Scotland Visit September 18, 2012

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Itinerary

- Arrive Glasgow Airport
- Travel to Hotel Kincaid House, Milton of Campsie
- Travel to New Lanark
- Visit Falls of Clyde
- Return to Hotel

Falls Of Clyde























Corra Linn: 'The Clyde's most majestic daughter'

The dramatic landscape you see today was formed 10,000 years ago during the Ice Age. Melting glaciers left rocks and debris in their wake, blocking the original route of the river to form a lake. As the water pushed through a weak point in the rocks it descended very quickly to its natural route below, carving out the gorge you see today and eroding the steep falls.

History of the reserve

The landscape here has attracted people for hundreds of years. On the reserve today you can see the ruins of fifteenth-century Corra Castle, built to take advantage of the defence that the steep sided gorge offered. In 1708 Sir James Carmichael built Bonnington Pavilion, or the Hall of Mirrors, where early tourists came to marvel at the reflected views of Corra Linn waterfall.



Bonnington Linn



Bonnington Pavilion

Eighty years later the tradition of building in the landscape was continued when Lady Mary Ross added terraces, paths, exotic trees, a rustic iron staircase and a bridge. In the 1780s the face of New Lanark changed forever when the first cotton mills were built to harness the energy of the falls. One hundred and fifty years later the power of the falls was put to use again to create electricity when the hydro-electric power stations opened in 1927.

Did you know the Falls of Clyde provide energy for clean renewable power?

The renewable energy created by the hydroelectric scheme on the Falls of Clyde is important not only for people, but also for wildlife, it gives us the electricity that we need while ministing collisions and the causes of climate change.

Culture and inspiration

From the late 1700s the Falls of Clyde gained a reputation as one of the most beautiful places in Scotland and the cascading falls and precipitous gorge have inspired generations of writers and artists. William Wordsworth, Samuel Taylor Coleridge and Sir Walter Scott all visited the Falls of Clyde in the early as 1800s, with Wordsworth describing Corra Linn as "the Clyde's most majestic daughter".



Hydro-electric power station



Corra Linn in spate

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Eighteenth-century iron bridge

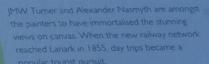
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Waterfall days

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New Lanark





