




Scottish History

Viking Invasions

The Vikings ruled the Western Isles from the 8th century bringing farming and craft skills. In 1263 the Scots won a fierce battle against Viking longships at Largs. Eventually Scotland bought the Western Isles.



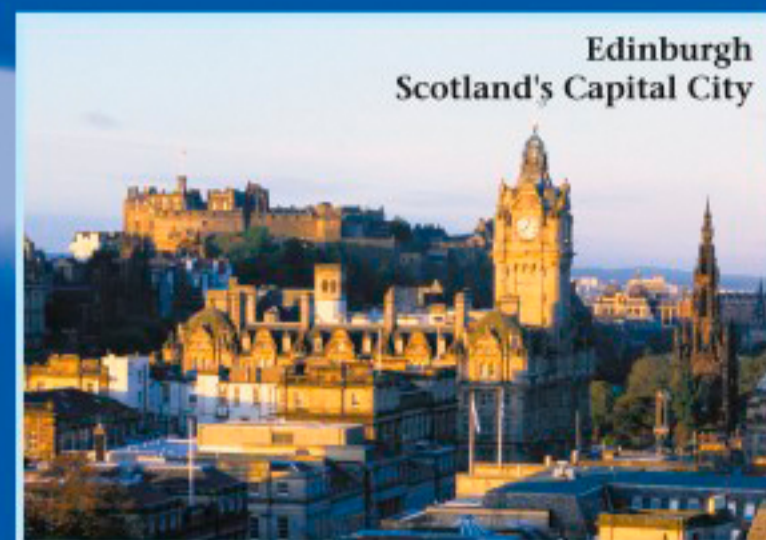
The Thistle

Scotland's National Flower



Edinburgh

Scotland's Capital City




William Wallace

1270-1305

One of Scotland's greatest heroes. Wallace fought Edward I of England and won a great victory at Stirling Bridge in 1297. He was betrayed and killed by the English.



Mary Queen of Scots

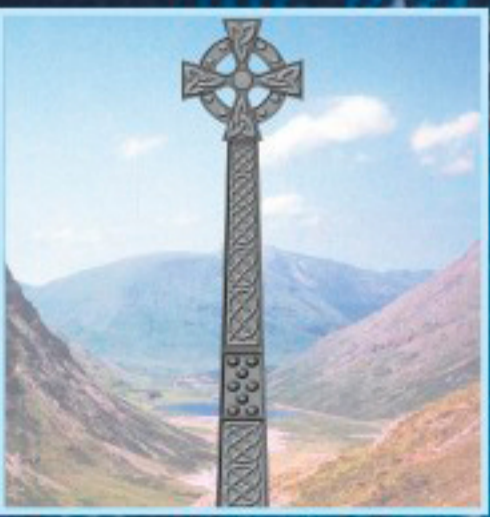
1542-1587

Mary, a Roman Catholic, returned to Protestant Scotland. She helped the poor, but was imprisoned by Elizabeth I for 18 years before being executed.



Robert the Bruce

Robert the Bruce was inspired to defeat the English at the battle of Bannockburn in 1314 after watching a spider spinning its web.

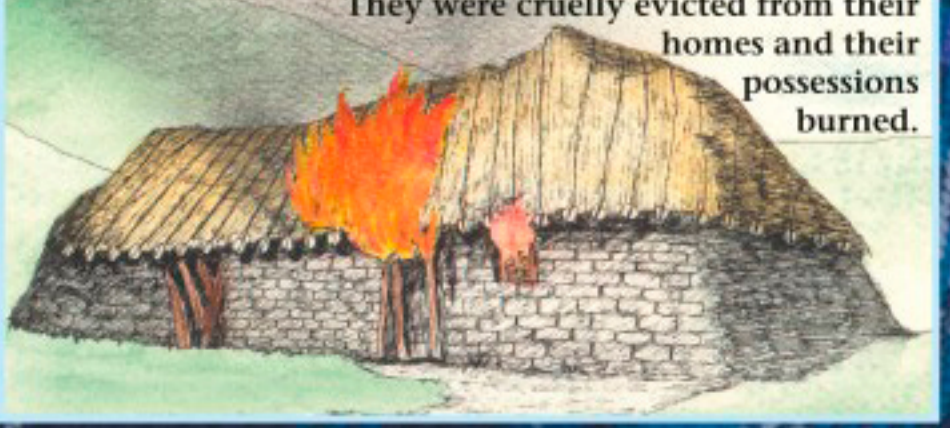


Glencoe Massacre

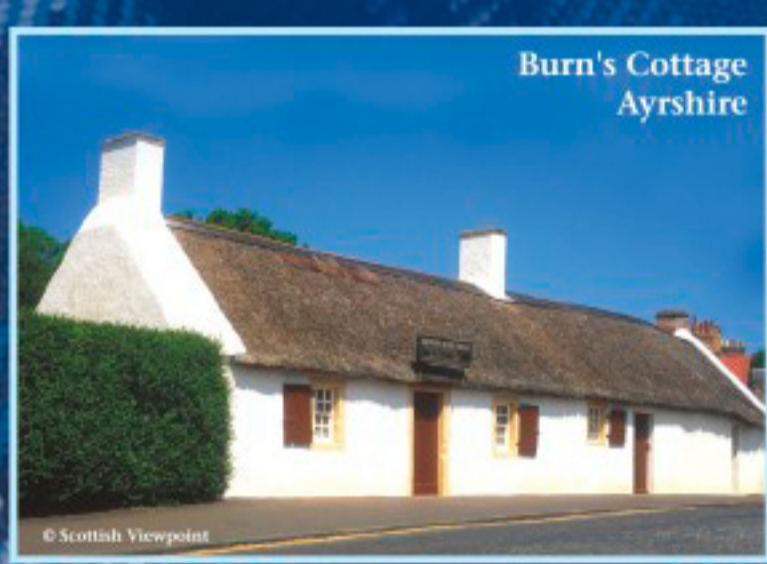
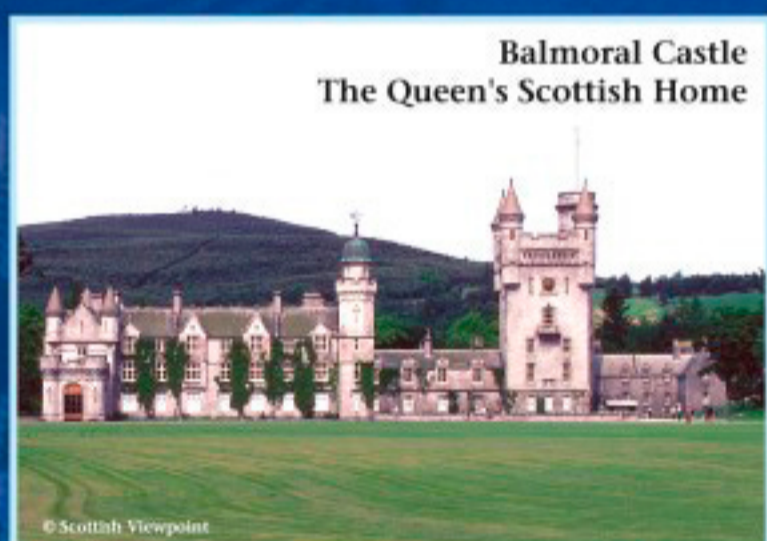
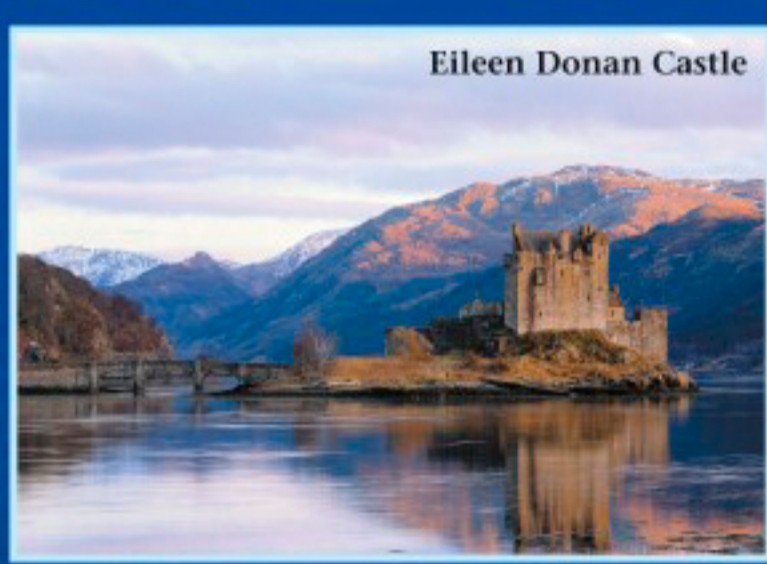
In 1692 the MacDonalds of Glencoe had not taken an oath of loyalty. Campbell's soldiers accepted their hospitality, stayed in their homes, then massacred them in their beds!

Highland Clearances

Highland chiefs were killed during the Jacobite rebellions. The clanfolk very poor and couldn't pay their rents. They were cruelly evicted from their homes and their possessions burned.




AD 80	Romans invade and build forts and roads
409	Romans leave Scotland
563	Columba sails to Iona as a missionary
793	Vikings raid the North and Western Isles
841	Malcolm II becomes a strong king bringing Scot's land and people together
1005	Malcolm III becomes king
1040	Macbeth becomes king after defeating Duncan in battle
1057	Malcolm III becomes king
1070	Malcolm III reigns and makes peace with William the Conqueror
1072	Malcolm III reigns and makes peace with William the Conqueror
1097	Edinburgh is made principal town
1173	King William's red lion becomes Scotland's emblem
1263	Alexander dies and Edward I of England claims Scottish throne
1286	Alexander dies and Edward I of England claims Scottish throne
1297	William Wallace leads Rebellion against the English
1305	William Wallace executed
1306	Robert the Bruce crowned King at Scone
1314	Robert the Bruce defeats the English at Bannockburn
1320	Declaration of Arbroath sent to the Pope, claiming Scottish Independence
1329	Robert the Bruce buried at Dunfermline Abbey
1513	James IV dies and Scots are defeated at the Battle of Flodden
1559	John Knox leads the Reformation
1567	Queen Mary flees to England
1587	Elizabeth has Mary executed
1603	James VI of Scotland also becomes James I of England
1688	William and Mary become King and Queen of Scotland and England
1689	"Bonnie Dundee's" Highlanders win battle at Killiecrankie
1692	The Campbells massacre the MacDonalds at Glencoe
1707	Union of Scotland and England as Great Britain
1719	General Wade sent to Scotland to build roads and forts
1745	Bonnie Prince Charlie sails to Scotland to lead the Jacobite rebellion
1746	Jacobites led by Bonnie Prince Charlie defeated at Culloden. Industrial and Agricultural Revolutions start
1782	Ban on wearing tartan lifted and kilt becomes national dress
1785	Highland clearances begin
1837	Victoria becomes Queen. Balmoral becomes her Scottish residence
1885	Scotland given its own minister
1901	Queen Victoria dies and Edward VII becomes King
1914	World War I - naval bases brought money and jobs to Scotland
1918	Hard times come after World War I, many Scots have been killed
1939	World War II involved the whole of Britain. River Clyde was Britain's main port
1945	World War II ends
1952	Queen Elizabeth II crowned
1970	Oil discovered in the North Sea
1997	Stone of Destiny returned to Edinburgh Castle
1999	Scottish Parliament formed



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