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Five of the best romantic hotels in Scotland

Peter Irvine picks his favourite places to stay, including a former lighthouse keeper's cottage and a baronial castle on the shore of Loch Lomond



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2. Prestonfield House, Edinburgh

The raucous peacocks in the 20-acre grounds proclaim that this is far from your average urban bed for the night. A romantic, almost otherworldly 17th-century building with period features two miles from the city centre. In 2003 James Thomson, the remarkable restaurateur of the Witchery, turned this old bastion of Edinburgh sensibilities into Scotland's most sumptuous hotel. All rooms are highly individualistic and with hand-picked antiques and artefacts. Famously classy afternoon tea, memorable dining — there's nowhere else like it.

Details B&B doubles from £375, prestonfield.com