

HARRY POTTER PLACES
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The Huffandpuff

Potterites lodging at the Balmoral Hotel should visit the 5th floor on the night *before*, so that you can sleep in or enjoy a leisurely breakfast, beginning your Potter Trek at **10:15am**.

If you need to **checkout** the morning of your Edinburgh Potter Trek day, store your luggage with the Balmoral Hotel Concierge. (We *hope* that there's no charge for this.)

Non-Balmoral-Hotel-lodgers need to **start early** by taking a **city bus** or **taxi** to the Balmoral Hotel Princes Street entrance.

Arrival Time	SITE	Time On-Site	Depart Time	Travel Time to Next Site
9:00 am	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 75 min	10:15 am	A 25 min  that includes Advocate's Close pix

Exit the hotel on **Princes Street**. Turn left and walk west to the next intersection, **Waverley Bridge** (street). ♦ Turn left to walk south to **Market Street** and cross to the east side of **Cockburn Street**. ♦ Turn right and cross to the west side of Cockburn Street. ♦ Turn left and walk a few steps south, watching on your right for the entrance to **Advocate's Close**.









Turn right into Advocate's Close and climb a short flight of steps. Go through the tunnel leading to the **landing** at the bottom of the steep and shallow Advocate's Close steps.


We've allowed 15 minutes to take *Knockturn Alley* look-alike pix here. But, since you don't have a tea reservation at the end of your trek, snap for as long as you'd like.

Climb up the Advocate's Close steps.

Don't be surprised if you need to take one or two (or five) rest breaks on the way.



Arrival Time	SITE	Time On-Site	Depart Time	Travel Time to Next Site
You'll emerge from Advocate's Close on the north side of High Street . Directly across the street you'll see Saint Giles Cathedral . ♦ Turn left and walk east. 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!				
10:40 am		15 min	10:55 am	A 5 min 
Exit the City Chambers Quadrangle and turn right to walk west until you reach the intersection of Bank Street on your right, and George IV Bridge (street) on your left. ♦ Cross to the west side of George IV Bridge. ♦ Turn left and walk south, watching on your right for the Elephant House .				
11:00 am	Arrive at the Elephant House (Site #51) and take outside pix. Go inside, purchase a cuppa, and snap inside pix.	45 min	11:45 am	A 1 min 
Exit the Elephant House and turn right. ♦ Walk south on George IV Bridge (street) until you reach the end of an island— Point A on the Greyfriars Kirkyard Potter Map .				
11:46 am	Take Greyfriars Bobby statue pix	13 min	11:59 am	A 1 min 
Cross to the lane on the south side of Greyfriars Bobby Bar , walk to Greyfriars Kirkyard (Site #51a)				
12:00 pm	Follow directions within Site #51a or use the Greyfriars Kirkyard Potter Map.	45 min	12:45 pm	A 3 min 
When finished in the Kirkyard, return to the Greyfriars Bobby statue at the south end of George IV Bridge (street). 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.				
12:48 pm	Arrive at Site #52 . Snap your Chessmen pix and visit one or more of the four gift shops.	90 min	2:25 pm	A 5 min 
Exit the National Museum of Scotland on Chambers Street and turn left. ♦ Walk west back to George IV Bridge (street). ♦ Turn left and walk south to the crosswalk island in front of the Bedlam Theatre . ♦ Cross to the Bedlam Theatre. ♦ Turn right and then left to walk southwest on the east side of Forest Road , keeping left to follow it when it curves east to Teviot Place . ♦ Turn left and walk west, watching on your left for the Favorit Café .				

Arrival Time	SITE	Time On-Site	Depart Time	Travel Time to Next Site
2:30 pm	Arrive at the Favorit Café (Site #53) and take outside pix. Go inside, purchase a cuppa, and snap inside pix.	30 min	3:00 pm	A 15 min  that includes stopping for Potterow Pix

Exit the Café and turn left to walk northeast to the next street, **Bristo Place**, where Teviot Place becomes **Lothian Street**—aka **Potterrow**. ♦ Cross to the south side of Lothian Street. ♦ Turn left and follow the sidewalk past the bus stop, jogging right to reach the plaza in front of the **Potterrow Student Union**. ♦ Turn left and follow the sidewalk around the student union building and down to the south entrance to the **Potterrow Port** underpass.

We’ve scheduled 8 minutes to take pix with the Potterrow Port sign. The sign above the **north** entrance to Potterrow Port is a little more interesting, but there may be something in the way there (musicians often perform in that area). Quickly snap a few pix here.

Walk through the underpass and take pix at the north entrance.


When finished, face the Potterrow Port, then turn left to walk east on **South College Street**.




[©2012 Tara Bellers, North Entrance to Potterrow Port]

When you reach the next intersection, you’ll see the **Spoon Café Bistro**—aka **Nicolson’s Restaurant**—across the street to your right. ♦ Cross with caution, there’s no crosswalk.

3:15 pm	Arrive at the Spoon Café Bistro (Site #54). Buy a cuppa and snap your pix. Don’t forget the Ladies’ Loo Knitting Pattern pix.	45 min	4:00 pm	Return to your lodgings, or tour Edinburgh on a Hop-On/Off Bus.
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 **TAXI** To catch a **city bus** or **taxi** back to your lodgings, 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. ♦ Cross to the west side of South Bridge—caution, there’s no crosswalk. ♦ Turn right. There are bus stops and a taxi rank in front of **Edinburgh Law School’s Old College** building.

 The nearest **Edinburgh Hop-On/Off Bus Stop** is across the street from the **National Museum of Scotland** entrance.

Exit the Bistro, turn right, and retrace your steps to the **Potterrow Port**. Cross Nicolson Street and walk west on South College Street. ♦ Turn right at the end of South College Street and walk north on **West College Street** to Chambers Street. ♦ Cross to the north side of Chambers Street—caution, there’s no crosswalk. ♦ Turn left and walk west, watching for the Hop-On/Off bus stop.