

# DESIGN YOUR STAY

DESIGNED FOR  
TREADING  
LIGHTLY AT THE  
WATER'S EDGE

**SCOTLAND'S TAY  
COUNTRY IS A  
DESTINATION TO  
BE TRULY  
SAVOURED.**

As the River Tay weaves its way from a tiny spring on Ben Lui to the free-flowing Firth of Tay, it cuts through some of Scotland's most stunning scenery. It is a route which visitors can follow themselves, experiencing a broad range of Scotland's finest hospitality and attractions.



## DAY ONE

Scotland's Tay Country offers visitors the chance to enjoy a wealth of unparalleled experiences, and cherished memories can be made in the most active of ways. Following the route of the River Tay, travellers can experience some of Scotland's key producers, and enjoy truly memorable experiences.

In the heart of the region, you find stunning **Murrayshall House Hotel**. Situated in acres of rolling parklands and immaculate golf courses, guests can enjoy the quintessential country house hotel experience here. Evenings can be spent relishing a cocktail or two by the fireside in the newly renovated Lynedoch Cocktail Bar or enjoying the finest local produce with dinner in their AA Rosette restaurant.



Those wishing to enjoy the stunning location can then make use of the resorts' numerous outdoor pursuits, which range from guided walking routes to paddle boarding up the River Tay.

If visitors are after something truly adventurous, they will be well catered for in the Perthshire countryside, thanks to the plethora of options to choose from. Nature lovers can enjoy a **Highland Safari**, choosing to explore by boat, Land Rover or even by helicopter. Those opting for a forest safari will follow tracks, trails, and clues into the heart of the Caledonian Pine Forest, and once there, a walk through a short trail will offer opportunities of spotting birds, red squirrels, roe, and red Deer.





DUNKELD | DUNKELD CATHEDRAL

## DAY TWO

The Tay Country is home to many of Scotland's finest producers. From farmers to chocolatiers, many of the country's favourite exports call the region home. Within an easy drive are several tempting destinations. Foodies should head to **The Scottish Deli**, in Dunkeld, which is famed for its shelves groaning under the weight of fine regional produce, and its cheese fridge stacked with hard-to-find favourites. Not only is it a gastro-heaven, but the deli partners with **Progression bikes**, allowing patrons to work up an appetite with a ride along the banks of the River Tay.

Those looking to pick up some last-minute souvenirs should head to the famed **House of Bruar**. The sprawling countryside store specialises in country clothing, and fine Scottish produce, offering shoppers a wide selection of brands and styles from which to choose. Whether visitors are looking for gifts for loved ones, or even for themselves they are sure to find the perfect present here.



PIRLOCHRY | HOUSE OF BRUAR

Heading back down towards the Tay visitors will find the much-loved **Iain Burnett Highland Chocolatier**, a world class chocolatier found in the pretty Perthshire village of Grandtully. A true artisan, who has become known for his Velvet Truffles, visitors are offered the chance to enjoy a guided chocolate tasting, whilst learning about the craftsmanship involved in creating such delicacies. After designing a bespoke chocolate box of their own, visitors can savour a truffle or two in the Chocolate Lounge, before heading out to stroll along the banks of the River Tay.



PERTH | SCONE PALACE

## DAY THREE

There are many country house hotels in the region to choose from for the overnight experience. If travellers are perhaps looking for a base which offers a little extra privacy, then **Forbes of Kingennie** allows guests to add a note of adventure to their trip.

Why not consider booking one of the more unique accommodations on offer – glamping in **The Stargazer** or **Coorie Doon** shepherd huts are our choice. Their loch-side location gives guests the seclusion to relax and unwind in stunning surroundings, and evenings can be spent enjoying

the private hot tubs and firepits. Mornings can be whiled away on the water; Kingennie offers trout fishing with bait and fly-fishing on five well-stocked pools for year-round angling, as well as perch fishing at their Blawearie Basin Pool.

After a trip celebrating a little Tay Country indulgence, the final day should be one where visitors can raise a glass to the region, and there are several fabulous distilleries for visitors to enjoy. Producing Scottish potato vodka since 2014, the **Ogilvy** distillery allows visitors to trace the full process of vodka production from ground to glass, with a look around the farm on a Tattie Box Tour, then enjoy a behind the scenes look at the distilling and bottling processes. The visit concludes with the all-important tutored tasting session. The hand-bottled, hand-labelled spirits make a fabulous keepsake to take home and enjoy.

One of The Tay Country's most iconic locations is undoubtedly **Scone Palace**, a spectacular site on the banks of the River Tay, with a rich history dating back to Pagan Scotland. Home to the Earls of Mansfield for over 400 years it is perhaps best known as the original home of the Stone of Scone, or the Stone of Destiny. For centuries, the stone has been used for the coronation of kings and was subjected to a removal by the invading forces of King Edward I, who installed the stone in Westminster Abbey in 1296, where it remained until 1950. Returned to Scotland in 1996, it now be found alongside the Scottish Crown Jewels at Edinburgh Castle, although there is a replica which visitors can find at Scone Abbey. From 2024, the stone will be returned to Scotland to become the centrepiece of the refurbishment of Perth City Hall.

Situated on the A9, it makes an easy last stop for travellers looking to head home or indeed on to another night in Scotland's Tay Country.

This part of Scotland is extremely accessible by all means of transport. Why not do a fly-drive to Dundee airport and hire a car or an electric vehicle to explore this stunning destination.

Even with a packed itinerary, there is so much more to Scotland's Tay Country. From hotels to visitor attractions, an extra night or two can definitely be filled!

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## ACCOMMODATION:

Murrayshall House Hotel  
Dunkeld House Hotel  
Ballathie House Hotel  
Errichell House & Restaurant  
Scotland's Spa Hotel  
Forbes of Kingennie  
Glen Clova Hotel  
Glenesk Hotel

## SIGHTSEEING & ACTIVITIES:

Glamis Castle  
Highland Adventure Safaris (Red Deer Farm)  
Loch Tay Safaris  
Scone Palace  
Blair Castle  
Black Watch Castle and Museum  
House of Dun  
Dewars Aberfeldy Distillery  
Arbroath Cliff Tours

## FOOD & DRINK:

Ogilvy Distillery  
Arbikie Highland Estate Distillery  
The Gin Bothy  
Highland Chocolatier  
Ballintaggart Farm  
Mhor 84  
The Grandtully Hotel  
The Scottish Deli  
The Taybank Dunkeld  
The Drovers  
The But n Ben  
Gordon's Restaurant