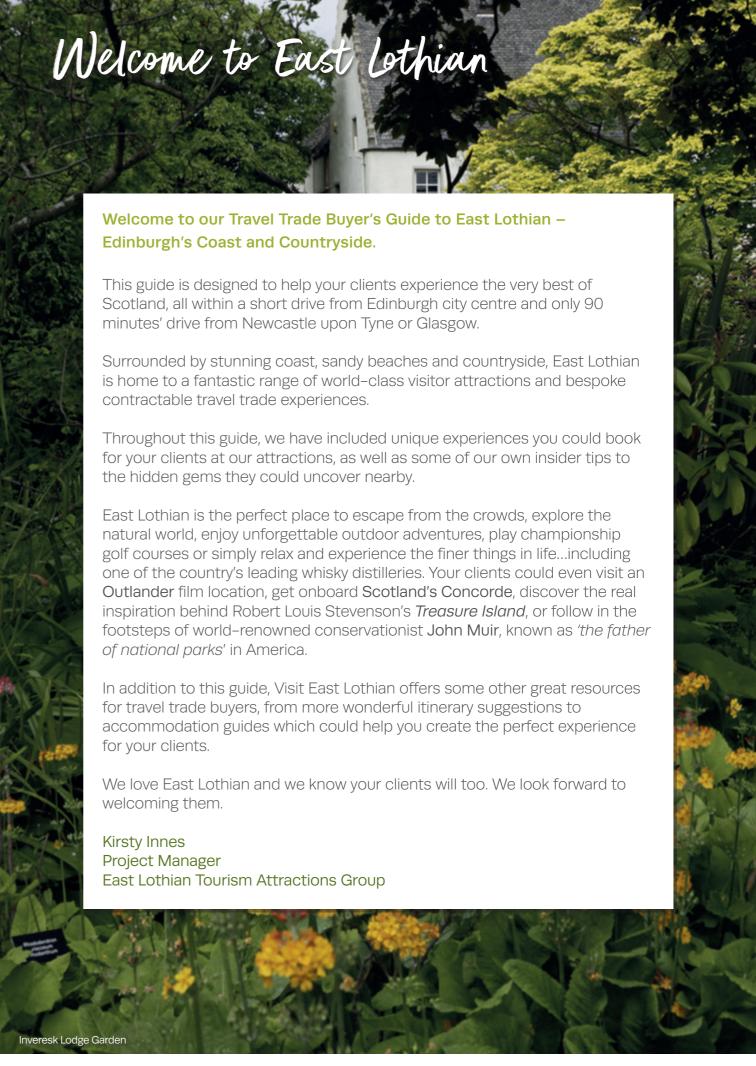


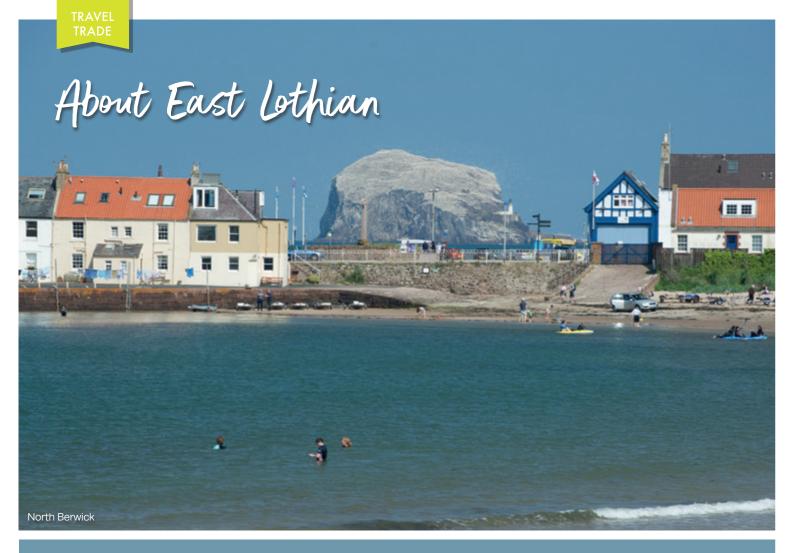




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With over 40 miles of outstanding coastline, sandy beaches, rolling hills, world-class attractions, wildlife havens, stunning walking and cycling routes, excellent food and drink and the world's finest links golf courses, East Lothian offers the very best of Scotland

Only minutes from Edinburgh, our award-winning coastline and beautiful countryside stretches south from Scotland's historic capital to the northern edge of the Scottish Borders.

Honest Toun', adjoins Scotland's historic capital city. It is home to one of the UK's most stylish racecourses, The Brunton (our vibrant arts and entertainment venue), and the world's oldest playing golf course (where visitors can still play hickory golf to this day). On its outskirts, visitors can view breathtaking rococo designs at the newly refurbished 17th–century Palladian villa, Newhailes, and truly experience serenity in the picturesque Inveresk Lodge Garden.

Just slightly further along the coast, enchanting gardens and some of the oldest castle architecture surviving in Scotland can be found at Dirleton Castle, not far from the scenic harbour town of North Berwick.

Heading south out of North Berwick, the striking Tantallon Castle sits high on a cliff edge with spectacular views to Bass Rock – this castle was home to the Red Douglas dynasty and is one the las of the grand medieval castles.

The Scottish Seabird Centre, one of the UK's leading conservation and education charities, is located in the heart of North Berwick. Here visitors can discover the wonders of marine wildlife at the Centre's interactive 5–star visitor experience or take a seasonal boat trip to nearby islands to spot some iconic and endangered species. They could even pose for a picture with The Watcher statue as they gaze out to sea.

Wherever your clients go in East Lothian, they will find some fascinating free museums where they could speak to real local experts and follow in the footsteps of ancestors or ancient pioneers, such as the Coastal Communities Museum in North Berwick. This museum is a treasure trove of great local stories, including real inspiration behind Robert Louis Stevenson's Treasure Island

Journeying slightly further inland and forward in time, visitors can also climb aboard Scotland's Concorde and discover the stories behind one of Europe's best collections of aircraft at the National Museum of Flight. This museum is located on one of the UK's best-preserved Second World War airfields.



Not far from the museum, is Preston Mill and Phantassie Doocot. The mill was the region's last working watermill, and more recently doubled as Lallybroch in *Outlander* (as Jamie hid beneath the waterwheel).

Offering exhilarating adrenaline filled outdoor activities for all ages, Foxlake Adventures 5-star award-winning adventure hub is located on the outskirts of nearby Dunbar.

Dunbar was the birthplace of world-renowned conservationist John Muir and features many tributes to his life, including the John Muir Birthplace Museum.

Heading inland, back towards Edinburgh, your clients can journey through Glenkinchie Distillery's storied landscape and rich heritage at their new multi-millior home development – the lowland home of Johnnie Walker. It is a wonderful sensory experience where visitors can learn about how they create their rare Lowland style whisky.

No matter where your clients go or what they do in Eas Lothian, surrounded by the region's stunning natural beauty they will always experience a great sense of wellbeing and fulfilment.

It is the perfect location for the holiday of a lifetime.

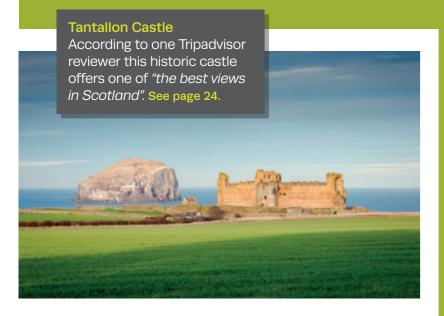


East Lothian Attractions Map Key Top East Lothian Selfie Points see p8-9 for more info. Tantallon Castle, Glenkinchie Distillery Preston Mill Waterwheel, John Muir Way - Walk looking out to Bass Rock Outlander film scene. John Muir's Birthplace P14 John Muir Way - Cycle ••••• **(D) Dunbar Town House** P16 Railway Line / Stations Bird Watcher Statue, Dunbear Statue, a tribute to our iconic Scottish Seabird Centre conservationist John Muir Coastal Communities Museum P17 Newhailes House and Gardens © Scotland's Concorde in the Johnnie Walker Statue National Museum of Flight at Glenkinchie Distillery **Preston Mill** P19 Inveresk Lodge Garden p20 Wakeboarding with Foxlake Adventures Dirleton Castle P21 Pirate ship in the Coastal National Museum of Flight P22 Communities Museum Tantallon Castle P24 Golf with hickory clubs at Musselburgh The Brunton P25 Dirleton North Links, the world's oldest playing golf Berwick Musselburgh Links, The Old Course course Putting, North Berwick, East Links John Muir Way signposts Putting, North Berwick, West Links Whitekirk B1345 B1347 Scottish Seabird Centre Winterfield Golf Course P30 Aberlady Musselburgh Racecourse P31 East-Fortune Dunbar Foxlake Adventures P32 Athelstaneford Leith Longniddry B6370 B1348 Port Seton **EAST** To Newcastle Haddington EDINBURGH Musselburgh LOTHIAN Wallyford B6363 B6369 B6355 B6368 Garvald B6370 B6371 Whitecraig Ormiston A68 **Pencaitland** Gifford B6355 A720 A6093 Dalkeith B6368 B6355 MIDLOTHIAN Pathhead **A7** Humbie A6094 A6091 A68 B6367 Gorebridge

Top East Lothian Selfie Points O

East Lothian offers a range of fantastic photo opportunities for visitors from stunning landscapes, idyllic coastal scenes and bucket list activities, to a range of unique and iconic statues, sculptures and historic sites.

Here are just some of the best selfie spots:

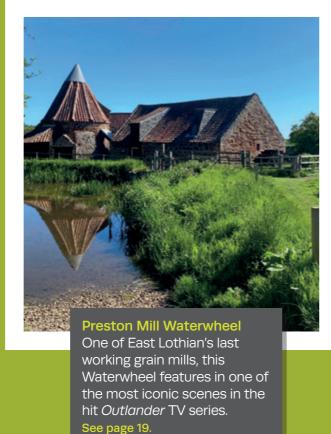






Wakeboarding

Whether your clients are complete beginners or experienced riders, they could take part in one of the fastest growing watersports with Foxlake Adventures. See page 32.









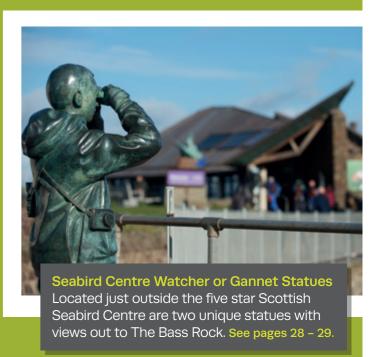
The Coastal Communities Museum in North Berwick is home to a pirate corner with a mini pirate ship. The coastal town is thought to have influenced Robert Louis Stevenson's Treasure Island. See page 17.



John Muir Way signposts

One of Scotland's Great Trails, the John Muir Way offers a journey through Scotland's landscapes, history and heritage. Signposts can be found along the route to lead the way.

See the John Muir Way route outlined on our map on pages 6 and 7, or page 10 for more information about John Muir.









"When I was a boy in Scotland I was fond of everything that was wild, and all my life I've been growing fonder and fonder of wild places and wild creatures."

John Muir, The Story of my **Boyhood and Youth**

John Muir was born in Dunbar, East Lothian on 21st April 1838. As a child he developed a deep love of the natural world. This grew into a lifelong journey, both physical and spiritual, of exploration, revelation, hardship and wonder. His introduction to Yosemite Valley, California, resulted in a campaign to preserve wilderness and led to the establishment of the world's first national park system. Today he is remembered as a pioneer of the modern conservation movement.

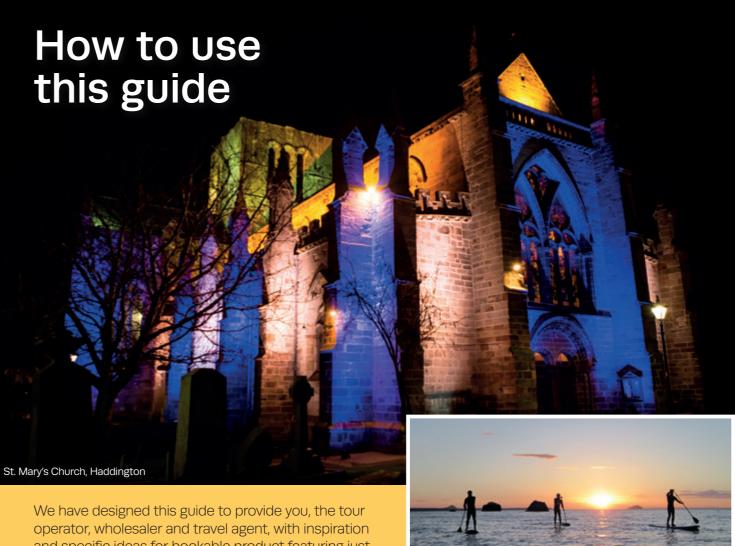
As one of East Lothian's most iconic figures, his life is celebrated at various sites and in different ways across the region, including the magnificent new Dunbear tribute in Dunbar (a 5m statue designed by Scotland's Kelpies designer, Andy Scott which depicts a brown bear standing on its hind legs), and the region's commitment to look after our precious natural environment.

A number of our visitor attractions form part of The John Muir Way, a coast-to-coast cycling and walking route which starts at the John Muir Birthplace Museum. Our map highlights the route that John Muir's Way takes through East Lothian. Look for the John Muir Way symbol to find attractions on the route and those who can help you create an extra special John Muir Experience.

See also page 15 for an exclusive new travel trade experience: Glenkinchie Distillery and the story of John Muir.

> Look out for the John Muir Way symbol throughout this brochure





and specific ideas for bookable product featuring just some of our region's world class visitor attractions.

We have included some iconic and exciting experiences, as well as a range of hidden gems off the beaten track.

Look out for the trade exclusive packages that our attractions have put together to showcase a unique aspect of our region and enhance the experience of individual and group travellers to Scotland.

We have also highlighted a range of bespoke products to give you an opportunity to truly personalise and bring to life any visit for customers travelling through the region – whether it is for a day trip or extended break.

Prices are indicative to allow provisional planning. Please contact the individual attractions directly to discuss your clients' requirements, operational aspects and final pricing.

All businesses listed in this brochure offer discounted group rates and would be delighted to discuss how they can help you to make your clients' experience an extra special one.

- Contact
- Website
- Group capacity
- ## Availability
- £ Price from
- P Car parking
- ☑ Weblink/download

- Location/address
- **J** Telephone
- Event duration
- Accessibility **19** Catering
- 20 Languages spoken
- Coach parking

Products and experiences

Note all costs in this section are indicative and were correct at the time of design (August 2021).

For up-to-date costs and bespoke packages, please contact the individual attractions directly.



Glenkinchie's delicious light, fragrant and creamy character – the same character that Johnnie Walker first sought out in the nineteenth century.

- Enjoy the gracious warmth of their garden home, glass in hand, together with friends old and new.
- ¥ Your clients could lose themselves in the natural wonders that inspire Glenkinchie's whisky from field to glass, only 15 miles from Edinburgh.



Express Taste (Travel Trade Exclusive)

If you are a tour operator running a tight ship, this experience gets your guests in and out while discovering bits of the fascinating Glenkinchie and Johnnie Walker stories. Your guests will experience the generous spirit of our Lowland garden home while maximising your schedule.

- ## All year around. Booking by email request

Glenkinchie Flavour Journey

Journey through Glenkinchie's storied landscape and rich heritage, enjoy a full-sensory tour culminating in a tutored whisky tasting.

- # 1 16 pax 90 minutes £ £12 pp
- ## All year around. Booking by email request

Whisky in the Wild

Explore the distillery's spectacular setting and sustainability efforts. Visit the Kinchie burn and orchard gardens and hear stories of Glenkinchie's beautiful landscape. Surrounded by natural wetlands, you'll enjoy a whisky tasting outside, immersed in the sounds and sights of our garden home.

- 28 pax
- 90 minutes
- £ £25 pp
- ## All year around. Booking by email request

Warehouse & Cask Tour

An unforgettable tasting of exceptional whiskies straight from the cask. The experience is constantly evolving as the variants and casks change over time. In addition to toasting special moments in time, your clients will enjoy the opportunity to visit Glenkinchie's exclusive cask filling store.

- # 10 pax
- 90 minutes
- £ £37 pp
- ## All year around. Booking by email request



Flowers & Cocktails Class

Enjoy a hands-on botanically inspired workshop experience. Learn the mixology skills and recipes to create delicious seasonal cocktails built upon the foundation of Glenkinchie and Johnnie Walker whiskies.

- 2 pax
- 90 minutes
- £ £50 pp
- ## All year around. Booking by email request

Behind the Scenes Tour

Join a Glenkinchie Distillery expert for a very special tour, designed for the aficionado of extraordinary whiskies, great stories and adventure. Featuring an indepth story tour of Glenkinchie, including warehouses and other areas normally inaccessible to guests. The tour is followed by an unforgettable curated tasting of two old and rare whiskies drawn straight from the cask, followed by Glenkinchie exclusive bottlings.

- 😤 8 pax

- ## All year around. Booking by email request

"The area around Glenkinchie and East Lothian has so much to offer. After a visit to the Distillery why not take the 20-minute drive to the coast and find yourself on stunning beaches around Gullane, Dirleton and North Berwick.

"I particularly love a walk around North Berwick with a visit to the Seabird Centre, North Berwick Law and Tantallon Castle. You will need a refreshment and where better than the Drift Cafe, sitting on the top of the cliffs, just east of North Berwick with stunning views over to the world-famous Bass Rock."

Brian Turner, Glenkinchie Experience Ambassador

Other information

- Yes packages can be further enhanced with a tasting platter, a dram flight and more.
- P Free parking and coach drop off point.
- Goach parking/waiting and turning area to rear of distillery.
- Lifts to all floors (except Tun Room), Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) compliant doors. Accessible toilets in the Visitor Centre on each floor. Guide and assistance dogs welcome, though not permitted in the production areas of the distillery. Disabled parking spaces in front of the distillery.
- English, other languages on request.

Contact information

- Glenkinchie Distillery, Pencaitland, Tranent, East Lothian, EH34 5ET
- www.malts.com/en-gb/distilleries/glenkinchie

Trade contact

For booking availability and rates:

- 1 The Glenkinchie Team
- **.** +44 (0)1875 342012

For product planning and invoice set up:

- A Mary Jane Brett
- maryjane.brett@diageo.com





John Muir's Birthplace ⁹



John Muir's life and work inspires people all over the world. This five-star visitor attractions' absorbing hands on display will take your clients on the journey of his life. Here they can get a sense of his humble beginnings in the very house he grew up in, and follow the journey he took around the world as he became a pioneering conservationist.

They will also find out how his boyhood adventures and school days in Dunbar sparked his passion for wild places, leading to his life as an explorer, writer, geologist and inventor. The museum's friendly, well-informed staff are always on hand. It also has a shop offering John Muir related books and locally sourced gifts.

FIT visits welcome. Entry is free of charge.

which forms part of the eastern end of the John Muir Way to see the coastline where John Muir played as a boy and the and Bass Rock". Jo Moulin, Museums Officer

Highlights

Explore the life and legacy of this remarkable man in the house where he was born - now a unique museum and the starting point of the John Muir Way.

Visits & experiences

Group Experience and talk at John Muir's Birthplace

For groups of 11 to 25 the museum will have extra staff on hand to ensure that everyone gets a personal welcome.

They can provide a 30 minute talk on one of the following themes: Boyhood in Dunbar/ Life and Legacy/ Muir and Burns/ The Writer.

- 25 pax 60-90 mins
- ## On request, booking essential
- £ £50 total per group

Other information

- P Coach drop off and parking available at Dunbar Leisure Pool (off Victoria Street).
- **&** John Muir's Birthplace has level access throughout and a lift to upper floors with an accessible toilet on the ground floor. Two onstreet blue badge parking spaces available to the left of the entrance. Guide and assistance dogs are welcome. An induction loop operates in the film booth on the first floor. A full accessibility guide is available HERE .
- 7 Talk will be conducted in English. Overview sheet available in French, German, Dutch, Spanish and English.

Contact information

- 126 High Street, Dunbar, EH42 1JJ
- www.jmbt.org.uk
- **4** +44 (0)1368 865899

Trade contact

For enquiries and booking please contact:

museumseast@eastlothian.gov.uk



Glenkinchie Distillery ** and the story of John Muir

John Muir's Birthplace and Glenkinchie Distillery, the Lowland Home of Johnnie Walker are delighted to invite your clients to a story-telling and whisky tasting experience in Dunbar, East

John Muir was known for hosting whisky soirées on cold winter nights in Yosemite, with Burns recitations and conversation. Just 3 minutes' walk from John Muir's Birthplace stands one of Dunbar's oldest buildings, the historic wood panelled Council Chamber with heraldic panels provides a historic and unique setting for a whisky tasting of Glenkinchie with Muir and Burns story-telling.

Visit & experiences

Group Experience

The experience begins with a visit to John Muir's Birthplace. Guests will explore the life and legacy of this remarkable man in the house where he was born – now a unique museum and the starting point of the John Muir Way.

Then, just a short 2–5 minutes' walk away, in the Dunbar Council Chamber your clients will join their storyteller host and the Glenkinchie team for a fun soirée with story-telling and drams.

There will also be an opportunity for guests to purchase whisky and mementoes.

- 15 to 20 pax
- 4 3 hours
- On request, booking essential
- £30 per person



Other information

- Can be sourced from an external provider
- P Coach drop off and parking available at Dunbar Leisure Pool (off Victoria Street).
- **&** John Muir's Birthplace has level access throughout and a lift to upper floors with an accessible toilet on the ground floor. Two onstreet blue badge parking spaces available to the left of the entrance. Guide and assistance dogs are welcome. An induction loop operates in the film booth on the first floor. A full accessibility guide is available HERE .
- **b** Dunbar Town House has level access and a lift to upper floors. The prison cell is accessed with 2 steps down to the spiral stair landing and 2 steps up. There is an accessible toilet on the ground and top floor. On-street 90 minute parking spaces available. Guide and assistance dogs are welcome. An induction loop is available in the Council Chamber and at the front desk. A full accessibility guide is available
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Trade contact

For enquiries and booking please contact:

"There is a love of wild nature in everybody an ancient motherlove ever showing itself whether recognized or no, and however covered by cares and duties." John Muir



Dunbar Town House Museum & Gallery

With its distinctive witch's hat tower, bell, clock and sun dials, the Dunbar Town House has been the focus of town life since the sixteenth century. There are unusual and interesting things to see on every floor. Scotland's oldest functioning council chamber has portraits of every town provost all the way back to 1833 charting a fascinating history of changing fashions, facial hair, photography and portraiture.

Historic heraldic panels and a set of ceremonial robes evoke a grander era of local government. For over 400 years councillors and magistrates presided over the affairs of the burgh from this room, including the infamous East Lothian witch trials. Below the chamber is a grimly atmospheric jail with its original massive iron door, which has become popular ghost hunting venue. In the neighbouring debtor's cell the fireplace has been preserved complete with prisoners' graffiti.

The museum is free to FIT clients

Highlights

- Directly outside Dunbar Town House Museum and Gallery stands a statue of a young boy chasing a flock of seagulls. This is a young John Muir (1838–1914), depicted as he may have looked when he left Dunbar at the age of almost 11 when his father took his family to the western frontier in Wisconsin to establish a farm.
- ➤ Dunbar Town House is also home to the town clock. Why is a clock so important in a town like Dunbar? It served to regulate the town's markets by ringing the bell to signal the start and end of legal trading.

"Take a walk down to the historic harbours which have a dramatic entrance through the remains of Dunbar Castle."

Tracy Robertson, Visitor Services Officer



Visit & experiences

Dunbar Town House Museum & Gallery Group Tour

For groups of 11 to 25 pax we will have extra staff on hand to ensure that everyone gets a personal welcome. Museum staff can also provide a 30 minute tour of the building.

- 4 11 to 25 pax
- 60−90 mins
- E On request, booking essential
- £ £50 total per group

Other information

- Catering can be provided by a local business (details provided on request).
- P Coach drop parking available at Dunbar Leisure Pool (off Victoria Street).
- b Dunbar Town has level access and a lift to upper floors. The prison cell is accessed with 2 steps down to the spiral stair landing and 2 steps up. There is an accessible toilet on the ground and top floor. On-street 90 minute parking spaces available. Guide and assistance dogs are welcome. An induction loop is available in the Council Chamber and at the front desk. A full accessibility guide is available HERE

 ...
- 2 English

Contact information

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- www.eastlothian.gov.uk/museums
- **/** +44 (0)1620 820699

Trade contact

- Jo Moulin
- **/** +44 (0)7813 315402

COASTAL COMMUNITIE MUSEUM



Coastal Communities Museum



This fascinating local museum is located in the seaside town of North Berwick. Run entirely by enthusiastic volunteers, the museum's aim is to enable visitors to explore the culture and heritage of nearby coastal towns and villages,

The museum features 10,000 years of history and celebrates everything coastal. There is a wealth of artefacts and heritage relating to the history and pre-history of the area, including the inspiration behind Robert Louis Stevenson's Treasure Island. There is a new exhibition each season with a range of interesting and interactive displays to suit all visitors.

The museum is free to enter, donations are appreciated.

"North Berwick offers a vibrant High Street with many independent shops and restaurants. There is an attractive seafront and busy harbour."

Kate Goudie, a holidaymaker in North Berwick



Visit

- Visit the museum with a guided tour for groups Up to 20 pax maximum
- 1 hour
- Open Easter to end NovemberGroup bookings on request
- **£** Volunteer guided tours are free Donations are appreciated

Other information

- Yes Yes
- P Parking at the museum
- Lift and disabled facilities provided Hearing loop available
- Languages: English

Contact information

- School Road, North Berwick EH39 4JU
- www.CoastalMuseum.org

- Barbara Clark (Vice Chair and Treasurer)
- barbaraclark12@hotmail.com
- **J** +44 (0)1620 893934





Dating from the 17th Century, Newhailes House and Garden is a Palladian house that played a prominent role in the Scottish Enlightenment and is located just 6 miles south east of Edinburgh City Centre. During their time at this 5* VisitScotland visitor attraction your clients will be immersed in Newhailes' history on a guided tour, where they will hear stories about the influential Dalrymple family that lived at Newhailes for nearly 300 years and discover highlights such as the magnificent dining room, marble fireplaces and rococo designs.

Newhailes House and Garden is suitable for both group and FIT clients, and offers two types of tour, one telling the story of Newhailes in the 20th Century and the other focusing on the collections at Newhailes.

- X Visit the magnificent dining room, used as a filming location for Outlander.
- Spot sumptuous decorative details including shells, gilded eagles and early 18th-century trompe l'oeil decoration.
- Enjoy woodland walks in the 18th-century designed landscape, with views across the Forth.

& Accessible with some limitations due to historic

29 English guided tours. Explanatory text is available

in Dutch, French, German, Spanish and Italian.

layout of the property. Please see details HERE C

Contact information

- Newhailes Road, Musselburgh, East Lothian, EH21 6RY
- www.nts.org.uk/visit/places/newhailes

Trade contact

- Raeanne Verlegh or Peter Stewart
- traveltrade@nts.org.uk

Lady Antonia Dalrymple donated Newhailes to the National Trust for Scotland in 1997 after having long occupied just a few rooms on the first floor

for nearly 300 years, but from the 19th century a steady decline set in. The National Trust For Scotland has used diaries, letters, interviews and the carefully preserved rooms and contents of the house to tell the fascinating story of the Dalrymple's last 100 years at Newhailes.

- Groups of over 20 will be split & entry staggered
- 1 hour
- War-round on request. Groups book via traveltrade@nts.org.uk
- £ £9.00pp for group rate, £11.50pp for FIT rate

Collections Tour

This tour tells the story of Newhailes through the contents and architecture of the house. Your clients will hear about the prominent role that the house played in the Scottish Enlightenment and take in the impressive art collection, breathtaking rococo designs and 18th-century trompe l'oeil decoration in the Chinese sitting room.

- Croups of over 20 will be split & entry staggered
- 1 hour 15 minutes
- # Year-round on request Groups from 12 pax book via traveltrade@nts.org.uk
- £ £9.00 for group rate, £11.50pp for FIT rate

Other information

P Car parking £3 per day/ vehicle

Goach parking free with paid entry

Yes Yes



Your clients will see and hear the mill who worked here. Just across the River Tyne

mechanisms in action and learn about the millers lies the unusual structure of Phantassie Doocot, built in the 16th century to house 500 pigeons. Nestled within an idyllic location, located 23 miles east of Edinburgh, Preston Mill is suitable for both group and FIT clients.

Highlights

- ★ Spot the locations featured in the hit TV series Outlander.
- Keep an eye out for otters, kingfishers and herons on the walk beside the river down to the doocot.

exhibition room entrance. The ground floor

Other information

No No

of the mill is partly accessible but there are steep stairs to the upper floor. The exhibition and shop are fully accessible. The grounds of the mill are partially accessible.

P Parking Facilities: Space for small coaches

A Large coaches should drop off at the top of

b Visitors with disabilities may drive up to the

the drive-please check when booking visits.

and minibuses in the car park.

20 English guided tours. Explanatory text is available in Dutch, French, German, Spanish and Italian.

Contact information

• Preston Road, East Linton, EH40 3DS

PRODUCTS & EXPERIENCES

www.nts.org.uk/visit/places/preston-mill

Trade contact

- Raeanne Verlegh or Peter Stewart

NATIONAL TRUST for SCOTLAND



Tall trees, fragrant flowers, clear water – these walled grounds tucked away in the charming village of Inveresk, 6 miles east of Edinburgh, have all the ingredients for a garden paradise. This hillside plant haven offers a sanctuary of tranquillity and a year-round feast for the senses. It is home to colourful borders and a heady mix of scents, including roses, honeysuckle and herbs. The garden is split into two main areas, with sloping lawns and borders at the top of the hill and the wilder woodland and ponds below.

Inveresk Lodge Garden is suitable for both group and FIT clients.

Highlights

- X Enjoy themed borders boasting seasonal delights, from snowdrops and tulips to perfumed roses.
- Wander through wild meadows and woodland.



Discover this pretty hillside garden on the outskirts of Edinburgh.

- 🔼 Up to 30 pax
- 45 minutes
- ¥ Year-round on request, book groups from 12 pax via traveltrade@nts.org.uk
- £ £3.15pp group, £3.30pp FIT

Other information

- P On street parking
- **b** Parking is available at the entrance 100m to the left of the main entrance – assistance is required to open it from the garden side and there are 4 steps. The glasshouse is accessible, and toilets are accessed through the glasshouse. There are many scented plants in the garden.
- 99 English guided tours. Explanatory text is available in Dutch, French, German, Spanish and Italian.

Contact information

- Inveresk Village Road, Inveresk, Musselburgh EH217TE
- www.nts.org.uk/visit/places/ inveresk-lodge-garden

Trade contact

- Raeanne Verlegh or Peter Stewart



This magnificent fortress-residence served three successive noble families over 400 years. Badly damaged in Cromwell's 1650 siege, Dirleton's fortunes were revived by its new owners in the 1660s. The Nisbet family built a new mansion house nearby to live in and made the picturesque castle ruins the central feature in their new designed landscape. They also breathed new life into the splendid gardens, now home to the world's longest herbaceous border.

Highlights

- ¥ Seek out the dovecot one of Scotland's bestpreserved pigeon houses, with more than 1,000 nesting boxes.
- ★ The impressive cluster of towers dating from the 1200s is among the oldest castle architecture surviving in Scotland.



architecture surviving in Scotland and see the pretty chapel and cavernous storage vaults in the Haliburton range, then lose themselves in the enchanting gardens dating from the late 1800s and early 1900s.

- 4 1 − 50 pax
- Up to 2 hours
- ## All year around, book online or by email
- £ £6 per adult, £3.60 per child, £4.80 concession. No travel trade rate confirmed.

Other information

- No No
- P Public Car Park nearby
- Ե Click HERE ☐ for information
- g English

Contact information

- Oirleton, East Lothian, EH39 5ER
- historicenvironment.scot/dirleton-castle

Trade contact

- Admissions & Sales Team
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 ✓ trade@hes.scot
- historicenvironment.scot/travel-trade

At the time of publication (September 2021), Dirleton Castle is closed as a precautionary measure while Historic Environment Scotland undertake site inspections. When the castle opens again, it may still have to close unexpectedly from time to time due to adverse weather, or other reasons beyond the castle's control. Please advise your clients to check ahead before visiting.



The National • Museum of Flight



One of Scotland's top attractions, this national museum is home to a world-class collection of aircraft set within a unique historic airfield. Here your clients can hear about the fascinating stories of the people who built and flew these amazing machines and learn about the history of aviation from the First World War to the present day. They can immerse themselves in the history of the site and visit the museum's hangars and airfield, then get on board Scotland's Concorde to discover what supersonic flight was like for its passengers and crew. They can then round off their day with a visit to the shop and café, or take their own picnic to enjoy in the museum's outdoor picnic area.

Highlights

- Get up close and personal on board Scotland's Concorde.
- See the iconic Second World War Supermarine Spitfire.

"I just love Seacliff beach – the walk and the views and the tranquillity. We are blessed with amazing beaches in East Lothian.

And if you want to try some amazing food, head to the Lobster Man at Fenton Barns, East Coast in Musselburgh, The Big Blue Sea shed at Dunbar Harbour, Danny's Dumplings available at the Brand Farm Shop and Bostock Bakery in East Linton."

Linda De Costa – Administrator, National Museum of Flight



Visits & experiences

Exclusive VIP Concorde Tour

Experience Scotland's Concorde after hours at the National Museum of Flight with a private tour of this iconic aircraft. Get on board and learn about its fascinating history. Elsewhere in the hangar visitors can see a famous Red Arrows Hawk and join the 1960s jet set on a Boeing 707.

Visits available daily between 17:00-18:00.

- A Maximum 50 pax 60 mins
- # On request
- £ £16 pp/ minimum spend £240

Standard Visit at the National Museum of Flight

Here your clients will discover a world-class collection of aircraft and hear the fascinating stories of the people who built and flew them at one of Scotland's top attractions.

Visits available daily between 10:00-17:00.

- Up to 50 pax
- 90 mins
- FIT book online or at the door, Groups minimum 10 pax pre-book by email
- £ £12.50 per person

Other information

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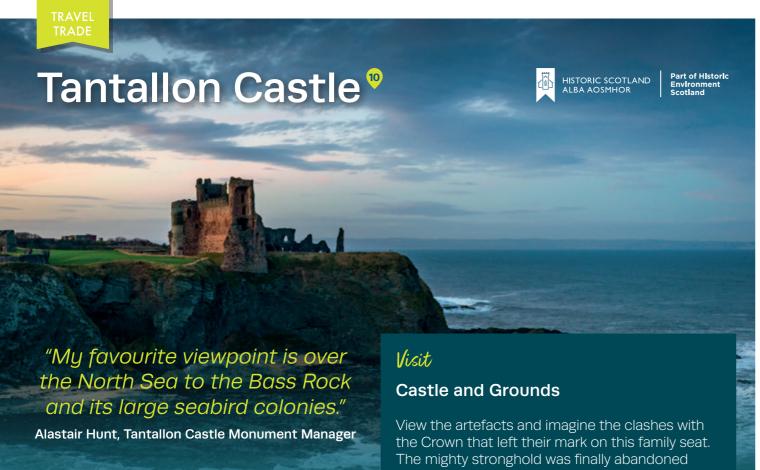
- P Free coach / car parking
- historic nature of the collection, Concorde can only be boarded by using stairs. The site is wheelchair accessible and wheelchairs can be borrowed free of charge. Adapted toilets are available. Guide dogs, hearing dogs and other recognised assistance dogs are welcome in museum buildings and on the outdoor site.

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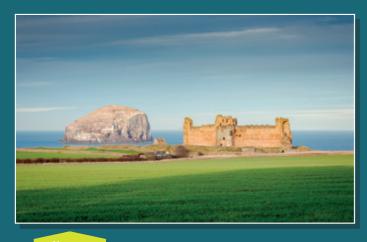




Climb to the battlements of the last of the grand medieval castles and marvel at its scale. Set high on a cliff edge and featuring a massive red sandstone curtain wall, Tantallon Castle was home to the Red Douglas dynasty. Today visitors can Look up at the mighty curtain wall - the best example of castle architecture from the 1300s anywhere in Scotland. Also view the replica gun in the east tower – an exact copy of the ones used to defend against James IV and James V.

Highlights

- ¥ Tantallon Castle is a popular filming location and appears in the critically acclaimed film *Under the* Skin, starring Scarlett Johansson.
- Enjoy amazing views over the North Sea to the Bass Rock and its large seabird colonies and spot rare animals, birds and plants among the local wildlife



after more than 300 years, when it was besieged for a third time – by Oliver Cromwell's army.

- $\frac{24}{1}$ 1 50 pax
- Up to 2 hours
- ## All year around. Book: online/ email request
- £ £6 per adult, £3.60 per child, £4.80 concession. No travel trade rate confirmed.

Other information

- No No
- P Small car park
- Click HERE ☐ for information
- 2 English

Contact information

- Near North Berwick, East Lothian, EH39 5PN
- historicenvironment.scot/tantallon-castle

Trade contact

- Admissions & Sales Team
- **444(0)131 668 8831**
- historicenvironment.scot/travel-trade

At the time of publication (September 2021), Tantallon is closed as a precautionary measure while Historic Environment Scotland undertake site inspections. When the castle opens again, it may still have to close unexpectedly from time to time due to adverse weather, or other reasons beyond the castle's control. Please advise your clients to check ahead before visiting.

The Brunton •

The Brunton is a vibrant theatre, arts, events and community space in Musselburgh, the gateway to East Lothian. Open all year round, it is the place to be for the best in music, theatre, dance, comedy, children's shows, film and lots more. The Brunton's state of the art Venue 1 allows the venue to offer even more entertainment, and it is available for private or corporate hire.

Highlights

- ★ The Brunton's bars serve a range of beers, wines, spirits and non-alcoholic drinks, providing a welcoming place to relax and enjoy the venue before the show starts and during the interval. Bars are also open after selected performances.
- X In summer, the venue works with a range of partners such as Musselburgh Racecourse to programme outdoor theatre across East Lothian.

Visits & experiences

Group Ticket Offer

A variety of dance, theatre, comedy, pantomime and music are available for your clients and groups to choose from.

- A Minimum 10 pax
- Show dependant
- ## All year around. Booking on request
- See website for ticket prices. One ticket free per 10 purchased on selected events. Group discount applicable on selected events only, subject to availability.

Performance Space

(Choirs, Music Groups, Amateur Performances)

Looking for a performance venue for a choir or performance group? The Brunton would be delighted to talk to you about getting your clients on

- Minimum 20 pax to 496 pax
- Fully tailored
- ## All year around. Booking on request
- **£** On request following assessment of requirements

Behind the Scenes Tours/ **Special Interest Visit**

For an extra special experience, your clients could take a step beyond the curtains and discover what it's like to be behind the scenes of a performing arts venue. These tours can be tailor made to suit your group's interest.

- Minimum 10 pax to 50 pax
- Fully tailored
- ## All year around. Booking on request
- **£** On request following assessment of requirements

Other information

- Yes Yes
- Free and convenient parking behind the building. Disabled spaces at front and rear of building
- **&** Ramped access into theatre foyer and lift access to Venue 1 and 2. Wheelchair spaces plus escort seats with lift access in the Theatre and Venue 1. No fixed seating in Venue 2. Audio description and BSL interpretation for selected performances.
- 2 English

Contact information

- Ladywell Way, Musselburgh, EH21 6AA
- www.thebrunton.co.uk
- General Email: info@thebrunton.co.uk

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An original **Open Championship Venue**, and arguably the oldest playing golf course in the world, a round at Musselburgh Links is truly a historic golfing experience to treasure forever.

With a documented history going back to 1672, and host to the Open on six occasions between 1874 and 1889, a round at Musselburgh Links is like a step back in time. Musselburgh Links is often referred to as the "The Cradle of Golf", as the game was nurtured here by enthusiasts from all walks of life.

Highlights

- Look out for the 'Cradle of Golf' gate at the fourth hole.
- The fourth hole is affectionately known as "Mrs Formans". In days gone by, Mrs Forman's was a public watering hole, which was a popular resting spot for players on the course. Drinks used to be served to golfers through a window adjacent to the green.



Experience

Round of Golf on the historic Golf Course

For a truly unique experience, your clients can play this historic golf course as it was intended by hiring a set of hickory golf clubs, and walk in the footsteps of Open Champions Willie Park Senior and Junior, Mungo Park, David 'Deacon' Brown and Jamie Anderson.

- Lip to 50 pax/ each tee time 1-4 players
- 9 hole round is approx. 90–100 minutes
- On request
- 9 Hole Round £17 pp, Hickory Club hire from £42 pp / 10% discount available for trade bookings

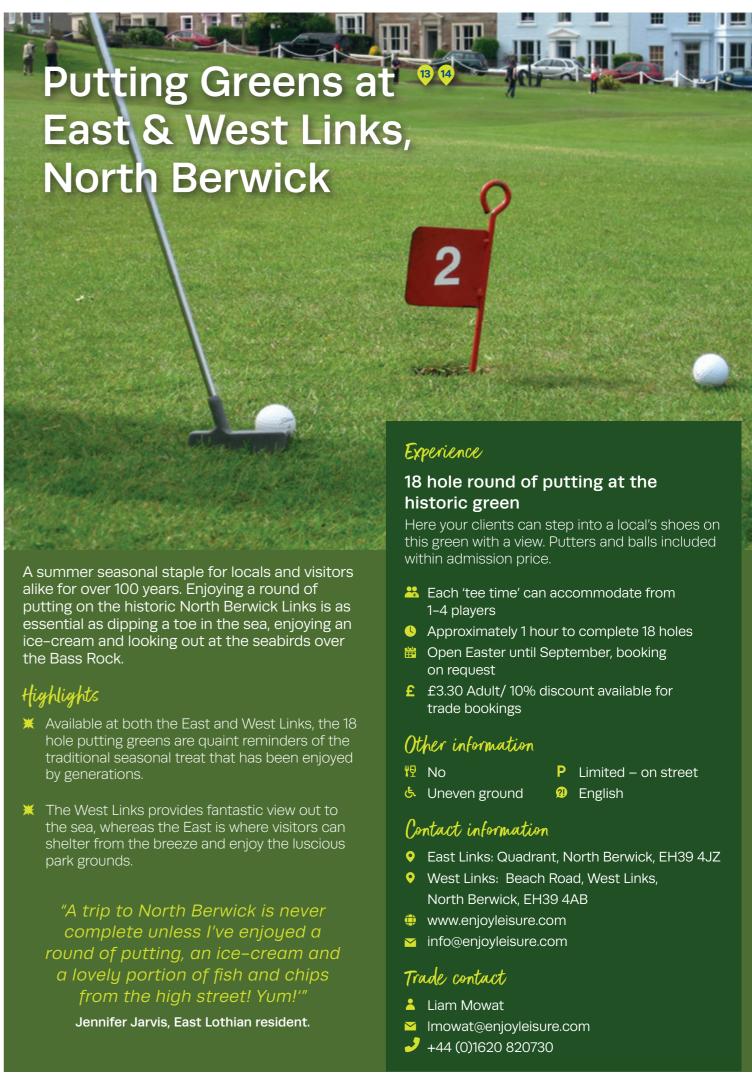
Other

- On request P On site parking
- & Accessible toilet, lift to upper floor.
- 20 English

Contact information

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The Centre welcomes groups and can provide catering and special guided tours of the awardwinning Discovery Experience.

Scottish Seabird Centre Group Visit

- ♣ 10 50 pax
 ♣ 1 hour
- # On request

£ £10.85 pp net

Seabird Catamaran Cruise

On board the Scottish Seabird Centre's custombuilt, 55 seat catamaran, clients could enjoy an hour-long cruise around the islands of Craigleith and the Bass Rock, the world's largest colony of Northern gannets.

- 4 18 − 50 pax
 4 1.5 hour
- # On request
- £ £26.00 pp (trade commission 10%)

Gannet Diving Photography Trip

Designed for those who want the chance to capture the classic diving gannet shot as they enter the water just off the Bass Rock.

- 4 5 7 pax
- 4 2 hours
- # On request
- Price from: £95.00 pp (trade commission 10%)

Three Island Seabird Seafari

Certified high-speed RIBs provide an exhilarating trip to carry guests quickly between islands, to enjoy the magnificent wildlife from the water.

- ♣ 6 12 pax
- 1 hour 15 mins
- # On request
- £ £32.00 pp (trade commission 10%)

Bass Rock Landing Experience

The Centre's exclusive Bass Rock landing trips are an unforgettable experience for photographers and wildlife enthusiasts. Accompanied by an expert guide, guests will travel to, and land on, the Bass Rock, the world's largest colony of Northern Gannets. This exclusive wildlife experience on this wild rocky outcrop is a photographer's dream.

- 2 7 9 pax
- 4 3 hours
- **8** On request
- £ £135.00 pp (trade commission 10%)

Isle of May Boat Trips

Experience the wonders of national nature reserve, the Isle of May, with the Scottish Seabird Centre's guided landing trips. In spring and early summer the island becomes a teeming seabird city with thousands of seabirds returning to breed, including puffins, guillemots, razorbills, fulmars, kittiwakes, terns and shags. Weather permitting the return trip will also include travelling around the incredible Bass Rock home to the largest colony of Northern gannets.

- 🐣 8 12 pax 🚆 On request
- 4 hours with at least 2.5 hours on the island
- £ £50.00 pp (trade commission 10%)

Private Boat Charters

The Centre's RIBs (rigid inflatable boats) and Catamaran are available for exclusive use. If your clients have a special occasion, work outing or organised nature tour planned, the Scottish Seabird Centre's boats can make their day even more memorable.

- 8 − 55 pax
 4 1.5 hours
- # On request £ On request

Meet the scientists/ conservationist

Your clients could follow in the footsteps of local conservationist. John Muir and meet with the Centre's expert conservation and marine wildlife team to learn about Scotland's marine environment and the different species that can be found in and around the coastline of East Lothian. Guests can discover more about the simple ways in which we can all help to protect our marine environment and address climate change.

A range of experiences could be organised to enhance this experience from citizen science activities to rockpool rambles or wildlife walks.

- Fully tailored
- # All year around. Booking on request
- 2 On request following assessment of requirements









Open all year round, Winterfield is a superb links course located on the outskirts of Dunbar. It sits on the John Muir Way. Situated right on the coast, this 18-hole marvel is a good test of golf.

From the intimidating first hole, Whelkie Haugh, to the demanding eighteenth, St Margaret's, your clients will be putting their clubs to the test. Regardless of the golf, they will be able to enjoy the stunning sea views of the Firth of Forth, the Bass Rock and the Isle of May, and the Lammermuir Hills as a backdrop.

Highlights

- Winterfield Golf Course was one of the venues used in the filming of the film, *Tommy's Honour* about Scottish golfing legend Tommy Morris, starring Peter Mullan (of *Trainspotting*, *War Horse* and *Harry Potter* fame) and Jack Lowden (star of *Mary Queen of Scots* and *Dunkirk*).
- After a round of golf, relax and enjoy the stunning scenic landscape from the onsite restaurant and bar.

"Winterfield Golf Course sits on the 'John Muir Way'. While visiting Dunbar, make sure you stop in past John Muir's Birthplace, and discover the origins of this remarkable pioneer of the modern conservation movement, who established the world's first national park system."

Gordon Hillson
Golf Professional at Winterfield Golf Course

Experience

Round of Golf at Winterfield

A gem of a course with the most amazing views over the Firth of Forth, the Bass Rock and the Isle of May, with Lammermuir Hills as a backdrop.

- Each tee time can accommodate from 1-4 players
- Approximately 3–3 ½ hours
- # On request
- £ £30.00 Adult / 10% discount available for trade bookings

Other information

- Yes Yes
- P Onsite parking
- Accessible toilet
- # All year round
- 2 English

Contact information

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- www.winterfieldgc.com
- winterfieldgolfshop@gmail.com

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Musselburgh Racecourse is firmly established as one of the UK's most stylish racecourses, offering award-winning facilities in a 5-star visitor attraction located only 6 miles from Edinburgh with excellent transport links and free parking. There's something for everyone with racing hosted throughout the year. Come and experience a day at the races.





The racecourse's Sensational 6 series are their biggest and best racedays across the year. Dynamic horses, skilful jockeys, excited crowds, and plenty of entertainment is what your clients can expect.

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The first races in Musselburgh took place in 1777 under the auspices of the Royal Caledonian Hunt.

Visits & experiences

Group Visit at the Races

- Min 12 to max 50 pax
- Various depending on the race day. Can be 5 hours and more.
- ## All year around on request
- £ 12+ pax get one free ticket. 25+pax get two free tickets.

Other information

- P Ample free parking for coaches and cars
- 5 The venue is fully accessible
- 2 English

Contact information

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Wakeboarding

Cable wakeboarding is the world's fastest growing water sport. Using an overhead cable to pull participants over the surface of the lake, wakeboarding has a feel similar to surfing or snowboarding. Suitable for beginners and experienced wakeboarders.

- ♣ Up to 20 pax
 ♣ 15 minutes ride time
- ## All year around. Booking on request.
- £ £18 pp/ Group discount of 10% for more than 10 pax.

Foxfall

A unique low ropes course challenge over water – there's no safety harness, just the water looming below! The ultimate test of skill, balance and will power. Try different courses which vary in difficulty.

- Up to 30 pax
 50 minutes
- ## All year around. Booking on request.
- £ £17 pp/ Group discount of 10% for more than 10 pax.

ZipTrail

Your clients can fly from tree to tree, scramble and cross and blast down the big zips on each zone, all while zipping along, side by side with their friends, colleagues or family, up to 30 feet above the forest floor. Sessions will be led by Foxlake's experienced, qualified instructors who will take you from the kitting-up process, through their training zone and finally guide participants through each zone.

- Up to 14 pax
 9 2 hours
- ## All year around. Booking on request.
- £ £20 pp/ Group discount of 10% for more than 10 pax.

Ringos

Foxlake's Ringo rides are super fun and give participants the chance to take turns in tearing up and down the lake on big inflatables, feeling every bump and splash along the way. Ringo rides can be the perfect added extra along with other activities on site or great fun on their own.

- Up to 10 pax/ per session
- 15 minutes ride time
- ## All year around. Booking on request.
- £ £25 per small Ringo /
 Group discount of 10% for more than 10 pax.

Segways

Foxlake's Segway Experience lasts for 60 minutes and includes an in-depth safety briefing, orientation training and an off-road trek on some of the most scenic trail routes in the whole of East Lothian. All sessions are led by qualified and experienced Foxlake staff who will ensure everyone leaves with big smiles on their faces.

- Up to 6 pax
 1 hour
- ## All year around. Booking on request.
- £ £35 pp/ Group discount not available.



Other information

- Ye Ye
- P On-site parking with overflow available for cars and coaches.
- Accessible for all including a disabled access road.

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Transport





Lothian Motorcoaches, part of the Lothian Group, provides a range of transport options from luxury executive coaches to vintage Routemasters.

Each vehicle is chauffeured by experienced and uniformed drivers.

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Complimentary WIFI and USB charging.

. +44(0)808 169 8888



Accommodation

East Lothian offers a fantastic range of accommodation for visitors to the area located along the beautiful coastline as well as inland towns and villages.

From larger hotels to cosy country inn and restaurant with rooms, and a range of options your clients might never expect.

For some accommodation suggestions in the area including 3 to 5 star hotels, inns, B&Bs, self-catering and exclusive use go to visiteastlothian.org/stay 🗹









Love East Lothian itineraries

We love East Lothian. There are so many things to see and do here, and so many different routes your clients could follow across our stunning contrasting coastal landscapes.

This guide has been produced by the East Lothian Tourism Attractions Group, which represents some of the best attractions, but there are many more to visit in the region too.

Exclusively just for you, Visit East Lothian has also compiled a series of Travel Trade guides and itineraries to the area. These are designed to support and inspire your itinerary planning, so that your clients experience the holiday of a lifetime. They introduce both the highlights and surprises of the area, with flexible options across series of themes to appeal to different interests including:

Travel Trade Planner de History and Heritage de Planner de Planner

Food and Drink Experiences 🗹

Outdoor and Active 🗹

Nature and Wildlife 🗹

Outlander, Culture and Film 🗹

Unique Experiences ♂

Touring Itinerary (1 – 3 days) 🗹

Itinerary Builder (1 – 5 day options) ♂



For further information contact:



For more information

For more information about each individual experience listed in this guide, contact the relevant attractions listed on pages 10 to 33.

For more recommendations such as other things your clients can see or do, or where they could stay or dine in East Lothian go to

www.visiteastlothian.org

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