

# Grab a Golden Ticket to Scotland's Past



At the end of this month Historic Environment Scotland have golden tickets to some of its heritage attractions all for free.

This giveaway weekend on Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th November, visitors will get the chance to explore centuries of history – from a Neolithic Village in the Orkney Isles to a trio of abbeys in the Scottish Borders, and they include our very own iconic Edinburgh Castle.

Thousands of tickets are now released [here](#) and visitors have until Friday, 25 November 2016 to register now.

You can apply for a maximum of two adult and three family tickets (up to three children) to each historic property of your choosing. Early registration is recommended so that you get the journey of your choice.

Stephen Duncan, Director of Commercial and Tourism for Historic Environment Scotland, said: "As Scotland's largest operator of paid for tourist attractions, we've got a lot to offer the public. 32 historic sites will be opening their doors this Ticket Giveaway weekend, giving visitors the unique chance to get a taste of what's available in their area for free."

"Our hope is that this will encourage communities to explore and discover more about some of their local sites, helping foster interest in and passion for Scotland's iconic castles, abbeys and palaces."

The two day event is part of the lead-in to wider St Andrew's

celebrations this year, and is part of the Scottish Government's Winter Festivals initiative. This sees a number of events take place across Scotland, through Christmas and Hogmanay right up until Burns Night. To mark the celebrations, simply use the dedicated hashtag #ourstandrews on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.

For a full list of sites participating in Historic Environment Scotland's Ticket Giveaway weekend, and to apply for tickets [click here](#)