

HOW TO BE A RESPONSIBLE VISITOR

Historic Environment Scotland is committed to ensuring that Scotland's historic environment is looked after, protected and managed for generations to come. By visiting our sites, you are contributing to the conservation of these monuments and play a crucial part in our efforts. Here are some steps you can take to help:



BE A STEWARD OF SCOTLAND'S HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT. Our historic and natural environments are fragile, so please **pay attention to signage and our colleagues** to help protect and conserve them. If possible, **use public transport or active travel** to get to and from our sites, and take advantage of travel that allows you to **enjoy the journey**, and **harness enhanced the health and wellbeing** benefits. [Our website](http://www.historicenvironment.scot) at www.historicenvironment.scot contains travel options to all our sites and can help you plan your visit.



USE RESOURCES RESPONSIBLY. Please use the bins provided **or take your rubbish away and recycle it**. If you are unsure, staff will be able to help. To minimise waste, **you can bring your own water bottle** and use our re-fill stations and **look out for a discount in our cafes when using a reusable cup**. To minimise energy and water consumption, **please turn off lights and taps** when not needed.



RESPECT AND ENGAGE WITH LOCAL COMMUNITIES. Our local communities are at the heart of Scottish heritage and the sites that you enjoy. Therefore, **please respect our shared community spaces and avoid disruptive behaviour**. Make sure to **engage meaningfully with local culture and traditions**. When visiting, look out for **local events, celebrations or volunteering opportunities** to add value to your visit.



SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES. When visiting our sites, consider supporting local businesses by including small shops, cafes and farmers markets in your trip. **Look out for 'Made in Scotland' products** in our on-site gift shops to support local producers. To ensure the best experience, **check ahead of time to see how busy we are**, and enquire about alternative sites. Furthermore, why not **spend the night nearby**, so you can explore even more!



CHAMPION INCLUSIVE AND ACCESSIBLE TOURISM FOR ALL. Help us create an inclusive and accessible experience for all by **respecting other visitors and our staff members, using inclusive, respectful language and embracing diverse perspectives**. [Our Accessibility Guidance](#) is available online, please check it out and suggest any improvements.



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