

# CONNECTION

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## Profile

# The People's Palace in Glasgow, Scotland (2)



With the many points of interests I have visited in Glasgow, I loved the People's Palace the most. The special atmosphere here is typically Glaswegian. This is a museum of ordinary life. I saw nothing fancy or outstandingly old, but gained a fascinating insight into how the average Scottish families lived, worked, and played during the not-so-distant past.

The People's Palace is an impressive Victorian red-sandstone building dating from 1894. It houses an intriguing museum dedicated to the city's social history. Included among the exhibits is one devoted to the ordinary folks of Glasgow, called the People's Story.

The McLellan Arch stands tall like a beacon to the area. A plaque in front of the People's Palace read, "In memory of those who opposed world war one in order to challenge the purpose

of the war and the waste of lives. They also campaigned for social and economic justice and against the exploitation of those who lived in the city during the War."

Behind the museum are the tranquil Winter Gardens and a popular café. Taking a walk through the pristine green grass and fragrant flowers, I could feel the brilliance and vitality of the Glasgow Green Park.

Although it is impossible to see all of Glasgow in just a few days, it was enough time for me to see the major sights of Glasgow, with time to take in the fascinating Scottish culture in Glasgow.

The City of Glasgow offers practically every aspect of the Scottish culture but also shows plenty of individuality. Glasgow is one of the top retail centers in England, with the Buchanan Galleries as a flagship mall. Within easy walking distance at the other end of Buchanan Street, Princes Square is on a more intimate scale. However, there are a lot of other sightseeing choices before exploring Byres Road by Glasgow University in the West End or the

Italian Center.

During the 19th century the city's population grew from 80,000 to more than a million. The new prosperity gave Glasgow its grand neoclassical buildings, as well as the adventurous visionary buildings. These creative architects and builders produced Glasgow's Arts and Crafts Movement.

I saw these words on the Coat of Arms of Glasgow: "Here's the tree that never grew. Here's the bird that never flew. Here's the fish that never swam. Here's the bell that never rang." I asked our tour guide about the meaning of these words. He replied, "We just wanted to use these words to express our hope for the future."

On my way back to my hotel after a long day of sightseeing, I saw the cloudy sky cleared to a brilliant blue. A mist rose from the earth and the air became fresh. The delightful atmosphere just mirrored my feelings. They could be sweet as the harmony of the spring. These all seem an undeserved bonus granted me by a mysterious benefactor.



▲ the McLellan Arch stands tall like a beacon to the Glasgow Green Park



▲ feeling the brilliance and vitality surrounding the tranquil Winter Gardens in Glasgow, Scotland



▲ in front of the formidable entrance to Scotland's Glasgow Green



▲ the People's Palace in Glasgow, Scotland, is an impressive Victorian red-sandstone building dating from 1894

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