

## Visitors' Information - Guest Houses and Accommodation In Edinburgh

If you are visiting Merchiston Castle School, and would like to book accommodation in Edinburgh, then the following information may be of interest. This includes some Bed & Breakfast guest-houses not far from the school, a list of other hotels, and a web-site list, giving 'hotlink' access to hotel web addresses online. Merchiston Castle School is situated on the edge of Edinburgh, but within easy distance by car, bus or taxi.

**NB It is always a good idea in Edinburgh to book well ahead of your visit**, even in the winter months. Hotel accommodation in Edinburgh is always busy, but especially so on the weekends of Rugby International matches, and during the Edinburgh Festival (late August/early September).

### Bed and Breakfast Accommodation Close to School

Spylaw Bank House (Mr David Martin)

**Within 10 minutes easy walking distance of School.**

Spylaw Bank House, 2 Spylaw Avenue, Colinton, Edinburgh, EH13 0LR

Tel: +44 (0) 131 441 5022

Email: [davidmartin@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:davidmartin@blueyonder.co.uk)

Web: [www.spylawbankhouse.com/](http://www.spylawbankhouse.com/)



Newmills Cottage (Mrs Elizabeth Linn)

427 Lanark Road West, Balerno, Edinburgh EH14 5AE

Tel/Fax: +44 (0)131 449 4300

Mobile: 0468 397637

Web: <http://www.newmillscottage.co.uk/>

Email: [info@newmillscottage.co.uk](mailto:info@newmillscottage.co.uk)



**Newmills House (Lois-May and David Donaldson)**

Newmills House, Number 1, Newmills Road, Balerno, Edinburgh EH14 5AG

Tel: +44 (0)131 449 4279

Fax: +44 (0)131 449 2919

Email: [d.donaldson@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:d.donaldson@blueyonder.co.uk)

Web: <http://www.aboutscotland.com/central/newmills.html>

**Lindsay Guest House (Pamela and Keith Jeffs)**

(Within easy driving distance of the school, and also on a direct bus route both to school and to the city. Highly recommended by some of our recent visitors)

Polwarth Terrace, Edinburgh EH11

Tel: +44 (0)131 337 1580

Fax: +44 (0)131 337 9174

Email: [enquiries@lindsayguesthouse.com](mailto:enquiries@lindsayguesthouse.com)

Web: [www.lindsayguesthouse.com/home.htm](http://www.lindsayguesthouse.com/home.htm)

**Violet Bank House**

(Within easy driving distance of the school, and also on a direct bus route. Highly recommended by some of our recent visitors)

167 Lanark Road West, Currie, Edinburgh EH14 5NZ

Tel: +44 (0)131 451 5103

email: [reta@violetbankhouse.co.uk](mailto:reta@violetbankhouse.co.uk) website: [www.violetbankhouse.co.uk](http://www.violetbankhouse.co.uk)

**Travel Lodge (Dreghorn Link and City Centre)**

The Travel Lodge offers family-room accommodation at rates of between £50-£65 per night. The Edinburgh Dreghorn Travel Lodge (+44 (0)131 441 4296) is located on the Edinburgh City Bypass (A720), very close to the school. Meals can be purchased at a restaurant next door or there are restaurants in Colinton Village. The Edinburgh Central Travel Lodge offers similar accommodation, and is located near the centre of the city

Central Booking Line for all Travel Lodges: +44 (0)870 085 0950

<http://www.travelodge.co.uk>

## Central and Other Hotels – Edinburgh Central and Edinburgh Area

**Hotel Du Vin (Central on Bristo Place – Merchistonian connection – free breakfast if Merchiston mentioned)**

Tel: +44 (0)131 222 8888

<http://www.hilton.com>

**The Hilton Caledonian Hotel – (Central on Princes Street)**

Tel: +44 (0)131 222 8888

<http://www.hilton.com>

**The Hilton Grosvenor Hotel – (Central on Grosvenor Street)**

Tel: + 44 (0)131 226 6001

<http://www.hilton.com>

**Hilton Edinburgh Airport Hotel – (Located at Edinburgh International Airport – 7 miles to city centre)**

Tel: +44 (0)131 519 4400

Fax: +44 (0)131 519 4422

<http://www.hilton.com>

**The Balmoral Hotel - (Central on Princes Street)**

Tel: +44 (0)131 556 2414

<http://www.thebalmoralhotel.com/>

**The Roxburghe Hotel – (Central on Charlotte Square/George Street)**

Tel: +44 (0)844 8799063

Fax: +44 (0)131 240 5555

<http://www.macdonaldhotels.co.uk/roxburghe/>

**Edinburgh Novotel (Central on Lauriston Place)**

Tel: +44 (0)131 656 3500

Fax: +44 (0)131 656 3510

<http://www.novotel.com>

**The Point Hotel (Central on Bread Street)**

34 Bread Street, Edinburgh EH3

Tel: +44 (0)131 221 5555

Fax: +44 (0)131 221 9929

<http://www.point-hotel.co.uk/>

**Apex International Hotel – (Central in the Grassmarket)**

Tel: 0131 300 3456 (Central Booking on 0845 6083456)

Fax: 0131 220 5345

<http://www.apexhotels.co.uk/>

**Apex European Hotel – (Just away from city centre – near Haymarket Station)**

Tel: 0131 474 3456 (Central Booking on 0845 6083456)

Fax: 0131 474 3400

<http://www.apexhotels.co.uk/>

**Apex City Hotel – (Central in the Grassmarket)**

(Central Booking on 0845 6083456)

<http://www.apexhotels.co.uk/>

**Edinburgh City Centre Travel Inn - (Central off Morrison Street)**

1 Morrison St Link, EH3 Tel: +44 (0)870 238 3319

Central Reservation Number: +44 (0)870 242 8000

<http://www.premiertravelinn.com/>

**Bruntsfield Hotel (2 miles from City Centre)**

Best Western Bruntsfield Hotel, 69 Bruntsfield Place, Edinburgh, Lothian, EH10 4HH

Tel: 0131 229 1393 Fax: 0131 229 5634

<http://www.thebruntsfield.co.uk/>

**Braid Hills Hotel (5 miles from City Centre)**

134 Braid Road, Edinburgh EH10

Tel: +44 (0)131 447 8888

<http://www.braidhillshotel.co.uk/>

## Self-Catering Apartments

### The Edinburgh Residence

7 Rothesay Terrace, Edinburgh EH3

(Luxury) Serviced apartments. Special nightly rental rates for Merchiston parents.

Tel: +44 (0)131 226 3380

<http://www.theedinburghresidence.com/>

### Royal Garden Apartments

York Buildings, Queen Street, Edinburgh EH2 1HY (1 & 2 bedroomed, self-catering apartments)

Tel: +44 (0)131 625 1234

Fax: +44 (0)131 625 5678

E-mail: [reservations:royal-garden.co.uk](mailto:reservations:royal-garden.co.uk)

<http://www.royal-garden.co.uk/>

### The Knight Residence

12 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9DJ

Tel: +44 (0)131 622 8120

<http://www.theknightresidence.co.uk/>

### Holyrood Aparthotel

Serviced Apartments- luxurious and spacious, in the city centre

Tel: +44 (0)131 524 3200

<http://www.holyroodaparthotel.com>

### One O'Clock Gunn (a reference to the gun fired every day at one o'clock from Edinburgh Castle)

3-star, self-catering houses and apartments, run by a family company. Two of the locations are in the centre of Edinburgh, and a third in Colinton itself, within minutes of the School

Tel: +44 (0)131 441 2373

<http://www.oneoclockgunn.com>

### Fountain Court Apartments

120 apartments in 4 locations close to central Edinburgh. Main Office at 123 Grove Street, Edinburgh EH3 8AA

Tel: +44 (0)131 622 6677

<http://www.fcapartments.com>

## Other Information

Tourist Accommodation and Information Centre (Official Tourism Organisation)

3 Princes Street, Edinburgh, EH1

Tel: +44 (0)131 473 3838

Fax: +44 (0)131 473 3881

## Web Links to Edinburgh & Scotland Bed and Breakfast & Hotel Accommodation

<http://www.aboutscotland.com/edin/map/index.html>

A link to an interactive map showing accommodation in Scotland

### Alastair Sawday's Special Places to Stay

<http://www.specialplacestostay.com>

A very nice website, giving access to the content of Alastair Sawday's publications on really nice bed and breakfast accommodation, including period family homes, small hotels etc. These are a little more expensive in some cases, but are usually worth the extra.

## Other websites

**Travelling to Edinburgh at short notice?** Use these website to find last minute deals and availability on hotel bookings, flights etc

<http://www.lastminute.com/>

<http://www.click4hotel.co.uk/> (often has discounts)

