

Greenock, Scotland

The port of Greenock (pronounced Gree-nuk) is utilized as an access point to Glasgow and the Scottish Highlands. It is 25 miles, or approximately 40 mins from the center of Glasgow.



Within walking distance of the port:

- Victoria Tower – The 245' tall tower is the most striking structure in town, part of the Municipal buildings.
- Mount Kirk – One of the first Presbyterian churches built in Scotland.
- The Greenock Cut – Pathway through the countryside with views over the Clyde estuary, averages a three hour walk to the top and Greenock Cut Visitor Centre.
- Dunrod Hill – climb up and take in the views.
- Lyle Kirk - Built in 1591 and moved to the present location, beside the cruise terminal in 1928.
- Greenock Golf Club - Welcomes visitors. Hilly course, cart recommended. [Golf Pre-season](#)

Glasgow

The easiest way to get to Glasgow is by train. The two train stations in Greenock are Greenock West and Greenock Central, both located within a 15-20 minute walk from the pier. Trains to Glasgow depart frequently, 3 or more times per hour, and the trip takes approximately 40 minutes.

Sights in Glasgow:

- Glasgow Cathedral - Aka St Mungo Cathedral or the High Kirk of Glasgow, built in the 12th century it's the oldest building in the city and mainland Scotland. The pulpit is a must see, a medieval carved stone dating from the early 15th century. Home to a large collection of stained glass windows found throughout Great Britain post war.
- Glasgow Necropolis - A 37 acre Victorian garden cemetery. It houses the graves and mausoleums of the Victorian elite and other prominent people of Glasgow. Located on a hill overlooking the town, this unique cemetery has beautiful memorial stones, statues and buildings.
- The Bagpipe Museum - Learn about Scotland's tradition and its musical heritage, traditions, and see the piping collections; including the oldest bagpipe.



In the area

- Stirling Castle - One of Scotland's largest and most iconic castles. The fortress was built in the 12th century, in the strategic location atop Castle Hill overlooking the River Forth. (50 miles +/- from Greenock, day excursions are available)
- Aberfoyle - A Victorian village in the Scottish countryside, home of the The Scottish Wool Center. The center offers a daily sheep



shearing and herding demonstration, interactive activities, and a large store with a variety of Scottish merchandise. (40 miles +/- from Greenock, day excursions are available)

- Balloch - Go to this Village for a scenic boat ride across Loch Lomond. The Loch is the largest freshwater lake in Britain; it has played an important role in Scottish literature and history.

Foods

- Scotch pies - Decadent mini treats, crust is crispy and flaky, with rich minced mutton meat in the centre.
- Cock-a-Leekie Soup - Similar to chicken soup, it's made with peppered chicken stock, thickened with rice and barley, seasoned with onions, leeks, bay leaves and thyme.
- Mull Cheddar Cheese - Very unique cheese, the secret to its creamy richness with a tang is the cow's diet. The cows on the Isle of Mull are fed fermented grain produced by the nearby Tobermory Distillery!
- Rumbledthumps - This dish combines butter-sauteed cabbage with onions and mashed potatoes, topped with cheddar cheese, then baked until golden brown.
- Scottish Tablet - A sweet treat something like a crumbly fudge, made from butter, condensed milk, and sugar.
- Neeps and Tatties - Turnips and potatoes boiled then mashed together, creating a creamy side dish.
- Deep Fried Mars Bars - A new Scottish favorite. Battered then deep fried.
- Cullen Skink - thick soup made from smoked fish, potatoes, onions, and a creamy broth.
- Haggis - Mutton, mixed with fresh onions, oatmeal, seasonings, beef suet, and dried herbs.
- Stovies - A side dish made mostly of potatoes with onions, carrots, fat, and meat.
- Cranachan - This dessert is made from layers of whipped cream, whisky, fresh raspberries, oat groats, and honey; served in a tall glass.
- Bridie - A savoury pie with minced steak, butter, and beef suet, baked inside shortcrust pastry.



Language

English, though you're likely to hear Gaelic spoken in some areas.

Currency

British Pounds. Credit cards are widely accepted.

Driving

Left side, valid US Driver's License needed.

Guided Tours

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A WALKING TRAIL THROUGH TIMES, PEOPLE AND PLACES

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- 1 The Customs House 1PL
- 2 Cathcart Street 2PL
- 3 Bank Street 3PL
- 4 Cathcart Square 4PL
- 5 William Street 5PL
- 6 Fire Brigade Museum 6PL
- 7 Municipal Buildings 7PL
- 8 Kilblain Street 8PL
- 9 Inverkip Street Cemetery 9PL
- 10 The Sheriff Court 10PL
- 11 Greenock Cemetery 11PL
- 12 George Square 12PL
- 13 James Watt Library 13PL
- 14 Jamaica Street 14PL
- 15 Ardgowan Square (east) 15PL
- 16 Ardgowan Square (west) 16PL
- 17 Esplanade 17PL
- 18 Patrick Street 18PL
- 19 Glebe Sugar House 19PL
- 20 Site of the Old West Kirk 20PL
- 21 The Waterfront 21PL

