



Enjoy 48 Hours in Dundee

Welcome to Dundee, one of Scotland's largest cities, where you are guaranteed a warm Scottish welcome, many places to eat and drink, great attractions and, because of Dundee's proximity to Fife, Angus and Perthshire, some breathtaking scenery. The city benefits from a central geographic location, and has an excellent road, rail and air network.

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For adventurous types there are 50 golf courses nearby, an ice rink, a swimming pool complex with fitness suite, two football clubs, an indoor climbing centre, outdoor activity centre with dry ski slope, sailing and kayaking as well as the Green Circular Route for walking and cycling which circumnavigates Dundee. For the less adventurous stroll at your own pace and follow the Dundee Woman's trail through the streets of our city.
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If you seek a less strenuous city break then Dundee is also sure to delight! DUNDEE proudly celebrates its seafaring heritage. RRS Discovery, which was built in the city is the vessel sailed by Captain Robert Falcon Scott on his first voyage to Antarctica in 1901. At City Quay you will discover one of the oldest British built wooden frigates still afloat, HMS Unicorn.

Take in the premier textile heritage centre at Scotland's Jute Museum @ Verdant Works - or The McManus: Dundee's Art Gallery and Museum, home to one of Scotland's most impressive collections of fine and decorative art. Explore the city's cultural quarter, where the Dundee Repertory Theatre offers an eclectic mix of genres, and Dundee Contemporary Arts, houses two cinemas and contemporary art exhibitions. Take the back door exit and you will find yourself at Dundee Science Centre, Sensation, the only Science Centre devoted to the five senses - a great experience.

Enjoy discovering Dundee city centre, Overgate is the jewel in Dundee's retail crown. With its unique curved glass wall it is the only single sided mall in Europe. It is home to department stores and a host of well known high street names - truly a shopper's paradise.

The pedestrianised High Street leads from the Overgate to Murraygate and to Wellgate Shopping Centre which is home to a variety of retailers offering fantastic value shopping and a great food court. Nearby Wellgate is Gallagher Retail Park which is also within easy walking distance and boasts some major retail stores.
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So come, enjoy and return. Here is a selection of some great ideas compiled in this guide for a weekend to remember...



DUNDEE
ONE CITY, MANY DISCOVERIES

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TIMELINE

FRIDAY

ARRIVE

Check-in, grab a few necessities and spend the next 48 hours discovering a city full of life and energy.

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12.30

Walk to City Square:

The walk will reward you with an introduction to Dundee. On arrival at the City Square you will see the impressive Caird Hall which is one of the finest concert halls in the country.

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High Street :

You can shop until you drop or just relax and unwind at one of the street cafés and watch the hustle and bustle of this vibrant city go by.

14.00

The McManus: Dundee's Art Gallery and Museum:

The McManus: Dundee's Art Gallery and Museum is home to one of Scotland's most impressive collections of fine and decorative art. This historic building oozes with Victorian splendour creating a museum for the 21st Century.

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16.00

HMS Frigate Unicorn - City Quay :

Launched in 1824 as a 46 gun frigate, the Unicorn is now the oldest British-built ship afloat and the last ship left in the entire world to have survived from the golden age of sail almost completely as she was built. HMS Frigate Unicorn is Scotland's only preserved warship.

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17.30

Time to Eat :

Dundee has an eclectic selection of eateries offering an excellent variety of cuisine. You will find a wide variety of restaurants. Close by are the Metro Brasserie at the Apex Hotel, Bon Appetit (French) Restaurant, Rama Thai) Restaurant, Marco Polo (Italian) Restaurant, The Blue Marlin (Seafood) Restaurant, are to name but a few.

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19.00

Mills Observatory:

The Mills Observatory, atop Balgay Hill, is Britain's only full time public observatory and houses powerful telescopes and a permanent astronomy exhibition. Visitors can enjoy breathtaking views of the stars and planets through a very impressive Victorian telescope. The new state of the art telescope makes it possible to hop from one object in the dark skies to another. Check the website for opening hours as they vary depending on the time of year. Booking may also be necessary.

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SATURDAY

09.00

A Scottish Breakfast:

You can't visit Dundee without sampling some traditional Scottish fayre. Sample some delicious locally made jams and marmalades with your tea and toast.

10.00

RRS Discovery and Discovery Point:

This five star visitor attraction is the focal point of the city's visitor scene, sitting at the heart of the waterfront and housing the restored RRS Discovery. Climb aboard and discover how the officers and crew survived for two winters trapped in the Antarctic ice. Enjoy the hands-on interactives, see the voyages come to life through films and artefacts inside the Point, and of course, visit the gift shop or have some refreshments at café.

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AND/OR visit

Scotland's Jute Museum @ Verdant Works:

Verdant Works is a tale of two cities - both of them Dundee. Experience what thousands of people who worked in the Jute Mills during the 19th Century Dundee endured. For the privileged few - the Jute Barons, it was a city of opportunity and wealth. At Verdant Works the rattle and roar of the original restored



machinery will transport you back over 100 years to an era when jute was king and Dundee was its realm.

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13.30

Dundee Science Centre, Sensation:

At Dundee Science Centre you are promised a wonderful experience with interactive exhibitions and displays for all ages. You can immerse yourself in the curiosities and wonders of science.

Be enthralled by the exploration of the universe in our planetarium... enjoy dramatic science demonstrations at our daily science shows... see yourself in infrared... morph yourself into an ape... investigate a crime... test your skills at keyhole surgery... and introduce yourself to our robots.

Dundee Science Centre offers an exciting and entertaining experience for everyone - with a full calendar of exhibitions, events and workshops throughout the year.

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15.30

The Cultural Quarter and Dundee Contemporary Arts:

Head towards the Cultural Quarter:

Visit Perth Road to find a selection of the best boutiques, jewellers, galleries, antique dealers and specialist gift shops.

You will also discover some of the best cafes and cocktail bars in the cultural quarter. Everything you could want for an enjoyable afternoon.

Also sitting in the heart of Dundee's cultural quarter is DCA, an internationally renowned centre for contemporary culture. It boasts galleries attracting a succession of exhibitions, two cinemas as well as a superior craft and design shop. The Jute Café Bar is vibrant and a popular social hub and meeting place. DCA has trail blazed its way to becoming one of the UK's leading artistic centres.

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18.00

Pre-theatre dinner:

There are several delightful eateries in and around the Cultural Quarter to tempt you. The Playwright, The Parlour, Nosey Parkers in the Queens Hotel and the Jute Cafe bar at DCA are all just a few minutes walk from the Rep Theatre. If you'd prefer to dine at the theatre, The Encore bar and brasserie is also the ideal place for pre-theatre meals with the emphasis on a delicious stylish blend of classic and modern dishes cooked to order. The menu is designed by first rate chefs to suit a broad range of palates.

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19.00

Dundee Rep Theatre -The Latest show:

Dundee Rep is a unique venue boasting the best in the performing arts from Scotland's award winning acting ensemble to stunning dance by Scottish Dance Theatre. It is firmly established as one of the leading theatres in the country, producing an eclectic programme of high quality drama, comedy, music and dance. The theatre is always buzzing with energy, visit the popular cafe bar before catching a fantastic show.

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22.00

After Dark and the night is young:

Dundee's music credentials are something to be proud of. Check out our thriving music scene, dance the night away at a club or to round off a great night out in a relaxed atmosphere visit one of Dundee's casinos.

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SUNDAY

9.00

Sunday breakfast:

Unwind at your own pace, read a Scottish newspaper and catch up on the local news or just enjoy the ambiance of your surroundings.

10.00

Dundee Law:

A trip to Dundee is not complete without a visit to the top of Dundee Law. The Law is an extinct volcano. There is much to be seen from the top of the Law with it's spectacular views across the Tay estuary to the hills of Fife. You will see striking views of the Sidlaw hills and on a clear day the beautiful surrounding villages and countryside. It is the highest point of the city and without a doubt the best viewing point.

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11.00

The University of Dundee Botanic garden:

Take a leisurely morning stroll around the University of Dundee Botanic Garden and you will be introduced to some unusual and exotic plants and trees. Located in 9.5 hectares of south facing, gently sloping land near the banks of the River Tay, the University of Dundee Botanic Garden features many species of indigenous British plants as well as representative collections of important plants from all continents of the world.

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12.00

Head for Broughty Ferry:

Historically, Broughty Ferry was home to Dundee's Jute Barons. Its proximity next to the sea and its slightly undulating landscape afforded most houses an excellent view of the River Tay. Today Broughty Ferry is a seaside town with some excellent shops, restaurants, boutiques, a fantastic beach and an imposing castle. (Some shops may not open on Sundays)

Weather Permitting:

Tay River Trips:

The maritime Volunteer Service provides some excellent river trips from Broughty Ferry, including Dolphin watching. Trips normally start in May. Check sailing details.

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12.30

Lunch:

Enjoy a bar lunch at one of the many quaint Inns or Taverns in Broughty Ferry. There is a wide selection of fayre available to tempt any taste. Have a drink and a snack in the cosy Ship Inn situated in an enviable waterfront location. Alternatively treat yourself and dine upstairs in their Waterfront Restaurant with its panoramic river views. Or choose to stroll along the Esplanade and be rewarded with a sumptuous lunch at The Glass Pavilion.

13.30

Broughty Castle Museum:

Broughty Castle Museum houses fascinating displays on the life and times of Broughty Ferry, its people, the environment and the wildlife that live close by. Situated at the mouth of the Tay, the Castle has a magnificent view over the river and is only minutes away from Broughty Ferry Beach and Esplanade. There is always something to see and do with a changing programme of displays and activities.

Castle Green play ground is also close by with many activities on offer. Free Admission to Castle Museum - Open Sundays 12.30 - 16.00 hrs all year.

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14.30

Discover the sea front at Broughty Ferry:

Stroll along the sea front and soak up the atmosphere. It's a great place to wander the afternoon away, pop in for a coffee or try an ice-cream from Visocchi's - You won't be disappointed!

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17.00

Prepare for a late afternoon or evening of live music:

It's back to your accommodation - Prepare to round off your weekend with an evening to remember. After you enjoy a delightful meal in a quality restaurant you can be entertained with excellent live music. The Apex Hotel, The Jute Café Bar at Dundee Contemporary Arts or the G Casino Restaurant are to name but a few offering scrumptious menus. Whatever your taste is in music, be enchanted by the variety of pub venues offering free live music, there's always a great atmosphere.

After that if you still have energy to dance the night away head for Fat Sams or Liquid night club for all the latest music releases.

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Depending what time of year you visit, Dundee is truly a city with many discoveries. There is a packed events programme offering year round activities including the celebrated Dundee Literary Festival, the Dundee Flower and Food Festival, Dundee Blues Bonanza, Dundee Jazz Festival, Dundee Science Festival and Christmas Light Night.

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COMING SOON

V&A at Dundee, a new international centre of design, to be housed in a stunning building at the heart of Dundee's waterfront. V&A at Dundee will celebrate the history of design, inspire and help develop contemporary talent and encourage design innovation for the future.

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