



# A ROAD LESS TRAVELLED

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**Scottish Food & Drink Trails**



**Common Ridings**



**SCHLOSS Roxburghe Hotel & Golf Course**

Situated north of the dividing line with England and covering a swathe of the Southern Uplands that runs down to a wild and picturesque coastline facing the North Sea, Midlothian and the Borders provide visitors with a bolt hole like no other place in the UK. With an added touch of luxury and an abundance of hidden gems, it's the perfect destination for your next trip.

From stunning castle accommodation to exclusive experiences, you will be able to discover Scotland, its people and traditions away from the crowds. Take the roads less travelled and explore the stunning landscapes as well as the rich culture and local heritage.

## Day 1



**Eyemouth Rib Trips**



**Oblò Bar & Bistro**



**Jim Clark Motorsport Museum**

Your trip begins in the Eastern Scottish Borders, exploring along dramatic coast lines and sandy beaches. St Abbs and Eyemouth offer a range of sights and activities with grand views over rugged cliffs in the nature reserve as well as dolphin spotting opportunities. **Eyemouth Rib Trips** can be booked exclusively for your party and offers an exhilarating experience with stunning views for up to 12 guests.

After your morning adventure, head to **Oblò**, an award-winning seafood bistro right at Eyemouth Harbour. Choose from a fantastic range of food, drinks and snacks – if you are looking for a truly local experience choose their seafood platter which serves the best fresh produce available.

From the coast, make your way inland. Why not consider a visit to the [Jim Clark Motorsport Museum](#) at Duns. You can explore the story of one of the greatest racing drivers of all times at this interactive exhibition. Alternatively, head to the outskirts of Duns for a privately guided tour at [Manderston House](#). The stunningly luxurious Edwardian Country House has most recently been used for filming Julian Fellowes' Belgravia.

Round off your day with a gentle walk at [Beirhope Alpaca Trekking](#), and explore the Cheviot Hills accompanied by a fluffy alpaca. Your private guide might have a bottle of Champagne in their bag as a refreshment while you enjoy the quiet solitude and views.

## Day 2



[Bowhill Ranger Experience](#)



[1811 Gin Masterclass](#)



[Lochcarron of Scotland](#)

It's time to explore inland! And there are lots of exciting options available today. Start your day driving along winding country roads as you head towards Selkirk. The Scottish Borders have a strong textile tradition, with many mills and producers offering the opportunity to look behind the scenes of fine cloth, cashmere and tartan production. Take a private tour at [Lochcarron of Scotland](#) where you can even create your own family tartan.

Or visit [Bowhill](#), the private estate of the Duke of Buccleuch, one of the largest landowners in Scotland. After a private visit of the art collection in the stately home, a Bowhill ranger can take you on a Range Rover tour of the expansive estate with a hilltop picnic.

For the afternoon, why not partake in a Gin Masterclass at [1811 Gin](#) at Peebles Hydro. Create a personalised flavour and then distil your own gin with your very own miniature distilling kit.

If you are however seeking more active pursuits, why not consider one or several of the following:

- Golf at [Cardrona](#) or [Roxburghe](#) Championship Courses;
- [Ridelines](#) Mountain Biking Tuition;
- Fishing the River Tweed with [Dryburgh Abbey Hotel](#);
- Deer stalking or shooting at [SCHLOSS Roxburghe](#) or [Cringletie](#);

At the end of another day full of exclusive and unique experiences, relax back at your accommodation, enjoy a meal and savour a fine dram of whisky by the open fire. Unforgettable memories start here.

## Overnight options



Thirlestane Castle



Neidpath Castle



Hope Scott Wing at  
Abbotsford

There is a wealth of choice when it comes to accommodation, including unique and luxurious overnight options. Which one would you choose?

### **SCHLOSS Roxburghe Hotel & Golf Course** (Kelso)

Historic property featuring a luxury hotel, championship golf course and a full range of sporting pursuits.

### **Thirlestane Castle** (Lauder)

One of the oldest and finest inhabited castles in Scotland. Open for visitors but also offering overnight accommodation and weddings.

### **The Hope Scott Wing at Abbotsford** (Melrose)

Luxury accommodation at Abbotsford with 7 bedrooms (exclusive use). Walk in Scott's footsteps and stay in truly inspirational surroundings.

### **Neidpath Castle** (Peebles)

Across the centuries, Neidpath has been home to generations of the Fraser, Hay, and Douglas families. Owned by the Wemyss family for the last 200 years, the true beauty of Neidpath is that very little has changed over the years.

### **Cringletie** (Peebles)

Castle-style hotel set in 28 acres of private grounds with an award-winning restaurant. Individual rooms or exclusive use venue for up to 26 guests.

[Click here](#) for a full list of unique castles, manor houses and exclusive use options in Midlothian and the Scottish Borders.

If you choose an exclusive use venue for your stay, why not also book your own personal chef and food specialist. Or combine a meal with a cooking lesson or demonstration: **Scottish Food and Drink Trails** offers local Scottish cooking experiences.

If you like any of the above, you might also enjoy the below suggestions:



**Gunsgreen House**



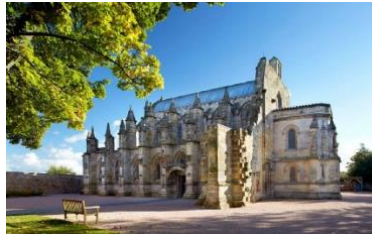
**Traquair**



**Cocoa Black Chocolate  
Boutique**



**Borders Distillery**



**Rosslyn Chapel**



**Johnstons of Elgin**