



CORPORATE EVENTS BROCHURE

# Duke of Rothesay Highland Games Pavilion

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# Royal Tradition & Warm Welcomes

Officially opened in 2018 by Queen Elizabeth II, The Duke of Rothesay Highland Games Pavilion was named in honour of HRH Prince Charles, Duke of Rothesay — now His Majesty King Charles III.





Located just a two-minute walk from the heart of Braemar village, the Pavilion overlooks the historic Princess Royal and Duke of Fife Memorial Park — a beautiful piece of Highland land, originally gifted by the Mar Estate, that plays host to the annual Braemar Gathering.

While there have been Gatherings of one sort or another at Braemar for 900+ years, the Gathering has been run in its present form since 1832. Since 1906, the arena has been home to the most prestigious and largest Highland Games in Scotland.

The event welcomes 14,000+ visitors every year, including the reigning Monarch and members of the wider Royal Family.

With a range of excellent spaces and facilities for events of all kinds, The Duke of Rothesay Highland Games Pavilion is a versatile and elegant venue for corporate and private events, Highland Games demonstrations, team building days and exclusive VIP experiences.





# Built For Exquisite Events

Set in the splendour of the Cairngorms and a focal point of living, breathing Scottish heritage, the Duke of Rothesay Highland Games Pavilion offers an unforgettable space for corporate and private events.

The Pavilion has a range of separate spaces of varying sizes that are available for exclusive use. They offer flexibility and space for everyone from small teams to corporate events.

These comfortable, elegant rooms are equipped for meetings, presentations, lectures and workshops, and can be hired separately or as combined bookings for larger groups.

Surrounded by mountains, it is a truly unique venue with a special atmosphere.

Corporate and private groups can book Braemar Highland Gathering Experiences for their team and clients, including exclusive use of the VIP Royal Box. Please see pages 6 and 7 for details.

Room	Capacity		
	Theatre Style / Meeting	Dining	Standing
Gallery	80	70	100 <i>with outside patio space</i>
Cafe	60	60	100 <i>with outside patio space</i>
Baxter Room	14	14	16
Royal Box		16	20

*Exclusive use of the Pavilion allows for use of all rooms.*



### Facilities

- ◆ Welcome Piper
- ◆ WiFi and TV screens provided
- ◆ Ample coach and car parking
- ◆ Helicopter landing available locally
- ◆ Chairs and tables provided
- ◆ Full bar facilities
- ◆ Small servery kitchen
- ◆ Toilets in both Gallery and Cafe spaces
- ◆ Underfloor heating throughout



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We have a number of preferred partners for catering, decor and other requirements, but remain flexible on arrangements.

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Dining capacity can be increased to 120, using either round or long tables, if you are using the Pavilion exclusively.





# VIP Royal Box Experiences

For the first time in its history, permission has been granted for The Duke of Rothesay Highland Games Pavilion to offer the Royal Box for a very limited number of small private events each year.

## At a Glance

Total time: 3 hours

Group sizes: 16 people max capacity

Price on Application



## VIP Royal Box Experiences

The Royal Box at The Princess Royal and Duke of Fife Memorial Park, officially named the 'Patron's Pavilion', was built in 1932 and is listed by Historic Environment Scotland.

Numerous British Monarchs have sat in the Royal Box to enjoy the Braemar Gathering, with many iconic and happy images taken of the late Queen Elizabeth II and other members of the Royal Family enjoying themselves in this comfortable, sheltered enclosure.

### Dining, Weddings & Whisky

We can arrange for a piper to play on the arrival of you and your guests. Your Royal Box Experience could include private dining, small wedding ceremonies, VIP whisky tastings (hosted by our Distillery Partners) or business meetings.

We can also arrange for additional talks, demonstrations and hospitality as part of your event including experts in local history, Highland Games and Highland Dancing demonstrations.

This unique experience is now available for the very first time in almost 100 years. Availability is strictly limited to five events per year. If you are interested in sitting where royalty sit with guests, clients or colleagues, contact us.





# Highland Games Experience

The much-loved traditional events of the Highland Games are part of the fabric of this place, and we encourage all private bookings at The Duke of Rothesay Highland Games Pavilion to experience them first-hand through our Highland Games Experiences.

## At a Glance

Total time: 3 hours

Group sizes: 8-80 people

Pricing: Starting from £800

Demonstrations held in world-famous Braemar Gathering arena

Group photos taken in front of Royal Box





## Highland Games Experience

### Activity Options

- ♦ 'Heavies' demonstration & group competition
- ♦ Tug O' War Challenge (20+ people groups only)
- ♦ Highland Dancing demonstration and lesson

### 'Heavies' Demonstration & Competitions

Your group will follow in the footsteps of the mighty giants, fleet-footed runners and graceful dancers who have competed in this iconic arena by taking part in some of the most popular events that the Braemar Gathering has to offer in a fun and friendly environment.

You'll meet the Braemar 'heavies', some of the best Highland Games athletes in Scotland, who will demonstrate the Caber Toss, the Hammer Throw, the Shot Put and the Weight for Distance before your group has a go and/or divides into teams to compete for points and glory.

### Tug O' War Challenge

For groups of 20+ people, we can arrange a Tug O' War challenge to test your team's mettle. At the Braemar Gathering, this is a military event in which service men and women from across the world come to Braemar to compete and the winners receive their trophy from the King. The only civilians officially permitted to compete in these events are staff from the Balmoral and Invercauld Estates.

### Highland Dancing Demonstration

Groups can book a demonstration from our Highland Dancing teacher and her students, who will provide a display of the main traditional dances, explain their military and historical backgrounds and invite your guests to have a go at a 'pas de Basque' or sword dancing.







The Duke of Rothesay Highland Games Pavilion  
is open for visitors from April - October each year.

The Pavilion is available for event hire and enquiries all year,  
and our venue manager will be happy to meet with you to tour the  
building, discuss your requirements and bring your vision to life.

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