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Known as the Granite City because of the locally quarried stone, Aberdeen, the capital of northeastern Scotland, is one of the most distinctive cities in Great Britain. Surrounded by magnificent scenery, it mixes rich history, beautiful granite architecture and traditional industries with a flurry of leisure and entertainment amenities. It has a vibrant arts scene, a cosmopolitan atmosphere and one of the most buoyant economies in the country. Scotland's third largest city truly has something to offer to everyone.

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THE CITY



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Built at the mouth of two of Scotland's major rivers, the Dee and the Don, with the spectacular Grampian Mountains to the west, and miles of unspoiled and beautiful coastline to the east, Aberdeen is a perfect destination for nature lovers. But travellers who would rather stay in urban surroundings will also have plenty to see – despite its northerly location, Aberdeen features splendid architectural delights, a highly cosmopolitan feel, exciting nightlife and a wide variety of cultural sights and events bound to please all.

Early Aberdeen consisted of two settlements: one in what is today known as Old Aberdeen, and another on St Katherine's Hill near the harbour. Modern Aberdeen began to take shape in the late 18th century on St Katherine's Hill in a development that featured some spectacular engineering projects. Engineering is still a theme in today's Aberdeen, following the discovery of oil in the North Sea in 1969, which has earned Aberdeen its modern nicknames, the "Oil Capital of Europe" or the "Houston of the North." The oil has been highly significant for the development of this thriving city, as it has boosted the local economy, resulting in low unemployment rates and a reputation for being one of the most desirable places in Britain to live and work.

DO & SEE



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Visitors to Aberdeen love to wander through the streets admiring the unique granite edifices and taking in the historical sights like King's College, St. Machar's Cathedral, Marischal College and the Kirk of St. Nicholas Uniting. But there is also plenty in the way of attractions, museums, parks and gardens, and of course, there are numerous fairy tale castles and historic distilleries within easy reach of the city which should not be missed.

Gordon Highlanders Museum



Explore the history of one of the British Army's most celebrated regiments, the Gordon Highlanders Infantry, which was raised in the late 18th

century. The museum features the finest of the regiment's treasures, special exhibitions and the chance for children to dress up in a Gordon Highlanders uniform. The museum is surrounded by a beautiful and tranquil park, open to visitors and also hosts a shop and a tea room.

Photo: Rennett Stowe/Flickr(image cropped) Address: St. Luke's, Viewfield Road, Aberdeen Opening hours: 10.00-16.30 Tue-Sat. Phone: +44 1224 311 200 Internet: www.gordonhighlanders.com Email: museum@gordonhighlanders.com More Info: Closed on Sunday and Monday.

Duthie Park Winter Gardens



Duthir Park is one of the best loved parks in Aberdeen, housing one of the largest covered gardens in Europe. Exotic plants and flowers from

both tropical and arid climates can be admired at the Winter Garden, including Britain's largest collection of cacti. Additionally, just outside the covered gardens there is a lovely Japanese garden that commemorates the victims of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Photo: Lawrence Jackson/Shutterstock.com Address: Polmuir Road, Aberdeen Opening hours: Daily 08.00 until 1 hour before dusk. Phone: +44 1224 585 310 Internet: www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/environment/par ks/duthie-park Email: wintergardens@aberdeencity.gov.uk

Castle Fraser



Travelers who have time to leave Aberdeen for a day trip should head out to Castle Fraser. A magnificent building dating back to 1575,

featuring historic furnishings, paintings and embroidery, the impressive Great Hall, and a library filled with family books, as well as concert space, parks, woodland walks, a tea room and a children's adventure playroom.

Photo: Ruth Black/Shutterstock.com Address: Sauchen Inverurie, Aberdeen Opening hours: 10.00-16.00 Wed-Sun. Phone: +44 1330 833463 Internet: www.nts.org.uk/castlefraser Email: castlefraser@nts.org.uk More Info: Closed on Monday and Tuesday.

Codona's Amusement Park



Fun for all ages, Codona's offers a raft of rides and attractions worthy of the best amusement parks. There is also an indoor entertainment centre

available, Sunset Boulevard, and a games and entertainment area called Miami Beach. Both are open year-round.

Photo: Bertl123/Shutterstock.com Address: Beach Boulevard, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 595 910 Internet: www.codonas.com Email: sales@codonas.com

Aberdeen Maritime Museum



As one of Britain's busiest harbours with a rich maritime heritage, a visit to the Maritime Museum with its splendid views of the harbour is a must

when visiting Aberdeen. Find out what it is like to work on a North Sea oil rig or explore the hundreds of ship models and exhibits about shipbuilding, whaling, life and work at sea, and learn about Aberdeen's special relationship with the sea.

Photo: Oyoyoy/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped) Address: Shiprow, Aberdeen Opening hours: 10.00-17.00 Mon-sat; 12.00-15.00 Sun. Phone: +44 1224 337 700 Internet: www.aagm.co.uk/venues/aberdeenmaritimemuseum /amm-overview.aspx Email: info@aagm.co.uk

Aberdeen Science Centre



The Aberdeen Science Centre is an immensely popular science and technology centre with entertaining, interactive and hands-on exhibits and

shows that engage children of all ages and lead them to fascinating discoveries about the world around them.

Photo: Chubykin Arkady/Shutterstock.com Address: Constitution St. 179, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 640 340 Internet: www.aberdeensciencecentre.org Email: info@asc.scot

St. Machar's Cathedral



There is evidence of there being some sort of church or chapel at this location as far back as the 6th century, though the building that stands there

today dates back only as far as the XIV century. The cathedral's design is stunning,the highlights being the sandstone spires and painted wood ceiling.

Photo: Gordon Robertson/Flickr(image cropped) Address: The Chanonry 18, Aberdeen Opening hours: Daily 09.30-16.30 (April to October) and 10.00-16.00 (November to March) Phone: +44 1224 485 988 Internet: www.stmachar.com Email: office@stmachar.com

Brig o'Balgownie



Not far from the picturesque Seaton Park stands Brig o'Balgownie, Scotland's oldest bridge. This simple stone landmark has spanned

the width of the River Don since the XIII century and was even referenced by Lord Byron, who briefly studied in the area, in his epic poem Don Juan.

Photo: Gordon Robertson/Flickr(image cropped) Address: Bridge of Don, Old Aberdeen Internet: www.visitabdn.com/attractions-and-activities/view/b rig-o-balgownie

King's College, University of Aberdeen



The King's College building is emblematic of the University of Aberdeen, with its iconic 17th-century tower that features a stone replica of

Charlemagne's crown at its top. Founded in the late 15th century, the historic university building is a major draw for tourists, and self-guided tours are available on the website.

Photo: Heartland Arts/Shutterstock.com Address: University of Aberdeen, King's College, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 272 000 Internet: www.abdn.ac.uk

Aberdeen Art Gallery



Aberdeen Art Gallery has comprehensive collections with works from the 17th-20th centuries. Both Scottish and international artists

are represented, including famous impressionists like Monet and Renoir, as well as local painters like George Jameson, William Dyce, John Philip and Charles Rennie MacKintosh.

Photo: Reading Tom/Flickr(image cropped) Address: Schoolhill 61, Aberdeen Phone: +44 300 020 0293 Internet: www.aagm.co.uk/Visit/AberdeenArtGallery/aag-over view.aspx Email: info@aagm.co.uk

Marischal College



Appropriately for the 'Granite City' of Aberdeen, Marischal College, which today houses the city's municipal offices, is the

second largest granite building in the world, crowned by the 72-metre-tall Mitchell Tower. At night the side of the building is beautifully decorated with different light patterns.

Photo: Anton Kossmann/Shutterstock.com Address: Broad St., Aberdeen Internet: www.abdn.ac.uk/about/campus/marischal-college-394.php

The Kirk of St. Nicholas Uniting



This stunning church and the solemn graveyard that surround it date back to the XII century. Under the church there is an old crypt from the 1400's,

which was used during the XVII century as a prison for women who were believed to be witches. Nowadays this membership boasts strong membership of both the Church of Scotland and the United Reformed Church.

Photo: Ikiwaner/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped) Address: Union St., Aberdeen Opening hours: 12.00-16.00 Mon-Fri. Phone: +44 1224 643 494 Internet: www.kirk-of-st-nicholas.org.uk Email: mither.kirk@btconnect.com

Glenfiddich Distillery



Glenfiddich, which means 'Valley of the Deer' in Scottish Gaelic, is the world's best-selling and most awarded single-malt whisky, and about

halfway between Aberdeen and Inverness lies the distillery, which can be visited and toured, and you can naturally sample and purchase delicious whisky.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com Address: Glenfiddich Distillery, Dufftown Banffshire, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1340 820 373 Internet: www.glenfiddich.com Email: glenfiddichbookings@wgrant.com

Dunnottar Castle



Few places evoke the spirit of the Scottish highlands as poignantly as Dunnottar Castle, a ruined fortress perched atop rugged rocky cliffs

overlooking the North Sea, just 3 kilometres away from the town of Stonehaven. The buildings that remain date from the 15th and 16th centuries, and the combination of ruins and setting make for a memorable feeling and experience.

Photo: Bill McKelvie/Shutterstock.com Address: Dunnottar Castle, Stonehaven, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1569 762 173 Internet: www.dunnottarcastle.co.uk Email: dunnottarcastle@btconnect.com

Craigievar Castle



Craigievar Castle looks like it was taken straight out of a fairy tale. Completed in 1626, it stands as a fine example of Scottish Baronial

architecture, and both interior and exterior are jaw-dropping in their beauty, attention to detail and lavishness.

Photo: Targn Pleiades/Shutterstock.com Address: Craigievar Castle, Craigievar, Alford Phone: +44 1339 883 635 Internet: www.nts.org.uk/Property/Craigievar-Castle/ Email: craigievarcastle@nts

DINING



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Given its location by the sea, Aberdeen truly is a dream destination for travellers with a culinary interest and a taste for seafood, with fresh fish, crab and lobster in abundance. However, being a multi-cultural city, there is something to suit everyone's tastes, with offers ranging from traditional Scottish dishes to Italian, French, Greek, Turkish and Chinese, as well as some highly praised Hungarian restaurants.

The Lodge On The Loch



For a truly unique dining experience, head to the Lodge of the Loch. They offer everything from bar suppers, to three-course dinners and a blend of

traditional and modern dishes. All food is freshly prepared with local products. The restaurant is located in amazing surroundings, overlooking the splendour and beauty of Cairngorm National Park.

Photo: Anne Burgess/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped) Address: The Lodge on the Loch of Aboyne, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1339 886 444 Internet: www.thelodgeontheloch.com Email: info@thelodgeontheloch.com

Silver Darling



Named after the local term for herring, the Silver Darling offers a wide selection of the best the sea can offer, in a location with wonderful

views of the fishing village of Footdea on one side and the harbour and beach on the other. It is absolutely the place to go if you want to take advantage of high quality food, a stunning view and a very kind staff.

Photo: Stanley Howe/geograph.org.uk(image cropped) Address: Pocra Quay, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 576 229 Internet: www.thesilverdarling.co.uk Email: reservations@thesilverdarling.co.uk

Goulash



Described as a

"wonderful little gem of a restaurant" by locals, this Hungarian eatery offers great value for money with a wide range of

Hungarian specialities on the menu which will satisfy vegetarians, children and all the customers' tastes. It is not the largest of restaurants in the city, so make sure to book a table in advance.

Photo: VICUSCHKA/Shutterstock.com Address: Adelphi 17, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 210 530 Internet: www.goulashrestaurant.co.uk Email: booking@goulashrestaurant.co.uk More Info: Closed on Monday.

The Ashvale



Believed by many to have the very best Fish and Chips in Great Britain, The Ashvale Fish Restaurant is an Aberdeen institution,

receiving over 30,000 visitors each week. The speciality of the house is seafood, but the menu is actually quite varied and includes steak and vegetarian options, among many others.

Photo: stocksolutions/Shutterstock.com Address: Great Western Road 42/48, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 596 981 Internet: www.menu.theashvale.co.uk Email: rosemary@theashvale.co.uk

Aperitivo



Aperitivo strives to bring a slice of Italian life to Aberdeen, celebrating the spirit of the eponymous 'aperitivo', a chance to catch up with friends and

unwind after a long day over a glass of wine and some home-made cooking. This restaurant offers a taste of southern Italy using only the very best local produce.

Photo: andrecastro/Shutterstock.com Address: Bon Accord St. 15, Aberdeen Opening hours: Daily 10.00-22.00 Phone: +44 1224 232 707 Internet: www.aperitivoaberdeen.com Email: aperitivoaberdeen@gmail.com

Yorokobi by CJ



Yorokobi by Chef Jang offers perhaps the best East Asian cuisine in Aberdeen. Very affordable Japanese and Korean specialty dishes

feature prominently on an extensive menu composed entirely of high-quality ingredients.

Photo: funkyfrogstock/Shutterstock.com Address: Huntly St. 51, Aberdeen Phone: +44 7528 235 094 Internet: www.yorokobibycj.co.uk

Moonfish Cafe



With unbeatable views of the 12th-century Kirk of St Nicholas, in the heart of Aberdeen's Merchant Quarter, Moonfish Cafe features an ever-evolving

menu full of creative and innovative British dishes, all made with local and seasonal produce.

Special attention is given to the selection of the restaurant's impressive gin list.

Photo: Marian Weyo/Shutterstock.com Address: Correction Wynd 9, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 644 166 Internet: www.moonfishcafe.co.uk Email: info@moonfishcafe.co.uk

CAFES



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Aberdeen may be better known for its pubs than its cafes, but the city is host to a wide range of quaint and often unique tea and coffee houses. From beach-front locations to charming courtyards, you can find everything from chocolate coffee houses to special vegan bakeries and bookstore cafes, all perfect places to take a break from sightseeing.

Cafe 52



This café is a central meeting point in the city both for locals and tourists. They serve delicious seasonal food, lighter meals like soups

and salads, and also tapas and cocktails. The cafe is small and quaint, but full of style and personality.

Photo: Beth Swanson/Shutterstock.com Address: The Green 52, Aberdeen Opening hours: 12.00-00.00 Mon-Sat; 12.00-16.00 Sun. Phone: +44 1224 590 094 Internet: www.cafe52.net Email: info@cafe52.co.uk

Books and Beans



Books and Beans, the first independent fair trade coffee shop in Aberdeen, serves light meals and snacks, homemade soups, sandwiches, salads and

panini, as well as a range of excellent fair trade coffee, tea and chocolate. The second floor houses a second-hand bookstore and internet cafe.

Photo: Mutita Narkmuang/Shutterstock.com Address: Belmont St. 22, Aberdeen Opening hours: 07.45-16.30 Mon-Sat; 09.45-15.45 Sun. Phone: +44 1224 646 438 Internet: www.booksandbeans.co.uk Email: sales@booksandbeans.co.uk

Café Bohème



Both traditional and modern French cuisine with an innovative twist are showcased in this elegant and cosy restaurant and café,

including confit de canard and white wine mussels. Visitors would also be wise to try the desserts, such as lemon-raspberry creme brûlée and profiteroles.

Photo: Shebeko/Shutterstock.com Address: Windmill Brae 23, Aberdeen Opening hours: 12.00-13.45 / 18.00-21.00 Tue-Sat. Phone: +44 1224 210 677 Internet: www.cafebohemerestaurant.co.uk

Foodstory Cafe



Foodstory Cafe believes in bringing people together. They take pride in providing not only a place to eat great, healthy food, but where

people can feel like part of a community through art and music. The furniture that fills this cosy space was all donated or built from salvaged parts and is thus completely unique, and helps give the place its one-of-a-kind vibe.

Photo: Barbara Dudzinska/Shutterstock.com Address: Thistle St. 13/15, Aberdeen Internet: www.foodstorycafe.co.uk Email: hello@foodstorycafe.co.uk More Info: Vegetarian/Vegan.

The Coffee House



The Coffee House is a spacious but cosy cafe that hosts all manner of great concerts and events. There is a live acoustic night every

Friday, and there are plenty of other concerts and dance performances. Some nights even the audience gets involved with Latin dancing or open mic nights.

Photo: Undrey/Shutterstock.com Address: Gaelic Lane 1, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 478 621 Internet: www.coffeehouseabz.com Email: admin@coffeehouseabz.com

Cup



Cup is an elegant tea salon that is as famous for its great selection of artisan teas and high-quality Italian gourmet coffees as it is

for its delicious and decadent desserts, among which visitors can find cupcakes, pastries, cakes, muffins and many more.

Photo: Jan Knop/Shutterstock.com Address: Little Belmont St. 9, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 637 730 Internet: www.cupcafe.co.uk Email: cupaberdeen@live.com

Contour Cafe



Contour Cafe is a young, independently-run Aberdeen business whose website says it all: "Good coffee. Awesome sandwiches. Nice folk."

Their coffee is 100% fair trade Arabica beans from South America, and their sandwiches can be ordered just the way you want them: plain, spicy "or just downright weird".

Photo: bogdanhoda/Shutterstock.com Address: The Green 47, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 582 151 Internet: www.contourcatering.co.uk Email: orders@contourcatering.co.uk

The Pavilion Cafe



The Pavilion Cafe boasts one of the best locations in the city, right on the esplanade, overlooking the North Sea. Enjoy a hot cup of coffee topped

with a mountain of whipped cream and a fresh

crepe or waffle along with the beautiful view of the sea.

Photo: Iain Cameron/Flickr(image cropped) Address: Esplanade 5/6, Sea Beach, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 591 741 Internet: www.thepavilioncafe.com

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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With two universities and a large number of people spending time in the city while on leave from the North Sea oil rigs, Aberdeen has a raft of bars and pubs to cater for their needs, making it an ideal party city. With such an abundance of great bars, it comes as no surprise that Aberdeen also offers some great clubs that are bound to give you a memorable experience. But do not ignore the city's numerous cultural events and offerings, with plenty of live music venues and world-class theatres putting on some unique and memorable shows.

Revolution Aberdeen



With nearly a hundred different vodkas as well as cocktails, beer and other spirits on offer, Revolution is the perfect place to prepare for a

night out or simply to just enjoy a drink. The music is house-orientated with a jazzy edge that normally gets the crowd moving. The place also offers food, and features a decked terrace overlooking the Union Terrace gardens.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com Address: Belmont St. 25, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 645 475 Internet: www.revolution-bars.co.uk Email: service@revolution-bars.co.uk

Siberia Vodka Bar



One of the hottest hangouts in Aberdeen, Siberia is a spacious and a bright venue, perfectly suited for a relaxing drink – particularly vodka – or

just a fun night out. They offer food, and the place also features a heated and covered balcony and pool tables.

Photo: Arina P Habich/Shutterstock.com Address: Belmont St. 9, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 645 328 Internet: www.siberiavodkabar.co.uk Email: siberia-vb@hotmail.co.uk

The Grill



One of Aberdeen's oldest and most well-known pubs, the Grill was established as a restaurant in 1870, later converted into a pub, and

has been left virtually unchanged since the 1920s. Not a choice for tired shoppers, as it is very much a standing pub because of its long bar counter.

Photo: IanRedding/Shutterstock.com Address: Union St. 213, Aberdeen Opening hours: Daily 10.00-00.00. Phone: +44 1224 573 530 Internet: www.thegrillaberdeen.co.uk Email: info@thegrillaberdeen.co.uk

Krakatoa



Formerly known as the Moorings Bar, a rock bar with frequent live performances very popular among locals, this establishment has

undergone a huge transformation, reinventing itself now as Krakatoa, a colourful and vibrant tiki dive bar with wacky decor and plenty of personality.

Photo: somsak nitimongkolchai/Shutterstock.com Address: Trinity Quay 2, Aberdeen Opening hours: 14.00-00.00 Sun-Thur; 14.00-03.00 Fri-Sat. Phone: +44 1224 587 602 Internet: www.krakatoa.bar Email: volcanictiki@krakatoa.bar

Soul Bar



Soul is without a doubt one of the most unique bars in Aberdeen, located as it is in a beautiful old church. It still retains many of the original

features, like the stained-glass windows, ornate decor, and even the old pulpit, from where the DJ spins his tracks.

Photo: Jacob Lund/Shutterstock.com Address: Union St. 333, Aberdeen Opening hours: 11.00-00.00 Sun-Thur; 11.00-02.00 Fri-Sat. Phone: +44 1224 211 150 Internet: www.pbdevco.com/soul.html Email: soul@pbdevco.com

The Stag



The Stag is a traditional pub right in the heart of Aberdeen, a favourite meeting place and centre of nightlife in the city. It boasts a great selection

of lagers, ales, fine wines and whiskies and offers hearty servings of homemade cooking prepared with local ingredients. The large TV screen sports events, thus gathering large crowds on game days.

Photo: Khakimullin Aleksandr/Shutterstock.com Address: Crown St. 6, Aberdeen Opening hours: 11.00-00.00 Sun-Thur; 11.00-01.00 Fri-Sat. Phone: +44 1224 592 929 Internet: www.thestag.co.uk Email: info@thestag.co.uk

His Majesty's Theatre



Aberdeen is a culturally vibrant city, and His Majesty's Theatre is one of the major proponents. Seating over 1,400, the breathtaking auditorium

regularly hosts performances of award-winning plays and musicals, as well as musical and other acts. Check the website to find out what's happening during your stay.

Photo: aerogondo2/Shutterstock.com Address: Rosemount Viaduct, Aberdeen Opening hours: 09.30-18.00 Mon-Sat. Phone: +44 1224 641 122 Internet: www.aberdeenperformingarts.com/venues/his-maje stys-theatre Email: tickets@aberdeenperformingarts.com More Info: The theatre is also open on Sundays during December for Panto.

Breakneck Comedy Club



For a bit of a different night out, check out the Breakneck Comedy Club. They host weekly comedy shows where both local and international

comedians perform. The club also promotes young and new comics, inviting them to try out their material.

Photo: Namphon2U/Shutterstock.com Address: King St. 22/24, Aberdeen Opening hours: 20.00-23.00 Thur-Sun. Phone: +44 7702 305 532 Internet: www.breakneckcomedy.co.uk Email: breakneckcomedy@live.co.uk

The Lemon Tree



The Lemon Tree is one of the three foremost cultural performance venues in Aberdeen, together with His Majesty's Theatre and the

Music Hall. It specialises in alternative entertainment and experimental music and theatrical, as well as comedy, spoken word and other performances.

Photo: PopTika/Shutterstock.com Address: West North St. 5, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 641 122 Internet: www.aberdeenperformingarts.com/venues/the-lemon-tree

BrewDog Aberdeen



BrewDog Aberdeen was the original flagship pub of a now huge international chain. They brew their own lines of fantastic craft beers, and the knowledgeable staff are happy to guide you through a tour of their many varieties. Come with your friends and with your dogs. Both are always welcome in BrewDog.

Photo: MaxyM/Shutterstock.com Address: Gallowgate 17, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 631 223 Internet: www.brewdog.com/bars/uk/aberdeen Email: aberdeenbar@brewdog.com

Sing City



Sing City is widely accepted as Aberdeen's best karaoke bar, featuring numerous private rooms that can fit up to 30 people for

parties and events. The facilities are top-notch, and the service and hospitality of the staff are renowned.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com Address: Chapel St. 74, Aberdeen Opening hours: 17.00-01.00 only Fri-Sat. Phone: +44 1224 638 989 Internet: www.singcityaberdeen.co.uk Email: info@singcity.co.uk

SHOPPING



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As the traditional centre for commerce for the whole of northeastern Scotland, Aberdeen has been the region's number one shopping centre for hundreds of years and boasts a wide range of shops and malls. The traditional main streets are Union Street and George Street, which offer superb swanky shopping, while the Bon Accord, St. Nicholas and Trinity shopping centres offer visitors the chance to buy high-quality items indoors, as well as Castlegate Market, a cobblestone square that hosts a market seven days a week.

Teasel & Tweed



Teasel & Tweed sells charming and unique handcrafted souvenirs and decorative items for the home, including paintings, knick-knacks

and even specially-commissioned products like whisky cask cabinets. It is a great alternative for home accessories and unusual gifts, and doubles as a small and adorable tea house.

Photo: MNStudio/Shutterstock.com Address: Rosemount Viaduct 85, Aberdeen Opening hours: 10.00-17.00 Tue-Sat. Phone: +44 1224 652 352 Internet: www.teaselandtweed.com Email: us@teaselandtweed.com

Union Square Shopping Centre



Union Square Shopping Centre, with its central location right next to the main train station, offers every amenity one would expect from a modern

mall, including restaurants, cafes, the city's largest cinema with 10 screens, and of course plenty of shops.

Photo: Dragon Images/Shutterstock.com Address: Guild Square 12, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 254 300 Internet: www.unionsquareaberdeen.com Email: unionsquare@mcfrank.uk More Info: Union Square, Management Suite, First Level Mall.

The Aberdeen Whisky Shop



For the best of Scotch whisky (not whiskey), be sure to check out The Aberdeen Whisky Shop. Besides the wonderful selection of only the

choicest whiskys, they also occasionally host Aroma Academy, workshops that teach you to appreciate the subtleties of different varieties of whisky so that you know what to look for in the future.

Photo: Cedric Weber/Shutterstock.com Address: Union St. 474, Aberdeen Opening hours: 10.00-18.00 Mon-Wed; 10.00-19.00 Thur-Sat. Phone: +44 1224 647 433 Internet: www.aberdeenwhiskyshop.co.uk Email: kasia@aberdeenwhiskyshop.co.uk More Info: Closed on Sunday.

Juniper



Juniper is a charming independent, family-run business that offers a large variety of traditional and contemporary accessories

and items, including jewellery, gifts, homeware, pictures and furniture. They specialise in Scottish and British products, though their ample selection includes international products, as well.

Photo: Hanka Steidle/Shutterstock.com Address: Belmont St. 35, Aberdeen Opening hours: 09.30-17.30 Mon-Sat. Phone: +44 1224 640 480 Internet: www.juniperaberdeen.co.uk Email: info@juniperaberdeen.co.uk More Info: Closed on Sunday.

McCalls Highlandwear



McCalls has been the region's leading supplier of highland formal wear since it began operation in 1887 due to their renowned craftsmanship,

quality and attention to detail. They provide traditional highland attire for special occasions, such as weddings, for both sale and hire.

Photo: Ekaterina Pokrovsky/Shutterstock.com Address: Bridge St. 15/17, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 405 300 Internet: www.mccalls.co.uk Email: highlandwear@mccalls.co.uk

Trinity Shopping Centre



Though smaller than its close neighbour, the Union Square Shopping Centre, the Trinity Centre still offers a number of services and shops that

will doubtlessly meet most shoppers' needs, including a large Argos, numerous restaurants and plenty of options for shopping, with everything from clothes, home-ware, accessories, and much more.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com Address: Union St. 155, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 580 076 Internet: www.trinityaberdeen.co.uk Email: linda.stewart@trinityaberdeen.co.uk

Aberdeen Football Club Shop



Aberdeen Football Club's fervent supporters get their kits and gear here. If you catch the city's football fever during your visit, be sure to check this

shop out and take home a jersey or souvenir.

Photo: Colin Smith/geograph.org.uk(image cropped) Address: Pittodrie Stadium, Pittodrie St., Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 642 800 Internet: www.afc.co.uk Email: shop@afc.co.uk

Scotland's Bothy



Scotland's Bothy specialises in traditional and modern Scottish products, including handmade crafts, souvenirs and gift ideas,

tartan kilts and highland-wear, jewellery, clothing items, such as custom print t-shirts, and much more.

Photo: pietrowsky/Shutterstock.com Address: George St. 250/252, Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 658 077 Internet: www.scotlandsbothy.co.uk Email: scotlandsbothy@yahoo.co.uk

Beach Boulevard Retail Park



For shopping near the Esplanade, right by the North Sea, visit the Beach Boulevard Retail Park, a strip-mall where numerous shops can be

found, including a fitness shop, home furnishing, toys, the supermarket Aldi and a large ASDA.

Photo: Diego Cervo/Shutterstock.com Address: Boulevard Retail Park, Links Road, Aberdeen

Phone: +44 131 225 8344 Internet: www.beachboulevardretail.com Email: jack.creswell@eu.jll.com

The Academy



The Academy Shopping Centre, a favourite meeting point and hang-out among locals, is located in a beautiful converted Victorian

school building in the heart of Aberdeen and boasts a quite unique and very pleasant open-air courtyard where visitors can enjoy a respite from shopping and alfresco dining.

Photo: Ragazzi99/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped) Address: Belmont St., Aberdeen Phone: +44 1224 633 009 Internet: www.academyaberdeen.co.uk Email: info@academyshoppingcentre.co.uk

Wool for Ewe



Winner of the Best Independent Wool Store in Scotland, Wool for Ewe is a family store providing a wide range of wool and yarns of all colours. As

the store is continuously updated with new textures and products, whenever you're in the city you'll find some new items to take home with you.

Photo: RHIMAGE/Shutterstock.com Address: Rosemount Place 83/85, Aberdeen Opening hours: 09.30-17.30 Tue-Sat. Phone: +44 1224 643 738 Internet: www.woolforewe.com Email: info@woolforewe.com More Info: Closed on Sunday and Monday.

Geek Bothy



Geek Bothy is a family-run store providing a wide selection of geeky products, many of which by Scottish creators. The high quality clothing and

accessories are sold along with the amazing licensed Star Wars or Disney products.

Photo: goodluz/Shutterstock.com Address: Transition Extreme Sports, Links Road, Aberdeen Phone: +44 7881 206 329 Internet: www.geekbothy.co.uk Email: geekbothy@gmail.com

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Passport / Visa



Citizens of the European Union member-states, Norway, Liechtenstein, Iceland, Switzerland, and Overseas Countries and Territories (OCT) only

require a valid passport to enter the UK. Residents of a further 10 countries do not require entry visas for stays under 6 months: the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Singapore, South Korea, South Africa, Hong Kong, and Malaysia. Nationals of some further countries do not require a visa, but need to hold an entry certificate. Use the UK Government website to check for specific requirements: www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa

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Best Time to Visit



As as typical in Britain, the weather in Aberdeen is often changeable, which means that even a very sunny day could suddenly turn into a

cloudy one. However, if you want to play it safest, the best period to visit this city is summer, particularly from June to August, when the temperatures are warmer and the risk of seeing the sun disappear is lower.

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Airport



Aberdeen International Airport is located 7 miles from the city centre, and getting to/from the airport is easy thanks to a wide range of transport

facilities. Regular city buses run regularly from the city centre, including Bluebird services 80, 727 and 747, as well as First Bus service 27. Additionally, the Aberdeen train service stops at the local station of Dyce, which is only a short distance from the airport.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Aberdeen International Airport, Dyce, Aberdeen Phone: +44 844 481 6666 Internet: www.aberdeenairport.com

Public Transport



Getting around the city is easy, as First Aberdeen operates an extensive bus network. Bus drivers will demand the exact fare, so make sure you have

change, or buy a Farecard (valid for one day, one week or one month) in one of the local shops.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair Phone: +44 1224 523 765 Internet: www.firstgroup.com

Taxi



There are several taxi companies in Aberdeen, but prices tend to be quite high. Below is a few options: Aberdeen Airport Taxis +44 1224 775

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www.aberdeenairport.com/transport-and-directio ns/taxis/

Central Taxi +44 1224 898989

Photo: ArrivalGuides

Post



Berryden Post Office is the leading financial services chain in the UK and it provides more than 170 different services for its customers including

mails, retail, financial services, telecoms, life insurance, travel insurance and so many more!

Photo: Andy Fuchs Address: Unit 5, Berryden Retail Park, Berryden Road, Aberdeen

Phone: +44 1224 649 588 Internet: www.postoffice.co.uk Email: social@postoffice.co.uk

Pharmacy



Rosemount Pharmacy is an independent pharmacy in Aberdeen and it offers fast services to every costumer! Apart from medication items, here

you can take advantage of other services such as NHS Stop Smoking service, ailments service and also a travel vaccination service:

Photo: Gemma Garner Address: Mount St. 1, Aberdeen Opening hours: 09.00-18.00 Mon-Sat; 09.00-13.00 Sun. Phone: +44 1224 630 101 Internet: www.rosemountpharmacy.co.uk Email: rosemountpharmacy@hotmail.co.uk

Telephone

Country code: +44 Area code: 1224



Photo: Jardson Almeida

Electricity



220-240 V/50 Hz Sockets: Type G

Currency

British pounds, £1 = 100 pence

Opening hours

Most shops are open seven days a week, normally from 09.00 to 17.30. On Thursdays major shops and shopping centres are open until 20.00, while on Sundays shops are open from 12.00 to 17.00.

Newspapers Aberdeen Citizen General Trust

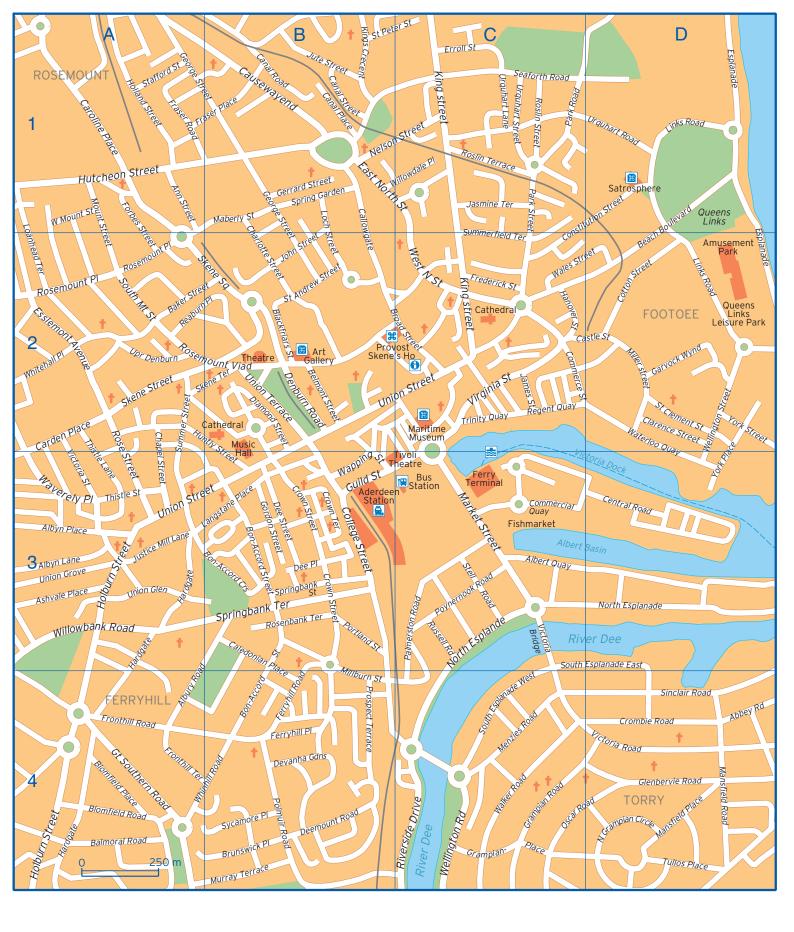
Emergency numbers 999 and 112

Tourist information The Visitor Information Centre Aberdeen 23 Union St., Aberdeen +44 1224 288 828 aberdeen.information@visitscotland.com www.visitscotland.com

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Population 229,001





Abbey Road
Albert Quay
Albury Road
Albyn Lane
Albyn Place
Ann Street
Ashvale Place
Baker Street
Balmoral Road
Beach Boulevard
Belmont Street
Blackfriars Street
Blomfield Place
Blomfield Road
Bon-Accord Crecent
Bon-Accord Street
Broad Street
Brunswick Place
Caledonian Place
Callowgate Canal Place
Canal Road
Canal Street
Carden Place
Caroline Place
Castle Street
Causewayend
Central Road
Chapel Street
Charlotte Street
Clarence Street
College Street
Commerce Street
Commercial Quay
Constitution Street
Cotton Street
Crombie Road
Crown Street
Crown Terrace
Dee Place
Dee Street
Deemount Road
Denburn Road
Devanha Gardens
Diamond Street
East North Street
Erroll Street
Esplanade
Esslemont Avenue

D4	Ferryhill Place
C3	Ferryhill Road
A4 B3	Forbes Street
A3	Fraser Place
A3	Fraser Road
A1	Frederick Street
A3	Fronthill Road
A2 B2	Fronthill Terrace
A4	Garvock Wynd
D1 D2	George Street
B2	Gerrard Street
B2	Glenbervie Road
A4	Gordon Street
A4	Grampian Place
A3 B3	Grampian Road
B3 B4	Gt Southern Road
B2 C2	Guild Street
B4	Hanover Street
B3 B4	Hardgate
B1 B2	Holburn Street
B1	Holland Street
B1	Huntly Street
B1	Hutcheon Street
A2	James Street
A1	Jasmine Terrace
C2 D2	John Street
B1	Justice Mill Lane
D3	Jute Street
A2 A3	King Street
B1 B2	Kings Crecent
D2	Langstane Place
B3	Links Road
C2	Loanhead Terrace
C3	Loch Street
C2 D1	Maberly Street
D2	Mansfield Place
D4	Mansfield Road
B3	Market Street
B3	Menzies Road
B3	Millburn Street
B3	Miller Street
B4	Mount Street
B2	Murray Terrace
B4	Nelson Street
B2	North Esplanade
B1 C1	North Grampian Circle
C1	Noth Esplande
D1 D2	Oscar Road
A2	Palmerston Road

B4	Park Road	C1
B4	Park Street	C1
A1 A2	Polmuir Road	B4
A1 B1	Portland Street	B3
A1	Poynernook Road	C3
C2	Prospect Terrace	B4
A4	Reaburn Place	A2 B2
A4	Regent Quay	C2
D2	Riverside Drive	C4
A1 B1 B2	Rose Street	A2 A3
B1	Rosemount Place	A2
D4	Rosemount Viaduct	A2 B2
B3	Rosenbank Terrace	B3
C4	Roslin Street	C1
C4	Roslin Terrace	C1
A4	Russell Road	C3
B3	Seaforth Road	C1
C2	Sinclair Road	D4
A3 A4	Skene Sq	A2 B2
A3 A4	Skene Street	A2
A1	Skene Terrace	A2 B2
A2 B3	South Esplanade East	C3 D3
A1	South Esplanade West	C4
C2	South Mount Street	A2
C1	Spring Garden	B1
B2	Springbank Street	B3
A3	Springbank Ter	B3
B1	St Andrew Street	B2
C1 C2	St Clement Street	D2
B1	St Peter Street	B1 C1
A3 B3	Stafford Street	A1
D1 D2	Stell Road	C3
A1 A2	Summer Street	A2 A3
B1 B2	Summerfield Terrace	C2
B1 B2 B1	Sycamore Place	B4
D1 D4	Thistle Lane	A2 A3
D4 D4	Thistle Street	A2 A3
C3		C2
C3 C4	Trinity Quay Tullos Place	
		D4
B4	Union Glen	A3
D2	Union Grove	A3
A1 A2	Union Street	A3 B2 B3 C2
B4	Union Terrace	B2
B1 C1	Upper Denburn	A2
D3	Urquhart Lane	C1
D4	Urquhart Road	D1
C3	Urquhart Street	C1
C4 D4	Victoria Bridge	C3
C3	Victoria Road	D4

A2 A3	Waverely Place	A3	Whitehall Place	A2
C2	Wellington Road	C4	Willowbank Road	A3
C2 D2	Wellington Street	D2 D3	Willowdale Place	B1 C1
C4	West Mount Street	A1	York Place	D2 D3
B3	West North Steet	C2	York Street	D2
D2 D3	Whinhill Road	A4 B4		
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