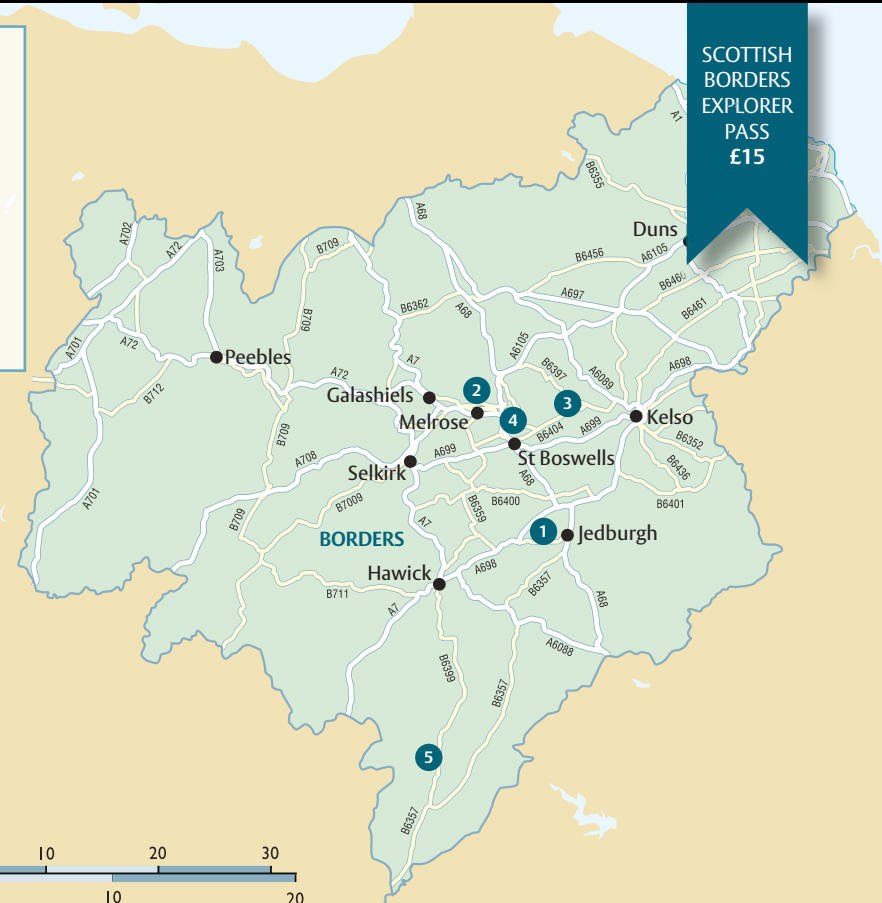
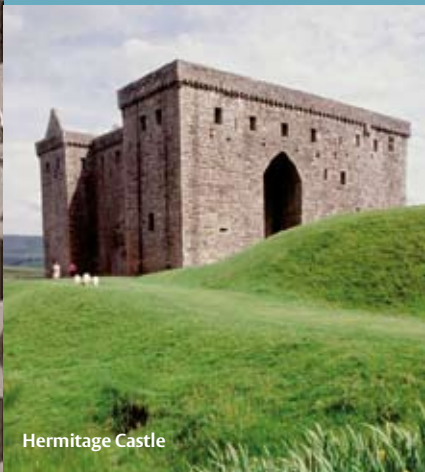




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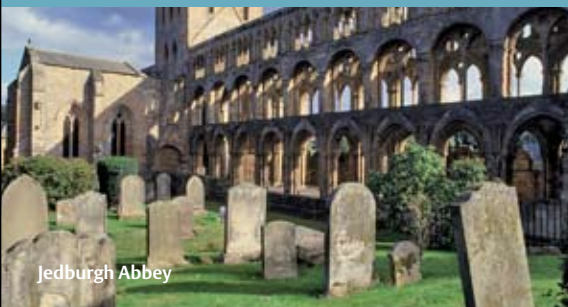


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Dryburgh Abbey



Jedburgh Abbey



Melrose Abbey



Smailholm Tower

JEDBURGH ABBEY 1

Jedburgh Abbey, founded in 1138, was a frequent target for invading border armies. Today, there is a cloister and herb garden to explore and a visitor centre containing a model of the abbey in its heyday and artefacts excavated from the abbey grounds. There is also a display on the construction of the abbey with hands-on interactives. Computer-based video and virtual tour available. Dressing up clothes for adults and children available.

- In Jedburgh on the A68
- Postcode TD8 6JQ
- Tel: 01835 863925
- Audio guide available
- Open all year
- Admission: Adult £5.50 Child £3.30 Concessions £4.40



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MELROSE ABBEY 2

Melrose Abbey is a magnificent ruin on a grand scale with lavishly decorated masonry. The abbey is the burial place of Robert the Bruce's heart, now marked with a commemorative carved stone plaque. Visitors can also enjoy a small museum housing a display of artefacts found within the abbey. Audio tour and children's trail available.

- In Melrose off the A7 or A68
- Postcode TD6 9LG
- Tel: 01896 822562
- Open all year
- Admission: Adult £5.50 Child £3.30 Concessions £4.40



SMAILHOLM TOWER 3

Set high on a rocky outcrop, Smailholm is a well-preserved 15th-century rectangular tower, set within a barmkin wall. It houses an exhibition of tapestries and costumed dolls relating to Sir Walter Scott's *Minstrelsy of the Scottish Borders*. Audio guides available.

- Near Smailholm village, 6 m W of Kelso on the A6089 then follow the B6397 before turning on to the B6404
- Postcode TD5 7PG
- Tel: 01573 460365
- Open all year (Oct-Mar: open weekends only)
- Admission: Adult £4.50 Child £2.70 Concessions £3.60



DRYBURGH ABBEY 4

Dryburgh sits by the River Tweed, its remarkably complete medieval ruins making it easy to appreciate the attractions of monastic life. The abbey buildings were destroyed by fire three times and ravaged by war on four occasions, yet fine examples of ecclesiastic architecture and masonry remain. Part of a parkland landscape, there are many fine large trees including the Dryburgh Yew – one of the 100 most important trees in Scotland.

- 8 m SE of Melrose on the B6404, near St Boswells (turn left onto the B6356)
- Postcode TD6 0RQ
- Tel: 01835 822381
- Open all year
- Admission: Adult £5.00 Child £3.00 Concessions £4.00



HERMITAGE CASTLE 5

An awesome, eerie ruin, set in a lonely spot, Hermitage Castle has a history filled with intrigue, murders, trysts, torture and treason.

- 5.5 m NE of Newcastleton, B6399
- Postcode TD9 0LU
- Tel: 01387 376222
- Open summer only
- Admission: Adult £4.00 Child £2.40 Concessions £3.20



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“VERY ENJOYABLE VISIT- VERY HELPFUL STAFF. WELL WORTH THE COST OF THE VISIT.”



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Melrose Abbey	£5.50
Smailholm Tower	£4.50
Dryburgh Abbey	£5.00
Hermitage Castle	£4.00
Total Cost:	£24.50
Adult Pass:	£15.00
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