East Lothian on the screen

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To find out what there is to see and do in East Lothian visit: www.visiteastlothian.org

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East Lothian has enjoyed a starring role in many movies and TV productions over the years, from period dramas to sci-fi, ghost stories to children’s TV. With ‘set-jetting’ a growing trend and more and more film fans visiting the locations of their favourite movies, this map celebrates East Lothian on screen. Allow us to take you on a journey through East Lothian’s filmed coast and countryside and relive some of your favourite movie moments.

East Lothian

Spectacular scenery, golden beaches, award-winning attractions, excellent accommodation, outstanding food & drink, fabulous events and the world’s finest selection of links golf courses. East Lothian combines the best of Scotland – we have it all!

It may feel like a million miles away, but we’re only minutes from Edinburgh by car, train or bus.

With more hours of sunshine than anywhere else in the country you can make the most of a visit to Scotland’s sunshine coast before soaking up the evening’s atmosphere. Whatever the weather, there are lots of places to visit throughout the year.

Getting Around

With easy access to the A1, the A68 and M8 there is plenty of parking for those travelling by car. However, several bus companies work across East Lothian linking the towns and villages. Musselburgh, Wallyford, Prestonpans, Longniddry, North Berwick, Drem and Dunbar all have rail stations connecting East Lothian with Edinburgh and Fife.

List of locations A-Z

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