

# Welcome



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STIRLING VENUES

Located within the stunning grounds  
of the University of Stirling

# A WARM WELCOME

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A very warm welcome to Stirling Venues, a unique collection of outstanding accommodation, conference and events facilities situated in the stunning grounds of the University of Stirling.

From our renowned Stirling Court Hotel to brand new high quality en-suite guest accommodation, we are perfectly positioned at the point where the Scottish Lowlands meet the Highlands, and only 40 minutes from both Edinburgh and Glasgow.

Said to be one of the most picturesque in Europe, our 330 acres of grounds are set against the impressive backdrop of the Ochil Hills and boast an 18th century castle, a golf course and loch.

## ENJOY YOUR STAY

As our guest you can enjoy an impressive range of facilities and activities on site, including:

- choice of self-catering, B&B and hotel accommodation
- restaurants, cafés and fine-dining
- award-winning conference and events facilities
- shopping area with bank, bookshop, gift shop, newsagent, pharmacy and mini-supermarket
- Macrobert Arts Centre with theatre, cinema, café bar and an exciting entertainment programme

- Free access to our Olympic sized swimming pool and fitness centre during your stay
- indoor and outdoor tennis courts
- sports hall
- football and rugby pitches
- 9-hole golf course
- putting green
- squash courts
- athletics track
- lochside walks
- bicycle hire
- University art collection

Managed by Stirling Venues, all profits from our accommodation, events and conference services are reinvested in the University to ensure an outstanding student experience for this and future generations.

We hope you enjoy your stay.

## CONTACT US

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## BY ROAD

### From the east, south or west of Stirling

Take the M9 to Junction 11. Once at the junction there is a roundabout which marks the end of the M9. From here, take the fourth exit to the A9. Continue on the A9 passing through two mini-roundabouts and the village of Bridge of Allan. At the third, larger, roundabout (Airthrey) take the first exit on to University Road West. You are now at the University of Stirling and can follow the signs to your accommodation or venue.

### From the north of Stirling

Take the A9 all the way through Bridge of Allan, passing straight ahead on the two mini-roundabouts until you come to the larger (Airthrey) roundabout. Take the first exit to University Road West and follow the signs to your accommodation or venue.

### Car parking

You are welcome to bring your car on to campus and parking is free throughout the grounds during the summer. During academic semesters demand for car parking spaces on campus can be very high. Pay and display ticket machines are in operation from 9am to 5pm from Monday to Friday when all vehicles, other than Blue Badge holders, are required to display a valid ticket. Please check the University of Stirling website at [www.stir.ac.uk](http://www.stir.ac.uk) for semester dates and car parking prices. All parking machines accept correct change with some also offering credit and debit card payment facilities.

Throughout the year guests at the Stirling Court Hotel can park for free in the hotel's designated parking area, subject to availability.

Please note that spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis only. They are not guaranteed as part of your accommodation or event booking. Motorbikes do not need to display a parking ticket unless they take up a full parking space.

Through our commitment to sustainable environmental policies, we are delighted to offer almost 500 bicycle parking spaces.

## BY BUS

The University of Stirling campus is well-served by excellent bus links from Stirling city centre. During peak times there are 19 buses per hour on the dedicated Uni Link service which runs just outside the train station. There is also an integrated public transport service from Stirlingshire, Clackmannanshire and Perthshire stopping either on the campus or immediately outside. For more details, visit [www.stagecoachbus.com](http://www.stagecoachbus.com)

Details on how to arrive in Stirling by coach from major towns and cities across Scotland are available on [www.citylink.co.uk](http://www.citylink.co.uk)

## BY TRAIN

Stirling boasts an excellent train service with fast and frequent trains from Edinburgh, Glasgow, Aberdeen and Inverness which connect with the national rail network across Scotland and the rest of the UK. For more details about your journey by rail, visit [www.scotrail.co.uk](http://www.scotrail.co.uk)

## BY AIR

You can fly to Edinburgh or Glasgow Airports direct from hundreds of airports internationally and across the UK. A range of public transport options can link you from the airport to their respective city centres - including taxi, bus or tram - where you can access either train or coach services to Stirling. The journey from Edinburgh or Glasgow city centre by coach to Stirling takes around an hour. If you are hiring a car from Glasgow Airport the journey time will be approximately one hour, and around 45 minutes from Edinburgh Airport.



Discover the range of transport options for getting to the University of Stirling at [www.travellinescotland.com](http://www.travellinescotland.com)

# ACCESSIBLE AND SAFE



We are committed to providing a welcoming and accessible environment for all.

We offer a range of accessible guest accommodation. Please contact us for more information.

All main buildings have passenger lifts and accessible toilets. Lecture theatres have wheelchair accessible stations, audio/visual and other support systems installed. External steps are white edged and internal stairs are mostly fitted with contrasting edge nosing. Many doors have been fitted with automated door opening buttons.

While most footpaths have gentle gradients and paved walkways, given our extensive grounds there are some areas where steeper gradients or steps are unavoidable.

We are proud of our safe and welcoming environment. To help ensure you enjoy your visit our Security Team provides cover 24 hours per day, 365 days of the year. A network of CCTV cameras are also in place for your safety and security.

Please note that In compliance with the Smoking, Health & Social Care (Scotland) Act 2005, Stirling Venues operate a strict No Smoking policy throughout all venues including bedrooms.



Stirling offers an ideal gateway to the best of Scotland's visitor attractions.

In less than an hour you can explore the castle, cobbled streets, museums and art galleries of Edinburgh, or head west to savour the sights and sounds of vibrant Glasgow.

But you don't have to venture far to have fun. The University's campus is nestled beneath the Wallace Monument, the towering tribute to 'Braveheart', Sir William Wallace. Meanwhile, less than two miles away, you can explore Stirling Castle and step into a world of plots, passion and intrigue.

You can also enjoy a steam boat on Loch Katrine, experience the engineering genius of the Falkirk Wheel or prepare for adventure at the Battle of Bannockburn visitor centre, the scene of Robert the Bruce's epic victory in 1314.

For more ideas of where to go and what to see during your stay, visit:

[www.visitscotland.com](http://www.visitscotland.com)

[www.destinationstirling.com](http://www.destinationstirling.com)

## GETTING AROUND

### Walking

There are a number of walking trails around campus ranging from short strolls to a full trek up neighbouring Dumyat Hill. Bridge of Allan town centre is a mere 0.7 miles away and the railway station is only 1.3 miles. Stirling town centre, including the train and bus stations, are just two miles away.

### Cycling

Make the most of our partnership in the nextbike scheme which provides a new fun way to get around the Stirling area. Ideal for short hops around town or even longer adventures, with more than 300 bikes at 10 pick-up points across the area – three of these on campus – nextbike offers a fun, affordable and flexible way to see the heart of Scotland on just two wheels.

More information about nextbike is available from [www.nextbike.co.uk/en/stirling](http://www.nextbike.co.uk/en/stirling) or visit [www.my.stirling.gov.uk/cyclepaths](http://www.my.stirling.gov.uk/cyclepaths) for details of local cycle paths.

### Buses and taxis

A regular bus service runs to Stirling city centre from two stops within the University grounds. A number of good quality local taxi firms also service the campus.

## A MONUMENT TO SCOTLAND'S BRAVEHEART

...on the summit of the Abbey Craig,  
above the fields where William Wallace  
led his army to victory at  
The Battle of Stirling Bridge.

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legacy of Scotland's National Hero.



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# EATING AND SHOPPING



## EATING

We offer a range of catering options to suit all tastes, appetites and budgets whether you are enjoying a family holiday, group activity, conference or special event.

### Open all year:

#### Refresh

Our fantastic brasserie offering delicious food and a licenced bar in a relaxed social space. Based in Willow Court, Refresh has a buzzing atmosphere and is a firm favourite with its all-day dishes and daily specials. Open seven days from 7am until late.

#### Stir Café

In the busy hub of the Andrew Miller Building, Stir Café is the perfect place to enjoy fresh, high quality deli sandwiches and daily chef's specials. Pop in any time from 8.30am to 4pm (weekends from 10am to 3pm) for a tempting variety of cakes and pastries to compliment the great-tasting Fairtrade coffee.

#### The Bite and The Pod

These perfectly placed 'grab and go' outlets offer a great range of soups, sandwiches, paninis, and savoury and sweet snacks throughout the day. The Bite is in our Cottrell building and The Pod in Pathfoot. Both are open all year round from 8am to 4pm, Monday to Friday.

#### Market Street

If you're looking for a range of food and tasty snacks from around the world look no further than Market Street, based in the central hub of the Andrew Miller Building in the heart of the campus. From hot dogs and pizza to burgers, wraps and a range of healthy options, enjoy fantastic meal deals and great coffee from 8am to 2.30pm, Monday to Friday.

#### Clive Ramsay's

Clive Ramsay offers a range of menus for all appetites at two distinct venues on campus. The arts hub's café bar opens at 9am Monday to Friday (Saturday and Sunday from 10am), serving wraps, bagels, rolls, paninis, flatbreads, sandwich selections and a variety of homemade soups. There are also a selection of salads and hot meals such as stovies, pasta dishes, curries, chilli, lasagne and baked potatoes, plus a large range of cakes, pastries and traybakes.

Zingermans Sports Cafe offers healthy food for healthy appetites and is also open seven days a week from 8am until 8pm Monday to Friday and until 5pm at weekends.

#### Stirling Court Hotel restaurant and bar

Seating up to 230, our light and airy Abbey Craig Restaurant is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Developed by our team of award-winning chefs, our seasonal menu featuring local produce offers a wide variety of hot and cold dishes for every taste. Catering can also be served in any meeting room, our lovely Windows on the Wallace conservatory or the bar lounge area. Open all day, every day.

# EATING AND SHOPPING



## Open during semester only:

### Haldane's

Traditional favourites with a contemporary twist – plus a whole lot more! Haldane's, based in the Andrew Miller Building, offers a new menu each day, from Mexican and noodles to contemporary Scottish cuisine. You can also choose delicious fresh salad and dressings from our self-service salad bar. Open 12pm to 2.30pm, Monday to Friday.

### Pathfoot Eatery

Much like its sister venue Haldane's, Pathfoot Eatery offers the very best of Scottish and international meals in a relaxed environment with stunning views over Stirling and the castle beyond in the adjoining Oscars seating area. Open 12pm to 3pm, Monday to Friday. For semester dates, please visit [www.stir.ac.uk](http://www.stir.ac.uk)

## SHOPPING

We have a range of shopping facilities on site meaning you don't need to venture further than our glorious grounds during your stay. All shops are in the Andrew Miller Building. Opening times vary throughout the year.

### Mini Supermarket

Stocking a range of groceries, our mini supermarket is ideal for those on a self-catering break.

### Newsagent

Catch up on all the latest news, or just spoil yourself with sweet treats and a good magazine.

### Pharmacy

Nurse away minor ailments or sniffles, or simply pamper yourself with the extensive aromatherapy range. Make up also available to buy.

### Bookshop

For those looking to broaden their mind with a good read, the University bookshop stocks a wide range of fiction and non-fiction titles.

### Santander

Our on-site bank is available to assist you with a wide range of financial transactions. ATM also available for instant cash.

### Union Shop

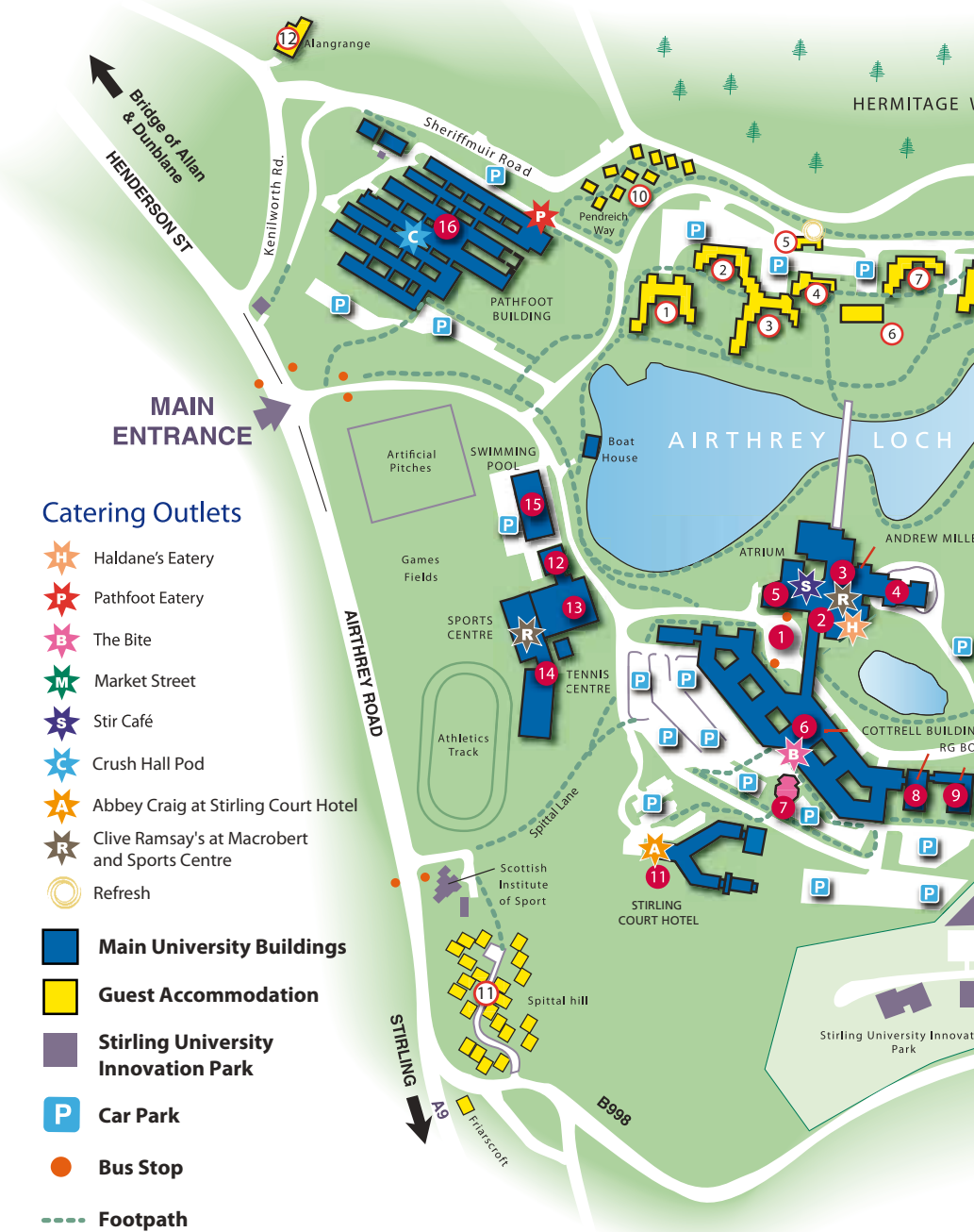
The Stirling University Students' Association Shop stocks a wide range of gift items bearing the University brand. Also stocks stationery, gifts and occasion cards.

## BEAUTY TREATMENTS

### Unique Beauty Therapy

Based in the sports centre, Unique offers a wide range of treatments and uses organic products. Open all year.

# CAMPUS MAP





## Key Places

- |                              |                                  |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 Queen's Court              | 10 Iris Murdoch Building         |
| 2 Macrobert Arts Centre      | 11 Stirling Court Hotel          |
| 3 Andrew Miller Building     | 12 Gannochy Sports Centre        |
| 4 Robbins Centre (The Union) | 13 MP Jackson Fitness Centre     |
| 5 Library                    | 14 National Tennis Centre        |
| 6 Cottrell Building          | 15 Robertson Trust Swimming Pool |
| 7 Logie Lecture Theatre      | 16 Pathfoot Building             |
| 8 RG Bomont Building         | 17 Airthrey Castle               |
| 9 Colin Bell Building        | 18 Golf / Sports Pavilion        |

## Guest Accommodation

- |                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| 1 Andrew Stewart Hall      | 7 Muirhead House                            |
| 2 H. H. Donnelly House     | 8 Juniper Court                             |
| 3 Fraser of Allander House | 9 Alexander Court<br>(Including Townhouses) |
| 4 Polwarth House           | 10 Pendreich Way                            |
| 5 Willow Court             | 11 Spittal Hill                             |
| 6 Beech Court              | 12 Alangrange                               |

# SPORTS



No visit to the campus of Scotland's University for Sporting Excellence would be complete without visiting our fantastic facilities which boast:

- Badminton courts
- Squash courts
- Fitness suite
- 50m swimming pool
- 10 indoor and outdoor tennis courts
- Floodlit grass and artificial pitches
- A 9-hole, par 3 golf course with breath-taking views of the Ochil Hills and Wallace Monument
- Clive Ramsay's café at the Sports Centre

Train in the footsteps of the world's best athletes!

All of our guests can enjoy free access to the impressive fitness suite and pool. Packages are also available for booked group activities using the sports facilities.

For more information and to plan your visit to make the most of the facilities, please visit [www.stir.ac.uk/sport-at-stirling](http://www.stir.ac.uk/sport-at-stirling)





## MACROBERT ARTS CENTRE

Based in the heart of the campus, Macrobert Arts Centre is a nationally-renowned cultural hub. With a huge variety of activities, featuring more than 400 live performances of drama, comedy, opera, dance, music, musical theatre and art exhibitions each year, and a cinema screening a year-round programme of blockbusters, arthouse movies, classics, documentaries, world cinema and children's films, there's always something for every interest.

The centre also runs a wide range of classes, workshops, creative events and performance opportunities and aims to make them accessible to people of all ages and from all backgrounds and groups. Facilities include:

- Main theatre with auditorium for up to 468 people
- Studio theatre with seating for 80 to 100
- Workshop, rehearsal, meeting and exhibition spaces
- Cinema with 135 seats
- Clive Ramsay's at Macrobert restaurant

For information about what's on and to book tickets visit [www.macrobert.org](http://www.macrobert.org) or call 01786 466666.

# ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS



## ROOMS, APARTMENTS AND CHALETS

Willow Court and Beech Court are our two contemporary guest accommodations on campus. These offer a total of 400 en-suite rooms, 14 of which are larger double studios. From September 2015, the newly-built Juniper Court will offer an additional 251 en-suite rooms, of which eight are studios. All rooms are equipped to a high standard and are available as B&B or room-only options. They can be booked as individual rooms or grouped into self-contained flats of up to 10 bedrooms. All rooms have access to a separate modern kitchen, dining and living area with tea and coffee making facilities and TV/DVD combi sets.

We also offer other accommodation in our Donnelly, Fraser and Alexander Court apartments, Alexander Court townhouses, and Pendreich Way and Spittal Hill chalets. Available from early June to early September each year these have fully equipped kitchens and shower rooms and most have a sitting and dining facility. Each Pendreich Way chalet has a TV, however reception can be intermittent due to woodland setting.

Visitors looking for accommodation off-campus can book John Forty's Court, one mile away and closer to the centre of Stirling.

All guests can make use of the four chargeable on-site laundry facilities. Irons and ironing boards are available in the shared kitchens.

All accommodation includes sheets, duvet cover and towel. Blankets are available if required. Kitchens are supplied with cutlery, crockery and cooking utensils. Two-pin 115-230v shaving sockets are available in a number of our accommodations; adaptors can be requested at reception. Please bring your own choice of toiletries. In line with our environmental policy towels will be changed once per week for self-catering accommodation and once every three days in all other accommodation. If you have any additional requests please contact reception.

A pay phone is available in the main Andrew Miller building. In an emergency please visit reception.

We welcome families and can provide travel cots and high chairs at a small additional charge. Please book these in advance of arrival.

Check in is from 3pm on date of arrival and check out is by 10am on day of departure.



Example of guest accommodation

## Overview

Accommodation type	Sleeps
Willow Court, Beech Court and Juniper Court	643 single en-suite rooms, 22 double en-suite studios
Pendreich Way and Spittal Hill Chalets	6 people (1 twin, 4 single, 2 shower rooms)
Alexander Court Apartments	7 people (1 twin, 5 single or 7 single with 2 shower rooms)
John Forty's Court Apartments	7 people (7 single with two shower rooms or 7 en-suites)
Donnelly and Fraser Flats	2 to 7 people (single rooms with shared shower facilities)

# STIRLING COURT HOTEL



Nestled in the shadow of the famous Wallace Monument, and basking in glorious views of the Ochil Hills on the edge of our stunning campus, Stirling Court Hotel features 100 rooms with a mix of doubles, twins, a spacious suite and four specially equipped rooms for disabled guests.

All bedrooms are en-suite and feature direct dial telephone, complimentary tea and coffee making facilities, hairdryer, trouser press and flatscreen TV with Freeview. Staff are always on hand with our reception desk and room service open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Our restaurant and bar are open to residents and non-residents where you can enjoy a delicious Costa coffee or a tantalising malt after a meal prepared by our award-winning chefs.

You can check in from 2pm on the day of arrival and check out is 10am on the day of departure, unless alternative arrangements have been made in advance.



# CONFERENCES, EVENTS AND WEDDINGS



Whether you are planning an event with a difference, delivering a training programme or organising an exhibition, our dedicated team of experienced events co-ordinators and ideal facilities will help ensure success.

## CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

An award-winning centre for excellence in conference management, our extensive facilities are all on site and include:

- 10 large lecture theatres including the 468-seat theatre in the Macrobert Arts Centre
- 70 fully equipped seminar/breakout rooms all with high specification presentation facilities
- Major dedicated exhibition areas to meet a wide range of requirements
- 26 fully equipped conference and meeting rooms in Stirling Court Hotel
- A range of private dining options for large corporate events
- Exclusive use of the Iris Murdoch self-contained conference suite

The picturesque and historical grounds are also available to hire and make an ideal location for a large-scale marquee event.

## CELEBRATION CATERING

Whether you're planning an intimate private dining experience, a family meal or a Christmas buffet and drinks reception we look forward to welcoming you at any time of year to the perfect venue.

## WEDDINGS

Stirling Court Hotel is a hidden gem for those looking for an ideal wedding venue in stunning surroundings. With highly commended food, quality accommodation including a spacious bridal suite, and a spectacular backdrop, the hotel offers a fantastic venue for wedding ceremonies and celebrations to take place for parties of 10 up to 300.

Let us help you make your day extra special.

For more information, visit [www.stirlingcourthotel.com](http://www.stirlingcourthotel.com)





## USING OUR COMPUTERS

The University of Stirling's network service is provided by the Joint Academic Network (JANET) which is a private network. As such we can only give network/internet access to those visitors who have had an individual network account assigned to them as part of a group of visitors on campus (e.g. a conference).

We cannot provide network access to members of the public or walk in users. Network accounts for conference and group members can be arranged. Please contact our Stirling Venues event co-ordinators team on **01786 466000** or email [stirlingvenues@stir.ac.uk](mailto:stirlingvenues@stir.ac.uk) for more information.

If you are visiting from an institution that participates in the eduroam service then you can connect at the University of Stirling using the instruction provided in advance by your own organisation.



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