

The Festive Experience 2010



THE BALMORAL
EDINBURGH

Heap on the wood! - the wind is chill;
But let it whistle as it will,
We'll keep our Christmas merry still.

Sir Walter Scott

The Balmoral

A world class hotel in every sense

Included in Condé Nast Traveller's Gold List - 2010

The Balmoral voted 1st within Scotland in
The World's Best 500 hotels 2009 - Travel & Leisure magazine

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Festive Celebrations

Located at the number one address in Edinburgh, The Balmoral is the perfect location for you to celebrate this year's festive season.

We have been welcoming guests since 1902 with roaring fires, Christmas decorations in abundance, warm Scottish hospitality and outstanding cuisine.
We look forward to welcoming you to The Balmoral.

Using only the finest locally sourced seasonal ingredients, Executive Chef Jeff Bland and his team have created a wide range of tasty and tempting menus.
We cater for all dietary requirements.

For your entertainment The Balmoral has put together a series of exciting and varied events to inspire and delight over the entire festive season.

Children of all ages are very welcome.

**To make a booking or for further information,
please contact our Events Team on + 44 (0)131 556 2414 or
E-mail christmas.balmoral@roccofortecollection.com**

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Celebration Lunches and Dinners

The Balmoral provides the best venue in Edinburgh for entertaining your guests. Kick start the festive celebrations in style with your own party (minimum numbers apply for exclusive use).

The Sir Walter Scott suite and all of our private dining suites boast stunning views, charming features, fireplaces and high ceilings.

Each event will be fashioned to your requirements with particular attention given to the small details that make all the difference. Depending on your event we can customise Christmas decorations, novelties and live entertainment.

Festive Afternoon Tea in Palm Court

Throughout December enjoy our award-winning Christmas Afternoon Tea while a choir creates a special Christmas mood with a selection of Christmas carols on selected dates.

Served daily from 1.30pm to 5.30pm. Advanced bookings are recommended.

£21 per person and £34.50 with a glass of Bollinger.

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The Balmoral Bar Festive Programme

The Balmoral Bar has become Edinburgh's leading cocktail bar. The focus of our bar menu is on the classics, with a twist - cocktails shaken and stirred to perfection, luxury and vintage champagnes and malt whiskies exclusive to The Balmoral.

Celebrate throughout December with Edinburgh's best cocktails created by our Bar Manager Fredrik Laseen and his team of professional mixologists.

Special Holiday Cocktail Tasting Experience
£30 per person

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Festive Parties

Enjoy Edinburgh's finest hospitality in grand style. Join us for a great party and then dance the night away!

Three course menus starting from £42 (please refer to the next page)
with a welcome glass of Prosecco.

All rooms have views of the Castle and the Christmas Market and can be booked on an individual table basis or for larger parties for exclusive use. Christmas novelties and entertainment included.

We would also be delighted to discuss bespoke parties catering for your own specific budget.

Dates are available throughout December. The evenings start at 7pm and carriages are at 1am.

Hadrian's

For a relaxed Christmas celebration, The Balmoral's ever popular brasserie, Hadrian's, is the ideal place for a stylish and slightly more informal celebration.

Hadrian's Festive Lunches and Dinners

Hadrian's Brasserie offers a relaxed Christmas celebration from 10th to 24th December.

Hadrian's festive lunches and dinners, created by Hadrian's Head Chef Peter Fleming are a treat not to be missed.

3 course lunch menu £26 and dinner £29.50

number one

The Balmorals' Michelin starred number one restaurant is the perfect place to celebrate your festive season with sophisticated and sumptuous cuisine.

number one has established a reputation for world-class cuisine using the very best of Scottish produce. The spacious and comfortable surroundings create a sophisticated ambience and our knowledgeable staff always ensure a memorable meal.

number one Festive Lunches

number one invites you to a festive lunch on 9th, 10th, 16th and 17th December.

If you would like to organise your own exclusive lunch on another date we would be delighted to hear from you.

£35 per person

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Festive Parties Menu

Enjoy our party nights in our various wonderful banqueting suites.

*Galia Melon, Figs, Dates and Orange Passion Fruit Dressing
or Spiced Vine Tomato and Lentil Soup with Basil Dressing*

*Breast of Scottish Chicken filled with Sage and Chive Stuffing, Brandy Sauce, Chipolatas and Bacon
or Gâteau of Celeriac, Wild Mushrooms, Chestnut with a Spinach and Sage Sauce*

*Chocolate Tart, Mixed Spiced Cream
or Christmas Pudding and Ice Cream*

Coffee and Handmade Chocolates

A wide selection of wines and drinks can be pre-ordered for your party.

Three course menus start from £42

Hadrian's Festive Menu

Honey Roasted Parsnip and Rosset Apple Soup

Terrine of Scottish Salmon Wrapped in Smoked Salmon with Horseradish, Lemon and Thyme Dressing

Scottish Game Sausage with Sauerkraut and Elderflower Jus

Salad of Red Wine Poached Pears, Gorgonzola and Chicory Leaves

Grilled Fillet of Plaice in a Capers, Almond and Prawn Butter with Crushed Ratte Potatoes

Roast Letham Turkey, Chestnut Stuffing, Cranberries and Pan Gravy

Grilled Rib Eye Steak with Chunky Chips and Pepper Sauce, Grilled Mushroom and Tomato

Pappardelle Pasta with Spinach, Cherry Tomatoes and Parmesan Cheese (v)

Balmoral Christmas Pudding with Rum Sauce

Classic Vanilla Bourbon Crème Brûlée

Traditional Hot Chocolate Fondant and Vanilla Ice Cream

Local and Continental Cheese Plate and a collection of other dishes including Cheese Plate

3 course lunch menu £26 and dinner £29.50

Bookings are advisable.

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Hadrian's Christmas Day Lunch

Celebrate Christmas Day and experience the festivities in style at Hadrian's and allow us to take care of your Christmas with our warm, friendly and renowned five-star hospitality. Enjoy live music and a glass of champagne on arrival, followed by a three course traditional Christmas menu with the finest wines to accompany your meal.

Duck Foie Gras Terrine with Squab Pigeon, Sherry Vinaigrette and Toasted Brioche
Cantaloupe Melon with Heather Honey and Mint Dressing
Seared West Coast Scallops, Jerusalem Artichoke Purée and Parsley

Fillet of John Dory on a bed of Wilted Baby Spinach with Fresh Mussel Chowder
Roast Breast of Letham Turkey with Traditional Garnishes
Fillet of Blairgowrie Beef, Tomato Fondant and Forestière Sauce
Twice Baked Cauliflower Cheese Soufflé

Balmoral Christmas Pudding and Rum Sauce
Traditional Colson-Basset Stilton Marinated in Port

Tea and Coffee

With a selection of the finest wines

Service from 12.30pm to 2.30pm.

Christmas lunch including specially selected wines £135
Children's menu (under 14) £68.50

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number one Christmas Day Lunch

Head Chef Craig Sandle has created a sensational bespoke three-course menu. Enjoy a glass of champagne before you experience our legendary number one service and exceptional Christmas lunch.

*Isle of Skye Crab, Langoustine Ravioli, Fennel Purée and Shellfish Sauce
Pure Foie Gras Roulade, Pressing of Confit Duck with an Orange Salad
Jerusalem Artichoke Veloute, Crispy Belly and Glazed Pigs Cheek, Pine Nut Crust*

*Free Range Turkey with Traditional Trimmings
Fillet of Halibut, Scallops and Bacon, Potato Mousseline, Baby Onions,
Beurre Noisette and Red Wine Jus
Roast Fillet of Scottish Beef "Rossini", Parmentier Potatoes,
Celeriac and Wild Mushrooms*

*Pineapple Parfait, Milk Chocolate Mousse, Coconut Sable and Exotic Sorbet
Balmoral Christmas Pudding, Armagnac Sauce
Stilton Marinated Port*

Coffee with Mince Pies

A wide selection of wines can be ordered on the day

Service from 12.30pm to 3.00pm.

£165 per person

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Hadrian's Fireworks Hogmanay

Hadrian's will again host a stylish and chic Hogmanay celebration allowing you to relax and make the night one to remember.

Head Chef Peter Fleming and his team have created an exceptional five course menu with a champagne reception. Entertainment will flow throughout the evening.

After dinner you can then enjoy the fireworks in a Castle View suite and toast in the New Year with a glass of champagne.

*Timbale of Scottish Crab and Plaice
with Cured Salmon and a Caviar Veloute*

Pink Grapefruit Sorbet with Kirsch

*Fillet of Blairgowrie Beef with Gratin Potatoes, Red Onion Marmalade
and Port Lees Sauce*

*Open Ravioli of Scottish Chanterel Mushrooms, Baby Spinach Leaves
with Paprika and Shaved Truffles*

Iced Passion Fruit Soufflé with Tropical Fruit Compote

Tea or Coffee with Mince Pies

Hogmanay at Hadrian's £145
Children under the age of 14 £72.50

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number one Fireworks Hogmanay

Hogmanay celebration in the Michelin starred restaurant number one will begin with a champagne and canapé reception, followed by an exclusive five course gourmet meal.

The evening concludes with a glass of champagne and the wonderful fireworks display over Edinburgh Castle, viewed from a Castle-view suite.

Canapés

Smoked Pigeon and Foie Gras Millefeuille, Raisin and Pear Salad

Scottish Halibut and Langoustine, Saffron Risotto, Baby Artichokes

Fillet of Beef, Braised Oxtail, Savoy Cabbage, Fondant Potato

Mango Passion Fruit Cream, Coconut Financier

Chocolate Orange Chibouste, Praline Croquant, Grand Marnier Ice Cream

Coffee and Petit Fours

£185 per person

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Hogmanay Gala Ball in Sir Walter Scott Suite

The Balmoral continues to host the most sophisticated and glamorous black-tie Hogmanay celebration in Edinburgh.

A champagne and canapé reception is followed by a stunning five-course menu created by our Michelin-starred Executive Chef, Jeff Bland with only the finest wines selected by our dedicated Sommelier.

With live entertainment, a DJ and Piper, dance the night away.

As midnight strikes with a glass of champagne in hand you can watch the breathtaking fireworks display from the best vantage point in Edinburgh.

£225 per person and children 12 to 18 £125

For those guests wishing to stay during the Hogmanay celebrations and attend the Gala Ball, packages start from £580 per person based on a two night stay in a classic room including breakfast, with two people sharing.

Please ask reservations for all other room categories.

Children's packages are available on request.

Balmoral Bar Fireworks Hogmanay

See in the New Year in Edinburgh's best and most exclusive hot-spot.

Enjoy a glass of champagne or cocktail, canapés and great atmosphere to take you and your friends in to 2011.

Exclusive and limited table reservations are available.

The evening includes viewing the firework display from one of our exclusive Suites.

Tickets for this exclusive event are £55

The evening starts at 9:00pm and finishes at 02:00am

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Hogmanay Gala Ball Menu

Foie Gras Terrine with Plum and Sultanas Chutney

Marinated King Prawn with Spiced Tomato

*Fillet of Blairgowrie Beef, Blade of Beef, Glazed baby onion,
Spinach Mash Potatoes, Turnip Fondant, Mushroom Jus*

Strathdon Blue Cheese, Walnut bread, Celery Salad

*Dark Chocolate Tart, White Chocolate Ice Cream,
Raspberry Parfait, Honey and Thyme Sauce*

Coffee and Handmade Chocolates

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Spend the night in luxury and celebrate with loved ones, friends or all the family

With Edinburgh's finest shopping on our doorstep, the museums, galleries and theatres a short walk away, The Balmoral really is the number one address in Edinburgh.

Gaze out over the twinkling lights of the city's Winter Wonderland and enjoy the calendar of events throughout December in our fair city.

Christmas Family Affair

Book one bedroom at The Balmoral and receive another bedroom for your children absolutely free, along with a wide range of children's goodies!

Overnight accommodation in two interconnecting executive rooms,
Full Scottish breakfast for adults and children.

Children under 3 years of age receive complimentary food and beverages.

£320 per night

Deluxe rooms are available at £370 per night

To book, please visit www.thebalmoralhotel.com

Not valid 30th and 31st December.

Hogmanay Gala Ball Experience

Stay two nights between 30th December and 1st January and attend the Gala Ball.

Packages start from £580 per person
based on a two night stay in a Classic room including breakfast,
with two people sharing.

Children's packages are available on request.

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The ideal Christmas present – Balmoral Gift Vouchers

The Balmoral Afternoon Tea for Two £42

With twenty exclusive loose-leaf teas to choose from and delicious sandwiches and cakes, Afternoon Tea at The Balmoral is an Edinburgh institution.

The Balmoral Champagne Afternoon Tea for Two £69

Choose from Bollinger or Ayala Rosé and enjoy all the traditions of Edinburgh's finest afternoon tea.

Enjoy our Cocktail Tasting Menu for Two £46

Treat a friend or loved one to more than a drink, give them an exciting experience.

Hadrian's Champagne Dinner £100

A three course meal for two with a bottle of champagne at our popular chic and stylish brasserie.

number one Gourmet Experience for Two £220

Enjoy an outstanding gourmet experience for two, with Michelin-starred number one's six-course tasting menu, including wines and champagne.

The ESPA Luxury Facial £75

This luxurious treatment concentrates on reviving the skin's natural moisture, paying particular attention to the delicate eye area, and includes a scalp massage to leave you feeling totally relaxed.

Bed and Breakfast at The Balmoral £215

This experience includes overnight accommodation with Full Scottish Breakfast in Hadrian's Brasserie or the comfort of your room for two people.

All gifts are available on our website.

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