

Dunnottar Castle & Stonehaven By Public Transport

Towering on the cliffs South of Aberdeen, the brooding **Dunnottar Castle** 🖱️ is a must see for many visitors. It's then a picturesque cliff top walk down into the quaint fishing village of **Stonehaven**. 🖱️

Getting there



Bus Number:	<u>Stagecoach X7</u> 🖱️
Bus Pick-Up Point:	<u>Aberdeen Bus Station, Union Square, Guild Street, Aberdeen, AB11 6GR</u> 🖱️
Dunnottar Castle Bus Stop:	<u>Dunnottar Castle (Dunnottar Junction)</u> 🖱️ ask the driver to let you know when to alight. (10 minute walk from bus stop to Castle).
Bus Ticket Price:	£7.85 Day ticket (Zone 3)
Travel Time:	35 minutes
Alternative Public Transport:	£6.40 return on train (20 minutes) – 15 minute walk to Stonehaven Harbour and then 30 minutes to Dunnottar Castle.



Stonehaven

Dunnottar Castle Visitor Information

Opening Times:	<u>Year round, please visit our website</u> 🖱️ <u>for up-to-date information.</u>
Ticket Price:	Adult £7 & Child £3
Facilities:	Toilets, small shop & picnic van (picnic van June-September only)
Address:	Dunnottar Castle, Stonehaven, Aberdeenshire, AB39 2TL
Tel:	+44 (0) 1569 762173



Dunnottar Castle

For further information:

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Dunnottar Castle, or Dùn Fhoithear in Scottish Gaelic, meaning “fort on the shelving slope” is exactly that, a dramatic place with as dramatic a history, and just a 10 minute walk from the bus stop. What is now a ruin was once an impregnable fortress that holds many rich secrets of Scotland’s colourful past.

Both William Wallace and Mary Queen of Scots have stayed here, and in the 17th century a small garrison held out against Cromwell’s troops for eight months to save the Scottish Crown Jewels from the enemy. It’s more recent visitors include Mel Gibson whilst filming Hamlet and James McAvoy and Daniel Radcliffe when filming Frankenstein.

There is a small entrance charge, but it’s well worth the fee.

From Dunnottar you can then walk along the spectacular and well-marked coastal path down into the village of Stonehaven, which takes around 30 minutes. Along the route it is worth keeping an eye out for puffins, which nest on the cliffs. You will also pass the War memorial, it’s not as ancient as it looks, but its location makes it a nice stop to rest and enjoy the views over the North Sea and castle.

Stonehaven is a lovely little town and boasts an **Open Air Pool** 🖱️ – heated to a balmy 29°C - and beach, where locals and tourists enjoy water sports. The small harbour is sheltered by the cliffs, and you can enjoy the sun while having lunch at one of the restaurants along the front.



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Stonehaven Harbour

Or at the other end of the beach is the award winning **Bay Fish & Chip Shop** 🖱️ and all the local kid’s (and grown-ups) favourite – **Aunty Betty’s Ice Cream Shop...** 🖱️

Once you have enjoyed all the delights that Stonehaven has to offer, you can pick up the bus back to Aberdeen from **Barclay Street**, 🖱️ just off the market square. This will take you back to the Main Bus station at Union Square. There are a number of buses you can get back to Aberdeen, these are **X6 7 7A 7B 7C X7**. 🖱️



Open Air Pool

More information

For more details on traveling with Stagecoach in Aberdeen check out the **Stagecoach website**. 🖱️

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