

48 hours in Northern Aberdeenshire



A break in Northern Aberdeenshire
filled with **culture** and **heritage**





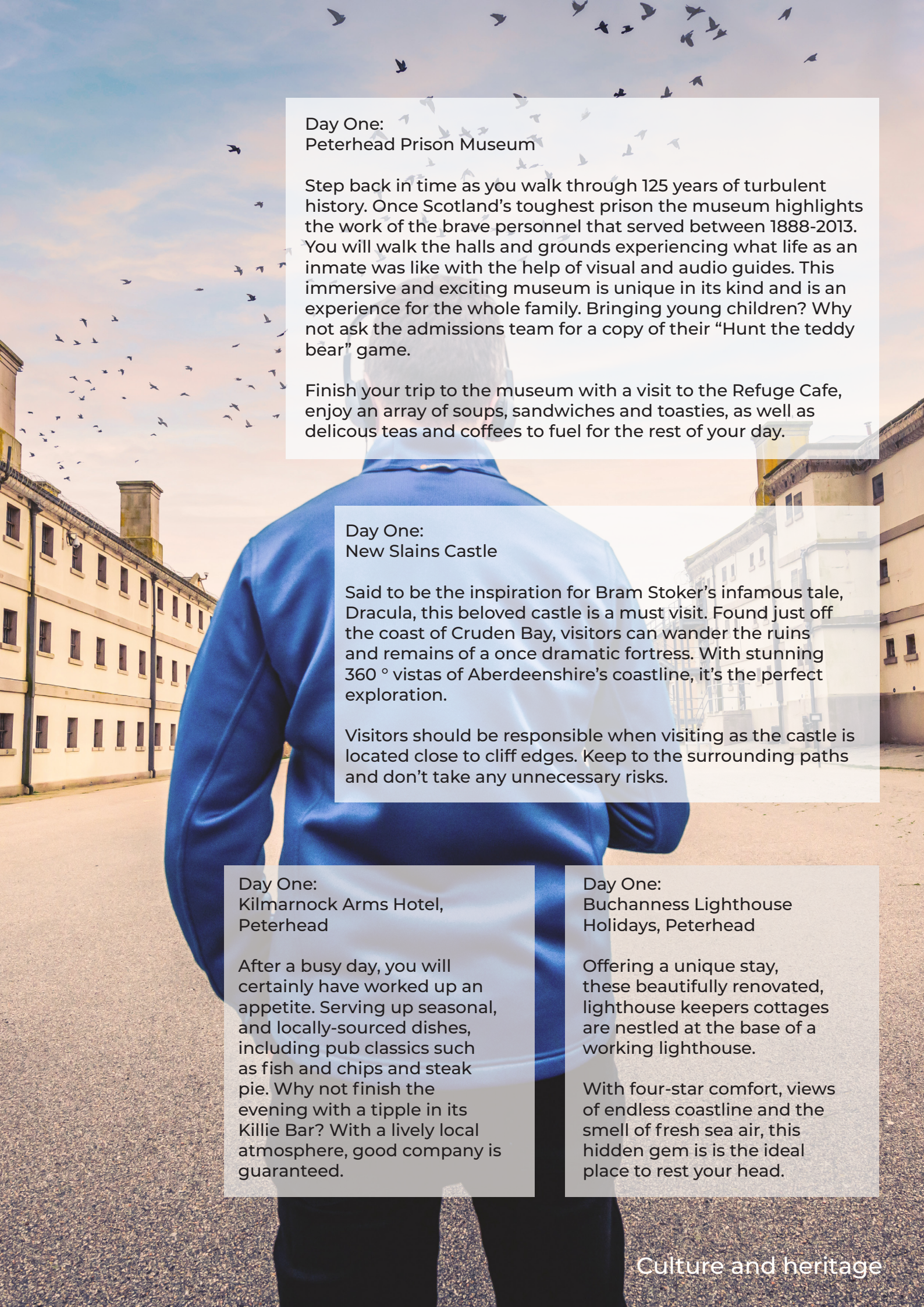
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Day One:
Peterhead Prison Museum

Step back in time as you walk through 125 years of turbulent history. Once Scotland's toughest prison the museum highlights the work of the brave personnel that served between 1888-2013. You will walk the halls and grounds experiencing what life as an inmate was like with the help of visual and audio guides. This immersive and exciting museum is unique in its kind and is an experience for the whole family. Bringing young children? Why not ask the admissions team for a copy of their "Hunt the teddy bear" game.

Finish your trip to the museum with a visit to the Refuge Cafe, enjoy an array of soups, sandwiches and toasties, as well as delicious teas and coffees to fuel for the rest of your day.

Day One:
New Slains Castle

Said to be the inspiration for Bram Stoker's infamous tale, Dracula, this beloved castle is a must visit. Found just off the coast of Cruden Bay, visitors can wander the ruins and remains of a once dramatic fortress. With stunning 360 ° vistas of Aberdeenshire's coastline, it's the perfect exploration.

Visitors should be responsible when visiting as the castle is located close to cliff edges. Keep to the surrounding paths and don't take any unnecessary risks.

Day One:
Kilmarnock Arms Hotel,
Peterhead

After a busy day, you will certainly have worked up an appetite. Serving up seasonal, and locally-sourced dishes, including pub classics such as fish and chips and steak pie. Why not finish the evening with a tippie in its Killie Bar? With a lively local atmosphere, good company is guaranteed.

Day One:
Buchanness Lighthouse
Holidays, Peterhead

Offering a unique stay, these beautifully renovated, lighthouse keepers cottages are nestled at the base of a working lighthouse.

With four-star comfort, views of endless coastline and the smell of fresh sea air, this hidden gem is the ideal place to rest your head.




Day two:
Symposium Coffee House, Fraserburgh

With delicious breakfast and brunch options Symposium Coffee House is the perfect place to start your day. From classic full Scottish breakfasts to the fluffiest of pancakes, savoury or sweet you are in for a real treat.

Day two:
Kinnaird Castle and Lighthouse

Situated just off the stunning Buchan coast, this 16th century castle was built by the Frasers of Philorth. In 1787, it was altered to contain the first lighthouse built by the Northern Lighthouse Board. Now home to the fascinating Museum of Scottish Lighthouses. Visitors can take tours of the castle to learn about its intriguing and unique transformation and heritage along with unique, immersive displays throughout the museum that bring the history to life.


Worked up an appetite with all your exploring? Head to its in-house cafe where delicious food and glorious views are guaranteed.



Day two:
Findlater Castle

The dramatic ruins of Findlater Castle are perched on a tiny peninsula which sticks out into the North Sea, with a sheer drop of more than fifty feet to the rocks and sea below.

With its picturesque setting and breathtaking surrounding areas it's the perfect afternoon activity. However, take care when visiting due to its dangerous location.



Day two:

The Captain's Table, Fraserburgh

End the day with a visit to The Captain's Table, a family run seafood restaurant which brings its guests tantalising local seafood straight from the Fraserburgh fish market.

From langoustine and lobster to haddock and halibut, its seasonal menus are the dream way to end a trip in Aberdeenshire.

Day two:

Seafront Cottages, Pitullie

After busy trip of exploring, it's time to sit back in relax in tranquility. Guests can choose between accommodation options, including its luxury glamping eco pod, Door to the Shore, which was featured on Channel 4's, Britain's Best Beach Huts 2023. With its stunning modern design, outdoor seating and firepit, visitors can admire the views of the sea and beyond in the evening. Need more space? Try the 1600's fishermen's cottage, Pew with a View, which sleeps four. With floor to ceiling windows and a decked garden area visitors can relax and listen to the crashing waves. During your stay make sure to look out for some of the local wildlife, with regular sightings of minke whales and seals! If you're really lucky it's a known spot to get glorious displays of the beloved Northern Lights.

ENJOY YOUR TRIP

We hope this suggested itinerary has provided you with some inspiration in planning your own break in Aberdeenshire.

We encourage you to check the operating hours of all attractions included in this itinerary when planning your trip to avoid disappointment.

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