Historical Perthshire

Perthshire is steeped in history and is home to many of Scotland’s great stories, battles and significant events. From the majesty of Scone Palace, the crowning place of Scottish Kings, to the superstitious carvings of the Picts you will find an absorbing time awaits you in Scotland’s ancient capital.

If you plan to unravel some of Scotland’s history this summer, then make sure to include these fascinating attractions in your itinerary. Many are just a short drive from the bustling Perth City Centre which makes a fantastic base from which to tour the area.

Whilst you’re here make sure you do a little shopping with our fabulous Perth City Indies, enjoy a meal, drink or light bite, or book into one of the many events, shows and exhibitions that gives Perthshire its worthy place on Scotland’s cultural stage.

Scone Palace

Location: Scone, Perth
Transport from Perth: 8 minutes by car, 20 minutes by bus, walk in 45 minutes, cycle in 15 minutes.
Car parking available and coaches welcome.

Phone: 01738 552300
Pricelist:
Prices are available for grounds only and grounds and palace entry. Private tours can also be arranged on request. Book online or phone (especially for larger groups) or pay on the day.

Stanley Mills

Location: Stanley
Transport from Perth: 22 minutes by car, 40 minutes by bus.
Phone: 01738 828268

Pricelist:
Adult (aged 16-59) £5.50
Concession (aged 60+) £4.40
Child (aged 5-15) £3.30
Child Under 5 (aged 0-4) £0.00

Blair Castle

Location: Blair Atholl
Transport from Perth: 48 minutes by car, 45 minutes by train.

Phone: 01796 481355
Pricelist:
Adults £10.70/£5.90, Students (with ID) or Seniors £9.10/£5.90
Children (5-16 Years) £6.40/£2.70
Family Ticket (2 adult & 3 child) £28.90/£14.70

The Black Watch Castle and Museum

Location: Perth City Centre
Transport from Perth: City Centre

Phone: 01738 638152

Pricelist for regular admission and guided Tour:
Adults £7.50/£12.50, Concession £6.00/£10.00, Children £3.50/£7.50,
Flexible Family Ticket (max. 2 adults, 4 children) £18.00

Dunfallandy Stone

Location: Pitlochry
Transport from Perth: 42 minutes by car, 30 minutes by train, 1hr 30mins by bus.

Phone: FREE

Plan your visit #PerfectPerthshire

Book a short break in Perth City and immerse yourself in history
In the Area...

Whilst you are visiting Perthshire’s historical attractions why not take advantage and enjoy some of our other fantastic places of interest, great shops and restaurants and beautiful countryside.

Stanley Mills
Eat: Stuart Tower Ice Cream Parlour, The Apron Stage, Ballathie House Hotel
Do: Blair Castle, Dunkeld Cathedral, Eradour Distillery
See: Loch of the Lowes, The Hermitage, Birnam Oak

The Black Watch Castle and Museum
Eat: In the Castle, Glassrooms Café at Perth Concert Hall, Kisa’s
Do: St Serf’s Church and Duplin Cross, Huntingtower Castle, Eclo Castle
See: The Fergusson Gallery, Branklyn Gardens, Perth Museum and Art Gallery

Blair Castle
Eat: Taste Perthshire, House of Bruar, Blair Atholl Watermill Tea Room and Bakery
Do: Blair Atholl Distillery, Atholl Country Life Museum, The Clan Trail
See: Falls of Bruar, Soldier’s Leap, Blair Atholl Water Mill

Dunfallandy Stone
Eat: Iain Burnett The Highland Chocolatier, The Inn on the Tay, Fonab Castle
Do: The Scottish Crannog Centre, Castle Menzies, Atholl Palace Hotel and Museum
See: Birks of Aberfeldy, Croft Moraig, Pitlochry and Moulin Heritage Centre

Poppies: Weeping Window 30th June - 25th September 2016 at The Black Watch Castle and Museum, Perth
Weeping Window by Paul Cummins, Artist and Tom Piper, Designer will open at The Black Watch Castle and Museum on 30th June and run until 25th September 2016, specially presented with 14-18 NOW to mark the centenary of the First World War.

The Treaty of Perth Celebrations 21st August 2016 at various locations in Perth City Centre
Have a fun and informative day celebrating 750 years since the Treaty of Perth was signed in Perth in 1266. The Treaty marked the end of military conflict between Alexander of Scotland and Magnus of Norway over the sovereignty of the Hebrides and the Isle of Man.
This special event will celebrate Norse and Scots culture and you can expect to see a medieval city camp with interactive activities for adults and children. See the Viking Strongman competition, the Perth Best Beard competition and many more.

Soldiers of Killiecrankie 30th - 31st July 2016 at Killiecrankie Battlefield
Soldiers of Killiecrankie commemorates the 1689 Battle of Killiecrankie with 17th Century Cavalry, re-enactors depicting 17th century Government Troops and Jacobite Highlanders, a Living History Camp, Battlefield tours and much more. On Friday evening there is a parade down Pitlochry main street and a Jacobite Play in Pitlochry, and on Saturday night there is a battlefield Ceilidh.

Perthshire Highland Games Various dates over Summer in various towns in Perthshire
You can see all the traditional Highland Events at the various Highland Games across Perthshire. With heavyweight events such as throwing the weight and tossing the caber, Highland Dancing, Bagpipe competitions for solo pipers and pipe bands plus running and cycling. Check out www.perthcity.co.uk for a full list of dates and towns taking part.

Farming Yesteryear Rally 11th September at Scone Palace, Perth
Vintage tractors, stationary engines, steam engines and agricultural machinery will be on display together with vintage cars, lorries and other vehicles. Working demonstrations of vintage agricultural machinery including ploughing, combining and threshing, plus trade stands and auto jumble.

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