



*Two typical Scottish products: haggis and whisky (Scottish Tourist Board).*

the Royal Mile are Edinburgh's famous closes — narrow alleyways where commerce was conducted in early times. Modern businesses, local theaters, and government offices have taken their place. Don't miss Deacon Brodie's Close — the original Deacon Brodie was Robert Louis Stevenson's model for Jekyll and Hyde.

To the north of Princes Street Gardens is the New Town — a Georgian extravaganza of classical architecture and still very much the center of town. Princes St. and George St. in combination are the "Fifth Ave." of Edinburgh, and Queen Street Gardens divide the commercial New Town from the residential section.

The city's first-class hotels are congregated in the New Town as well. Just as Princes St. divides Edinburgh north and south, so Hanover St. divides the New Town into east and west. In the east you'll find: North British Hotel and Mount Royal Hotel, both on Princes St.; King James Hotel, St. James Center; and George Hotel, George St. On the west side you'll find the Caledonian Hotel, Lothian Rd., and Roxburghe Hotel, Charlotte Square. All offer first-class accommodations and good restaurants.

Nobody goes to Edinburgh without

shopping for woollens. Best bets for tartans and fine woollens are: William Anderson & Sons, George St.; the Tartan Shops, one on Princes St. and another on the High St.; Romanes & Paterson, Princes St.; and Scotch House, Princes St. Best bet for a department store is Jenners, Princes St. Silver is another Scottish specialty, and the High St. and Canongate are lined with designer-silversmith shops. Edinburgh crystal and Caithness glass are hard to resist and may be found in the major department stores and at Lawleys and at Hamilton & Inches, both on George St. If you want antiques, head for North Frederick St. and Thistle St. (a block north of George St.).

Rose St., one block north of Princes St., used to be "pub row." While still sporting several picturesque pubs (from the Abbotsford — great for a pub lunch — at the east end to the Zodiac at the west), it has turned into the home of many fine boutiques. There's a pedestrian mall on Rose St. between Frederick and Castle streets, and it is well worth a tour.

If Edinburgh is just part of your overall itinerary, here are some suggestions for a three-day tour:

You can arrange for pipers to herald your arrival from train or plane. If you ar-