

# Edinburgh Lodging Options

An Edinburgh Planning PDF

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# Outlandish Scotland Journey Lodgings in Edinburgh (And Nearby)

Our **Scotland Lodging Tips** PDF, posted free of charge on the **Outlandish Scotland Extras** directory of our website, contains a wealth of important general tips for finding the type(s) of lodgings you're interested in anywhere in Scotland. The file is updated as new information comes to light. <a href="http://www.outlandishscotland.com/ScotlandLodgingTips.pdf">http://www.outlandishscotland.com/ScotlandLodgingTips.pdf</a>

It is important that you read our Scotland Lodging Tips PDF before this one.

This PDF provides additional, Edinburgh-specific, lodging information.

\*Additionally, if you'll be **driving to Edinburgh**, please read the **Edinburgh Driving and Parking** PDF *before* researching Edinburgh lodgings. http://OutlandishScotland.com/EdinburghDrivingParking.pdf

Suggestions for "Home Base" lodgings while visiting Part Five Outlandish Sites *outside*-Edinburgh—perhaps even the city itself—are provided in the last section of this PDF.





# **Edinburgh Hotels**

We prefer using Visit Scotland's hotel directory when searching for Edinburgh hotels: https://www.visitscotland.com/accommodation/hotels/

Alternatively, you can use the directory on Edinburgh's "Official Guide" website: <a href="https://edinburgh.org/hotels/">https://edinburgh.org/hotels/</a>

There, you'll find the following categories:

- Luxury Hotels
- Family Hotels
- Affordable Hotels (Hostels are listed here.)
- Self catering and serviced apartments
- Boutique Hotels
- City Centre Hotels

(Edinburgh.org doesn't offer B&B listings, possibly because there are so many of them within the city.)

# **Edinburgh Hostels**

Please Note: *Outlandish Scotland Journey* authors and contributors have *not* stayed in an Edinburgh hostel. Based on hours and hours of research, however, we have selected the Castle Rock Hostel as our favorite hostel in Edinburgh.





[Google Street View image segments (enhanced)]

Left: View southwest from the hostel. Right: View northeast from the hostel.

#### **Castle Rock Hostel**

https://www.castlerockedinburgh.com/

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel\_Review-g186525-d189265-Reviews-Castle\_Rock\_Hostel-Edinburgh\_Scotland.html

15 Johnston Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2PW

Only a 5 minute walk away from the Edinburgh Castle Gate.

Tip: Instead of climbing the 94, very steep Castle Wynd North steps that lead up to the Castle Esplanade entrance (steps directly across the Johnston Terrace road from the hostel), turn right when exiting the hostel and walk to the roundabout at the Royal Mile, then turn left to reach the Edinburgh Castle Esplanade.

TripAdvisor reviews contain more Castle Rock Hostel WiFi reception praise than complaints.

**No Parking.** The nearby NCP Edinburgh Castle Terrace car park costs £28 for 24 hours. If you'll be using it, we strongly suggest pre-booking a space for all the days you'll be in Edinburgh.

We suggest using Hermiston Park and Ride: Up to 3 nights of free overnight parking.

Bus fare from there to Princes Street is £1.70.

From the Princes Street bus stop to Castle Rock Hostel is approximately a 10 minute walk.

If Castle Rock Hostel is fully booked during your holiday, the next best hostel options are the two below.

#### **Safestay Youth Hostel**

https://www.safestay.com/edinburgh/

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel\_Review-g186525-d612818-Reviews-Safestay\_Edinburgh-Edinburgh\_Scotland.html

50 Blackfriars Street, Edinburgh EH1 1NE

Only a block from the Royal Mile—a 12 minute walk to the Edinburgh Castle Gate.

**Please Note:** Safestay Youth Hostel TripAdvisor reviews contain several Wifi reception complaints. **No Parking.** The NCP Edinburgh Holyrood Road car park is a 4 minute walk away and costs £20 for 24 hours. This is a small car park. If you'll be using it, we strongly suggest pre-booking a space for the days you'll be in Edinburgh.

**We suggest using Hermiston Park and Ride:** Up to 3 nights of free overnight parking. Bus fare from there to Edinburgh, Stop ZK Waterloo Place is £1.70. From bus stop to hostel is approximately a 10 minute walk.

#### **Edinburgh Central Youth Hostel**

https://www.hostellingscotland.org.uk/hostels/edinburgh-central/

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel Review-g186525-d209119-Reviews-

Edinburgh Central Youth Hostel-Edinburgh Scotland.html

9 Haddington Place, Edinburgh EH7 4AL

A 27 minute walk (1.4 miles) to the Edinburgh Castle Gate.

Edinburgh Central Youth Hostel TripAdvisor reviews contain several Wifi complaints.

**No parking.** The nearby OMNi car park costs £20 for 24 hours.

https://www.omniedinburgh.co.uk/Parking

**We suggest using Hermiston Park and Ride:** Up to 3 nights of free overnight parking. Bus fare from there to Hillside, Stop ED Elm Row on Leith Walk is £1.70. From bus stop to hostel is approximately a 2 minute walk.



[Google Street View image segment (enhanced)]

# Edinburgh Bed & Breakfast / Guest Houses

The Gifford House B&B

http://www.giffordhouseedinburgh.com/

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel\_Review-g186525-d243765-Reviews-Gifford\_House-

Edinburgh Scotland.html

103 Dalkeith Road, Edinburgh, EH16 5AJ

Coordinates: 55.936087, -3.169841

#### CD Miller highly recommends the Gifford House.

"I stayed here in 2006 while on a personal Scotland holiday. David and Margaret were so extraordinarily friendly and hospitable—and the room so clean and comfortable—that I booked the Gifford House again in 2008, when researching my *Harry Potter Places* travel guidebook's Edinburgh locations. Nothing had changed! I again enjoyed every aspect of my stay.

"When researching Edinburgh lodgings for *Outlandish Scotland Journey* 10 years later (in 2018), Margaret was very quick to reply to each of my many Emails.

"This accommodation is reasonably priced, clean, comfortable, and only a short bus ride or taxi trip away from Edinburgh City Centre. The Scottish breakfast they serve each morning is superb! I highly recommend the Gifford House B&B, and can't wait to stay here again."

#### **Gifford House Plusses:**

- A strong WiFi signal is available throughout the Gifford House.
- There is no lift (only high-dollar Hotels have elevators in Scotland), but the staircase is wide and easily ascended.
- Several bus stops, serving different parts of the city, are within a block of the B&B.
- A taxi ride from the Gifford House to the Edinburgh Castle Esplanade will probably cost only £8 to £10, and last a mere 10 to 15 minutes.



#### The Gifford House's Only Blemish: Limited Parking

The Gifford House is located on Dalkeith Road, part of a relatively major thoroughfare (the A7) that links areas southeast of Edinburgh with the city centre. No parking is allowed on Dalkeith Road.

The traffic lane in front of Gifford House is reserved for busses and taxis on Mondays through Fridays, from 7:30 am to 9:30 am, and 4pm to 6:30pm. Happily, this means that between 9:31am and 3:59pm, or 6:31pm and 7:29am, you can *briefly* park in front of the Gifford House, to off-load your luggage, check in, and get directions for where to park your car—if you'll not be leaving it at an Edinburgh Park and Ride car park, as we highly recommend.

David and Margaret will explain that the closest parking is on Priestfield Road or Marchhall Crescent—residential streets near the Gifford House, just east of Dalkeith Road. As discussed in the Edinburgh Driving and Parking PDF, the majority of parking spaces on those streets (and all other streets nearby) are reserved for **resident permit holders** between the hours of 9:30am and 11am, on Mondays through Fridays. In fact, we used a screenshot of Marchhall Crescent when describing how to park on **Priority Parking Zone** streets in the Edinburgh Driving and Parking PDF.





To safely park your car near the Gifford House—and *leave it there* for two or more nights—you must **only park in a space that is** *not* **bordered with** *white dash* **markings.** The photo above right demonstrates these markings.

- Between the yellow arrows on the left of the photo, the street is marked with **white dashes**. This indicates **permit-holder-only** parking spaces. The 4 spaces seen between those arrows are at the end of a stretch of 6 permit-holder spaces.
- The green arrow on the left identifies 3 **non-permit** parking spaces—spaces *without* **white dash markings**.
- The red arrows on the right identify a **solid white line** street marking that indicates **No Parking** in front of private residence driveways and entrances.
- Between the green arrows on the right are 3 **non-permit** spaces—again, spaces *without* white dash markings.
- The yellow arrow on the right identifies 3 more **permit-holder-only** parking spaces—spaces with white dash markings.

As you can see, permit-holder parking spaces far outnumber non-permit parking spaces in Edinburgh's Priority Parking Zones. Because there are *several other* B&B/Guesthouses in this area, you may not find an open non-permit space near the Gifford House.

The Edinburgh Park and Ride car park closest to the Gifford House is Sheriffhall Park and Ride. <a href="http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/sheriffhall">http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/sheriffhall</a>

• Sheriffhall Park and Ride offers free overnight parking, for an unlimited number of nights.

- If you have a great deal of luggage and don't want to lug it with you on a bus, consider driving to the Gifford House, unloading your luggage and checking in, *then* driving to Sheriffhall Park and Ride to park your car.
- The bus ride from Sheriffhall Park and Ride to the Gifford House is about 25 minutes long, and costs only £1.70.
- Plan your Park and Ride journey using Traveline Scotland: www.travelinescotland.com

Use "Sheriffhall Park And Ride, Midlothian" as your departure point, and "Gifford House, Dalkeith Road, Edinburgh, EH165AJ" as your destination.





[Hotel Celidh-Donia front entrance] [View of Arthur's Seat from a Hotel Celidh-Donia east-facing top room]

#### The Hotel Ceilidh-Donia (B&B)

https://www.hotelceilidh-donia.co.uk/

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel Review-g186525-d483683-Reviews-Hotel Ceilidh Donia-Edinburgh Scotland.html

14-16 Marchhall Crescent, Edinburgh, EH16 5HL

Coordinates: 55.936135, -3.168158

The closest Edinburgh Park and Ride car park: Sheriffhall Park and Ride

Pronunciation Pointer: "KAY-lee DOHN-ee-ah" ("Dohn" rhymes with "bone"—like Gabal**don!**)

The only other Edinburgh B&B we are familiar with is situated on the block directly behind the Gifford House, on the west side of Marchhall Crescent. (The Gifford House parking example seen above was made with a screenshot of the street outside Hotel Ceilidh-Donia's front door.) When lodging in the top rooms on its eastern front, your view will include Arthur's Seat. <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arthur%27s">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arthur%27s</a> Seat

#### From the Ceilidh-Donia's website:

"There are seventeen beautifully decorated and comfortable rooms all with modern en-suite facilities. All our rooms are equipped with colour televisions, DVDs, telephone, tea and coffee making facilities, hair dryers and **broadband internet connection**. Wi-fi also available in public areas."

From a January 23rd, 2018, article published in The Sun:

"Situated about a mile on foot from the centre of Edinburgh, Hotel Ceilidh-Donia is in a quiet and leafy area but within easy reach of sights like the Edinburgh Castle and Arthur's Seat.

After a long day of sightseeing you'll want to head to bed—which TripAdvisor users say are very comfortable. TripAdvisor users also rave about its 'excellent' breakfasts and friendly staff." <a href="https://www.thesun.co.uk/travel/5399759/best-bargain-hotels-in-the-uk-and-europe-have-been-announced-and-xx/">https://www.thesun.co.uk/travel/5399759/best-bargain-hotels-in-the-uk-and-europe-have-been-announced-and-xx/</a>



If the Gifford House and Hotel Ceilidh-Donia are not to your liking—or are fully booked during the dates of your holiday—use **Visit Scotland** to search for other B&Bs/Guest Houses in Edinburgh. <a href="https://www.visitscotland.com/accommodation/bandbs-guesthouses/">https://www.visitscotland.com/accommodation/bandbs-guesthouses/</a>

When an accommodation sparks your interest, remember to check it on **TripAdvisor**.

Type "[Property Name], [Edinburgh] TripAdvisor" into any Internet search engine to find a link to the most recent reviews for that particular lodging. (This method is *much* faster than starting out on TripAdvisor.com's home page.) Click on that link and explore the property's reviews.

## Home Base Suggestions for Visiting the Outside-Edinburgh Sites in Part Five

As mentioned in our Scotland Lodgings PDF, it isn't particularly convenient (or cost-effective) to lodge within a major city such as Edinburgh or Glasgow while visiting sites *outside* of the city over several days. Instead, lodge within Edinburgh or Glasgow only on the days you'll be touring the city, and establish a "Home Base" in a nearby village for visiting the nearby Outlandish sites.



[Underlying Map Segment ©2018 Google (enhanced)]

The travel loop seen in the map above includes all six of the **Outside-Edinburgh Sites** discussed in **Part Five** of *Outlandish Scotland Journey*. The total amount of driving time for this loop is 2 hours from *any* starting point. Thus, identifying a "central" location isn't particularly necessary.

This group of Outlandish locations includes three Great-Site-rated places.

- Craigmillar Castle (Site #48) is not found within Edinburgh's City Centre (the area beneath the
  "Edinburgh" label on the map), but it is located *inside* the Edinburgh City Bypass. Thus, the
  Craigmillar area would *not* be a good Home Base location.
  <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edinburgh City Bypass">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edinburgh City Bypass</a>
- **Preston Mill** (Site #51) is the Outlandish place located farthest from the city. Although the distance isn't particularly prohibitive (only a 40 minute drive from Edinburgh City Centre), we decided not to investigate lodgings in that area.
- **Roslin Glen Ruins** (Site #53) is the third **Great Site** in this group. Roslin area villages are outside the Edinburgh Bypass and only a 3 to 10 minute drive from the Straiton or Sheriffhall Park & Ride car parks.

Additionally, 4 of the **Great-Site**-rated **Part Four** Outlandish locations nearest to Edinburgh are each only a 45 minute drive from the Roslin area: Midhope Castle (Site #38), Hopetoun House (Site #37), Blackness Castle (Site #36), and Linlithgow Palace (Site #34).

Thus, we decided that the Roslin area would be the best place to establish an Outside-Edinburgh Home Base.

#### How Long Will You Need a Roslin Area Home Base?

- Most Outlanderites will *not* be able to arrange a special appointment to visit Glencorse Old Kirk (Site #52). Even when skipping that site, however, visiting the other 5 Part Five Outside-Edinburgh locations requires at least a 2-day commitment—possibly 3 days, if you'll be enjoying the *full* amount of time at the three Great Sites, and visiting Roslin Chapel.
- Outlanderites who schedule only 2 days for touring the City of Edinburgh may find it more convenient to bus or cab into the city from a Roslin area Home Base each day than to book an Edinburgh lodging for 2 days.
- If you also use a Roslin area Home Base for visiting one or more of the **Part Four** Outlandish locations near Edinburgh, add additional nights accordingly.



[Underlying Map Segment ©2018 Google (enhanced)]

After hours and hours of research we found three relatively inexpensive, well-reviewed, B&B lodgings in the Roslin area.

Our fourth Roslin area lodging suggestion is *not* as inexpensive as the B&Bs, but we think it well worth considering—at least for one night.

You'll soon see why.



#### **Aaron Glen Guesthouse**

Address: 7 Niven's Knowe Road, Loanhead, Midlothian EH20 9AU

Coordinates: 55.874653, -3.171248

A 3 minute drive from Straiton Park & Ride-10 minutes from Sheriffhall Park & Ride

A 7 minute drive from Roslin Glen Car Park

#### TripAdvisor Reviews:

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel Review-g186525-d581745-Reviews-Aaron Glen-Edinburgh Scotland.html

#### From the Aaron Glen Guesthouse Website

http://www.aaronglen.com/

- Boutique bed and breakfast
- All rooms en-suite
- Disabled Facilities
- CCTV Monitored free car parking
- Licensed lounge
- Free wifi

Room Rates (2018):

£35—£60 per person per night, based on two persons sharing

£45—£80 for a single person

These costs vary depending on the season.

Getting from Aaron Glen to all the places of interest in Edinburgh could not be easier—we are on a main bus route and have a spacious CCTV monitored car park. Many of our guests prefer to leave their cars with us and jump on the bus into the city centre. We also have links with a local taxi firm.









#### **Mount Ceres Guest House**

Address: Mount Ceres Guest House, 3 Lower Broomieknowe, Lasswade EH18 1LW

Coordinates: 55.878500, -3.111707

An 8 minute drive from Sheriffhall Park & Ride—10 minutes from Straiton Park & Ride A 13 minute drive from Roslin Glen Car Park

#### TripAdvisor Reviews:

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel Review-g551763-d3335211-Reviews-Mount Ceres Guest House-Lasswade Midlothian Scotland.html

Mount Ceres has the highest-rated TripAdvisor reviews of our four Roslin area lodging suggestions (almost exclusively "Excellent"), in spite of the fact that a cooked breakfast is *not* provided.

#### A Beautiful House

"A gorgeous B and B and Ruth is a wonderful landlady, so helpful. There's no cooked breakfast but there are 3 cupboards on the landing full of cereals, oats, breakfast bars, a variety of teas, juice cartons and bottles of water that you help yourself to. This meant that I wasn't restricted to getting up at a certain time to rush down for breakfast. Clean and very comfortable with a

beautiful garden that I would love to see in the spring and summer. We will definitely go back again."

Review by: "nemesispetrie" London, United Kingdom

#### Just a B, not B&B, but Don't let That B a Problem

"Lovely 'B' as it is bed only, but the Ceres is terrific and price reflects the 'B' only. Lovely landlady. Silent location in a little maze of gorgeous old houses and although there is no breakfast included there are baskets of snacks and cereals for you to help yourself to and Bonnyrigg [a nearby village] offers lots of breakfast places."

Review by: "DINERMIGHT" Northampton, United Kingdom

#### From the Mount Ceres Guest House Website

#### http://www.mountceres.com

Rooms Include:

- Luxury En-suite Rooms
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Flat Screen TV
- Tea/Coffee
- Nibbles/Fresh Fruit
- Free WiFi

A warm welcome awaits you at Mount Ceres Guest House where you will enjoy a memorable stay in this newly refurbished Victorian villa. The guest house is set in over an acre of glorious garden and is in the heart of Broomieknowe conservation area on the edge of the picturesque village of Lasswade, Midlothian. It is hard to believe that Edinburgh city centre is just 7 miles away, and with no through traffic a peaceful night's sleep is guaranteed.

Tariffs are seasonally adjusted but can start from as little as £35 per person. Prices are dependent on a number of factors and it is always better to make contact by phone or email for exact costings. Discounts can be arranged for stays of 3 nights or more.







# The Laird & Dog Inn

Address: 5 High Street, Lasswade, EH18 1NA

Coordinates: 55.883805, -3.115475

A 6 minute drive from Straiton Park & Ride—10 minutes from Sheriffhall Park & Ride A 10 minute drive from Roslin Glen Car Park

#### TripAdvisor Reviews:

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel\_Review-g551763-d1490392-Reviews-Laird\_Dog\_Hotel-Lasswade\_Midlothian\_Scotland.html

#### From the Laird & Dog Inn Website

http://lairdanddoginn.co.uk/

- Family Friendly (cots available)
- Large car park (charges may apply)
- 11 en-suite bedrooms
- Free Wi-Fi throughout the venue
- Bus stop to Edinburgh right outside the front door!
- TV's in every room
- Wake Up Call service available
- Accessibility—Wheelchair access and disabled toilets on the ground floor

A popular pub and restaurant with accommodation on the outskirts of Edinburgh, The Laird and Dog Inn is only a 5 minute drive from the City By-Pass and a 20 minute bus journey into the City Centre. The inn is the perfect place to stay while you explore all that Edinburgh and the East Coast has to offer before enjoying a good night's sleep in one of our 11 en-suite bedrooms. Start your day with a freshly brewed coffee and hearty breakfast. Alternatively our bar and conservatory restaurant serves freshly prepared meals ... Monday—Sunday; 8am to 9pm.

- Open Mic Night: Calling all budding performers, come down to our Open Mic Night—every second Tuesday of the month from 8pm.
- Folk Night: First Friday of every month. Come and join in the fun!
- Live Music: Every second Thursday!

[\*If boisterous music and merry-making might disturb you, take care *not* to book the Laird & Dog Inn on the nights listed above.]

Please call Adam directly on 0131 663 9219 for availability and pricing. [Per TripAdvisor, rooms run from £58 in May, 2018.]



[Outlander Season 2 screenshot segment (enhanced)]

# Dalhousie Castle is our Fourth Outside-Edinburgh Lodging Suggestion.

If the name sounds familiar to you, it should.

From Outlander Season 2, Episode 4, "La Dame Blanche":

Monsieur Duverney: Have you thought about names for the petit bambin?

Claire: Well, I thought if it was a boy, we could name him Lambert.

Jamie: Lambert?

Claire: Yes, after my uncle.

Jamie: Now, not to disrespect your uncle, but it's a wee bit ... English. How about Dalhousie?

Claire: Dalhousie?

**Jamie:** Aye, after Dalhousie Castle. It's a braw name.

Claire: Dalhousie? It sounds more like a sneeze.

Now that we've established Dalhousie Castle as having a relationship—albeit a *remote* one—with *Outlander*, we'll give you the deets.







[©2006 CD Miller]

#### Dalhousie Castle

Address: Dalhousie Castle, Bonnyrigg, Edinburgh, Midlothian, EH19 3JB

Coordinates for the castle: 55.860890, -3.083037

An 8 minute drive from Sheriffhall Park & Ride—10 minutes from Straiton Park & Ride A 10 minute drive from Roslin Glen Car Park

#### First, the Pronunciation of Dalhousie!

- The first syllable, "dal," rymes with "pal"—as in friend—the last syllable, "sie," is pronounced "zee."
- The "HOU" syllable is emphasized, and pronounced "HOW" (rymes with "now"), NOT "WHO," as in the question, "Who is that?"

Yes. In the "La Dame Blanche" episode Jamie pronounced it "dal-WHO-zee." But, the correct pronunciation has been confirmed by phone conversations with Dalhousie Castle staff in 2006, and *again* in May of 2018.

The correct pronunciation is "dal-HOW-zee"

### Dalhousie Castle TripAdvisor Reviews:

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotel Review-g1076993-d191447-Reviews-Dalhousie Castle-Bonnyrigg Midlothian Scotland.html

CD Miller considers Dalhousie Castle to be the absolute best bargain for Castle Lodging in all of Scotland, and a fantastic place to stay. In fact, she swears that she someday will lodge here again! "Dalhousie Castle is one of two castles my friend Ruby booked for us during our 2006 Scotland trip. In spite of it being less expensive than *all* the other Scottish UK castles I've stayed in over the years, Dalhousie was by far the best experience. With the most medieval ambience, and the most comfortable accommodation, Dalhousie Castle is my *favorite* Scottish castle lodging.

"If he is in the reception area when you arrive, Andrew Sharp—Dalhousie Castle's Bagpipe Sergeant since 1982 (seen above, center, with Ruby)—will personally greet you and let you know what's on at the castle. If he has some free time, he'll take you on a private tour of the castle, ushering you into rooms not normally seen by the public, and regaling you with Dalhousie history every step of the way. Ruby and I lucked out and thoroughly enjoyed Andrew's tour.

"I am thrilled to confirm that, as of September 14th, 2019, Pipe Sergeant Andrew Sharp is still on duty at Dalhousie Castle (his 37th year!), and has no plans for retirement in the immediate future.

"If you cannot afford to make Dalhousie Castle your 'Home Base' while visiting the Outside-Edinburgh locations over several days, at least consider lodging here for one or two nights. You'll not regret it!"

Undiscovered Scotland's descriptions of Dalhousie Castle's hotel and dining are excellent reading. <a href="https://www.undiscoveredscotland.co.uk/lasswade/dalhousiecastle/index.html">https://www.undiscoveredscotland.co.uk/lasswade/dalhousiecastle/dining.html</a>

#### To learn more about Dalhousie Castle, visit the links below.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dalhousie Castle

The Dalhousie Castle Wikipedia page, last updated on May 10th, 2018.

https://www.telegraph.co.uk/travel/destinations/europe/united-kingdom/scotland/hotels/dalhousie-castle-hotel/

This is a news article about Dalhousie Castle published on October 3rd, 2017.

https://www.stokedtotravel.com/luxury-castle-hotel-near-edinburgh/

This is a blog written by someone who stayed at Dalhousie Castle in November of 2016. It contains several important points about staying here, and many pix.

https://www.midlothianadvertiser.co.uk/news/midlothian-piper-is-honoured-1-3635311

This is a 2014 news article about Andrew Sharp being honored by having a Dalhousie Castle suite named after him!

http://www.falconryscotland.co.uk/dalhousie-falconry.php

Learn about the Falconry at Dalhousie Castle.

#### From the Dalhousie Castle Website

https://www.dalhousiecastle.co.uk/

#### Live like a king in Scotland's oldest inhabited castle!

Step inside the ancient walls of Dalhousie Castle and you'll find yourself in a luxurious hotel with a fascinating past.

A fortress fit for a king or queen with blissful spa facilities, award-winning fine dining and 35 beautifully appointed bedrooms (some with four poster beds, naturally). Standing within its own 11-acre parkland estate on the banks of the River Esk a mere 8 miles south east from the bright lights of Edinburgh, our 13th century castle is a truly enchanting place to visit whatever the season.

We're not going to quote anything else from the Dalhousie Castle website. It's best if you go there and explore. [Fair Warning: Be prepared to spend at least an hour (perhaps longer!) perusing the many amenities and options offered at Dalhousie Castle.]