

OUR SHOPS

MAIN GIFT SHOP

A wide range of quality Scottish gifts is on offer including an extensive tapestry range. A selection of children's souvenirs is available on the first floor.



STIRLING CASTLE CLAN SHOP & TICKET CENTRE

Situated on the access road beside the Esplanade, you will find a range of clan gifts as well as other traditional Scottish souvenirs. Why not have a clan certificate printed to take home with you.

CASTLE BOOKSHOP & WHISKY STORE

Enjoy this great combination of whisky and literature. A wide selection of both is on offer in the shop.



OUR CAFÉ



UNICORN CAFÉ

Enjoy a range of delicious hot and cold meals, sandwiches, cakes and snacks, speciality coffees and teas and a variety of chilled drinks in our self service café. A children's menu is also available. Our outdoor dining area has stunning views over to the Wallace Monument.

PALACE PROJECT

Historic Scotland is undertaking a major project to present the Royal Lodgings of James V's Royal Palace as they might have appeared in the mid 16th century when Mary of Guise was in residence with her child, Mary Queen of Scots. This ambitious project is due to be completed and opened to visitors in 2011. As a result the Palace is closed to visitors until the project is complete.



VISITOR INFORMATION

ASK OUR STAFF

Our friendly staff are on hand to answer any questions you may have about Stirling Castle. We have a courtesy vehicle on site to assist less able visitors into the Castle. Please ask one of the team should you require assistance.



UPGRADE TO AN EXPLORER PASS

If you are travelling round Scotland on holiday, then you can save money by upgrading your Stirling Castle ticket to an Explorer Pass, giving you unlimited access to over 75 of Scotland's best historic properties.

MEMBERSHIP

For residents of Scotland, we highly recommend an annual membership which gives a range of benefits including free entry to all our properties and you will be contributing to Historic Scotland's conservation work.



FIND OUT MORE

If you have enjoyed your visit and would like to find out more, please visit our website, www.historic-scotland.gov.uk to discover 5000 years of Scottish history.

STIRLING CASTLE GUIDEBOOK

Our guidebook is the definitive guide to the buildings and history of Stirling Castle and makes an excellent souvenir of your visit. Available from all the Castle shops.



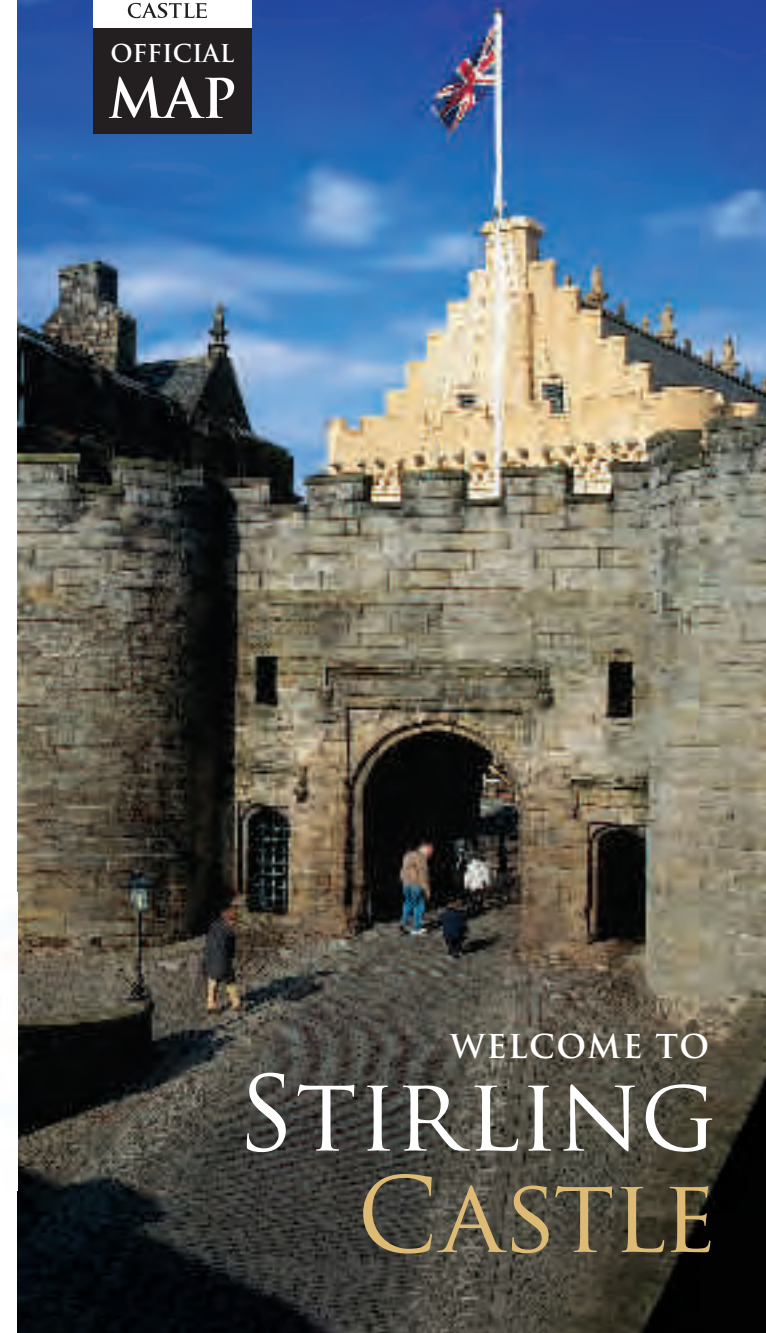
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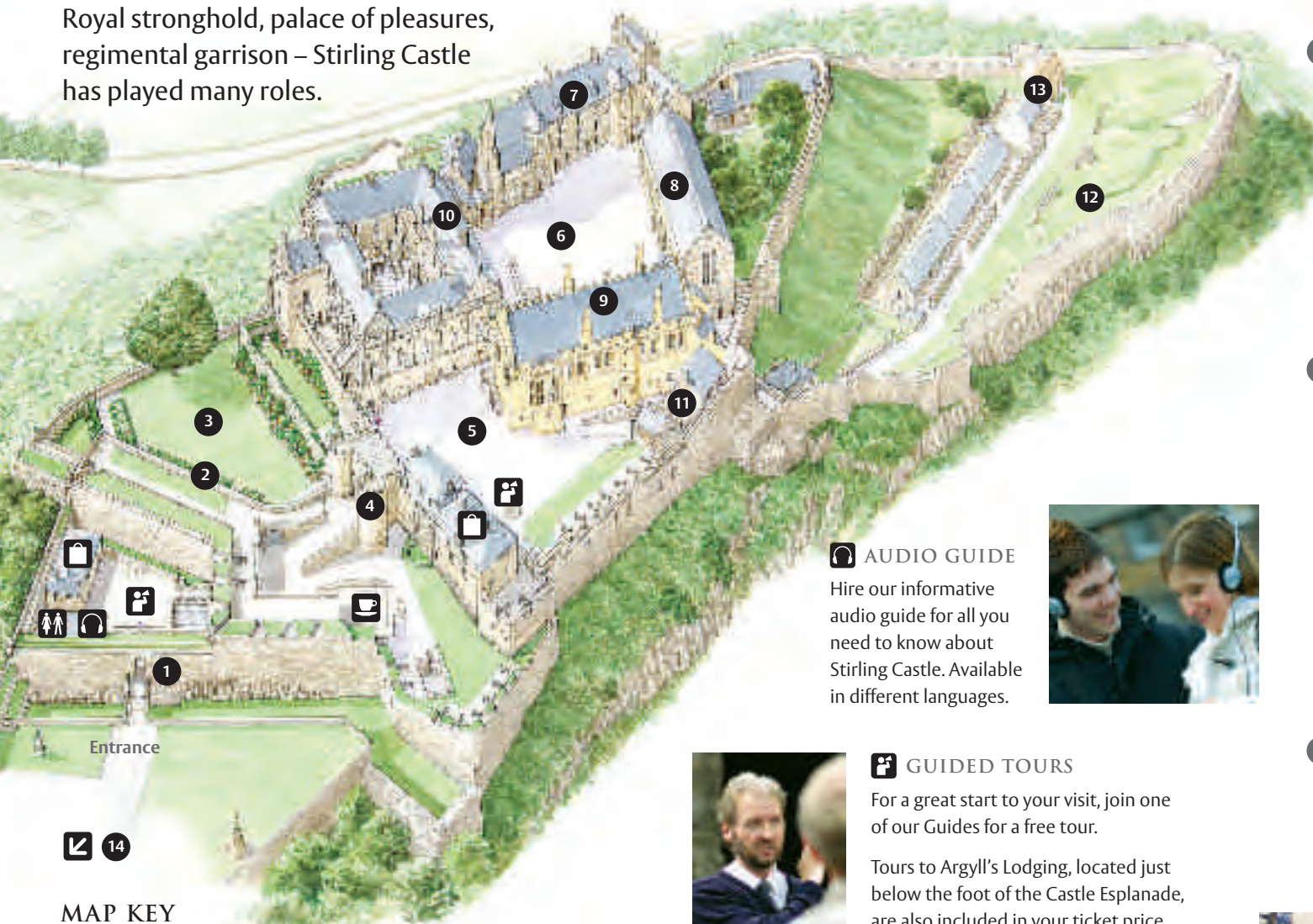
OFFICIAL
MAP



WELCOME TO
STIRLING
CASTLE



Royal stronghold, palace of pleasures, regimental garrison – Stirling Castle has played many roles.








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| 2 Castle Exhibition | 8 Chapel Royal | 12 Nether Bailey |
| 3 Bowling Green Garden | 9 Great Hall | 13 Tapestry Studio |
| 4 Forework | 10 Palace (Currently closed for restoration) | 14 To Argyll's Lodging and the Stirling Castle Clan Shop and Ticket Centre |
| 5 Outer Close | | |
| 6 Inner Close | | |

FACILITIES KEY

-  Audio guide point
-  Guided tours
-  Shops
-  Unicorn Café
-  Toilets

 AUDIO GUIDE

Hire our informative audio guide for all you need to know about Stirling Castle. Available in different languages.



 GUIDED TOURS

For a great start to your visit, join one of our Guides for a free tour.

Tours to Argyll's Lodging, located just below the foot of the Castle Esplanade, are also included in your ticket price. Ask any member of staff for timings.



2 THE CASTLE EXHIBITION

Discover the fascinating history of Stirling Castle



7 REGIMENTAL MUSEUM

Explore the history of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.



8 CHAPEL ROYAL

Visit the Chapel Royal to see examples of the original carved Stirling Heads and admire the tapestries completed to date.



9 GREAT HALL

Be amazed by the magnificent Great Hall, the largest ever built in Scotland, intended for great celebrations.



11 GREAT KITCHENS

Get a taste for 16th century life in the medieval kitchens which would have once served lavish banquets in the Great Hall.



13 TAPESTRY STUDIO

Appreciate the intricate work of our dedicated weavers who are producing a series of 7 tapestries to be hung in the Palace.



14 ARGYLL'S LODGING

Join a tour of Argyll's Lodging, to visit a superb example of a 17th century townhouse.

