

Modern Events in Historic Settings

Conference organisers looking for more unusual venues won't be disappointed in Scotland's capital.

Venues as diverse as the fascinating Our Dynamic Earth and the magnificent Mansfield Traquair have come together under web based marketing consortium of 'Unique Venues of Edinburgh'. Conference organisers looking for something a little unusual and memorable can choose from 26 'different' venues, all world-renowned and all available to cater for a variety of events. Being a popular destination for conferences, delegates may find themselves returning to Edinburgh but their experience doesn't have to be the same.

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The grandeur of Edinburgh's stately homes, such as Lennoxlove and Hopetoun House, the Royal Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons of Edinburgh and the National Galleries and Museums, provide a spectacular backdrop to set the scene for a glamorous event. Similarly, the Merchants' Hall and Signet Library showcase some of Edinburgh's finest governing buildings with original features that date back to the 17th century.

A programme may be enhanced or even built around one of the visiting collections or exhibitions within the visitor attractions. The Museum of Flight and Scottish Mining Museum provide permanent year-round exhibits with the iconic Concorde in all her glory and the elegant Victorian Power House at the colliery featuring an 18th century beam engine.

A night to remember

A challenge facing organisers is ensuring that an event is innovative, memorable and successful. This could mean including an unexpected aspect to an evening dinner or daytime meeting, such as cocktails on board The Former Royal Yacht Britannia. Or, for something more active there are first-rate interactive attractions at both Edinburgh Zoo and the Edinburgh International Climbing Arena.

Dining experiences

For a dining experience to be remembered, the Festival Theatre can arrange a sumptuous dinner to be served on the main stage looking out over the 1,900-seat auditorium. For other extraordinary dining

experiences, Underground Edinburgh allows for a private dinner in an underground vault that lay empty and forgotten for 200 years. The Scotch Whisky Experience offers a tutored whisky tasting along with the finest food from Scotland's natural larder.

Preparing for every eventuality

Team building events have become popular through each season due to Scottish venues making allowances for the unpredictable Scottish weather. Mavis Hall Park provides a uniquely personal experience with this family-run business. With an extensive offering of a selection of barns, organisers have flexibility when planning events of varying sizes. On the rare occasion that a 'plan B' is necessary, then the indoor option is available.

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