

## EFVGA ALTERNATIVE WALK

### Edinburgh Old Town/New Town

(NB. This route takes you up the High Street westwards to the Lawnmarket and then down the Mound to the New Town where there is a choice to walk along George Street eastwards to finish at St Andrew Square or westwards to finish at Charlotte Square)

- Start at the City Chambers
- The site of the old Mercat Cross
- James Braidwood Statue and the 1824 Great Fire
- Parliament Square with the option of going into Parliament Hall
- St Giles with the option of going into the kirk.
- The Heart of Midlothian
- The site of the last public execution and the story of Burke & Hare
- Brodie's Close
- Riddles Court
- James Court
- Gladstone's Land
- Lady Stair's Close - the story of the start of the first New Town
- The Mound
- The RSA (formally Royal Institution) and the National Gallery
- The Scott Monument (as seen from the Mound)
- Hanover Street and the statue of George IV

A Choice -

(a) Eastwards - George Street, St Andrew's Church (optional visit),

Statue of James Clark Maxwell, 1 Thistle Court (1<sup>st</sup> house built in the New Town) finishing in St Andrew Square, the Melville Monument and the RBS building.

- (b) Westwards – the Assembly Rooms, the murder of Elizabeth Dyer in 81 George Street by her husband Eugene-Marie Chantrelle, 52 Queen Street & J.Y.Simpson, Castle Street and Sir Walter Scott finishing in Charlotte Square.

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