

Dornoch... Something for everyone

Dornoch was created a Royal Burgh in 1628 and was the County Town of Sutherland. The Cathedral, now the Parish Church, was built in the early 13th Century but the site has been used since the 6th Century. The Cathedral was damaged in 1570, partly rebuilt in the 17th Century and restored in the early 19th Century.

Dornoch enjoys the enviable climate of the Moray Firth, Scotland's lowest rainfall area. The famous Royal Dornoch Golf Club is rated 15th best in the World. The town has many high quality restaurants and hotels and is the perfect small town shopping centre.

The Castle Hotel is the former Bishop's Palace and nearby is the Town Jail Craft Centre which features an exhibition. Most Saturday evenings in the summer the Pipe Band parade in the square and many other events are organised by local groups including the highlights of the County Agricultural Show in July and the Highland Games in August.

Besides golf there are tennis & squash courts, a bowling green and nearby at Embo and Golspie are swimming pools. The golden beaches offer safe sea bathing and river, loch and sea fishing can all be undertaken locally.

Opportunities for walking and bird-watching abound and much of the coastal area forms a nature reserve with many interesting birds and plant life.

Dornoch also makes the ideal centre for touring the North of Scotland with destinations as diverse as John O' Groats, Cape Wrath, Wick, Thurso, Kinlochbervie, Ullapool the Black Isle and Inverness all being within a days drive.

For the peace and quiet of a Highland Holiday there can be no better place than Dornoch.

Dornoch... What to see and do

Dornoch Lochans

Sutherland Road. Fly Fishing, Bait Fishing, Golf Driving Range, Pitch n' Putt, Croquet.

Visitors Centres

Walk through the cells at the Town Jail Exhibition and visit the Old Post Office Visitors Centre, both in the Square. Historylinks Heritage Centre in Meadows Road.

History

See the spot where the last witch to be executed in Scotland was burnt in 1722. (In a garden in River Street).

Royal Dornoch Golf Club

Golf Road. 18 hole Championship and Struie courses.

Loch Fishing by boat or from bank

On seven local lochs, permits from the Tourist Office in The Square.

Beach & Walking

Beautiful clean beach with safe sea bathing. Country path to Embo and forest walk and sculpture trail at nearby Skelbo Wood - can you spot the 10 forest creatures?

Flora & Fauna

The Dornoch Common Good Lands are rich in flora and fauna and Loch Fleet, a few miles from Dornoch is a wildlife reserve. Look for the interpretation boards at both locations.

Squash

Sutherland Squash Club, The Meadows. Tickets from Luigis Ice Cream Parlour & Rainbow Hair.

Tennis & Bowls

Golf Road. Tickets from Golf Professional. Royal Dornoch Golf Club.

Swimming baths

Swimming Pool at Grannies Helian Hame, Embo, about 3 miles from Dornoch.

Pipe Band

Parades in the Square most Saturday evenings at 8pm during the summer. The Cathedral Tower is usually open to the public at the same time.

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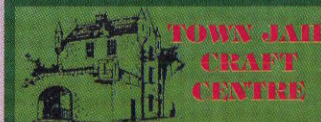
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