



# family city guide

Edinburgh

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# A trip to Edinburgh made easy

Adagio and Auzou Éditions are pleased to offer every budding globetrotter their very own Family City Guide dedicated to Edinburgh!

Follow Wolf as he explores the city and check out his suggestions for the best things to do with your family!

From sports and sightseeing to hands-on activities and restaurants, the team at your Adagio aparthotel has thought of everything to make sure your city break is a breeze. All that's left is to make the most of your trip!

**Ready to go?  
It's time to have fun!**

## Let's go!



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## Did you know?

Edinburgh Castle was built on an extinct volcano! The last time the volcano erupted was 350 million years ago. The site has been occupied since the Iron Age (200 AD) or possibly late Bronze Age.





## Edinburgh Castle

Perhaps the most dramatic castle in the UK, standing on its great rock, Edinburgh Castle dominates the city and was home to kings and queens. Queen Margaret died here in 1093, and Mary Queen of Scots gave birth to James VI in the royal palace in 1566. From the 1600s onwards, the castle was a strong military base. The castle is now a world-famous visitor attraction and a key element of the Edinburgh World Heritage Site. The best way to enjoy all that the castle has to offer is to take a guided tour or use an audio guide. We recommend allowing at least 2 hours to see all the castle highlights and to get the most out of your visit!



### Edinburgh Castle

Castlehill, Edinburgh, EH1 2NG

Tel: +44 (0)131 225 9846

**[www.edinburghcastle.scot](http://www.edinburghcastle.scot)**



### Typical opening hours:

Open daily

April to September: 9:30 am – 6:00 pm

October to March: 9:30 am – 5:00 pm

(last entry 1 hr before closing)

Booking online recommended



### Available languages:

English, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Russian, Mandarin, Portuguese, Polish, Korean (audio guides)

## Hurray!

There are many ways to experience Edinburgh Castle! Choose an itinerary to follow based on how much time you have to spare or what interests you most (from just an hour up to 3 hours; please visit the website to find out more).



## National Museum of Scotland

Explore the diversity of the natural world, art and design, world cultures, science and technology and Scottish history, all in one amazing building. From meteorites to monsters from the deep, the Natural World galleries tell the story of our planet. Meanwhile, the World Cultures galleries link people and possessions across the globe. Follow Scotland's story from prehistory to the present day in the Scottish galleries and meet the Scots whose ideas, innovations and leadership took them around the world in the Discoveries gallery. Understand decorative arts in the new Art, Design and Fashion galleries and get front row seats at a catwalk of creativity in textiles and style. Over in Science and Technology, science is brought to life through interactive displays.



### National Museum of Scotland

Chambers Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1JF

Tel: +44 (0)300 123 6789

[www.nms.ac.uk](http://www.nms.ac.uk)



### Typical opening hours:

Open daily, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm



### Available languages:

English. Information booklets also available in German, Chinese, Japanese, Polish, Italian, French and Spanish



## Yum!

The Balcony Café (Level 3) and the Museum Kitchen (Level 0) welcome you with tea, coffee, homemade cakes, snacks as well as freshly prepared soup, sandwiches, salads and children's lunch boxes.



## Dynamic Earth

A visit to Dynamic Earth is like nothing else on Earth. It's a chance to experience the primeval forces of nature as they shaped our planet, to journey through space and time and even to go on an adventure around the world. It's the interactive adventure of a lifetime – the lifetime of our planet! Experience the planet's extremes, from the summits of mountains to the depths of the seas. Dynamic Earth is one of the greatest interactive experiences in the world – and it's right here in Edinburgh!



### Dynamic Earth

112 Holyrood Rd, Edinburgh, EH8 8AS

Tel: +44 (0)131 550 7800

**[www.dynamicearth.co.uk](http://www.dynamicearth.co.uk)**



### Typical opening hours:

Opening hours vary, check online

*Visit duration: approximately 2-3 hrs*



### Available languages:

English, French, German, Italian,  
Spanish (audio guides)



## Cool!

Not got much time? Purchase the planetarium-only ticket (£7.70 per person, adults and children) for a 30-minute experience where you can learn about the history of our planet, the solar system and beyond in an immersive 360-degree planetarium cinema.





## Camera Obscura & World of Illusions

Edinburgh's Camera Obscura has been entertaining, surprising and educating locals and visitors for over 150 years. 50 years before motion pictures were invented, images of the city beamed down as if by magic amazed onlookers. Today, it is equally amazing to be able to take a virtual tour of the city without leaving the room! In addition to the camera itself, the World of Illusions offers five floors of original science attractions and illusions, including a magic gallery and the mind-blowing Bewilderworld! Allow at least two hours to fully enjoy your visit here.



### Camera Obscura & World of Illusions

549 Castlehill, The Royal Mile

Edinburgh, EH1 2ND

Tel: +44 (0)131 226 3709

[www.camera-obscura.co.uk](http://www.camera-obscura.co.uk)



### Typical opening hours:

Opening hours vary, check online  
Booking online is recommended  
to secure your visit, especially  
during peak seasons



### Available languages:

French, German, Dutch, Spanish,  
Chinese and Italian (audio guides)

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## Royal Zoological Society of Scotland

Edinburgh Zoo is one of Scotland's most popular visitor attractions: an unforgettable day out for the whole family, with over 2,500 incredible animals from around the world, and lots of children's activities on offer. We recommend that visitors attend at least one of the special talks that take place throughout the day with dedicated discovery rangers who share amazing animal facts, stories and behind-the-scenes insight! Check the Zoo's website to plan your day and make the most of everything on offer!



**Royal Zoological Society of Scotland**  
Edinburgh Zoo, 134 Corstorphine Road  
Edinburgh, EH12 6TS  
Tel: +44 (0)131 334 9171  
**[www.edinburghzoo.org.uk](http://www.edinburghzoo.org.uk)**



### Typical opening hours:

April to September:

10:00 am – 6:00 pm

October and March:

10:00 am – 5:00 pm

November to February:

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Closed on Christmas Day

Booking online recommended



## Hurray!

Immerse yourself in our walk-through exhibition included in your Edinburgh Zoo ticket and see prehistoric beasts come to life around you! The exhibition features moving and roaring animatronic dinosaurs – making it a real thrill for true adventurers!





## Ryze Edinburgh

From crawling babies to grannies and grandads, you'll be smiling as you bounce at Ryze! Jump through the sea of oversized trampolines, tackle the Ninja obstacle course, dive into the stuntman airbag, or sit back and relax in the café... You're sure to find something you'll love at Ryze!



### Ryze Edinburgh

23 Mayfield Industrial Estate,  
Dalkeith, EH22 4AD  
Tel: +44 (0)131 634 0140  
[www.ryze.co.uk](http://www.ryze.co.uk)



### Typical opening hours:

Monday to Saturday, 9:30 am – 8:00 pm; Sunday, 9:30 am – 6:00 pm  
Booking online recommended



Suitable for all ages

Daily session for crawling babies: 10:00 am – 11:00 am

## Tip!

You'll find lockers on-site to store your valuables (phones, money, jewellery etc.) starting from £1. Several free open cubby lockers are also available for less valuable items such as shoes or jackets etc.



## Burgers and Beers Grillhouse

Burgers and Beers Grillhouse offers gourmet burgers, which have won several awards for good reason: they use carefully selected local produce from the best sources the region has to offer - 'from farm to plate in just a few days' - 100% homemade sauces, and local craft beers. Of course, there's a kids' menu for the little ones. Don't miss out!



### **Burgers and Beers Grillhouse**

192A High St, Edinburgh EH1 1RW

Tel: +44 (0)131 226 1214

**[www.burgersandbeersgrillhouse.co.uk](http://www.burgersandbeersgrillhouse.co.uk)**



### **Typical opening hours:**

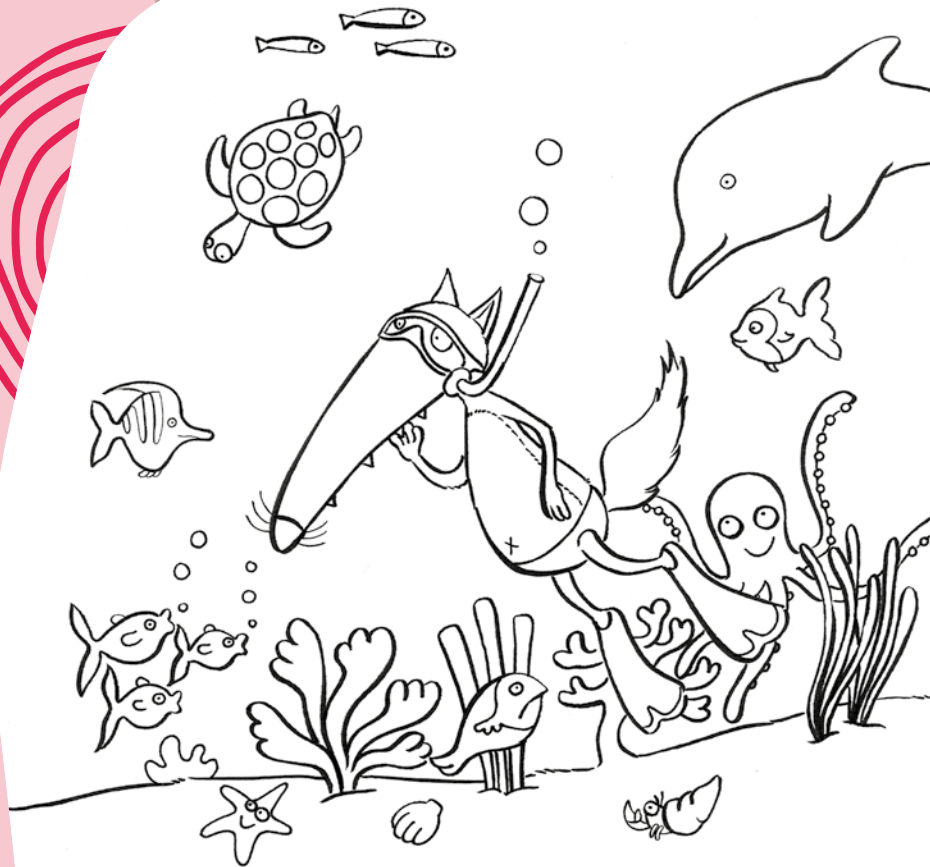
Sunday to Thursday, 11:00 am – 10:00 pm

Friday and Saturday, 11:00 am – 11:00 pm



## Wow!

Popping on the tourist hat after you eat? It's just a two-minute walk up the Royal Mile to Edinburgh Castle!



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