

# TRAVELS NOW AND THEN

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## SCOTLAND 2003

# IRELAND 2003

### Ireland Aug., 2003.

- Fri. Aug. 1 D+C, K+fam: Fly UA934 LAX-LHR, 6.10pm-12.40am  
Dana: Fly BA66 PHL-LHR, 7.00pm-7.05am
- Sat. Aug. 2 D+C, K+fam: Arr. LHR 12.40am. Fly BD088, LHR-BHD, 3.20pm-4.35pm  
Dana: Arr. LHR 7.05am. Fly BD082, LHR-BHD, 8.55am-10.10am  
Drive to 56 Belvedere Park, Castlerock (Colin will have the key)
- Sun. Aug. 3
- Mon. Aug. 4
- Tues. Aug. 5
- Wed. Aug. 6
- Thur. Aug. 7
- Fri. Aug. 8
- Sat. Aug. 9
- Sun. Aug. 10
- Mon. Aug. 11
- Tues. Aug. 12
- Wed. Aug. 13
- Thur. Aug. 14
- Fri. Aug. 15 D+C: Fly EJ483, BFS-EDI, 6.45am-7.40am (E2CLLGP)  
Kath: Dep. BHD at 6.45am. Fly UA, LHR-LAX  
Dana: BD085, BHD-LHR, 11.10am-12.25pm, BA69, LHR-PHL, 4.15pm-7.10pm  
D+C: Alamo Rental Car (14670116) Drive to Jedburgh (51 miles)  
Stay Meadhon House, 48 Castlegate (577025)
- Sat. Aug. 16 Edinburgh. Drive to Kinross (27 miles) ✓ 13  
Stay with Adele and Bruce at Dulciana, Bishop Terrace, Kinnesswood.
- Sun. Aug. 17 Drive to Fort William (121 miles)  
Stay at Best Western Glenspean Lodge, Roy Bridge (637455809)
- Mon. Aug. 18 Drive to Isle of Skye (124 miles)  
Stay at Flodigarry Hotel, Staffin
- Tue. Aug. 19 Drive to Inverness (114 miles)  
Fly EJ192, INV-Luton, 4.15pm-5.45pm (E2CLLNH)  
6.15pm National Express bus to Heathrow?  
~~No hotel booked yet~~ LE MERIDIEN HOTEL (THREE MAGPIES)
- Wed. Aug. 20 D+C: Fly UA935 LHR-LAX, 10.55am-2.15pm

### Fri. Aug. 15

Fly EJ483 from LHR-EDI



Jedburgh, Scotland



*Jedburgh, Scotland*



*Jedburgh and Edinburgh, Scotland*



*Edinburgh, Scotland*



*Edinburgh, Scotland*



*Edinburgh and the Highlands, Scotland*



*Eilean Donan Castle and Highland Cattle, Highlands of Scotland.*



*Flodigarry Hotel, Skye./I>*



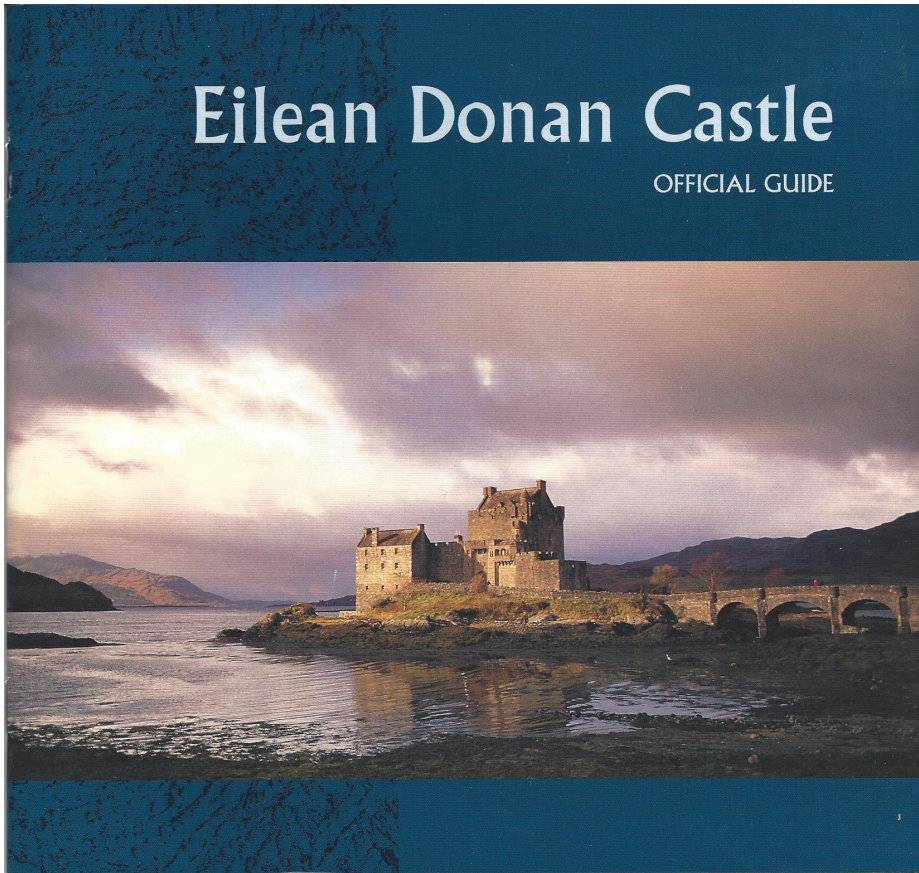
*Flodigarry Hotel, Skye./I>*



*Flodigarry Hotel and other, Skye./I>*



*Isle of Skye and Loch Ness./I>*



# Eilean Donan Castle

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EILEAN DONAN CASTLE

## EILEAN DONAN IN NAME

The name *Eilean Donan*, or island of Donan, is most probably called after the 6th-century Irish saint, Bishop Donan, who came to Scotland about AD 580. There are several churches dedicated to Donan in the area and it is likely that he, or later Early Christians who followed his teachings, formed a small cell or community on the island during the late 6th or 7th century.

There are, of course, other stories which survive about the island. Perhaps the most attractive tells that it was named from the Gaelic term *Cu-Donn* meaning otter (brown dog). It describes the King of the Otters, who was recognised by his fine coat of pure silver and white, and tells of the time when he died and his 'glittering robe of silver' was buried on the island beneath the foundations of the castle.

## Eilean Donan Timeline

- 6th/7th century** The name Eilean Donan, 'island of Donan' established
- late 13th century** Held by Kenneth MacKenzie
- After 1362** The MacRae clan came to Kintail
- 16th century** Hornwork added
- 1511** MacRaes became Constables of the Castle
- 1539** Attacked by Donald Gorm MacDonald
- 1715** Garrisoned by Government troops but retaken by the Jacobites before the battle of Sheriffmuir
- 1719** Castle ruined and abandoned after bombardment by Government frigates
- 1911** Bought by John MacRae-Gilstrap
- 1912** Project to restore the castle began
- 1932** Completed after 20 years of reconstruction. Bridge to the island also finished
- 1983** Conchra Trust formed by the MacRae family to care for the castle

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ENTRANCE TO THE KEEP AND BILLETING ROOM

COURT YARD

CRENELLATED SEA WALL

SOUTH WEST WING

MAIN CASTLE GATE

RECREATED KITCHEN DISPLAY

CROW-STEPPED GABLES

BARTIZAN

GUEST BEDROOMS

BANQUETING HALL

MACRAE WAR MEMORIAL

BASTION AND WELL

BRIDGE TO MAINLAND

Introductory exhibition

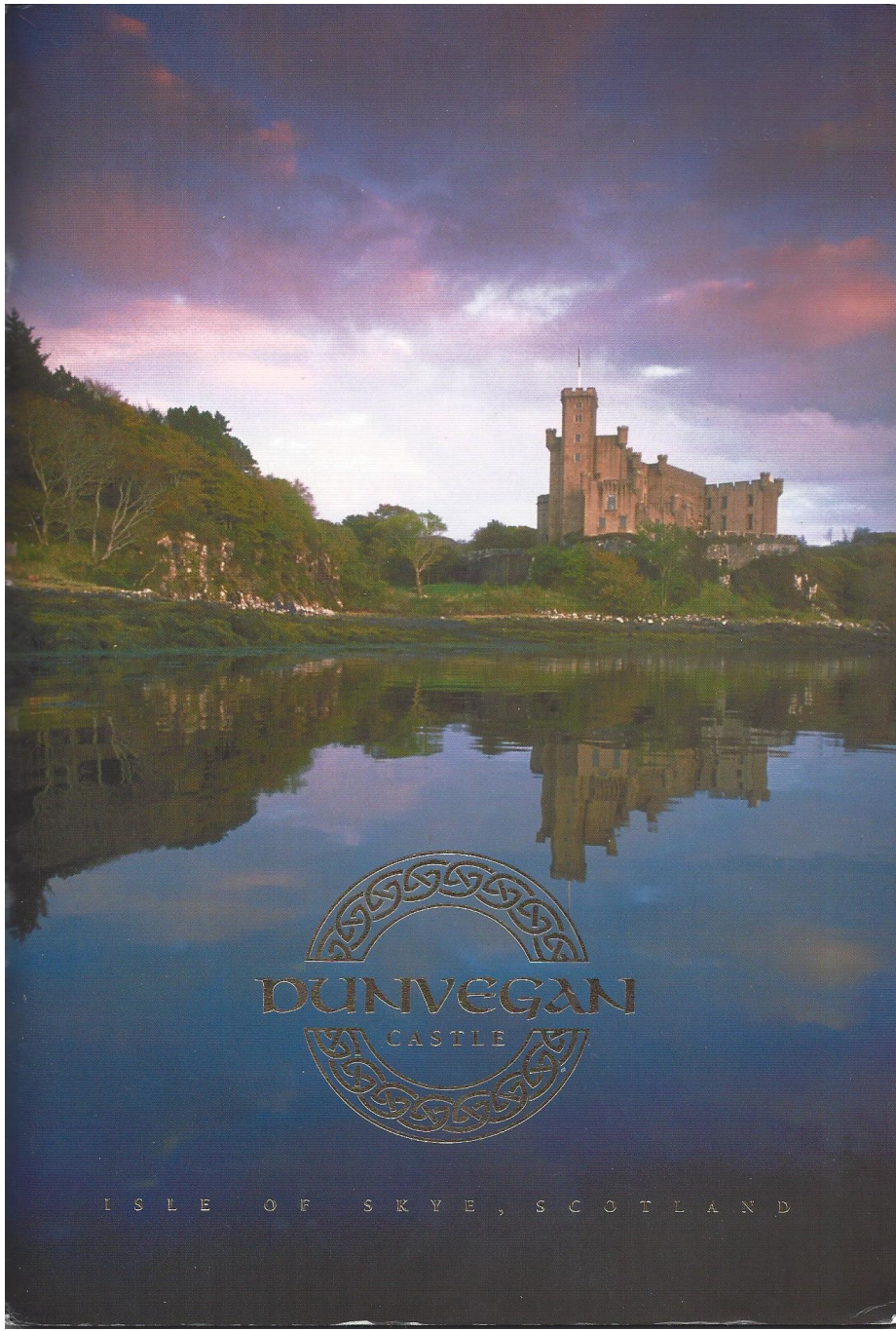
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'Birlinn' or galleys were once the main means of transport

Follow the winding stairways through the Keep

In the scullery

What to see in the Castle



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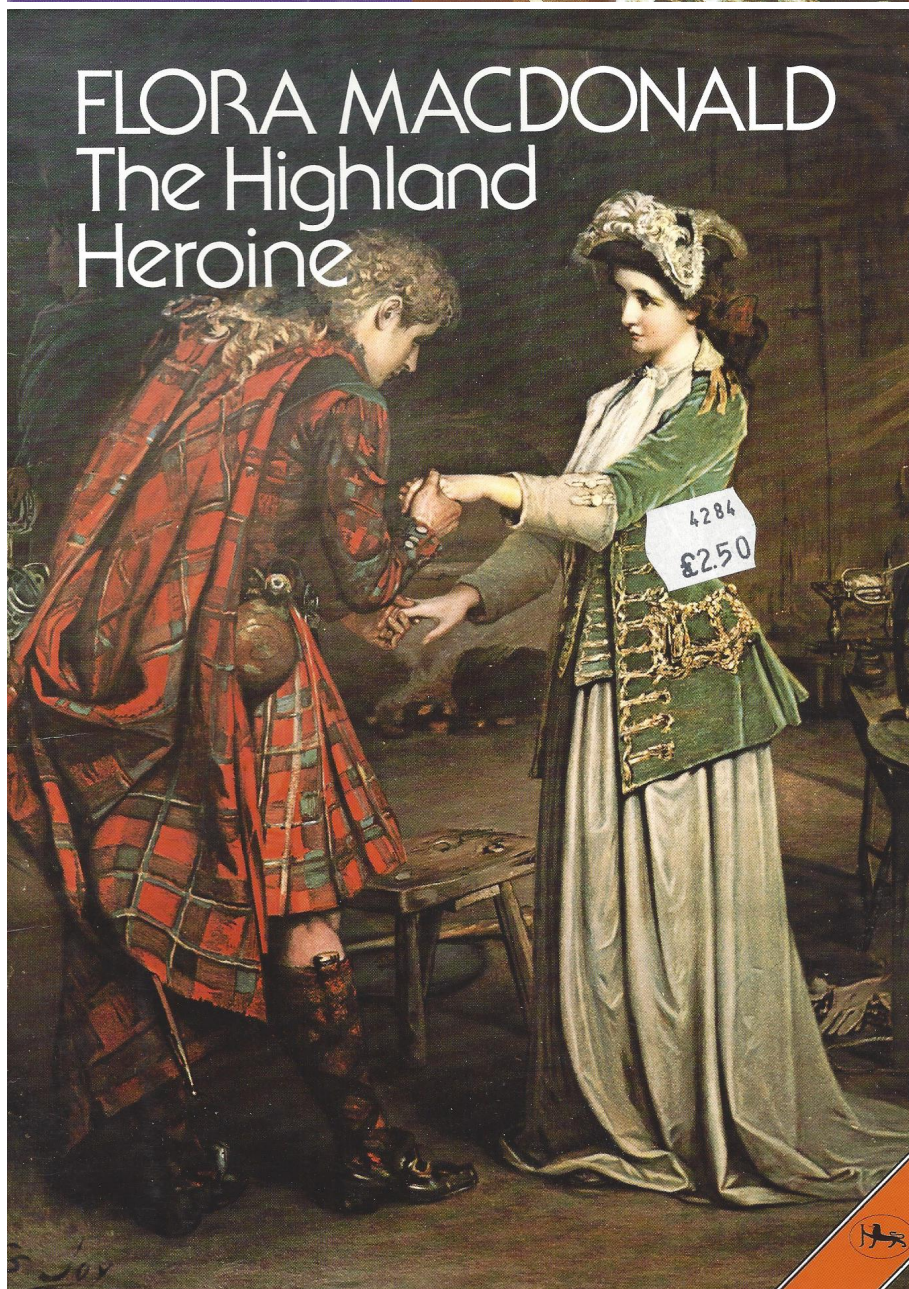
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*Above: The cottage pictured here is at Flodigarry, Isle of Skye, where Flora lived from 1750 to 1756 and where some of her family were born. Reproduced by permission of Miss F. Kelly.*



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