

Visit East Lothian – Edinburgh’s Coast & Countryside

With over 40 miles of stunning coastline, golden beaches, spectacular scenery, award-winning attractions, excellent accommodation, outstanding food & drink, fabulous events and the world’s finest selection of links golf courses, East Lothian combines the best of Scotland!

We are delighted to introduce our Go East Lothian Trail. At 39 miles (63km) it is ideal for families, groups, microadventures or a long day ride. Designed by renowned round the world cyclist Markus Stitz, the route features quiet roads, gravel tracks and walking and cycle paths. It’s a great way to explore East Lothian.

There’s a huge amount to see and do here. Enjoy a day at the races at the famed Musselburgh Racecourse and climb on board the awesome Concorde at the National Museum of Flight. Then there’s the award-winning Scottish Seabird Centre, perched right on the seafront in stunning North Berwick and, just along the coast, the impressive cliff-top fortress of Tantallon Castle. If you’re seeking thrills and spills there is plenty on offer from wakeboarding and surfing to biking and horse riding. You really will be spoiled for choice. There’s something for everyone!

East Lothian is the birthplace of John Muir, the father of conservation, and the area is home to a rich variety of wildlife and thousands of seabirds arriving each year to nest on its islands and coastline. The John Muir Way long distance walking and cycling route runs for 134 miles (215km) from Dunbar in the East to Helensburgh in the West. And you can visit the great man’s birthplace in Dunbar.

Charming towns and villages invite you to browse in their art galleries, museums and gift shops. Musselburgh’s famous Brunton attracts some of the best theatre, dance and entertainment around and, not to be forgotten, East Lothian is the ancient home of golf. You’ll find some of the great links and parkland courses here, including the world famous Muirfield. This year we are delighted to host first rate golf tournaments including the Aberdeen Standard Investments Scottish Open and Ladies Scottish Open as well as The Staysure Scottish Senior Open. In celebration of which we will have the Scottish Open Trophy on our stand – a great photo opportunity!

All you foodies will love the chance to savour delicious fresh local produce in our delicatessens, restaurants, bars and cafes. Don’t forget to sample whisky Scotland’s national drink at the five star Glenkinchie Distillery.

You’ll not be surprised to hear that East Lothian is a popular location for filming. We have produced a handy guide to help you discover the spots where blockbuster film and cult TV shows were shot including Outlander and Mary Queen of Scots.

East Lothian is incredibly easy to get to, bordering Edinburgh, and within easy reach of the major road and rail networks. While you are here you can hop aboard an EastCoastTours open top bus and sit back and enjoy the ride.

We look forward to giving you a warm, East Lothian welcome!

Come and see us on stand E9 and pick up a copy of our inspiring itineraries.

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