

Dalmahoy undergoes a major refurbishment

- As part of a multi-million pound renovation plan, the hotel's bedrooms are set to undergo a refurbishment -

19th **February 2019.** <u>Dalmahoy Hotel & Country Club</u>, on the outskirts of Edinburgh, is undergoing a major refurbishment of its bedrooms that will be unveiled in spring 2019.

The three-month modernisation project, led by Scottish design firm <u>10 Design</u>, is part of a two-year major upgrade of the resort, which comes with minimal guest disruption.

With a history dating back to the 13th century, the former home of the Douglas family, one of Scotland's most influential families, is now a four-star, independently-run hotel with 215 bedrooms including seven suites.

Located on one of Scotland's most prestigious estates, Dalmahoy is one of the country's few true leisure resorts with an array of dining options, two 18-hole golf courses, swimming pool and nature walks all on site.

The latest upgrade, which includes all 208 of the bedrooms in the newer part of the hotel, marks the latest in a series of major investments that have been made since the hotel became an independent property in August 2016. The seven manor house rooms and suites were recently refurbished.

Announcing the refurbishment, Alistair Kinchin, General Manager of Dalmahoy said: "This is a very exciting time for Dalmahoy. In the two years since we began operating as an independent property, we have already upgraded a number of the public areas of the property much to the delight of our guests. This latest restyle is integral to ensuring that



the entire hotel exceeds the expectations of the modern, discerning traveller whilst celebrating the building's incredible past."

Overseen by Glasgow-based interior designer, Liz McNeill of 10 Design, which specialises in interiors with leading hotel brands across the UK, the new-look rooms are set to be decorated in a country house style sympathetic to the property's history which dates back to 1725. A colour palette of grey mixed with bolds, and layered with checks, paisley print and Scottish artwork will provide the perfect foil to modern pieces that add a contemporary, timeless touch to the rooms.

Liz worked with local firm WJL Curtains & Upholstery in Burntisland to create all of the refurbishment soft furnishings, including chair, panel and headboard upholstering and the creation of lumbar and scatter cushions.

Liz said "The brief was to create a design that delivered modernity - right down to details such as USB charging points - whilst keeping the traditional feel of the country house. I think we have achieved this by utilising some iconic Scottish touches such as the artwork featuring Scottish wildlife and cushions containing classic paisley pattern designs whilst ensuring that all modern conveniences are thoughtfully installed," says Liz of the work, which commenced in early January and is scheduled to be completed in April 2019.

Over the last two and a half years, over £2m has been invested as part of an ongoing commitment to refurbishing the hotel and country club.

This has delivered a raft of upgrades including new Hypnos beds, Smart TVs, state of the art gym equipment, a refurbished driving range, a fleet of new golf buggies, upgrades to public areas and a resurfacing of the hotel car park.



There are more developments planned in 2019, with the addition of a new CHP unit (combined heat and power) that will allow the hotel to reduce its energy consumption and lower its carbon footprint.

The renovated rooms are integral to the hotel team's commitment to the resort's unique offer that combines the convenience - and style - of a city centre stay with the beauty of a country retreat.

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About Dalmahov

Combining the convenience of a city hotel with the beauty of a countryside retreat, Dalmahoy Hotel & Country Club is set in 1,000 acres of Scottish countryside yet is only seven miles from Edinburgh city centre.

Built in 1725, what was once a grand baronial Manor House is now a welcoming four-star hotel. Blending rich history and first class hospitality, each of its 215 rooms are the perfect mix of old and new. From formal dining at the Pentland Restaurant to more relaxed fare at the James Braid Bar and Brasserie, authentic Scottish cuisine is guaranteed. Afternoon Tea is served in the Douglas Lounge whilst the Cocktail Bar delivers the perfect serve.

With an array of attractions including two golf courses, a swimming pool, tennis courts as well as on-site walking and jogging routes, Dalmahoy is one of Scotland's best leisure resorts.

As one of Scotland's leading golf resorts, Dalmahoy was host to Scotland's first ever Solheim Cup in 1992. The European team beat the United States team to win the trophy for the first time, captained by Mickey Walker. The women's golf tournament returns to Scotland this year.

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