



CES Edinburgh

English and Culture 50+ Programme

A Historic Capital City

With a history that can be traced back to the early 7th century, Edinburgh has been at the heart of Scottish life and culture for 1400 years . There are few cities in the world that can boast the range and variety of sights that can be found throughout the city, with one street alone boasting seven museums, three churches, a cathedral, a castle, a palace and a parliament!

Around every corner you are able to see statues of the men and women who have shaped Edinburgh over the years. From politicians to revolutionaries, from priests to paupers, Edinburgh has been home to some of the most famous names in Scottish history. As you walk through the city you will get the chance to follow in their footsteps and gain an understanding of the places that shaped and influenced them.



Modern Edinburgh is a bustling international city with strong educational links. Its four universities attract students from all over the globe, and Edinburgh is behind only London in the rankings of most visited cities in the United Kingdom.

As the capital city of Scotland, Edinburgh has excellent transport links to Scotland's six other cities; Glasgow is less than an hour away by train or by bus, and regular rail services connect Edinburgh to the Highlands and to the Scottish Borders.

With the confidence you will develop from our English language programme, a visit to Edinburgh can be more than a learning experience: it can be the start of a new adventure.

Experienced Teachers and Effective Teaching

For many of us our memories of learning a foreign language are tied up with our memories of school, grammar tables and memorising verbs. At CES we believe that language is a communication skill and can only be taught effectively by giving you the skills and confidence to interact with other people. That is why the focus of the CES over-50s programme is on developing practical speaking, listening, reading and writing techniques that will allow your learning to continue even after you have left the classroom.

In addition to holding internationally recognised teaching qualifications, our highly qualified teachers bring with them a wide variety of life experiences gained from before they entered the classroom. Lessons will encompass a range of cultural and social topics designed to encourage your engagement and drive your interest in the material being discussed. You will have the chance to practice presentations, take part in role play and learn debating skills in a supportive environment with teachers who will guide you to the next stage of your language development.

Further learning support is provided through our CES online learning platform which offers a range of activities and practical advice for language learners and is available to all students in the over 50s programme.



Timetable and Accommodation



Our two week programme blends fifteen hours of in-classroom learning per week with a comprehensive programme of social and cultural events.

Mornings will be spent in our traditional Georgian town house where you will have small group lessons with no more than fifteen students per class.

In the afternoon you will be taken into the city itself where you can enjoy visiting some of the many museums and galleries, or even take afternoon tea in one of Edinburgh's famous tea houses.

		Arrival				
WEEK ONE	Sunday					
	Monday	Class 1 09:30 to 11:00	BREAK	Class 2 11:30 to 13:00	New Town City Tour	
	Tuesday	Class 1 09:30 to 11:00		Class 2 11:30 to 13:00	Old Town Tour	
	Wednesday	Class 1 09:30 to 11:00		Class 2 11:30 to 13:00	Holyrood Palace	
	Thursday	Class 1 09:30 to 11:00		Class 2 11:30 to 13:00	Edinburgh Castle	Scottish Pub Evening
	Friday	Class 1 09:30 to 11:00		Class 2 11:30 to 13:00	Afternoon Tea	
Saturday	Full Day Excursion: St. Andrews 09:30 to 18:00					
Sunday	FREE DAY					

WEEK TWO	Monday	Class 1 09:30 to 11:00	BREAK	Class 2 11:30 to 13:00	Royal Botanic Gardens	
	Tuesday	Class 1 09:30 to 11:00		Class 2 11:30 to 13:00	Portobello Beach	Scottish Music Night
	Wednesday	Class 1 09:30 to 11:00		Class 2 11:30 to 13:00	National Museum of Scotland	
	Thursday	Class 1 09:30 to 11:00		Class 2 11:30 to 13:00	Arthur's Seat & Holyrood Park	
	Friday	Class 1 09:30 to 11:00		Class 2 11:30 to 13:00	Holyrood Distillery Tour & Tasting	
	Saturday	FREE DAY				
Sunday	Departure					



When the programme has finished for the day it is important to have somewhere friendly to return to and relax. Fortunately the Scottish reputation for friendliness is well earned and our hosts are happy to welcome you into their family.

If you choose to stay in homestay accommodation you will have the opportunity to stay with a local host who will help you start the day with breakfast and be there to join you for dinner in the evening. At CES we believe that communication does not just happen in the classroom and where you stay plays an equally important role.

Self-catered residential accommodation is also available on request.

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