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TO LITE 2018!



10 Best Places to Eat at When You Come to LITE

In Edinburgh, we're pretty lucky to have a huge selection of weird and wonderful eateries, featuring food from all over the world and catering to every taste and dietary requirement. We've picked ten of our personal favourite places to eat around the city to give you a starting point if you're finding the choices overwhelming!

PARADISE PALMS

Paradise Palms is the perfect place to eat for all the vegetarians and vegans out there! The entire menu is meat-free, with delicious options like burgers, hot dogs, nachos, buffalo cauliflower, and mac and cheese!

Website – <https://www.theparadisepalms.com>

Address – 41 Lothian Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1HB

DISHOOM

Dishoom is an Indian café/restaurant originally based in London that has made its way to Edinburgh! They serve food all day, every day, meaning you can get a bacon naan roll to start your day!

Website – <http://www.dishoom.com/>

Address – 3a St Andrew Square, Edinburgh, EH2 2BD



BREAD MEATS BREAD

If burgers, poutine, and massive sandwiches are your thing, then Bread Meats Bread is the perfect place to head. Despite having ‘meat’ in the name of the restaurant, they have a huge vegan and vegetarian selection, so there’s something for everyone!

Website – <http://www.breadmeatsbread.com/>

Address – 92 Lothian Road, Edinburgh, EH3 9BE



TOPOLABAMBA

Topolabamba serves delicious Mexican food, with a focus on street food, which is a great way to try lots of smaller portions of dishes in one sitting!

Website – <https://www.topolabamba.com/>

Address – 93 Lothian Road, Edinburgh, EH3 9AW

ILLEGAL JACKS

If you fancy some Tex-Mex instead, Illegal Jacks is the place to head! They do amazing burritos, quesadillas, chilli, fajitas, tacos, and nachos! And to complete your visit to Scotland, you can even try a haggis (or veggie haggis) burrito, which is delicious. Trust us.

Website – <https://www.illegaljacks.co.uk/>

Address – 44-45 Patrick Square, Edinburgh, EH8 9ET





MELTMONGERS

If you're looking for something comforting to grab for lunch, meltmongers is an excellent choice. They serve grilled cheese sandwiches like you've never tasted before, and with more cheese than you probably thought was possible.

Website – <https://www.instagram.com/meltmongers/>

Address – 80 Bruntsfield Place, Edinburgh, EH10 4HG

MAMMA'S PIZZA

Mamma's Pizza is a five-minute walk from our LITE venue and serves some of the best pizza around. You can create your own pizza from a massive list of toppings to make the perfect personalised pizza (garlic tomatoes, potato, and vegetarian sausages in case you're wondering!).

Website – <http://www.mammas.co.uk/>

Address – 30 The Grassmarket, Edinburgh, EH1 2JU

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HARMONIUM

A little further afield, but if you like your vegan food then Harmonium in Leith is the place to go! Every single thing on the menu, including the drinks, are vegan. Everything is delicious, but you need to have the Pan Catalan for a starter, featuring vegan chorizo!

Website – <https://www.harmoniumbar.co.uk/>

Address – 60 Henderson Street, Edinburgh, EH6 6DE

MIMI'S BAKEHOUSE

If you're heading down to Leith, then Mimi's Bakehouse is another great choice! They're not just about cakes (though the cakes are spectacular) and do a full food menu as well!

Website – <https://mimisbakehouse.com/>

Address – 63 Shore, Edinburgh, EH6 6RA

THE KING'S WARK

Our last choice is also down on The Shore in Leith and is a cosy pub with a fantastic menu. Fish-lovers should head here for a fantastic selection of local seafood.

Website – <http://kingswark.co.uk/>

Address – 36 Shore, Edinburgh, EH6 6QU



The 10 Best Places to Get a Drink When You Come to LITE

Edinburgh is not short on bars and pubs, so there's always somewhere to spend the evening and have a tipple, but we've picked our top ten favourite places from all over the city!

We'll also be running our historic pub tour after the first day of LITE, so you can get a tour of some of the historic pubs in the Old Town.

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LEBOWSKIS

If you like White Russians, then Lebowskis is definitely the place to go. Named after the White Russian-loving main character from *The Big Lebowski* (1998), Lebowskis boasts an entire White Russian menu, as well as a large array of other drinks. You can even ask for your White Russians to be made with dairy-free milk if you're that way inclined.

Website – <http://www.lebowskis.co.uk/edinburgh/>

Address – 18 Morrison Street, Edinburgh, EH3 8BJ

UNDER THE STAIRS

Hidden in the basement of a building on Merchant Street, which is just off the Grassmarket, Under the Stairs is the perfect place for a quiet drink. This table service-only bar gives you the chance to have a seat and relax in a super-cosy setting.

Website – <http://underthestairs.org/>

Address – 3a Merchant Street, Edinburgh, EH1 2QD

THE JOLLY BOTANIST

The Jolly Botanist is all about gin, with over 72 gins to choose from! They also offer plenty of drinks for the non-gin drinkers among us, and you can even have a seat outside on a nice evening.

Website – <http://thejollybotanist.co.uk/>

Address – 256-260 Morrison Street, Edinburgh, EH3 8DT

BRAMBLE BAR & LOUNGE

Practically hidden in the basement of a dry cleaners, Bramble Bar & Lounge is somewhere you could easily miss if you weren't looking carefully! If you do manage to find the entrance, the cocktails are well worth the wait!

Website – <http://bramblebar.co.uk/>

Address – 16a Queen Street, Edinburgh, EH2 1JE

THE HANGING BAT

The Hanging Bat offers a great selection of beers from the finest breweries all over the world. However, don't get too attached to a particular beer as their offering is changing all the time! It does give you an excuse to sample as many as possible though!

Website – <https://www.thehangingbat.com/>

Address – 133 Lothian Road, Edinburgh, EH3 9AB

PANDA AND SONS

Another bar that is hidden behind a façade, Panda and Sons looks like a barbershop from the outside. Hinting to the Prohibition-era with their vintage-style Speakeasy, Panda and Sons offers some of the best cocktails in Edinburgh.

Website – <http://pandaandsons.com/>

Address – 79 Queen Street, Edinburgh, EH2 4NF



LUCKY LIQUOR CO.

Much like The Hanging Bat, Lucky Liquor Co. has an ever-changing drinks menu to keep regular visitors on their toes. They create a menu with thirteen bottles and thirteen cocktails, and then run it for thirteen weeks before the whole menu gets an overhaul, so you can be sure there will always be something unique on offer!

Website – <http://www.luckyliquorco.com/>

Address – 39a Queen Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3NH

THE DEVIL'S ADVOCATE

Tucked just off the famous Royal Mile, The Devil's Advocate is the place to go if you want to sample some whisky while you're in Edinburgh. Their 400-strong whisky shelf guarantees you'll find something you like, and you can try some their traditional Scottish food in their restaurant while you're there.

Website – <http://devilsadvocateedinburgh.co.uk/>

Address – 9 Advocate's Close, Edinburgh, EH1 1ND



ROSELEAF BAR & CAFÉ

A little bit out of the centre of town, but only a quick trip on a bus or in a taxi, the Roseleaf Bar & Café is well worth the trip. Not only are the cocktails delicious, but you can get them served in a teapot!

Website – <http://www.roseleaf.co.uk/>

Address – 23/24 Sandport Place, Leith, Edinburgh, EH6 6EW

SOFI'S BAR

Another Leith local, Sofi's bar sits near the Shore and has an impressive drinks menu for such a small bar. There's a lovely selection of sofas and armchairs to get cosy on as you make your drink selection, so get comfy!

Website – <http://www.bodabar.com/sofis/>

Address – 65 Henderson Street, Edinburgh, EH6 6ED





10 of the Best Places to Grab a Coffee When You Come to LITE

Whether you're new to Edinburgh, or you're just looking to try something different, we've pulled together ten of the Administrate team's favourite coffee shops to give you lots of places to choose from!

FILAMENT

Not only do Filament have coffee shops located throughout Edinburgh's city centre, but they will also be providing coffee and tea for LITE attendees in our breakout area for you to enjoy. Additionally, they will also be selling an expanded offering at their usual spot in CodeBase, also located within our breakout area, in case you're after something a bit fancier.

Website – <http://filamentcoffee.com/>

MACHINA ESPRESSO

Located right on the edge of the famous Meadows, Machine Espresso gives you a perfect chance to grab a drink and relax in the sun (hopefully) right in the heart of the city.

Website – www.machina-coffee.co.uk/
Address – 2 Brougham Place,
Tollcross, Edinburgh, EH3 9HW

LOVECRUMBS

If you love cake, then Lovecrumbs is definitely the place to grab a cup of coffee. With a vast selection of freshly made cakes every day, covering a wide array of weird and wonderful flavours, Lovecrumbs has something for anyone with a sweet tooth.

Website – <http://lovecrumbs.co.uk/>
Address – 155 West Port, Edinburgh, EH3 9DP

CASTELLO COFFEE CO.

If you're looking for a view of Edinburgh Castle with your hot beverage, then Castello Coffee Co. is the perfect location.

Website – <https://www.facebook.com/CastelloCoffee/>
Address – 7 Castle Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3AH

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PUMPKIN BROWN

Pumpkin Brown offers you the chance to grab a cup of coffee and pick up something to eat, with everything on their menu being free of refined sugar, gluten, and dairy! They also cater to a wide range of food intolerances, so you can be sure of finding something to fit your dietary needs.

Website – <http://www.pumpkinbrown.com/>
Address – 16 Grassmarket, Edinburgh, EH1 2HS

BREW LAB COFFEE

Brew Lab offers a delightful range of meticulously brewed espresso and cold brew coffees, as well as a selection of locally-sourced food if you're feeling a bit peckish.

Website – www.brewlabcoffee.co.uk
Address – 6-8 South College Street, Edinburgh, EH8 9AA

BABA BUNDAN

If doughnuts are more your thing with your coffee, then Baba Bundan is worth travelling a little further into the city for. Past flavours have included things like avocado white chocolate and coconut caramel! Just make sure you bring us back some!

Website – www.bababudan.co.uk
Address – Arch 12, 17 East Market Street, Edinburgh, EH8 8FS

THE MILKMAN

Cockburn Street is one of the coolest streets in Edinburgh. Not only is it home to The Milkman coffee shop, but it was also featured in *Avengers: Infinity War* (2018).

Facebook – [themilkmancoffee](https://www.facebook.com/themilkmancoffee)
Address – 7 Cockburn Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1BP

CAIRNGORM COFFEE

If you want a real taste of Scotland, then head along to Cairngorm Coffee. They roast their own coffee in the Cairngorms, a beautiful mountain range in the Highlands of Scotland.

Website – <https://www.cairngormcoffee.com/>

Address – 1 Melville Place, Edinburgh, EH3 7PR

10. ARTISAN ROAST

Artisan Roast have several locations across Edinburgh and Glasgow, but the Bruntsfield branch is within an easy walking distance of LITE!

Website – <https://www.artisanroast.co.uk/>

Address – 138 Bruntsfield Place, Edinburgh, EH10 4ER



A scenic view of Edinburgh Castle, a large stone fortress built on a rocky hillside. The castle features multiple levels of stone walls, battlements, and several buildings with gabled roofs and windows. In the foreground, a large, ornate golden fountain with multiple tiers and statues is visible. The background shows a clear blue sky with light clouds and lush green trees at the base of the hill.

5 Best Tourist Attractions You Can Walk To & 5 Best Kept Secrets

Edinburgh is a city where you're never short of things to do and see. We're lucky to have a rich history, fantastic tourist attractions, and lots of cool things to see on your visit to the city. Today we thought we'd take a look at the top five tourist attractions you can walk to from LITE. But, we also thought it might be fun to take a look at some of the spots around the city that are less likely to be packed with people to allow you to get a real feel for Edinburgh! It's hard to keep a secret in Edinburgh, but this is as close as we could get!



EDINBURGH CASTLE

Obviously, Edinburgh Castle is a huge tourist attraction. You can easily see it standing over the city from most of the surrounding areas of Edinburgh, and it gives you the chance to visit attractions such as the Stone of Destiny and the Crown Jewels, as well as getting to witness the famous One O’Clock Gun getting fired.

Admission – £17 advance adult tickets

Website - <https://www.edinburghcastle.scot/>

Address – Castlehill, Edinburgh, EH1 2NG

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF SCOTLAND

If you’re looking for a bit of culture, then the National Museum of Scotland is the perfect place to visit. Located right in the heart of the city on Chambers Street, the museum covers art, history, nature, design, science, technology, fashion, and even has a whole building dedicated to the history of Scotland.

Admission – Free but donations are welcome!

Website - <https://www.nms.ac.uk/national-museum-of-scotland/>

Address – Chambers Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1JF

SCOTT MONUMENT

The Scott Monument is located at the east end of Princes Street Gardens and was erected as a tribute to Sir Walter Scott after he died in 1832. It’s a lot of stairs to the top, but the views over the city are totally worth it.

Admission – £8 for adult access to all levels

Website - www.edinburghmuseums.org.uk/venue/scott-monument

Address – East Princess Street Gardens, Edinburgh, EH2 2EJ

GREYFRIARS BOBBY

If cute dogs are your thing then why not visit the state of Greyfriars Bobby? The statue was created in memory of Bobby, the little dog who refused to leave the grave of his master in Greyfriars Kirkyard, which is located just across the road. He was looked after by the people of Edinburgh for 14 years before he died in 1872. If you do decide to visit though, don't be tempted to take part in the apparent recently-created tradition of rubbing Bobby's nose for luck, as it is leaving Bobby with a poor worn down nose.

Admission – Free

Website - <https://www.historic-uk.com/HistoryUK/HistoryofScotland/Greyfriars-Bobby/>

Address – Candlemaker Row, Edinburgh, EH1 2QE

HOLYROOD PALACE

The Palace of Holyroodhouse is the Queen's official residence in Edinburgh and sits right at the bottom of the famous Royal Mile. Visitors can explore part of the Palace and learn about historical figures such as Mary, Queen of Scots and Bonnie Prince Charlie.

Admission – £14 for adult access to the Palace

Website - <https://www.royalcollection.org.uk/visit/palace-of-holyroodhouse>

Address – Canongate, Edinburgh, EH8 8DX



TOP 5 BEST KEPT SECRETS

CALTON HILL

If you're looking for spectacular views of the city, but you don't fancy fighting through hordes of people, then Calton Hill could be the perfect place for you. It is also famous for its collection of historic monuments, including the never-finished National Monument.

Admission – Free

Website - <https://ewh.org.uk/world-heritage-sites/calton-hill/>

Address – Calton Hill, Edinburgh, EH7 5AA

SURGEONS' HALL MUSEUMS

If regular museums aren't your thing, then why not take a visit to the Surgeons' Hall Museums? The museum started life as a teaching museum for medical students but is now open to the public!

Admission – £7 for an adult ticket

Website - <https://museum.rcsed.ac.uk/>

Address – Nicolson Street, Edinburgh, EH8 9DW

CAMEO CINEMA

The Cameo Cinema is located in the Tollcross area of Edinburgh and has a beautiful retro feel to it. The building itself features some spectacular architecture, and it shows a mixture of new releases and retro classics!

Admission – Prices vary per film

Website - https://www.picturehouses.com/cinema/Cameo_Picturehouse

Address – 38 Home Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9LZ

DUNBARS CLOSE GARDEN

Tucked away off the Royal Mile, Dunbars Close Garden is a beautiful place to relax that many Edinburgh locals don't even know about. Laid out in the style and character of a 17th century garden, it's a lovely place to relax and enjoy your surrounding.

Admission – Free

Website - https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/directory_record/940716/dunbars_close_garden

Address – Canongate, Edinburgh, EH8 8BW



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