



Edinburgh Guide Book

Local Area– Roseburn

It's only a 10–15 minute walk into the centre of Edinburgh, but Roseburn Terrace (the main street just round the corner from the flat) has all the basics if you want to stay close to home!

Supermarkets– Scotmid is just around the corner, its fine for a pint of milk. Another minute's walk takes you to Tesco Express, which has a better selection. They sell Scottish morning rolls from Ford's Bakery, which are great for breakfast! Both supermarkets have cash machines and fresh Costa Coffee.

Local Food–If you want to eat out for breakfast, The Roseburn Café does a good value cooked breakfast (bacon, eggs, sausage etc) or Buna Deli makes fresh filled rolls, panini etc. For lunch and dinner, you'll probably want to eat in town (see our recommendations) but if you want to stay in you can get good takeaway from Delta (Indian) or Tiger Lin (Chinese). There is a fish and chip shop but it's not great. Deliveroo (deliveroo.co.uk) will bring you pretty much anything from the restaurants in town. The flat has a well-equipped kitchen if you chose to cook!

Pubs– there are two close by, The Murrayfield Bar is a bit more modern, The Roseburn Bar is more traditional.

Edinburgh City Centre

Pubs and Bars

Edinburgh has a great selection, from stylish cocktail bars to traditional pubs, with a huge range of local whisky and gin. If you want to try out some Scottish Gaelic, "Slainte!" (pronounced slan-j) means cheers! Here are some of our favourites.

- The Bon Vivant (Thistle Street) small and full of character, knowledgeable barmen and great Japanese whiskies.
- Dragonfly (West Port) quirky and cool cocktail bar with DJ's at the weekend.
- The Jolly Botanist (Morrison Street) lively gin bar near Haymarket, also serves bar food.
- Teuchters (William Street) the best pub/restaurant when the Rugby's on, but it gets busy!
- Bramble– (Queen Street) a lovely, hidden-away basement bar serving unusual cocktails.
- The Queen's Arms (Frederick Street) comfortable, traditional pub in the city centre.

- The Scottish Malt Whisky Society (Queen Street) upstairs is members only, the Kaleidoscope bar is open to all and is the place to go to drink cask strength single malt– the bottles are numbered rather than named, so it's best to tell the barman what sort of dram you like and they'll make suggestions.
- Tiger Lily (George Street) Glam cocktail bar, seafood restaurant and chic hotel.

Restaurants

There are so many good places to eat. If you are looking for something in particular check out The List magazine or website.

- Passorn– Thai (Brougham Place–Tollcross) A bit out of town, but lovely, this is where we go for birthday dinners. A brasserie version has opened in the city centre (Hannover Street) but we haven't tried it yet.
- Dusit– Thai (Thistle Street) amazing food and very central, tables are small and can be a bit of a squash.
- The Dining Room at The Whisky Society (Queen Street) excellent Scottish–French food with impeccable service. Did I mention the whisky?
- La Favorita (Leith Walk) the best pizza.
- Steak (Picardy Place) Really, really good steak, my husband tells me, I'm vegetarian. They have halal options if you give them 24 hours notice.
- Rancho (Morrison Street) South American steakhouse. They do fishy options as well.
- Mother India's Café (Infirmary Street) tapas– style little plates of Indian deliciousness.
- Contini (George Street) lovely Italian
- Rodi's (Morrison Street) no–frills, fantastic Turkish food, fresh off the grill.
- Twenty Princes Street (Princes St) great for a meal, snack or drink in a lovely location. Good deals if you eat before 5pm.

Things to do

Restaurants and bars are generally enough for us, but you may want to check out some of Edinburgh's other attractions...

- Edinburgh Castle
- The Royal Mile (and Mary King's Close)
- The Scottish National Portrait Gallery
- Holyrood Palace
- The Royal Botanic gardens
- Arthur's Seat (best at sunrise or sunset)
- Chambers Street Museum (FREE)
- City Bus tours
- Princes Street Gardens (buy a picnic and some wine from M&S Food across the road)
- Dean Village (we used to live here, it's close to Roseburn and a lovely area for a wander)
- The Grassmarket
- Edinburgh Zoo
- Afternoon tea at Eteaket (Frederick Street)
- Dynamic Earth
- Blackwells Bookshop (South Bridge)



Map of Edinburgh. Rosebank Apartments is located next to Murrayfield Stadium.

Getting Around

Lothian buses <https://www.lothianbuses.com/> stop just across the road from the flat. Bus numbers 26 and 31 go straight to Princes Street. Services run approx. every 10 minutes. You can buy your ticket on the bus but they don't give change, so if you only have notes I'd suggest popping in to one of the shops in the main street and buying some sweeties!

The nearest tram stop is at Murrayfield Stadium, just a few minutes walk away.

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www.rosebankapartments.com