

City of Edinburgh



Map of Scotland



Edinburgh

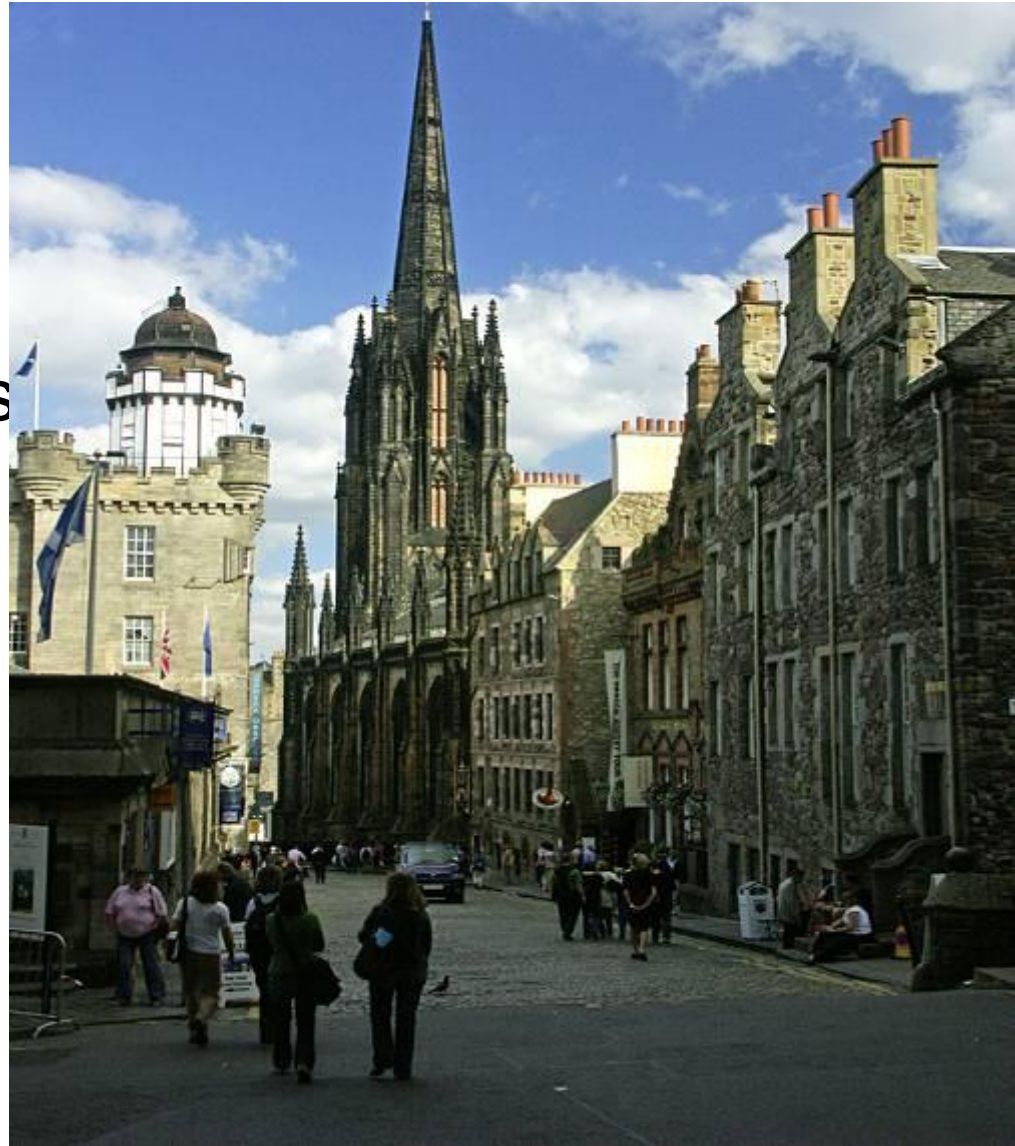
- Edinburgh is the capital of Scotland. It is an ancient city and if you walk around it you can touch on history at every step. The two most interesting parts of the city are the Old Town and the New Town. The Old Town lies between the Castle and the Holyrood Palace. The Castle is situated on the huge rock that stands high above Edinburgh. It looks just like a castle in a fairy tale and attracts a lot of tourists.





The Royal Mile

A line of streets, which runs from the Castle to the Holyrood Palace, is called the Royal Mile.



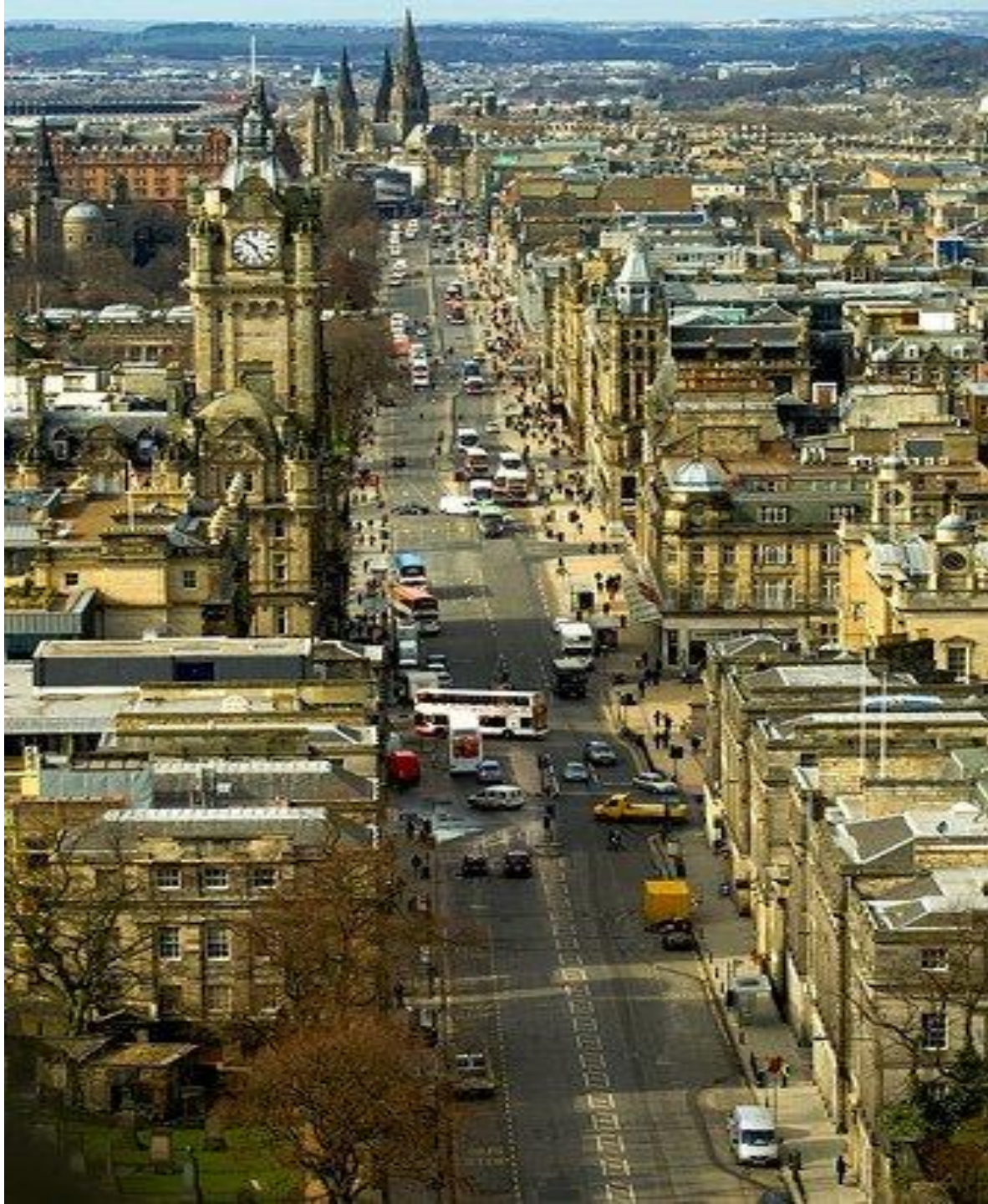
Holyrood House

- Holyrood House is a big royal palace which is the residence of the Queen when she is in Edinburgh.



Princes Street

- Princes Street is the most beautiful street of the New Town. It has a lot of gardens on one side and it is also Edinburgh's popular shopping centre.



The National Museum of Scotland
The National Museum of Scotland offers exhibits
on the history and culture of Scotland.



The Royal Botanic Garden



- If you like flowers, plants or any other green and leafy things, then the Edinburgh Botanic Garden is the place for you. It is a large public garden in which the principal types of plants are cultivated and displayed. The Royal Botanic Gardens is a series of 4 gardens spread all over Scotland.







Old Town





New Town



The Edinburgh military tattoo

- The Edinburgh military tattoo takes place every August and September and is known throughout the world. For 90 minutes on five or six nights a week, 600 people perform in the square in front of the Castle. The performers play military music and march to it. At the same time you can go to the famous Edinburgh festival. The festival started in 1947. Every year the best performances are shown in Edinburgh.

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A symbol of devotion

- One of the most modest and yet one of the best known monuments in Edinburgh is a monument to a dog called Bobby.



Do you know that...

- The word “clan” means “family” and the great clans were really like big families, ruled by powerful chiefs. Many people in Scotland have the name McDonald or McKenzie. “Mac” means “son of” and people with this name usually feel they belong to the same family or clan.
- The national dress of Scots is the kilt, which was originally worn by men.

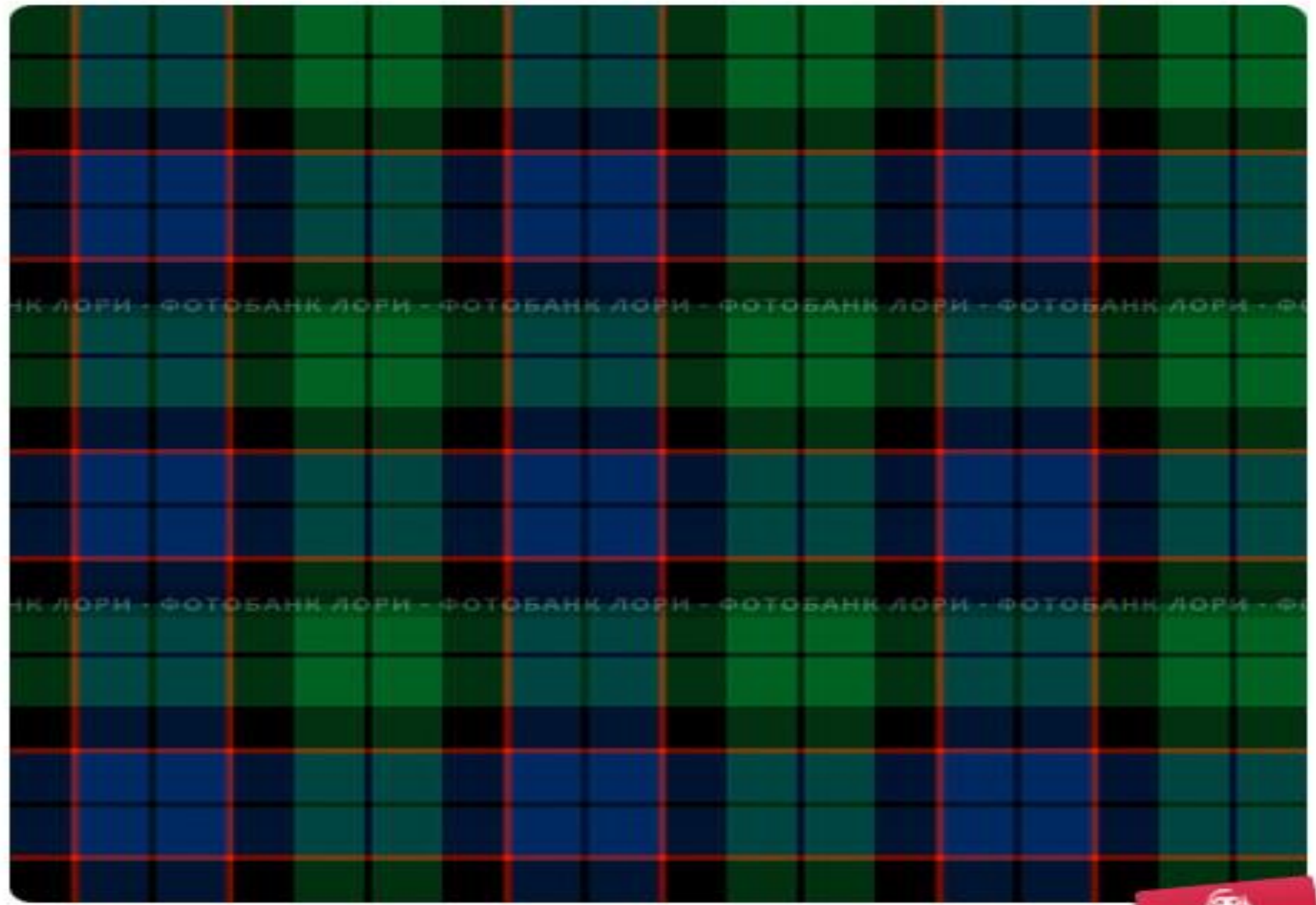


Tartan

- The wearing of tartans (coloured checks) is traditional in Scotland. Originally, the tartan was worn as a long piece of cloth thrown over the shoulders.

Clan MacLeod





Тартан клана Фергюсон
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The Pipes

- The Scottish musical instrument is the pipes or bagpipes.





The well-known people



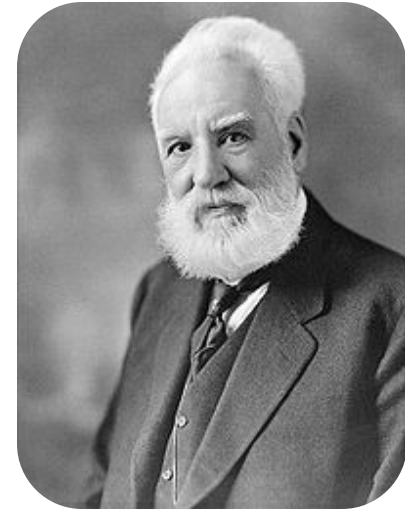
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