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Accessible Holidays

Searchable Websites with Accessible Venues/Holidays

Euan's Guide is an excellent website with reviews on all sorts of facilities. The reviews are are submitted by disabled people for disabled people and look at all aspects of accessibility.

You can find their contact details here:

https://www.euansguide.com/contact/

Disabledholidays.com https://www.disabledholidays.com/

The website provides a useful search facility for accommodation, tourist attractions and activities.

Ceiling Hoist Users Club (CHuC) https://www.chuc.org.uk/

(CHuC) provides information about away from home accommodation with hoists. You can search for hotels with ceiling hoists in different areas through their website.

Accessible Boat Trips

Wetwheels Edinburgh https://wetwheelsfoundation.org/locations/edinburgh/

The Wetwheels Foundation has Accessible boats in a few locations around the UK including Wetwheels Edinburgh where they provide tailored boating experience for disabled people with trips along the East Coast of Scotland.

Seagull Trust http://www.seagulltrust.org.uk/

Provides free, accessible cruises on Scotland's canals for disabled people. Cruises run from branches at Ratho near Edinburgh, Falkirk, Kirkintilloch and Highland. The boats are all wheelchair accessible with lifts and accessible toilets.

They enable people with physical, sensory and learning disabilities to experience exciting, challenging and enjoyable outdoor activities.



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Accessible accommodation in Scotland

The Homelands Accessible Holiday Lodges https://www.homelands-fife.co.uk/
Based in Fife. Rooms are accessible and have hoists. There is also a range of accessible equipment for disabled people, available to hire in addition to equipment provided in the lodge. Full details of accessibility information are found on the website.

Clober Farm https://cloberfarm.co.uk/

This is a wheelchair accessible cottage for self catering holidays that can sleep six people. It is located near Loch Lomond and The Trossachs. The website states: "In keeping with the wishes of the late Viv Donaldson, who bequeathed the original building to SIS, Clober Farm is exclusively available to be rented if your party includes a disabled individual who requires the adapted facilities we offer".

Eildon Holiday Cottages https://www.eildonmelrose.co.uk/accessibilty/
Based in Melrose (Scottish Borders). Provide a range of disabled equipment, including an electric height-adjustable profiling bed, electric ceiling hoists with continuous track to transport from bed to toilet and to bath. A portable hoist is available for use in five accessible cottages, and three of the cottages have a fixed ceiling trapeze pull. Cottages with showers have shower rooms — not cabinets and some have wetrooms. Full details of the facilities can be found on their website or you can contact them by phone or email here:

ROB@EILDONMELROSE.CO.UK 01896 823 258

Crieff Hydro Abercairney Cottage https://www.crieffhydro.com/accessibility/
Based in Perthshire. Facilities include wheelchair-accessible en-suite bedroom, with a hoist to aid travel from bed to bathroom.

Crathie Opportunity Holidays https://www.crathieholidays.org.uk/

Based in Cairngorm National Park. Facilities include wheel-in shower area with fold down shower seat, height-adjustable wash hand basin / mirror and closomat shower toilet. Ceiling track hoist and height-adjustable electric bed in each main bedroom.

For further information on accessible accommodation in Scotland, check out the accessible accommodation section at **Visit**

Scotland https://www.visitscotland.com/accommodation/accessible/



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Other Disabled Facilities

The National Key Scheme (NKS) (https://www.radarkey.org/index) offers disabled people independent access to locked public toilets around the country with a universal key formerly known as the RADAR key. You can purchase a National Key Scheme key from the website above or from Disability Rights UK (https://shop.disabilityrightsuk.org/products/radar-key). The phone number to purchase from their shop is 0203 687 0790.

For more information see our **Accessible Toilets information guide**. https://www.disabilityscot.org.uk/info-guide/accessible-toilets/

Travel insurance

Confused.com https://www.confused.com/travel-insurance/pre-existing-medical Provides a comparison page for people with pre existing medical conditions.

UK Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC). https://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/healthcare-abroad/apply-for-a-free-uk-global-health-insurance-card-ghic/

This replaced the European Health Insurance Card after the UK left the European Economic Community (EEC).

This can help you get essential healthcare that can't wait in the country that you are visiting but it will not necessarily be free if it is not free to the residents of that country and does not cover repatriation in case of accident or illness. It does not replace a need for medical insurance. The link above gives you details of who what is covered. For information on grants and trusts that you may be able to apply to for financial help you with your holiday, see our **Holiday and Respite Grants Guide**https://www.disabilityscot.org.uk/info-guides/holiday-and-respite-grants/

The UK Government Website https://www.gov.uk/transport-disabled
Has some good guidance on transport services for disabled people. This is a useful resource if you plan travel within the uk.

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