

History in Dunblane

The 13th century **Cathedral** and its tower, the lower part of which dates from the 11th century, reflect the importance of Dunblane's long history as a religious centre. Although the roof over the nave collapsed in the 16th century, the choir and chancel continued to be used as the Parish Church until restoration undertaken in the 19th century returned the building to its former glory. It is still Dunblane's Parish Church.



Opening Times
 Summer: Apr-Sep, Mon-Sat 0930-1230;
 1330-1730
 Sun 1400-1730.
 Winter: Oct-Mar, Mon-Sat 0930-1630;
 Sun 1400-1630
 Last entry 30 min before closing.

Dunblane Cathedral, The Cross, Dunblane, FK15 0AQ.
www.dunblanecathedral.org.uk

The **Leighton Library** is the oldest private library in Scotland. Robert Leighton (1611-1684), who was Bishop of Dunblane during the 1660s, left his books to Dunblane Cathedral along with £100 to build this library for them. During the 18th and 19th centuries his original 1,300 volumes were added to, bringing the collection to almost 4,000 books in more than 80 languages. The collection is of national importance, is still used today by academics and researchers and attracts visitors from all over the world.



Free Entry, donations welcome

Opening Times
 May-Sept: Mon-Sat 1100-1300

Leighton Library, 61 High Street,
 Dunblane, FK15 0EN
www.leightonlibrary.co.uk

Dunblane Museum is housed in the 17th century Dean's House at The Cross. As well as permanent exhibitions covering the history of Dunblane there is a programme of temporary exhibitions and art exhibitions held throughout the summer. Gift shop.

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Opening Times
 Easter to mid-Oct:
 Mon-Sat 1030-1630;
 Sundays in July and August 1430-1530

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www.dunblanemuseum.org.uk

Events in Dunblane

Annual Events

January

New Year's Walk 2nd January organised by Dunblane Civic Society.

May

Doane and Dunblane Fling. A programme of music and other events usually held in the last week-end in May. For further details see www.dunblanefling.com

June

Forth Valley Open Studios

Artists in Dunblane, and throughout the Forth Valley, open their studios to the public. For details see www.forthvalleyopenstudios.com

July

Doane and Dunblane Agricultural Show.

1st Saturday in July. www.doaneanddunblaneshow.co.uk

Organ Recitals in the Cathedral - Saturdays at Midday

August

Organ Recitals in the Cathedral - Saturdays at Midday

September

Perthshire Open Studios

www.perthshireopenstudios.com

Doors Open Days

www.doorsopendays.org.uk



Regular Events

Concert programme in the Cathedral organised by the Cathedral Arts Guild and Cathedral Handbell Ringers. For details see: www.dunblanecathedral.org.uk/music

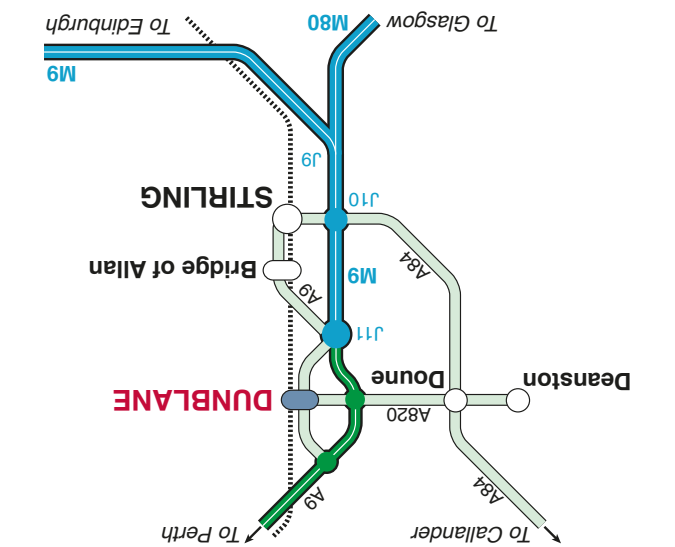
Dunblane Craft Market held monthly Mar - Dec.

For details see: www.dunblanecraftmarket.co.uk

The Dunblane Centre has a programme of events and activities throughout the year. www.dunblanecentre.co.uk

Shop in Dunblane

Much of Dunblane's compact town centre dates to the 18th and 19th centuries and has around 50 shops and businesses offering everything from art to artichokes; fillet steak to facials; jam jars to jewellery.



Getting There

The main **buses stops** in Dunblane are at:
 • the Victoria Hall near the Railway Station for services to Crieff, Doane and Stirling.
 • on the Perth Road **beside** Dunblane Police Station for services to Crieff and the North and **opposite** the Police Station for services to Doane, Stirling, Glasgow and Edinburgh.
 One hour by **road or rail** from Dundee, Glasgow or Edinburgh and you are **in Dunblane**.

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Stay in Dunblane

Hotels*

Doubletree by Hilton, Dunblane Hydro (200 rooms), Perth Road, Dunblane, FK15 0HG. Tel: 01786 822551. www.doubletree.dunblane.com
Dunblane Hotel (4 rooms), 10 Stirling Road, Dunblane, FK15 9EP. Tel: 01786 822178. Free Wi-Fi.
Old Churches House Hotel (11 rooms), Kirk Street, Dunblane. FK15 0AJ. Tel: 01786 823663. www.oldchurcheshouse.com
Sheriffmuir Inn (2 rooms). Lunches and dinners. Dunblane, FK15 0LN. Tel: 01786 823285. www.sheriffmuirinn.co.uk
Westlands Hotel (5 rooms), Doune Road, Dunblane, FK15 9HT. Tel: 01786 822118. www.westlandshotel.dunblane.co.uk
 * All hotels serve food and are open to non-residents
Chimes House, Kirk Street, Dunblane, FK15 0AL. Tel: 01786 822481. www.bedandbreakfast-scotland.co.uk
Ciar Mhor, Auchinlay Road, Dunblane FK15 9JS. Tel: 01786 823371. www.ciar-mhor.co.uk

Cafes & restaurants

Beech Tree Cafe, 2 Beech Road, Dunblane, FK15 0AA. Tel: 01786 823451. www.beechtreecafe.dunblane.com
Cafe Aroma: food to go, Stirling Road, Dunblane. Near Railway Station. Sandwich bar with some seating. www.cafe-aroma.co.uk
Cafe Continental, River View, High Street, Dunblane. FK15 0EE. Tel: 01786 824234. www.cafe-continental.co.uk
China Gourmet, 33 High Street, Dunblane, FK15 0EE. Tel: 01786 821110. Evenings only.
Choices: Cafe and Delicatessen, 21 High Street, Dunblane. FK15 0EE. Tel: 01786 822716.
Indigate, Fourways Roundabout, Dunblane, FK15 0EY. Tel: 01786 822098. www.mr-singh.co.uk/gate
The Riverside (formerly the Stirling Arms), Stirling Road, Dunblane, FK15 9EP. Tel: 01786 823318. www.riversidedunblane.co.uk
Tappit Hen, Kirk St, Dunblane, FK15 0AL. Tel: 01786 825226. www.thetappithen-dunblane.co.uk
Tilly Tearoom, 83-87 & 89 High Street, Dunblane, FK15 0ER. Opening early 2015.
The Village Inn, Stirling Road (nr Railway Station), Dunblane, FK15 9EP. Tel: 01786 826999. Free Wi-Fi.

Sport in Dunblane



Tennis: Dunblane Sports Club

Ochloch Park, Dunblane, FK15 0DU
 The club has 4 all-weather artificial grass, outdoor tennis courts. Visitors are welcome and a 'pay as you play' system is in operation. For information on availability of courts see: www.dunblanesportsclub.co.uk

Golf: Dunblane New Golf Club

Perth Road Dunblane FK15 0LJ. Tel: 01786 821527
 Visitors, either singly or in groups, are welcome to play the course. Details about booking a game are available here www.dngc.co.uk/visitors-info.html

Skateboarding

There is a skateboard park in the Laigh Hills.

Walks in and around Dunblane

Walks from the town into the surrounding countryside include the ancient **Darn Road** linking Dunblane and Bridge of Allan and walks to the Sheriffmuir and the **Clan MacRae Memorial** raised to the members of the clan who fell at the **Battle of Sherrifmuir in 1715**. These and other walks can be found in the **Dunblane Community Paths** leaflet. There are also many shorter walks within the town - round the **Laigh Hills, Holme Hill** and to **The Haugh** with its long hosta border. Leaflets for these and heritage walks, such as this Town Centre Trail, are available from the Museum, Library and other outlets in the town.



Taxis

D&S Taxis
 01786 821010
 Moore's Taxis
 01786 824888
 City Cabs**
 01786 465557
 **wheelchair accessible

More in Dunblane at:

www.dunblane.info