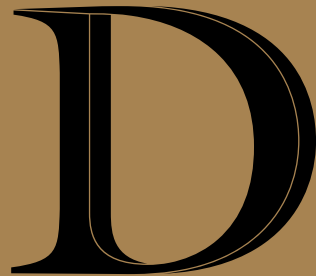




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A
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THE MOST SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT IN EDINBURGH FOR DECADES

The Playfair at Donaldson's is an outstanding building of palatial elegance. With its majestic character and architectural heritage it is recognised as one of the most important landmark buildings in Edinburgh. Donaldson's lies on the western boundary of the Edinburgh World Heritage Site.



THE PLAYFAIR

Built in the mid-nineteenth century The Playfair building was designed by William Henry Playfair in the manner of an Elizabethan Palace. It was widely reported as one of Scotland's great landmarks and is said to have been admired by Queen Victoria. Its great quadrangular form creates an attractive internal courtyard whilst the external elevations are punctuated by a central clock tower and domed turrets which dominate Edinburgh's skyline.



A NEW ERA

The long history of Donaldson's began in 1830, when James Donaldson bequeathed his estate to build an orphanage for boys and girls. Since then, a lot has changed - from its long occupation as a school for the deaf to wartime Zeppelin damage. But, through the years, Donaldson's palatial exterior has thankfully remained intact.

The Playfair and gatehouses are now being respectfully restored and converted by the dedicated heritage specialist, City & Country. As a Category A listed building its restoration and conversion will bring together the very best of old and new.



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ONE OF
THE MOST
BEAUTIFUL AND
MAGNIFICENT
BUILDINGS
IN THE CITY

George Clarke
Presenter of Channel 4's Restoration Man and Amazing Spaces

where history

WHERE HISTORY AND
MODERNITY COLLIDE

The Playfair at Donaldson's is one of the city's most iconic buildings - and a hallmark of the Victorian period at its best. Across each apartment the majestic atmosphere will be diligently retained, updated for modern living whilst sensitively providing a sense of grandeur. A luxurious contemporary specification includes sumptuous kitchens and bathrooms, generous ceiling heights with original gothic style windows and secure underground parking with direct access into the building. All this framed by landscaped gardens and approached by a sweeping lawn.

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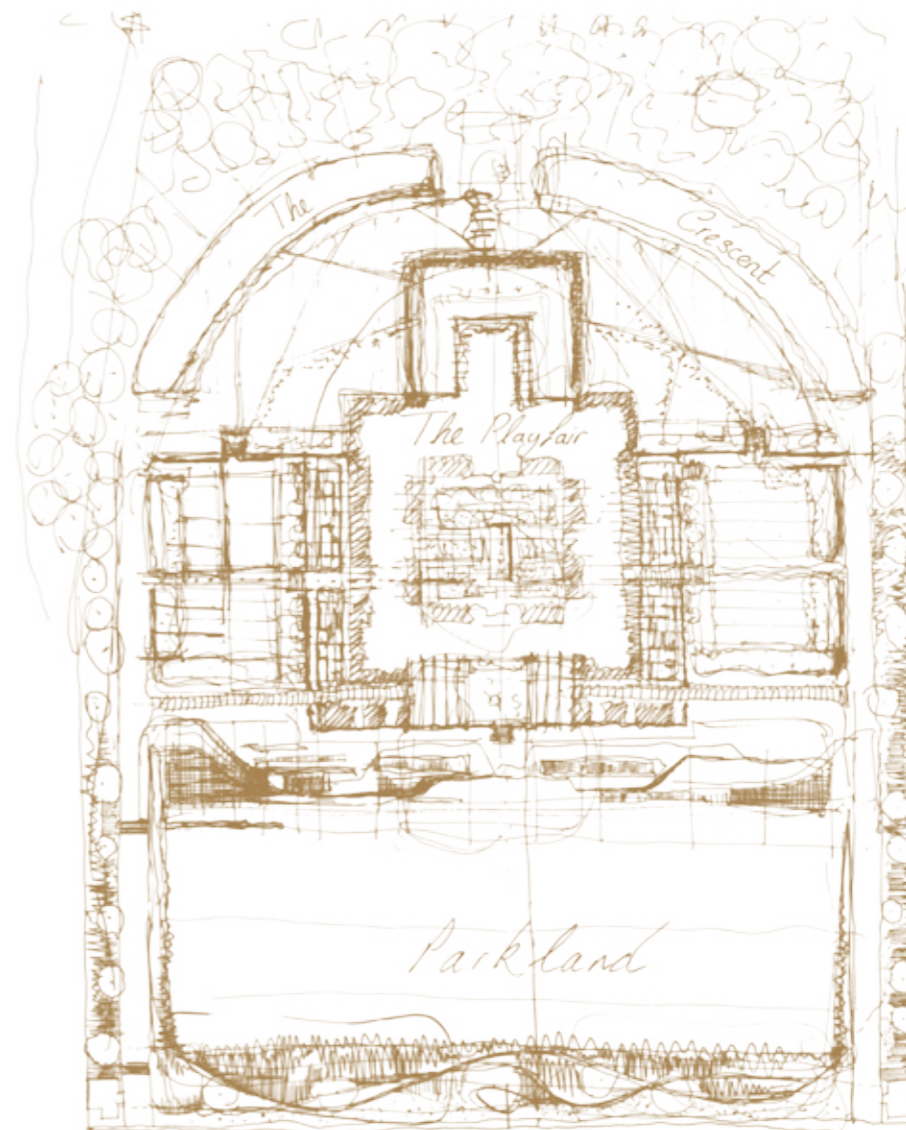
A NATIONALLY SIGNIFICANT CATEGORY-A LISTED BUILDING

Expertly restored by City & Country, The Playfair at Donaldson's will offer a truly unique residence; no two apartments will be the same.

The collection includes studio, mezzanine, split-level, loft and penthouse accommodation in a wide variety of sizes.

City & Country is the market leading heritage developer in the UK. With over 50 years' experience, the company specialises in the acquisition, restoration and conversion of historic, period and listed buildings, creating outstanding properties for 21st century living.

The original building will be complemented by the creation of The Crescent, a striking collection of visionary new apartments by CALA Homes.



OPEN SPACES AND CAPTIVATING VIEWS

Donaldson's is set within 16 acres of private parkland, available for all residents to enjoy. Clipped box hedging and parterres add a formal arrangement whilst balustrade terraces, sweeping lawns and mature trees provide a tranquil landscape in the heart of the city.

Spectacular views of Edinburgh's cityscape are offered from many of The Playfair apartments, including a captivating panoramic vista of Edinburgh Castle, the Pentland Hills and the Firth of Forth from the penthouse roof terraces.

The Playfair's historic architecture and elegant landscaping combined with such a sought-after city centre location provide a unique opportunity within Edinburgh.





A CITY OF DRAMATIC CONTRASTS

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| 1. Donaldson's | 9. Calton Hill |
| 2. Haymarket Train Station | 10. Waverley Train Station |
| 3. The West End | 11. Edinburgh Castle |
| 4. The New Town | 12. Edinburgh International Conference Centre |
| 5. George Street | 13. Scottish Parliament |
| 6. Multrees Walk | 14. Holyrood Palace |
| 7. Princes Street | 15. Arthur's Seat |
| 8. Scottish National Gallery | |

Edinburgh Airport
6 miles





AN EXTRAORDINARY LIFESTYLE

Perfectly situated in Edinburgh's West End with excellent shops, boutiques, restaurants and transport links on the doorstep.

Edinburgh, home to the Scottish Parliament, is acknowledged as one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Rich in architecture, education and finance, it is celebrated for shopping, culture, music, heritage and leisure.





CREATING SPECIAL PLACES

City & Country has a genuine passion to conserve and restore Britain's architectural heritage. Embracing the best of the present, through exceptional design and build standards, it sensitively adds value to special places, to be enjoyed today and cherished by future generations.

City & Country has been named as WhatHouse? Gold or Silver Best Housebuilder for the last eight consecutive years.

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