & ScotRail route



## BY ROAD

North East 250 route



# **FOOD & DRINK EXPERIENCES**



## ABERDEENSHIRE HIGHLAND CATTLE

### Food and Farm Experience

An opportunity for your clients to get up close and personal with the iconic native breed of Highland Cattle.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Many of the herd your clients will meet are champions/prize winning livestock at Scottish Agricultural Shows.
- Our hides are sent away for tanning and made into leather for the luxury interiors of high performance sports cars, such as Lamborghini.
- New for 2023: meet Grace's flock of Scottish black faced sheep.

#### THE DETAIL

##### Standard Tour

- Time on site: 1 hour
- Available year-round
- Group size: 1 - 48

##### Premium Tour

- Time on site: 90 minutes
- Available year-round
- Group size: 1 - 48

##### Cattle & Black Faced Sheep Tour

- Time on site: 2 hours
- Available year-round
- Group size: 1 - 48

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## ABERDEEN FOOD & DRINK TOURS

### Food & Drink Tours of Aberdeen

Scheduled or private walking tour suitable for both group and FIT where your clients will learn about the history of Aberdeen with stops along the way to taste local food and drink.

#### THE DETAIL

- Duration: 2 - 3 1/2 hours
- Available year-round
- Group size: 1 +

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## MARYCULTER HOUSE

### Dining Experience

Dating back to 1225, your clients can immerse themselves in Scotland's history by visiting Maryculter House for the ultimate Jacobite dinner or take part in a whisky tasting experience with a leading whisky expert.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Maryculter House has been welcoming guests since the 13th century and can trace its history back to the time of the Great Crusades and the Knights Templar, and has strong links with the Jacobite rebellion in the 18th century.
- Your clients can learn about the hotel's Jacobite past while enjoying the '45 Uprising Dinner with themed battle courses.
- Whisky tasting experience led by a leading whisky expert with three bespoke tasting options to choose from.

### THE DETAIL

#### The '45 Uprising Dinner

- Time on site: 3-4 hours
- Available year-round
- Group size: 2-12+

#### Whisky Tasting Experience

- Time on site: 1 hour
- Available year-round
- Group size: 2+

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## BREWDOG

### Beer Museum and Beer School

BrewDog offer a range of experiences at their site in Ellon, around 35 minutes north of Aberdeen. The experiences offer a unique combination of local culture, food & drink and an opportunity to learn about the history of BrewDog.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Your clients will visit the home of BrewDog, the largest craft beer brewery in the UK.
- Beer school – tastings of the headliner range of BrewDog beers, guided by a certified cicerone (a qualified beer sommelier).

### THE DETAIL

#### BrewDog Brewery Tour

- Time on site: 90 minutes
- Available year-round
- Group size: 4 - 20

#### Express Tour

- Time on site: 1 hour
- Available year-round
- Group size: 1 - 12

#### BrewDog Day Trip

- Time on site: 1 hour 45 minutes
- Available year-round
- Group size: 4 - 20

#### BrewDog Beer School

- Time on site: 45 minutes
- Available year-round
- Group size: 4 - 10

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## LOST LOCH DISTILLERY

### Distillery




Lost Loch Spirits award-winning product portfolio includes Scotland's first absinthe, eeNoo gin, and Haroosh; a whisky-based liqueur. They offer a range of experiences suitable for small group and FIT clients.

### HIGHLIGHTS




- Scotland's first absinthe, Murchiman.
- Tastings from the range of many different botanical spirits produced at Lost Loch Distillery.
- Gin School, where your clients can choose ingredients from the Lost Loch botanical library to make their own botanical spirit. Includes a locally sourced lunch.

### THE DETAIL

#### Lost Loch Distillery Tour & Tastings

-  Time on site: 90 minutes - 2 hours
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 2 - 25

#### Lost Loch Spirit School

-  Time on site: 4 hours
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 4 - 12

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## BOTHIES AND BANNOCKS

### Food and Drink Tours




Bothies and Bannocks offer chauffeur driven food and drink day tours of Royal Deeside. Your clients will be introduced to the people behind local produce, taste local delicacies, immerse themselves in local culture and experience the majesty of Royal Deeside.

### HIGHLIGHTS


- Local driver guide who is passionate about local, seasonal produce.
- An opportunity to meet food producers, either at a farmers market or at their business.
- Cookery demonstrations using food from a farmers market.

### THE DETAIL




#### Aberdeen Angus and Absinthe

-  Time on site: 5 - 6 hours
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 1 - 8

#### Market Day Cookery Class




-  Time on site: 8 Hours
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 1 - 8

#### Royal Cheese and Whisky Tour

-  Time on site: 8 - 9 hours
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 1 - 8

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## GLEN GARIOCH DISTILLERY

### Whisky Distillery

Scotland's most easterly whisky distillery where your clients can see where whisky has been made since 1797. A range of tours are available, suitable for small group and FIT clients.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- One of the oldest operating distilleries in Scotland.
- A Rare Pair - your clients can enjoy a range of Glen Garioch whiskies with expertly matched cheese and chutney.
- A VIP half-day adventure to explore the 'Legends of the Garioch'.

#### THE DETAIL

##### Founder's Tour

- Time on site: 1 hour
- Available year-round
- Group size: 2 - 10

##### A Rare Pair

- Time on site: 1 hour
- Available year-round
- Group size: 2- 6 (larger groups off site)

##### Legends of the Garioch

- Time on site: 4 hours
- Available year-round
- Group size: 2 - 6 (15 with own transport)

##### Masterclass

- Time on site: 2 hours
- Available year-round
- Group size: 2 - 6

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## BRAEMAR HIGHLAND EXPERIENCE

### Whisky Tours

Based in Braemar, in the Cairngorms National Park, Braemar Highland Experience is a 5\* tour provider. Your clients will have the opportunity to discover the wider story of whisky in Scotland, through bespoke tours, tutored tastings, guided walks and off-road safaris.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Local husband and wife team with a passion for Scotch whisky and its history.
- Tutored tastings using a carefully selected range of single malts and single cask bottlings.
- Tastings can take place at the Braemar Highland Games Centre or at a location of your clients' choosing.

#### THE DETAIL

##### Whisky Tastings

- Duration: 90 minutes
- Available year-round, on request
- Group size: 2+

##### Whisky, Water of Life

- Duration: 90 minutes - multi day
- Available year-round, on request
- Group size: 2+

##### Whisky & Food Pairings

- Duration: 90 minutes
- Available year-round, on request
- Group size: 2+

##### Whisky Journeys

- Duration: half day - multi day
- Available year-round, on request
- Group size: 1 - 6

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## 10 DOLLAR SHAKE LTD

### Food and Drink Experiences

10 Dollar Shake is a food and drink experience provider offering a range of experiences to allow your clients to experience a true taste of North-East Scotland.




### HIGHLIGHTS

- Experiences can take place in the subterranean city centre tavern, The Tippling House, or in a unique location to suit your group including a converted barn in the heart of the Cairngorms National Park or at The Steading Bar in Strathdon.
- Your clients can discover the finest product Scotland has to offer on the Taste of Scotland Dinner experience.




### THE DETAIL

#### Secret Malts of Aberdeenshire

Whisky Tasting Experience



-  Time on site: 90 minutes
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 6 - 50

#### Taste of Scotland Dinner

-  Time on site: 2 hours
-  Available year-round, Tue-Fri
-  Group size: 6 - 40

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## CITY OF ABERDEEN DISTILLERY

### Gin Distillery




Based in the historic railway arches in the heart of Aberdeen, this gin distillery offers experiences for both group and FIT clients. The experiences are lead by the head distiller, where your clients will learn about the history and heritage of distilling in Aberdeen.

### HIGHLIGHTS



- Gin School, providing an opportunity for your clients to become the distiller.
- Gin Masterclass - a tasting experience where your clients will learn how individual botanical ingredients impact the overall flavour of gin.
- Tour of the restricted production areas.
- Tastings of the range of small batch gins.

### THE DETAIL




#### Distillery Discovery Tour

-  Time on site: 45 minutes
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 2 - 40

#### Gin Masterclass




-  Time on site: 90 minutes
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 6 - 20

#### Gin School

-  Time on site: 3 hours
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 2 - 20

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## ROYAL LOCHNAGAR DISTILLERY

### Whisky Distillery

Royal Lochnagar is located 1 mile from Balmoral Castle and its whisky has been enjoyed by the Royal Family since 1848. A range of tours are available, including a travel trade exclusive tour

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Range of tours to suit your clients' itinerary, with travel trade exclusive experiences for up to 48 pax.
- Tasting only experiences, including the opportunity to taste whiskies straight from the cask on The Warehouse Tasting experience.

#### THE DETAIL

##### The Expressions Tour

- 🕒 Time on site: 1 hour / 45 minutes
- 📅 Available year-round
- 👥 Group size: 1 - 14

##### The Express Tasting

- 🕒 Time on site: 45 minutes
- 📅 Available year-round
- 👥 Group size: 17 - 48

##### The Warehouse Tasting

- 🕒 Time on site: 90 minutes
- 📅 Available year-round
- 👥 Group size: 2 - 10

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## BARRA BERRIES

### Food Experience

Your clients will have the opportunity learn about life on a fruit farm, hear the fascinating story of the Battle of Inverurie which took place in 1308 and enjoy a sample of the produce in this experience suitable for groups.

#### THE DETAIL

- 🕒 Time on site: 1 - 2 hours
- 📅 Available June - September
- 👥 Group size: 10 - 50

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## TRUMP INTERNATIONAL, SCOTLAND

### Food and Drink Experiences

Luxury food and drink experiences designed to introduce your clients to the best of Scottish and estate produce.

#### THE DETAIL

- 🕒 Time on site: 2.5 hours
- 📅 Available year-round
- 👥 Group size: 10 - 30

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## INVERURIE WHISKY SHOP

### Whisky and Gin Experiences




Inverurie Whisky Shop offers your clients a range of whisky experiences suitable for groups, including tutored tastings and masterclasses. Offering Scotland's first accredited Scotch Whisky course, your clients can spend the day learning to become Whisky Ambassadors. Gin tasting experiences are also available. Larger groups may be accommodated on request.

### HIGHLIGHTS




- Tutored tastings with a knowledgeable whisky expert.
- Your clients can join an elite group of Whisky Ambassadors on Scotland's first accredited Scotch Whisky course.
- Following a whisky masterclass, your clients can put their knowledge into practice on a tour of a local whisky distillery.

### THE DETAIL




#### Whisky/Gin Tasting Experience

-  Time on site: 1 hour
-  Available year-round, Weekdays 1300 - 1900
-  Group size: 6 - 20




#### Whisky Masterclass

-  Time on site: 7 hours
-  Available year-round, on request
-  Group size: 4 - 8

#### Whisky Ambassador Course




-  Time on site: 7 hours
-  Available year-round, on request
-  Group size: 4 - 16

#### Bespoke Tastings

-  Time on site: 90 minutes
-  Available year-round, on request
-  Group size: 6-20

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# **CASTLES & GARDENS**



## NTS - FYVIE CASTLE

### Castle, Garden and Estate

Fyvie Castle, where ghosts, legends and folklore are all woven into its 800-year history and where your clients can see artwork by Raeburn, Batoni and Romney.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- 800 year old fortress and fine example of Scottish Baronial architecture.
- Art-lovers' paradise, with works by Raeburn, Batoni and Romney.
- Extensive grounds with a Walled Garden of Scottish Fruits, home to the largest collection of Scottish fruits and vegetables.

### THE DETAIL

#### Tour of Fyvie Castle

- Duration: 2 hours
- Available June - Oct or year round on request
- Group size: FIT rates 1-11/Group rates 12+

#### Garden Tasting Tour

- Duration: 2 hours
- Available year-round, on request
- Group size: 20-40

#### Future of Sustainable Gardening

- Duration: 2 hours
- Available year-round, on request
- Group size: 10 - 40

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## NTS - PITMEDDEN GARDEN

### 17th Century Walled Garden

Located just 14 miles north of Aberdeen in rural landscape, this walled garden contains over 30,000 bedding plants, 6 miles of clipped box hedging and over 200 fruit trees.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- 17th century walled garden split over three levels.
- The Museum of Farming Life brings to life the agricultural heritage of the local area.
- The Meet the Ploughman experience features Jim Elliot, British Horse Drawn Plough Champion, who has previously appeared on Downton Abbey.

### THE DETAIL

#### FIT Tour

- Duration: 1 hour
- Available May - Oct
- Group size: 1-11

#### Group Tour

- Duration: 1 hour
- Available May - Oct or year-round on request
- Group size: 12+

#### Meet the Ploughman

- Duration: 2.5 hours
- Available year-round, on request
- Group size: 10 - 20

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## NTS - DRUM CASTLE

### Castle, Garden and Estate

Dating from the 13th century, Drum Castle is one of Scotland's oldest tower houses and is located 10 miles west of Aberdeen.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Your clients will experience over 700 years of history and the story of the Irvine Family who were given the Tower of Drum in 1323 by Robert the Bruce
- The castle's turbulent Jacobite past is brought to life through a new Jacobite: Behind the Scenes tour
- The Garden of Historic Roses features an enormous array of rare and exotic roses and you clients can learn about how roses have been cultivated over the centuries on a unique garden tour

### THE DETAIL

#### Tour of Drum

- Duration: 2 hours
- Available all year round
- Group size: FIT 1-11/Group 12+

#### Jacobites Behind The Scenes

- Duration: 2 hours
- Available May - all year round

- Group size: 12+

#### Garden of Historic Roses

- Duration: 1 hour
- Available year-round, on request
- Group size: 10 - 30

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## NTS - CASTLE FRASER

### Castle, Garden and Estate

Home to the Fraser family for over 400 years, Castle Fraser is one of the largest tower houses in Scotland and can be found near the market town of Inverurie.

### THE DETAIL

- Time on site: 2 hours
- Available Apr-Oct or year-round on request
- Group size: FIT Rates 1-11/Group rates 12+

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## NTS - CRATHES CASTLE

### Castle, Garden and Estate

Located 18 miles from Aberdeen City, Crathes Castle is a 16th-century baronial castle set in an impressive 595-acre estate.

### THE DETAIL

- Time on site: 2 hours
- Available year-round
- Group size: FIT Rates 1-11/Group rates 12+

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## HES - NORTH EAST CASTLES

### Huntly Castle & Kildrummy Castle

Historic Environment Scotland is the lead public body set up to investigate, care for and promote Scotland's historic environment. They offer a diverse portfolio of visitor attractions to allow your clients to immerse themselves in Scotland's past. Suitable for groups and FITs.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Huntly Castle - The seat of one of medieval and Renaissance Scotland's most powerful families - the Gordon family.
- Kildrummy Castle - A 13th century ruined castle with Royal and Jacobite heritage.

#### THE DETAIL

##### Huntly Castle

- Duration: 1 hour
- Available year-round.
- Group size - 1-50+

##### Kildrummy Castle

- Time on site: 1 hour
- Available April-September. Wed - Fri
- Group size: 1-50+

##### Corgarff Castle

- Time on site: 1 hour
- Available April-September. Mon & Tues
- Group size: 1-50+

##### Tolquhon Castle

- Time on site: 1 hour
- Available April-September, daily
- Group size: 1-50+

[>> Click here for product information and prices](#)

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## DUNNOTTAR CASTLE

### Ruined medieval fortress

Located 19 miles south of Aberdeen, Dunnottar Castle is perched atop a 160 foot rock and surrounded on three sides by the North Sea.

#### THE DETAIL

- Duration: 1 - 1.5 hours
- Available year-round
- Group size: FIT 1 - 19 / Group 20 +

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## BRAEMAR CASTLE

### Castle and Grounds

Situated near the village of Braemar in Royal Deeside, your clients will experience the turbulent history of this almost 400-year-old castle. Experiences suitable for groups and FIT.

### THE DETAIL




 Duration: 1 hour

 Available Apr\* - Oct, Wed - Sun

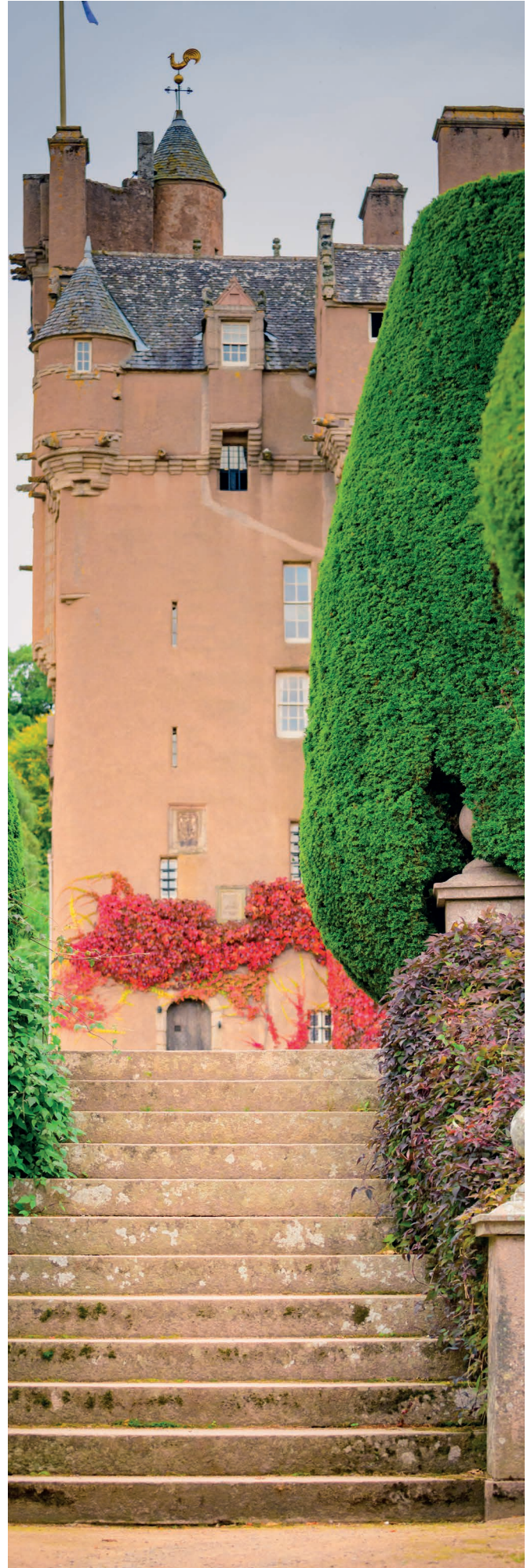
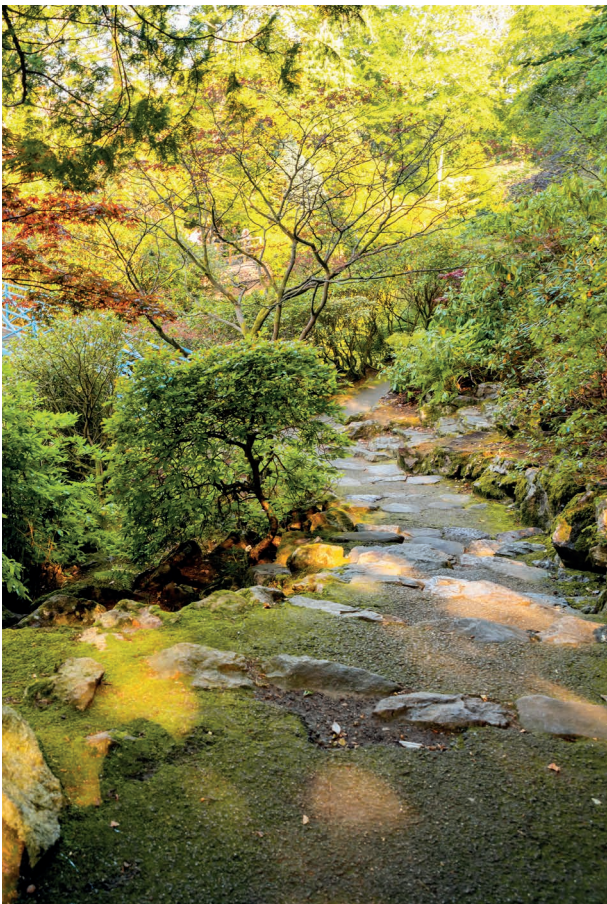
 Group size: 1 - 12+

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\*Scheduled to reopen 2 August 2023. Will open from April in 2024



# **CULTURAL ATTRACTIONS**



## ABERDEEN ART GALLERY

### Guided tours and exclusive use




Aberdeen Art Gallery re-opened in November 2019 following a £34.6m redevelopment. They offer guided tours and after hours experiences for a range of group sizes.

### HIGHLIGHTS




- A collection that spans over 700 years and regarded as one of the UK's finest collections.
- Rooftop terrace, offering panoramic views of the city skyline.

### THE DETAIL




#### Highlights Guided Tour

-  Time on site: 90 minutes
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 1 - 12




#### Express Guided Tour

-  Time on site: 1 hour
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 1 - 12




#### After Hours Experience

-  Time on site: 1 hour
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 25 - 200




#### Scottish Art Tour

-  Time on site: 1 hour
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 1 - 12

#### Tipple at the Top

-  Time on site: 90 minutes
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 1 - 12

#### Group Welcome

-  Time on site: 15 minutes
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 6 - 20

[>> Click here for product information and prices](#)

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## GORDON HIGHLANDERS MUSEUM

### Museum and Private Dining Venue

The Gordon Highlanders Museum is a 5\* VisitScotland visitor attraction located in the west end of Aberdeen. They offer experiences for groups, including museum tours and fine dining Regimental Dinners.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- 200 years of regimental history from 1794 - 1994.
- WWI replica trench - your clients can experience and feel 'trench-life' for themselves.
- 11 original Victoria Crosses on display.
- Authentic Officers' Mess dressed with Regimental silver, crystal and crockery - available for private Regimental Dinners.
- Private dinners for larger groups in the Regimental Gallery.

### THE DETAIL

#### Group Tour

- Time on site: 2 hours
- Available year-round
- Group size: 12 - 50

#### Regimental Fine Dining Experience

- Time on site: 4 hours
- Available year-round
- Group size: 8 - 12

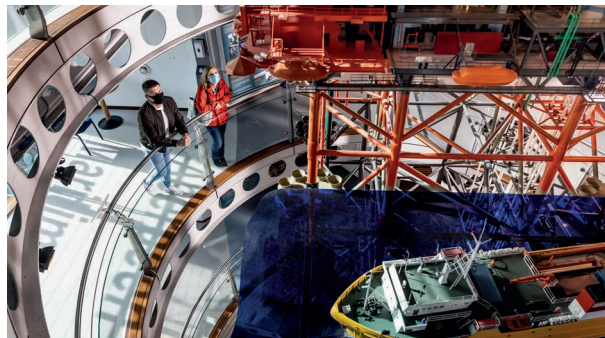
#### Private Group Dinner

- Time on site: 4 hours
- Available year-round
- Group size: 15 - 60

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## ABERDEEN MARITIME MUSEUM

### Museum

At Aberdeen Maritime Museum your clients can discover the story of the city's long and often dramatic relationship with the sea, through fascinating objects and artworks associated with shipbuilding, fishing, whaling, trading and offshore energy.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- The collections are displayed over four floors in the modern museum building and the historic 16th century Provost Ross's House.
- The museum offers fantastic views over Aberdeen Harbour.

### THE DETAIL

#### Group Welcome

- Time on site: 15 minutes
- Available year-round
- Group size: 6 - 20

#### Express Guided Tour

- Time on site: 1 hour
- Available year-round
- Group size: 1 - 12

#### Tipple at the Top

- Time on site: 90 minutes
- Available year-round
- Group size: 1 - 12

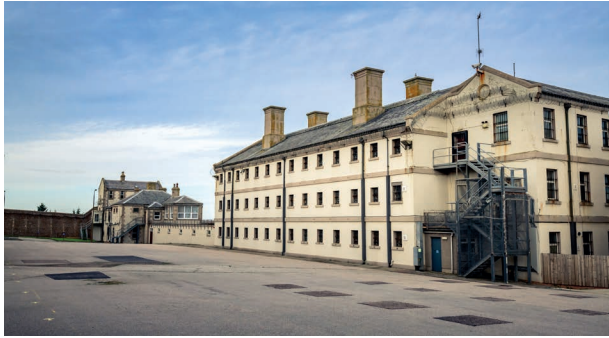
#### After Hours Experience

- Time on site: 1+ hour
- Available year-round
- Group size: 25 - 200

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## PETERHEAD PRISON MUSEUM

### Museum, formerly a convict prison




An immersive experience where your clients will walk through 125 years of history of 'Scotland's Toughest Jail'. Peterhead Prison Museum offers group rates.

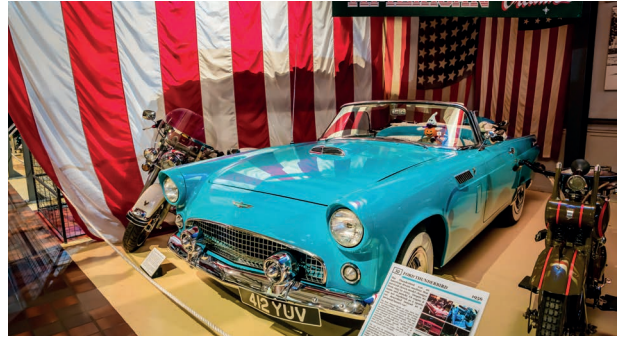
#### THE DETAIL

-  Time on site: 90 minutes
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 10 - 50 (night tours max 20)

[>> Click here for product information and prices](#)

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## GRAMPLAN TRANSPORT MUSEUM

### Museum

Suitable for FIT and groups, the museum offers a range of interactive exhibits, as well as the opportunity to drive some of their vehicles on their very own track.

#### THE DETAIL

-  Time on site: 2 hours
-  Available Apr - Oct
-  Group size: 1 - 300

[>> Click here for product information and prices](#)

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## DOLPHINS AT THE BATTERY

### Wildlife Experience



An opportunity for your clients to spot dolphins and other native wildlife at the mouth of Aberdeen Harbour.

#### THE DETAIL

-  Time on site: 2 hours
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 10 - 50

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#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## MUSEUM OF SCOTTISH LIGHTHOUSES

### Lighthouse, Museum and Castle


A 3-in-1 visitor attraction where your clients can explore a lighthouse built through the middle of a 16th century castle.

#### THE DETAIL

-  Time on site: 1 hours
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 1 - 50

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#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## PROVOST SKENE'S HOUSE

### Museum and 16th Century Town House




Dating from 1545, the oldest surviving town house in Aberdeen is home to a museum celebrating the pioneering people of Aberdeen and North-east Scotland who have not only shaped the city, but have also helped transform the world.

### HIGHLIGHTS




- Your clients can discover the stories and achievements of more than 100 remarkable individuals from the region through interactive displays.
- Some of the pioneers featured include singer and activist Annie Lennox, world innovator Thomas Blake Glover and football legend Sir Alex Ferguson.
- Your clients can take part in a guided tour or explore the museum without the crowds in the After Hours Experience.

### THE DETAIL




#### Group Welcome

-  Time on site: 15 minutes
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 6 - 20

#### Express Part-guided Tour



-  Time on site: 1 hour
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 1 - 12

#### After Hours Experience

-  Time on site: 1+ hours
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 25 - 200

[>> Click here for product information and prices](#)

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

-  MuseumSupportStaff@aberdeencity.gov.uk
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## DUFF HOUSE

### Mansion House and Gallery



Located on the Banffshire coast, Duff House is a country house gallery displaying collections from the National Galleries of Scotland.

#### THE DETAIL

-  Time on site: 1 hour
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 1 - 12/16

[>> Click here for product information and prices](#)

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## HADDO HOUSE

### Mansion House




Designed in 1792 and home to the Gordon Family for over 200 years, Haddo House is set in 80 hectares of Aberdeenshire countryside.

#### THE DETAIL

-  Time on site: 90 minutes
-  Available Jun-Feb or year-round on request
-  Group size: FIT Rates 1-11/Group rates 12+

[>> Click here for product information and prices](#)

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## ABERDEENSHIRE SHEEPDOGS

### Farm Experience




Your clients will be able to watch sheepdogs at work, hear about life on a Scottish sheep farm and have the opportunity to try working the dogs themselves during this interactive demonstration.

#### THE DETAIL

-  Time on site: 1.5 hours
-  Available Jun - Mar, Fri - Sun
-  Group size: 5 - 50

[>> Click here for product information and prices](#)

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## ABERDEEN CULTURAL TOUR

### Cultural Tour



Give your clients the ultimate Granite City experience, as they explore Aberdeen's unique past, present and future through three distinct museums and galleries.

#### THE DETAIL

-  Time on site: 4 - 5 hours
-  Available year-round
-  Group size: 6 - 12

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#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## BRAEMAR HIGHLAND GAMES CENTRE

### Museum and Games Centre

The centre offers a range of experiences for groups which include an opportunity for your clients to experience their very own Highland Games in the Braemar Arena.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Fascinating exhibition exploring the history of the games in Braemar and their Royal connection.
- Explores a living tradition, focusing on the world-famous Braemar Gathering.

### THE DETAIL

#### Mini Highland Games Day

 Available year-round, on request

#### Heavy Sports Demonstration

 Available year-round, on request

 Group size: 2 - 15

[>> Click here for product information and prices](#)

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## HOUSE OF SCHIVAS

### Mansion House and Gallery

Located 25 miles north of Aberdeen and set in extensive grounds, House of Schivas is a privately owned tower house dating from the 16th Century.

### THE DETAIL


 Time on site: 1 hour

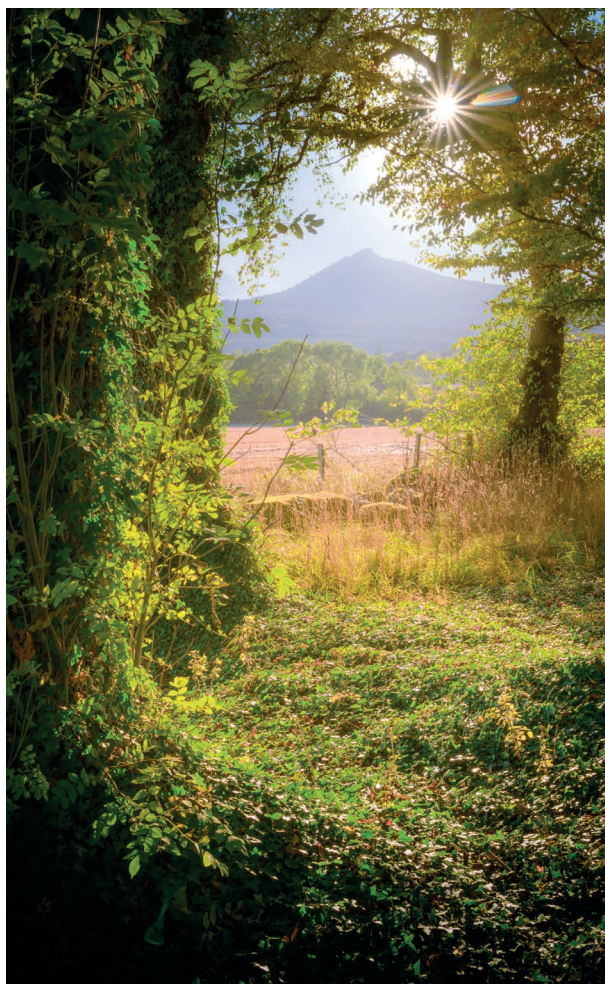
 Available year-round

 Group size: 1 - 60

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**ADVENTURE**



## BRAEMAR HIGHLAND EXPERIENCE

### Off-road and Guided Walking Tours

Based in Braemar, in the Cairngorms National Park, Braemar Highland Experience is a 5\* bespoke tour provider. They are qualified mountain leaders and offer guided walks at low and high level, as well as road and off-road tours in their Landrover Discovery vehicle.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Your clients will be introduced to wild places with spectacular scenery.
- Opportunity to spot wildlife such as golden eagles and red deer.
- Family friendly walks are available.
- Whisky themed tours available.

### THE DETAIL

#### Road and Off-Road Tours

 Duration: 1/2 day - multi day

 Available Apr - mid Aug

 Group size: 1-6

#### Walking tours

 Duration: 1/2 day - multi day

 Available

 Group size: 1 - 20

#### Bespoke Experiences

Available on request:

Castle visits

Stops at gin or whisky distilleries

Treasure hunt for children age 5 - 16

Short walks to scenic spots

[>> Click here for product information and prices](#)

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## RIDE IN PEACE ADVENTURES

### Guided Mountain Bike Tours

Ride in Peace Adventures offers mountain bike coaching, guiding and riding experiences in Aberdeenshire and Cairngorms National Park, Scotland. The coaching sessions and guided rides are suitable for FIT and small groups.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Riding tuition from a qualified mountain bike guide.
- Coaching sessions to improve your clients' riding control, confidence and consistency.
- Range of trails, from introduction tours to mountain adventures and local enduro hotpot.

### THE DETAIL

#### Introduction to Aberdeenshire

 Duration: 3 - 4 hours

 Available Apr - Oct

 Group size: 2 - 8

#### Big Mountain Adventure Tour

 Duration: 4 - 8 hours

 Available Apr - Oct

 Group size: 2 - 8

#### Hot Spot Tour

 Duration: 4 - 6 hours

 Available Apr - Oct

 Group size: 2 - 8

[>> Click here for product information and prices](#)

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## GLEN DYE

### Wild Wellness & Bushcraft School

While staying in the cabins and cottages on the private Glen Dye estate in Royal Deeside, your clients can take part in a range of experiences where they can explore the outdoors, learn new skills, challenge themselves and have fun. Led by experienced and qualified instructors and suitable for small groups and FIT. Winter bookings and larger groups up to 30 can be accommodated on request.

### THE DETAIL

#### Forage and Swim

 Duration: 3 hours

 Available: March - October

 Group size: 6 - 12

#### Bushcraft Experience

 Duration: 3 hours

 Available: March to October

 Group size: 6 - 12

#### Fire and Water

 Duration: 3 hours

 Available: March to October

 Group size: 6 - 12

#### Axes and Fire

 Duration: 1.5 hours

 Available: March to October

 Group size: 6 - 12

#### Wild Whittling

 Duration: 3 hours

 Available: March to October

 Group size: 6 - 12

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#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## MACDUI BIKE ADVENTURES

### Guided Mountain Bike Tours

Suitable for small groups and FIT, Macdui Bike Adventures offer off-road bike rides in Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire, Royal Deeside and the Cairngorms National Park. They provide a range of tours from a beginner level city ride to an advanced level ride across high moorland and Caledonian forest.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- All rides include hire of a full suspension British mountain bike and helmet.
- Riding tuition from a qualified mountain bike guide.
- An opportunity to learn new skills and access stunning landscape.

### THE DETAIL

#### Aberdeen City Ride

- Duration: 3 hours
- Available Apr - Oct
- Group size: 2 - 6

#### Family Friendly Aberdeenshire Ride

- Duration: 3 hours
- Available Apr - Oct
- Group size: 2 - 6

#### Outdoor Explorers' Ride

- Duration: 4 - 5 hours
- Available Apr - Oct
- Group size: 2 - 6

#### Bespoke Tours

- Available year-round on request

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#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## WILD DISCOVERY

### Wildlife and photography tours

Wild Discovery offer a range of wildlife watching and photography tours for both group and FIT clients. Your clients will immerse themselves in the natural history and wildlife of Scotland and hear from expert leaders and expeditioners

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Experienced guides and expeditioners who are passionate about Scottish wildlife and sustainability.
- Terrestrial and boat-based options available, or a combination.
- Small group tours tailored to wildlife photography.

### THE DETAIL

#### Royal Deeside/Aberdeenshire Day Trips

- Duration: ½day - multi day
- Available year-round
- Group size: 1 - 16

#### Group Tours

- Duration: ½day and full day
- Available May - July
- Group size: 10 - 40

#### Self-Drive Guided Short Tours

- Duration: ½multi-day
- Set departure dates
- Group size: 3 - 10

#### Bespoke Fully-Inclusive Expeditions

Available on request

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#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## WILD DISCOVERY SCHEDULED DEPARTURES

### Guaranteed Departure Tours

Wild Discovery offer a range of scheduled departures across Scotland for small groups.

#### THE DETAIL

Scheduled Departures: Fully inclusive multi-day expeditions across Scotland.

Suitable for 5-10 pax.

eSafari – Wildlife Watching on eBikes: Fully inclusive weekend guided wildlife watching. Includes eBike hire and instruction.

Suitable for 5-12 pax.

[>> Click here for product information and prices](#)

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## CAMPERCEILIDH CAMPERS

### Campervan Hire

Camperceilidh Campers offers your clients the freedom to explore the great outdoors and stunning landscape of Scotland.

#### THE DETAIL

- 🕒 Minimum hire: 3 nights
- 📅 Available year-round
- 👤 Group size: 1 - 4

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#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## STONEHAVEN PADDLEBOARDING

### Stand-up Paddle Board Tours

Based at Stonehaven Harbour, Stonehaven Paddleboarding offer stand up paddle board tours of the spectacular coastline and the majestic river dee. All tours are inclusive of equipment hire, including boards, paddles, wetsuits, boots and buoyancy aids.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Paddle below the imposing Dunnottar Castle.
- Explore the coast, including cliffs, caves, coves and waterfalls.
- Opportunity to spot wildlife, including seals, dolphins and over 130,000 seabirds at the Fowlsheugh Nature Reserve.

#### THE DETAIL

### Dunnottar Castle, Caves and Coves

- 🕒 Duration: 3 hours
- 📅 Available year-round
- 👤 Group size: 4 - 6

### River Dee Tour

- 🕒 Duration: 3 hours
- 📅 Available year-round
- 👤 Group size: 4 - 6

### Stand Up Paddleboard Safari

- 🕒 Duration: 4 hours
- 📅 Available Apr - Oct
- 👤 Group size: 4 - 6

### Bespoke Tours

Available year-round on request

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#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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# **TOURS AND SCHEDULED DEPARTURES**



## GRAMPIAN ESCAPES AND TOURS

### Guaranteed Departure Tours




Grampian Escapes and Tours offers a range of tours to allow your clients to discover the culture, food, main attractions, and hidden gems of the North-east of Scotland.

### HIGHLIGHTS




- Samples and stories of local food and drink on the Taste of Scotland and Aberdeen Food Walking Tour.
- Walking and driving audio tours available.
- All tours available for private bookings on request.

### THE DETAIL




#### Taste of Scotland/Aberdeenshire

-  Duration: 7 hours
-  Available Apr - Oct, Thurs & Sat
-  Group size: 1 - 8



#### Balmoral and Braemar

-  Duration: 7 hours
-  Available Apr - Oct, Wed
-  Group size: 1 - 8




#### North East Coast Tour

-  Duration: 8 hours
-  Available Apr - Oct, Fri
-  Group size: 1 - 8

#### Inverness and Highlands




-  Duration: 11 Hours
-  Available Apr - Oct, Sun
-  Group size: 2 - 8

#### Aberdeen Food Walking Tour

-  Duration: 3 1/2 hours
-  Available Mar - Oct, Tue & Sat
-  Group size: 1 - 10

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## LANGUAGE TRAVEL TOURS

### English Language Homestays

With over 30 years experience, Language Travel Tours provides English language homestays and cultural programmes for overseas schools, individuals and private groups in the North East of Scotland. They provide a tailored service to ensure your clients enjoy an immersive and authentic Scottish experience.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Accommodation with carefully selected, fully qualified EFL host teachers.
- All meals provided.
- Minimum of 3 activities and excursions per week.

### THE DETAIL

#### Homestay Immersion in Aberdeenshire



Available year-round on request

#### High School Integration Programmes



Duration: 1, 2, or 3 terms

#### Bespoke Cultural Trips



Duration: 3 - 7 hours



Available year-round on request

#### English Language Courses for Adults in Aberdeen



Available year-round on request

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#### CONTACT INFORMATION



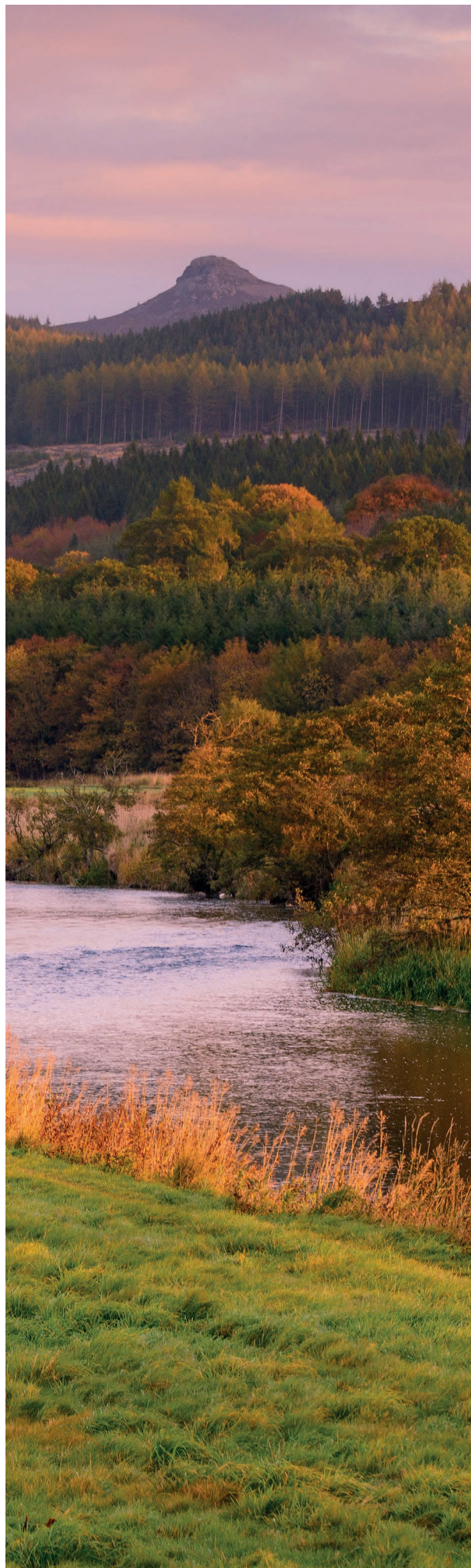
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## RABBIE'S SCHEDULED DEPARTURES

### Guaranteed Departure Tours




Rabbie's offer four different day trips from Aberdeen to take your clients off the beaten track, in small groups of 16 or less.

### HIGHLIGHTS




- Majestic scenery of Royal Deeside and the Cairngorms National Park.
- Traditional towns and villages on the North East Coastal Trail.
- Opportunity to spot wildlife at Muir of Dinnet Nature Reserve, Falls of Feugh and at coastal beauty spots

### THE DETAIL




#### Dunnottar Castle and Royal Deeside

-  Duration: 9 hours
-  Available year-round, Tue & Sun
-  Group size: 1 - 16




#### North East Coastal Trail

-  Duration: 9 hours
-  Available year-round, Thurs
-  Group size: 1 - 16

#### Speyside Whisky Trail

-  Duration: 10 hours
-  Available year-round, Fri
-  Group size: 1 - 16

#### Loch Ness and the Highlands

-  Duration: 12 hours
-  Available year-round, Mon, Wed & Sat
-  Group size: 1 - 16

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## WALKING TOURS IN ABERDEEN

### Arts and Culture Tours




Walking Tours in Aberdeen allow your clients to discover a different side to Aberdeen through its history and culture and beautiful and unique street art. Both FIT and private group options are available.

### HIGHLIGHTS




- Guided tours led by local, expert guides.
- On the Aberdeen Street Art Tour your clients will be introduced to over 10 murals by many world-renowned street artists.
- Fully flexible and bespoke tours can be accommodated on request.

### THE DETAIL




#### Aberdeen Street Art Tour

-  Duration: 90 minutes
-  Available year round on request
-  Group size: 1 - 50

#### Aberdeen City Centre Tour (FIT)




-  Duration: 90 minutes
-  Available year round daily at 2pm
-  Group size: 1 - 50

#### Aberdeen City Centre Tour

-  Duration: 90 minutes
-  Available year round on request
-  Group size: 1 - 50

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## RABBIE'S FIT

### Packages for FIT clients

Sold exclusively to the travel trade, these packages include a range of options to allow your clients to explore the culture, history, food and drink and landscape of Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire.

### OPTIONS

Rail Tours  
Aberdeen City Break  
Self- Drive Itineraries  
Highland Games Packages

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# ACCOMMODATION

## ABERDEEN CITY HOTELS

For more information on any of these properties, please click on the property name.

HOTEL NAME	LOCATION	RATING	ROOMS
The Marcliffe Hotel & Spa	Aberdeen City	5*	39
Sandman Signature Aberdeen Hotel	Aberdeen City	4*	218
The Aberdeen Altens Hotel	Aberdeen City	4*	216
Leonardo Hotel Aberdeen	Aberdeen City	4*	203
Aberdeen Marriott Hotel	Aberdeen City	4*	153
Residence Inn by Marriott	Aberdeen City	4*	126
Copthorne Hotel Aberdeen	Aberdeen City	4*	87
Mercure Aberdeen Caledonian Hotel	Aberdeen City	4*	83
Malmaison	Aberdeen City	4*	79
Macdonald Norwood House Hotel	Aberdeen City	4*	73
The Chester Hotel	Aberdeen City	4*	72
Atholl Hotel	Aberdeen City	4*	34
Palm Court Hotel	Aberdeen City	4*	23
Cults Hotel	Aberdeen City	4*	16
Aberdeen Douglas Hotel	Aberdeen City	3*	98
Park Inn By Radisson Aberdeen	Aberdeen City	3*	185
Holiday Inn Express Aberdeen City Centre	Aberdeen City	3*	155
Village Hotel Aberdeen	Aberdeen City	3*	148
Station Hotel	Aberdeen City	3*	118
ibis Aberdeen Centre - Quayside Hotel	Aberdeen City	3*	107
Carmelite Hotel	Aberdeen City	3*	50
Siberia Bar & Hotel	Aberdeen City	3*	16
Inn at the Park	Aberdeen City	3*	10
Ferryhill House Hotel	Aberdeen City	3*	9
Dunavon House Hotel	Dyce	N/A	21

# ACCOMMODATION

## ABERDEENSHIRE HOTELS

HOTEL NAME	LOCATION	RATING	ROOMS
The Fife Arms	Braemar	5*	46
Balmoral Arms	Ballater	5*	46
Holiday Inn Aberdeen West	Westhill	4*	86
Buchan Braes Hotel	Peterhead	4*	47
The Banff Springs Hotel	Banff	4*	36
Newmachar Hotel	Newmachar	4*	5
Hampton by Hilton Aberdeen Westhill	Westhill	3*	173
Palace Hotel	Peterhead	3*	64
Loch Kinord Hotel	Aboyne	3*	22
Kilmarnock Arms Hotel	Cruden Bay	3*	19
The Belvedere Hotel	Stonehaven	3*	11
The Ship Inn	Stonehaven	3*	11
Fife Lodge Hotel	Banff	3*	8
The Knowes Hotel and Restaurant	Macduff	3*	7
Buchan Hotel	Ellon	N/A	26
Ban-Car Hotel	Fraserburgh	N/A	21
Dunavon House Hotel	Dyce	N/A	21
The Boat Inn	Aboyne	N/A	16
The Station Hotel Portsoy	Portsoy	3*	15
Davron Hotel	Fraserburgh	N/A	8
The Station Hotel Inch	Inch	N/A	6

## COUNTRY HOUSE HOTELS

HOTEL NAME	LOCATION	RATING	ROOMS
Meldrum House Hotel	Oldmeldrum	4*	56
Thainstone House Hotel	Inverurie	4*	48
Maryculter House Hotel	Kirkton of Maryculter	4*	40
Banchory Lodge	Banchory	4*	28
Macdonald Pittodrie House Hotel	Inverurie	4*	27
Tor Na Coille Hotel	Banchory	4*	25
Douneside House	Tarland	4*	13
Kildrummy Inn	Kildrummy	4*	4
Saplinbrae Hotel	Peterhead	N/A	7
Darroch Learg	Ballater	N/A	10

# ACCOMMODATION

## EXCLUSIVE USE

HOTEL NAME	LOCATION	RATING	ROOMS	SLEEPS
Trump MacLeod House & Lodge Hotel	Balmedie	5*	16	32
Mill of Dess Lodge	Aboyne	4*	10	20
Drumtochty Castle	Auchenblae	N/A	48	99
Raemoir House	Banchory	N/A	16	32
Kincardine Castle	Kincardine O'Neil	N/A	11	24
Cluny Castle	Inverurie	N/A	13	26
Candacraig House	Strathdon	N/A	10	20
Elsick House	Stonehaven	N/A	11	20
Netherdale House	Turriff	N/A	11	24
Wardhill Castle	Inverurie	N/A	8	16
Lickleyhead Castle	Insch	N/A	8	18

## HOTELS AT ABERDEEN AIRPORT

HOTEL NAME	LOCATION	RATING	ROOMS
Hilton Aberdeen TECA	Aberdeen Airport	4*	200
Courtyard By Marriott Aberdeen Airport	Aberdeen Airport	4*	194
Crowne Plaza Aberdeen Airport	Aberdeen Airport	4*	165
Leonardo Hotel Aberdeen Airport	Aberdeen Airport	4*	147
Craighaar Hotel	Aberdeen Airport	4*	53
Leonardo Inn Hotel Aberdeen Airport	Aberdeen Airport	3*	202
Moxy Aberdeen Airport	Aberdeen Airport	3*	200
Holiday Inn Express Aberdeen Airport	Aberdeen Airport	3*	193
Hampton by Hilton Aberdeen Airport	Aberdeen Airport	3*	155
Aloft Aberdeen TECA	Aberdeen Airport	3*	150
Premier Inn Aberdeen Airport	Aberdeen Airport	3*	100
Pinehurst Lodge Hotel	Aberdeen Airport	N/A	27

# ACCOMMODATION

## SELF CATERING

SELF CATERING NAME	LOCATION	RATING	ROOMS
Dalriada Lodges	Stonehaven	5*	16
Rotal Athenaeum Suites	Aberdeen City	4*	48
Douneside House Holiday Cottages	Tarland	4*	15
Sail loft Bunkhouse	Portsoy	4*	9
Clovenstone Lodges	Inverurie	4*	11
Mill of Nethermill	Fraserburgh	4*	8
Newton House	Methlick	4*	7
Town and Country	Dyce	N/A	3
Clark Anderson Properties	Aberdeen City	N/A	3
The Point	Aberdeen City	N/A	3
Glen Dye Cabin & Lodges	Banchory	N/A	31
Saplinbrae Lodges	Peterhead	N/A	11
Howe of Torbeg	Ballater	N/A	5
Boutique Farm Bothies	Huntly	N/A	8
East Millfield, Glen Tanar Estate	Aboyne	N/A	4
Butler’s Lodge, Glen Tanar Estate	Aboyne	N/A	3
Garden Cottage, Glen Tanar Estate	Aboyne	N/A	2
West Millfield, Glen Tanar Estate	Aboyne	N/A	2
Woodend, Glen Tanar Estate	Aboyne	N/A	2
Rowan, Glen Tanar Estate	Aboyne	N/A	1
Tower O’Ess, Glen Tanar Estate	Aboyne	N/A	1
Tahuna Bothies	Newburgh	N/A	3
The Lodges @ Barra Castle	Oldmeldrum	N/A	10

# ACCOMMODATION

## SELF CATERING - National Trust for Scotland (NTS)

SELF CATERING NAME	LOCATION	RATING	ROOMS
Bynack, Mar Lodge, National Trust for Scotland	Braemar	4*	8
Claybokie, Mar Lodge, National Trust for Scotland	Braemar	4*	5
Creag Bhalg, Mar Lodge, National Trust for Scotland	Braemar	4*	4
Derry, Mar Lodge, National Trust for Scotland	Braemar	4*	2
Dalvorar, Mar Lodge, National Trust for Scotland	Braemar	3*	2
Macdui, Mar Lodge, National Trust for Scotland	Braemar	3*	2
Braeriach, Mar Lodge, National Trust for Scotland	Braemar	3*	1
Bunkhouse, Mar Lodge, National Trust for Scotland	Braemar	3*	4
Courtyard Cottage, Drum Castle, National Trust for Scotland	Banchory	4*	1
Preston Tower Apartment, Fyvie Castle, National Trust for Scotland	Fyvie	3*	8
North Wing, Pitmedden Garden, National Trust for Scotland	Pitmedden	3*	4
South Mains, Craigievar Castle, National Trust for Scotland	Alford	3*	4
Beechgrove Cottage, Pitmedden Garden, National Trust for Scotland	Pitmedden	3*	2
North Mains, Craigievar Castle, National Trust for Scotland	Alford	3*	2
Steading, Cragievar Castle, National Trust for Scotland	Alford	3*	2
East Lodge, Crathes Castle, National Trust for Scotland	Banchory	3*	2

For more information on these NTS properties, click [here](#)

Please note these accommodation lists are not exhaustive. For more accommodation options, click [here](#).

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## B&B / GUEST HOUSE

B&B / GUEST HOUSE NAME	LOCATION	RATING	ROOMS	SLEEPS
Aikenshill House	Nr Ellon	N/A	4	8
Arduthie House	Stonehaven	N/A	5	12
Aurora Guest House	Aberdeen	4*	7	15
Bimini Guest House	Aberdeen	3*	9	20
The Boat Inn	Aboyne	N/A	16	32
Brentwood Villa	Aberdeen	N/A	6	12
Douneside Guest House	Nr Aboyne	4*	13	24
Durn House	Porsoy	4*	8	16
Ferryhill House Hotel	Aberdeen	N/A	9	17
Lys-Na-Greyne	Aboyne	5*	6	12
No. 45	Ballater	4*	8	16
Pennan Inn	Pennan	N/A	2	4
Registry Guest House	Aberdeen	4*	5	10
The Coach House, Glen Dye	Banchory	N/A	5	12
The Cock and Bull	Balmedie	N/A	6	12

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