

# Edinburgh is one of Britain's top destinations



Edinburgh as seen from Calton Hill

A leading tourism official has welcomed a new accolade for Scotland's capital.

It was named as a runner-up in Britain's favourite city in an award scheme run by LandLove Magazine.

Malcolm Roughead, VisitScotland chief executive, said: "It is fantastic that Edinburgh has been named among Britain's favourite cities.

"With a plethora of world-class attractions, a unique culture and fascinating history, as well as some of the best bars and restaurants on the planet, it is no surprise the city is loved by so many across the United Kingdom.

"From climbing Arthur's Seat to exploring The Real Mary King's Close, dining at one of four Michelin Star restaurants to experiencing the explosive atmosphere of the summer festivals, there's something for all Brits to enjoy when they visit Scotland's Capital."

Mr Roughead added: "It is also important to remember what these visits will bring to Edinburgh.

"Tourism is more than a holiday experience, it is integral to sustaining communities by generating income, creating jobs and stimulating social change."