

Welcome to Edinburgh!

On behalf of the conference organising committee, we would like to welcome you to Edinburgh, Scotland. In this document you can find information about access to Edinburgh, accommodation, food and restaurants, landmarks and activities.

The city

Edinburgh, Scotland's capital, is a UNESCO city of Literature and UNESCO World Heritage Site. The city is a cultural centre with beautiful architecture, natural landscapes, as well as amazing cafes and restaurants.



The conference venue

The conference will take place at the [Sheraton Grand Hotel](#). The venue is located close to the city centre.



Accommodation

There are a variety of options for accommodation in Edinburgh.

There's no provision for block-booked rooms with conference rates, so we recommend booking early if possible.

Below we've listed a few options for accommodation near the conference venue and/or the University of Edinburgh Central Area:

Near University of Edinburgh Central Area:

- [Residence Inn Edinburgh](#)
- [Hotel du Vin Edinburgh](#)
- [Ibis Hotels \(Royal Mile/South Bridge/ St Andrew Square\)](#) (budget chain)

Near Sheraton Grand Hotel:

- [Travelodge](#) (Haymarket) (budget chain)
- [Premier Inn](#) (Fountain Court) (budget chain)
- [Mercure Edinburgh Haymarket Hotel 4 stars](#)
- [Point A Hotel Edinburgh Haymarket](#)
- [voco Edinburgh - Haymarket, an IHG Hotel](#)
- [Leonardo Royal Edinburgh Haymarket](#)
- [easyHotel](#) (budget chain)

Suggested Places to Eat/Drink

Edinburgh offers a variety of great restaurants, cafes, etc. Here are some of our favourites:

[Click here to view all suggested places on Google Maps](#)

Scottish cuisine

- Makars Mash Bar
- Mums

Vegan/Vegetarian

- Soul Vegan
- David Bann Restaurant

Italian:

- Ciao Roma
- Pizza Posto
- Matto Pizza
- Pizzeria 1926
- Ragù Pasta

Chinese

- San Chuan
- Noodles Home
- Taste of Home

Thai

- Ting Thai

Tapas

- Café Andaluz
- BABA
- Piggs

Indian and Nepali

- Solti
- Mother India
- Dishoom

Japanese

- Maki & Ramen
- Harajuku Kitchen

Seafood

- Fishers in the City

Brunch

- Southern Cross Café
- EM's Kitchen
- Clarinda's Tearoom
- Greenwoods
- Edinburgh Larder

Lunch

- Union of Genius
- Oink
- Chez Jules
- Peppers Café & Sandwich bar
- Lovecrumbs West Port
- Hula Grassmarket

Pubs

- Vault City Taproom Haymarket
- Red Squirrel
- The Hanging Bat
- Jolly Judge
- Salt Horse
- Sandy Bell's/Captain's/Royal Oak for folk music
- Bennets Bar (Leven Street)
- The Blackbird
- Teuchters
- Brauhaus
- Wildcat(cocktail)
- Cloisters
- Hey Palu(cocktail)

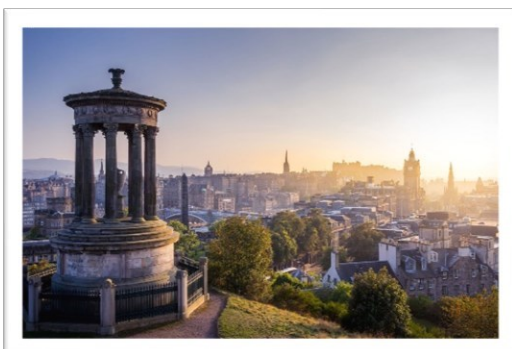
Landmarks

- Edinburgh Castle

Perched atop Castle Rock overlooking the city, this should be a must-see on your list of places to visit in Edinburgh. Edinburgh Castle houses important Scottish artefacts, such as the Honours of Scotland (the oldest crown jewels in the UK) and The Stone of Destiny, an ancient symbol of the Scottish monarchy.



- Calton Hill



For outstanding views, get up early and climb to the top of Calton Hill to enjoy the sunrise over the city. The UNESCO World Heritage Site is home to a collection of historic monuments, most notably the National Monument, which was inspired by the Parthenon in Athens.

- Dean Village

Dean Village is a cherished beauty spot within the heart of Edinburgh. Nestled along the tranquil Water of Leith, Dean Village traces its origins to the Water of Leith Village, a milling community founded in the 12th century.



- Arthur's Seat

Arthur's Seat (Scottish Gaelic: Suidhe Artair) is an ancient volcano which is the main peak of the group of hills in Edinburgh, which form most of Holyrood Park, described by Robert Louis Stevenson as "a hill for magnitude, a mountain in virtue of its bold design".

- Holyrood Palace/Holyrood Park
- St Giles Cathedral
- Portobello Beach
- Royal Botanic Garden
- Blackford Hill and the Hermitage

Museums and exhibitions

- National Museum of Scotland
- Scottish National Gallery
- National Galleries of Scotland – Modern One, Modern Two
- The Writer's Museum
- The Edinburgh Dungeon
- Scottish National Portrait Gallery
- Mary King's Close



Reference for pictures:

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Edinburgh Castle: <https://www.sundaypost.com/>

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