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Potter Trek #2



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Afternoon Tea Promenade
[Updated in May, 2018]

If you'll be enjoying **Afternoon Tea at the Balmoral Hotel** (Site #50), book your reservation no earlier than **3:30pm** (3:45 may be safer), and strictly follow our **arrival time** and **time on-site** suggestions. If you'll *not* be reserving an Afternoon Tea, take as much time as you wish at any site.

To begin this trek, take a **city bus** to **Edinburgh Law School's Old College** building, located on **South Bridge** (street), in the block north of Site #54. *Or*, take a **taxi** to the **Spoon Café Bistro** at 6a Nicholson Street.

Arrival Time	SITE	Time On-Site	Depart Time	Travel Time/Method to next Site
10:00 am	Arrive at the Spoon Café Bistro— aka Nicolson's Restaurant —(Site #54). Buy a cuppa and snap your pix. Don't forget the Ladies' Loo Knitting Pattern pix.	45 min	10:45 am	A 15 min  that includes stopping for Potterow Port Pix

Exit the Bistro and turn right, walking a few steps to the first intersection. This is where **Nicolson Street** becomes **South Bridge** (street) and continues north. It is also where **Drummond Street** (on your right) becomes **South College Street** and leads west. ♦ Turn left and cross to walk west on South College Street—caution, there's no crosswalk. At the end of South College Street, look to your left for the north entrance to the **Potterow Port** underpass.

We've scheduled 10+ minutes to take pix with the Potterow Port sign. If something is in the way (musicians often perform in this area), there's another sign above the south underpass entrance.

When finished, walk through the Potterow Port underpass. ♦ Turn right and follow the sidewalk that leads around the **Potterow Student Union** building, to the plaza in front of it.



Turn right at the first sidewalk, jogging left to continue past the bus stop and reach the Lothian Street cross walk ♦ Cross to the island in the middle of Lothian Street—at the mouth of Bristo Place. **[Directions to Favorit Cafe removed. The cafe has CLOSED.]** Walk north on the west side of Bristo Place until it becomes George IV Bridge.

11:00 am	[Favorit Cafe (Site #53) info removed. You now have 30 extra minutes to spend elsewhere.]	30 min	11:30 am	A 3 min 
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Cross to the west side of George IV Bridge and continue north, watching on your left for the lane just before the Greyfriars Bobby Bar. ♦ Turn left and walk into Greyfriars Kirkyard (Site #51a).				
11:33 am	Follow directions within Site #51a or use the Greyfriars Kirkyard Potter Map .	45 min	12:18 pm	A 1 min 
When finished in the Kirkyard, return to the east entrance. ♦ Cross to the triangular island between Candlemaker Row and George IV Bridge (street). Here you'll find the Greyfriars Bobby statue—Point A on the Greyfriars Kirkyard Potter Map.				
12:19 pm	Take Greyfriars Bobby statue pix	11 min	12:30 am	A 3 min 
From there, walk north and use the crosswalk that safely leads to the north side of Chambers Street . ♦ Cross to the south side of Chambers Street. ♦ Turn left and walk east, watching on your right for the National Museum of Scotland (Site #52) entrance.				
12:33 pm	Arrive at Site #52 . Snap your Chessmen pix and visit one or more of the four gift shops.	90 min	2:05 pm	A 3 min 
Exit the National Museum of Scotland on Chambers Street and turn left to walk back to George IV Bridge (street). ♦ Turn right and cross to the north side of Chambers Street, then cross to the west side of George IV Bridge. ♦ Turn right and walk north, watching on your left for the Elephant House .				
2:10 pm	Arrive at the Elephant House (Site #51) and take outside pix. Go inside, purchase a cuppa, and snap inside pix.	45 min	2:55 pm	A 5 min  to J.K. Rowling's Handprints
Exit the Elephant House and turn left. Walk north on George IV Bridge (street) to the Royal Mile—aka High Street . ♦ Cross to the north side of High Street. ♦ Turn right and walk east. On the <i>south</i> side of High Street (your right), you'll soon see the west face Saint Giles Cathedral . When you near the cathedral's eastern end, look ahead (on your side of High Street) for a row of seven brick arches that open to the City Chambers Quadrangle . ♦ Turn left into the first (farthest west) quadrangle arch and walk forward, watching on the ground for the Edinburgh Award . Rowling's handprints are in the upper right corner. Clear away any rain puddles and debris <i>before</i> snapping your pix!				
3:00 pm		15 min	3:15 pm	A 10 min 

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Exit the City Chambers Quadrangle and turn right to walk east until you reach North Bridge (street). ♦ Turn left and walk north to Princes Street . ♦ Turn left and walk to the Balmoral Hotel entrance.				
3:25 pm	Arrive at the Balmoral Hotel (Site #50) and head for the Palm Court Café. Locate the nearest elevators during your sip or sup. After that, 5th floor pic-snapping shouldn't take longer than 30 minutes.	60 to 90 min	4:30 to 5:00 pm	Return to your lodgings, or tour Edinburgh on a Hop-On/Off Bus.

 There is a taxi rank in front of the Balmoral Hotel Princes Street entrance.

 Bus stops can be found near the hotel on both sides of Princes Street, as well as on the west side of **Waverley Bridge** (street), just south of Princes Street.

 The nearest Hop-On/Off Bus Stop is on the west side of Waverley Bridge. All Hop-On/Off bus tour options can be boarded here.

Exit the Balmoral Hotel front entrance on Princes Street and turn left to walk west. ♦ Cross to the west side of Waverley Bridge and turn left.