

# **Santa's Grotto is open at Dynamic Earth**

**Dynamic Earth invites visitors to enjoy Santa's Grotto and step into a "world of winter wonder".**

The stand-alone Winter Experience is one of six highlights that Dynamic Earth is hosting this month and the beginning of January with the opportunity to meet the big man himself costing £15 per child.

People who book should prepare their little ones to travel to the North Pole to Santa's Polar Grotto, "where the magic of Christmas comes alive before your eyes". During the visit everyone will learn all about Santa's polar friends from Father Christmas himself as he shares a heartwarming tale about the amazing creatures of the polar regions.



The line-up of Christmas-themed activities continues through the festive period until Friday 6 January including:

**1. The Winter Experience – Santa’s Grotto (30 November – 23 December)**

Admission ticket: £15 per child

During the visit there is an opportunity: to learn all about Santa’s polar friends from Santa himself as he shares a heartwarming tale about the amazing creatures of the polar regions. Explore the wonders of his icy world as you listen to stories of the Arctic and Antarctic. Capture the magic with a special photo in Santa’s sleigh and meet his reindeer for an unforgettable moment and, for those of you who are on the nice list, receive a personalised token to exchange for a handpicked gift – straight from Santa’s elves!

**▪ Daily Planetarium Shows (30 November – 31 December)**

INCLUDED IN ADMISSION

*What's Up? Winter Wonderland* daily planetarium shows return. Running all the way through December, visitors can get ready to experience stunning winter constellations, icy moons, and real auroras. returning is *We Are Stars*, narrated by Andy Serkis, revealing the explosive origins of the Universe.

- **The Muppet Christmas Carol**

- Admission Ticket: £10
- The Muppets debut on weekends with a musical retelling of Dickens' classic on the following dates:
  - 10:15 – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December
  - 10:15 – Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December
  - 10:15 – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December
  - 10:15 – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December

- **Planetarium Lates (18 December, 22 December and 23 December)**

Six shows hosted over three evenings

After hours, Edinburgh's only Planetarium transforms into a magical setting, where visitors can enjoy your favourite films beneath a sky full of stars. Dive into captivating Christmas classic this December in Dynamic Earth's 6K resolution Planetarium. Enjoy a cosy evening this Christmas with *The Holiday* and *Love Actually*, plus the last chance to see *Dark Side of the Moon*. Make it a night by sipping on festive cocktails.

- **Winter Science Sessions (13 December and 20 December)**

Admission ticket: £4

Looking for a way to get the kids in the holiday spirit? DynaMites (under 4s) and Dynamos (4 – 6-year-olds) science sessions are getting a winter makeover! Learn all about Antarctica's coolest resident, the penguin with winter-themed sensory storytelling and learn about temperature change with thermal technology.

▪ **Polar Encounters (27 December – 6 January)**

FREE drop-in activities

Learn all about wildlife that thrives in some of planet Earth's most extreme cold environments. Visitors can expect to get hands-on with infrared cameras to investigate animal blubber, explore the wonders of the Northern Lights with an aurora artwork station, and make a papercraft polar pal to take home.

For tickets and more information, visit [Dynamic Earth's Christmas Event page](#).

**A Dynamic Earth Annual Membership Includes:**

- **Unlimited visits** to Dynamic Earth's exhibition, galleries, and 6K resolution Planetarium for 12 months.
- **Exclusive previews** to seasonal activities and events.

