

FOR THE TRAVEL TRADE

CITY OF DUNFERMLINE

Sample Itineraries

Dunfermline, once the capital of Scotland, is Scotland's newest city and boasts a rich history, beautiful parks, and a philanthropic spirit thanks to Andrew Carnegie. The following itineraries bring together city and country experiences and can serve as inspiration for both day and multi-day programmes, suitable for FITs and small groups.

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ROYAL TALES - A DAY IN DUNFERMLINE'S HERITAGE QUARTER

DAY ONE

We commence the day with a personal introduction to Dunfermline. During a **guided 90-minute walking tour with Clan Mackenzie Routes** in the City's Heritage Quarter, your clients will hear about the love story of Queen Margaret and King Malcolm Canmore. They will discover the resting places of Kings and Queens and see the Tomb of King Robert the Bruce. We will explore the Abbey and Palace – the birthplace of Charles I.

Guests will also receive an introduction to Andrew Carnegie, the famous Dunfermline-born philanthropist whose influence and legacy are still evident throughout the city.

After the tour, it's time for lunch! Choose between the **Chef's Table Experience at Jack O'Bryans** or a journey through Scotland's food presented on a tapas-style grazing board at Canmore House Bar & Restaurant.

Jack O'Bryan's, recently voted one of the top 100 restaurants in Scotland by Time magazine, showcases the finest specialist luxury ingredients and produce sourced from Scotland and beyond. During their exclusive Chef's Table Lunch Experience, your clients can relax in the intimate restaurant nestled in Dunfermline's Heritage Quarter. The experience is further enhanced by a tapas-style menu, curated and presented by father-and-son head chefs Jack & Bryan. They bring each flavourful plate – a work of art! – to life.

Alternatively, your clients could head to **Canmore House Bar & Restaurant**, a beautiful Georgian townhouse that has been converted into a restaurant. The menu features seasonal Scottish cuisine, with a focus on locally sourced ingredients in a relaxed setting.

In the afternoon, visit the **Andrew Carnegie Birthplace Museum**, dedicated to the life and legacy of the famous industrialist and philanthropist – a special gift that Louise Carnegie left the city to remember her husband's inspiring legacy and share objects from their life.

Explore the exhibits showcasing Carnegie's early life, achievements, and contributions to education and libraries. There are a range of tours available to pre-book, with the option of tailoring to the interests of the visitors. With advance notice, items from the collection and stories from Carnegie's life will be researched and shared with the group. It may include objects not normally on display and provide an opportunity for the visitors to make unique and personal connections with Andrew and Louise Carnegie.

Following the visit, head to **Abbot House**, the jewel in the crown of Scotland's ancient capital. Located in the heart of the City's Heritage Quarter and overlooking the majestic Abbey, it is Dunfermline's oldest house at over 500 years old, dating back to the time of Mary Queen of Scots.

Abbot House is the perfect location for an hour of **storytelling by Beverley Bryant**. The sharing of traditional oral stories, including myths and legends, is the original source of the ceilidh in Scotland. A living art form, stories were originally told around hearth and home. Beverley will tell traditional tales from Scotland, bringing to life the myths and legends of people, places, and creatures from the Other World.

After your historical immersion, your client might want to unwind and enjoy an overnight stay nearby, for example, at **Garvock House Hotel**. This beautiful 17th-century mansion offers stunning views of Dunfermline and is the perfect place to relax after a busy day of exploring.





BEYOND THE BRIDGES

DAY TWO

Today, your clients will be able to explore further around the Dunfermline area and West Fife. Starting the day with a thrilling **Forth Sea Safari**, a RIB boat adventure to explore the scenic beauty of the Forth estuary.

On the water, passengers can enjoy unique views of the coastal villages and towns as well as spectacular access to the Forth Bridges, including the world-famous Forth Bridge, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Seals, sea birds, and lighthouses make up just some of the sights, as well as Edinburgh Castle and Inchcolm Abbey.

From here, your clients continue to the charming town of Aberdour with its historic castle, an award-winning beach, and a bustling high street. Here, you will find **The Scottish Food Studio where Wendy Barrie** will be inviting her guests to embrace Scotland's unique food culture in a taste adventure by the shore. From Cheese to Meat or Wild Food-inspired experiences, there is no doubt that taste buds will be tickled.

We are walking off the lunch in nearby **Culross**, exploring the town on a **guided walking tour** provided by NTS.

This hour-long tour will take guests from the Culross Place Courtyard through the peaceful streets which were once filled with the hustle and bustle of a thriving 17th-century port on the River Forth. It is easy to recognise some of the iconic filming locations used for the popular Outlander series.

Why not round off the afternoon with an exhilarating **clay pigeon shooting experience at Craiguscar**? Receive expert guidance and try your hand at this traditional Scottish sport, surrounded by stunning landscapes. No experience is necessary, making it suitable for all skill levels.

If your clients would like to linger some more in the area, book dinner – and even an overnight - at the charming **Inn at Charlestown**. Here, you can enjoy a delicious meal at the Inn's restaurant, featuring locally sourced ingredients. Afterward, be entertained by a live performance from **Andrew Gordon**, a talented local artist.

Let the evening unfold with music and relaxation in the cosy setting of the Inn.

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