



The day after having been at the Military Tattoo, Kjell wanted «full Scottish breakfast», so we started to walk towards the city, but we didn't find any restaurant with this on the menu until we came into the city center. We had two different variants.



The restaurant lies in Rose Street.



Afterward we went down to the park below the castle. There were a lot of people out walking in the park.



A lot of nice flowerbeds.



A flowerbed. The Olympic games were held in London in 2012, and that is obvious here.



Still another flowerbed. Here is shown the Olympic rings.



Kjell is standing overlooking the park.



This is the Gardener's Cottage to the east in the park.



Kjell is walking up to the Royal Scots Regimental Memorial. It is a memorial, which is telling about all the combats where the Scottish regiment has been involved.



Here the name is displayed on the monument.



This stone is listing all the combats of the regiment from Tangier in 1680 to Burma in 1943-47.



There is a large grass area in the middle.



Not far away is a small stone, which is reminding about the 6 million jews who were eradicated during WWII.



On the way up to [The Mound](#).



Here we find the Olympic rings once more.

Walking these stairs up through [Milne's Court](#) to [Lawnmarket](#).



Through the wall.

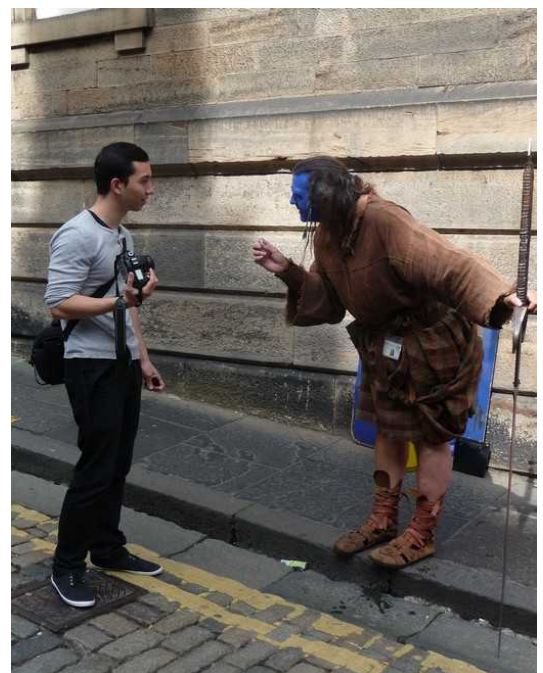


Street musicians in Lawnmarket.



Up Castlehill.

A scot for The Middle Ages.





Up on the Esplanade where the Military Tattoo is held.

Looking down Castlehill. In the middle of the picture is [Tolbooth Kirk](#), a former church, now The Hub with restaurants outside and inside.



We were sitting here the night before.



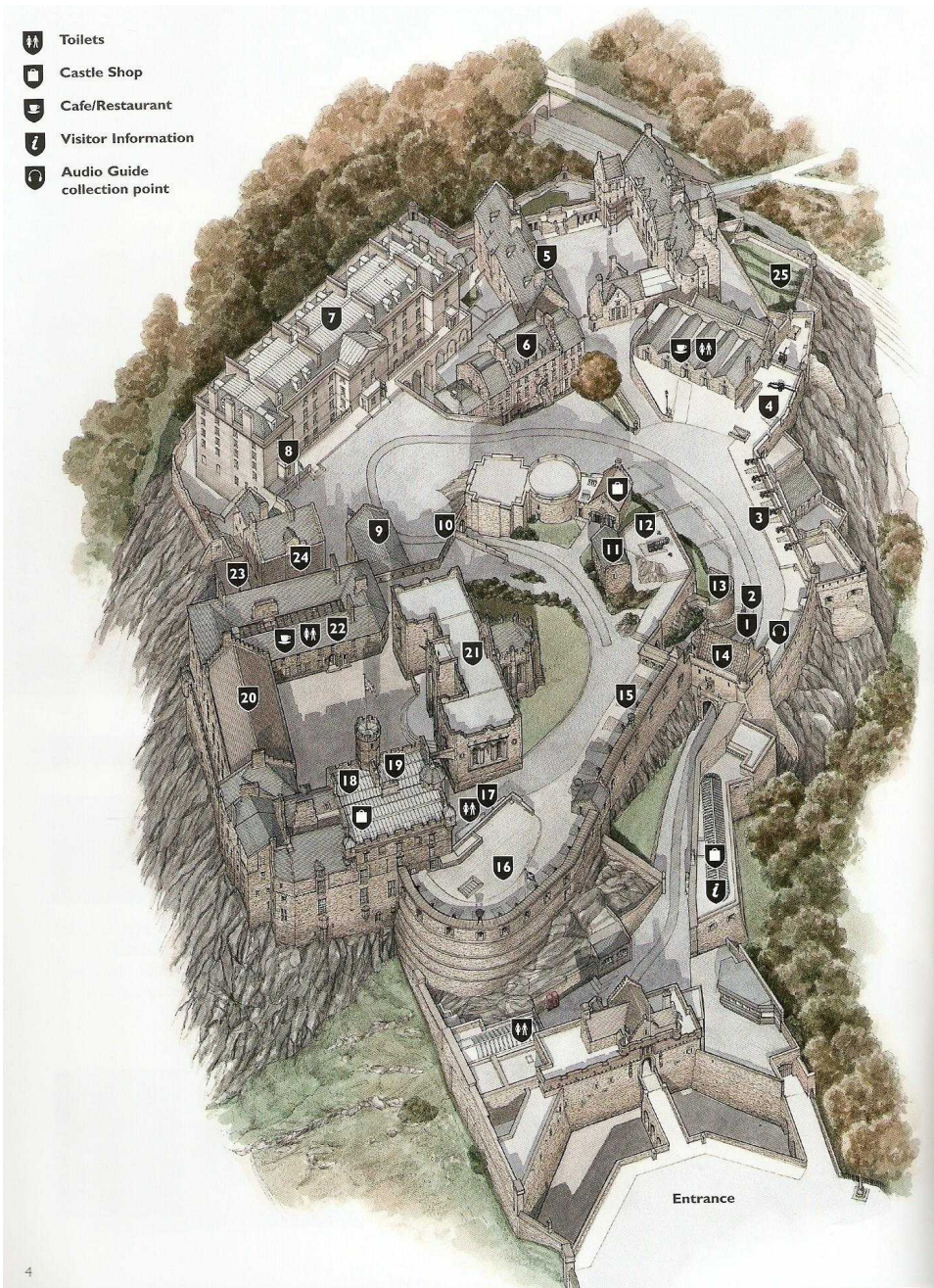
Further up.



The old guard house.



The inner gate to the castle, Portcullis Gate, with Argyle Tower.



-  Toilets
-  Castle Shop
-  Cafe/Restaurant
-  Visitor Information
-  Audio Guide collection point

- Illustration key**
- 1 Castle Gates
  - 2 Lang Stairs
  - 3 Argyle Battery
  - 4 One o'Clock Gun
  - 5 National War Museum
  - 6 Governor's House
  - 7 New Barracks
  - 8 Regimental Museum of The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards
  - 9 Regimental Museum of The Royal Scots
  - 10 Foog's Gate
  - 11 St Margaret's Chapel
  - 12 Mons Meg
  - 13 Dog Cemetery
  - 14 Argyle Tower
  - 15 Forewall Battery
  - 16 Half-Moon Battery
  - 17 David's Tower
  - 18 Royal Palace
  - 19 The Honours of Scotland: The Scottish Crown Jewels The Stone of Destiny
  - 20 Great Hall
  - 21 Scottish National War Memorial
  - 22 Prisons of War
  - 23 Dury's Battery
  - 24 Military Prison
  - 25 Western Defences



At the upper side of Argyle Tower.  
We can also see the Lang Stairs, 70 stairs up to the top.



A plaque En minneplate for Thomas Randolph who recaptured the castle in 1313 after it had been on the hands of the English in 20 years.



Anne Berit at Argyle Battery. There are 6 old cannons here.



When we look over the wall, we can look across to One o'Clock Gun. It is fired every day at 13, except Sundays, Good Friday and 1 Christmas Day.



More cannons at Argyle Battery.



One o'clock Gun. One of the crew is seen in the background.



The Cartshed. At a time there were 50 carriages here that brought goods up from the city to the garrison that was stationed here.



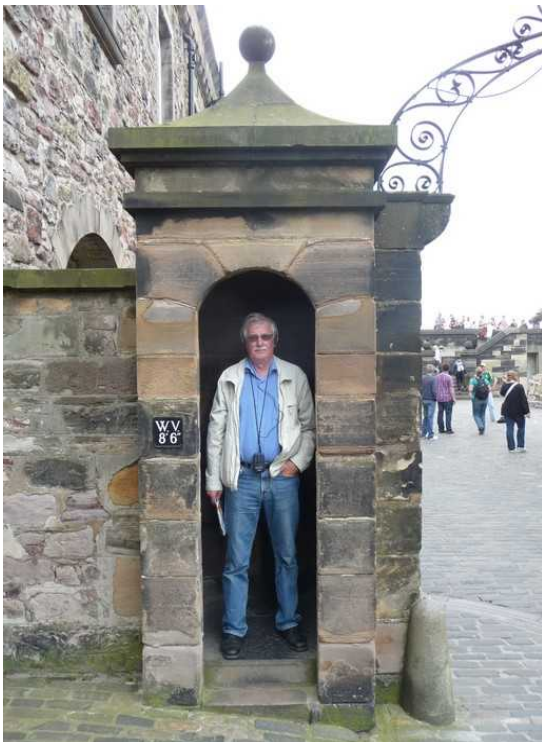
Nowadays Redcoat Cafe here is here. We were there the night before and had dinner in The Jacobite Room.



Down to The National War Museum. The museum is in the house to the left.



A morgue behind the car. The large building at the back was a hospital.



Kjell inside a gatehouse again.



A statue of [Douglas Haig](#).







Up the hill to the regiment museums.



Further up the hill to Foog's gate.



There are more museums up here that we were not visiting.



Looking up to the top where the Crown Square is.



This is Foog's Gate.



A view down to where we came from. The governor's house in the middle of the picture.



Up here is a souvenir shop where it also is possible to taste whisky (and then buy a bottle).



Looking from the souvenir to the Scottish National War Memorial.



[Scottish National War Memorial](#) to commemorate Scottish soldiers who fell during the two world wars and later.



Scottish National War Memorial, entrance. It was not allowed to take pictures inside.



Before going into the [Great Hall](#), we just have to take pictures of the clamps for the drainage pipes from the gutter.



The top of the pipe.



A coat of arms at the wall in the Great Hall.



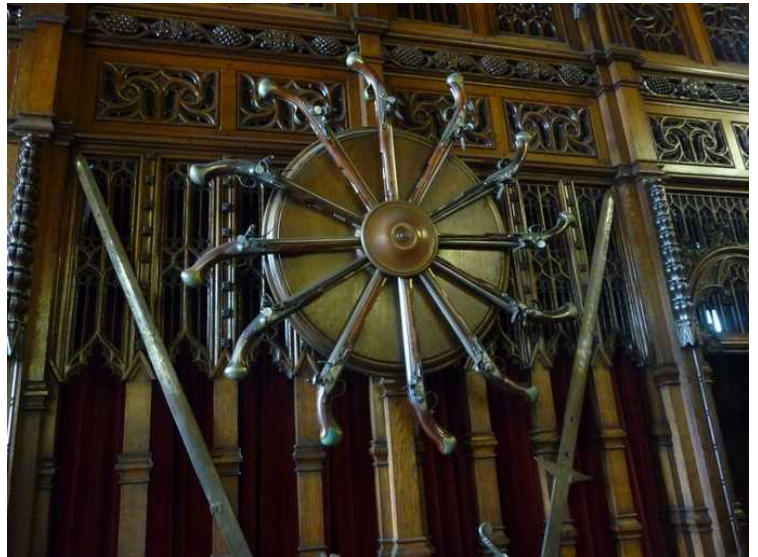
This is the [Royal Palace](#). The crown jewels are kept here. It is not allowed to take pictures inside.



Statues outside the entrance to the Scottish National War Memorial.



Inside the Great Hall.



Out again and on our way downtown.

Below the castle we entered a sightseeing bus, Hop-on-hop off.

This is at the reception area of [Our Dynamic Earth](#), which is a science center with expos that shows how the earth is created and shaped.



More pictures from the hall.



Our Dynamic Earth seen from outside.



The logo of Our Dynamic Earth.



We left the sightseeing bus at Haymarket and we had something to eat at one of the restaurants here.



View to the castle from Haymarket.

Now we were finished with Edinburgh for now. The next item on the schedule was the flight to Cardiff the next day.