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Welcome to Dundee’s Architectural Trail

Buildings form the city and their use gives each city its distinctive character. Whether they are historic or contemporary, public or private, every structure has its own tale to tell.

This self-guided tour, created in partnership with The Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland, allows you to experience Dundee’s fascinating history through its buildings at your own pace. A 45-minute walk. Dundee is the UK’s first UNESCO City of Design and is in the midst of the kind of transformation that only happens once in a lifetime – a £1 billion award-winning regeneration of the city. Dundee V&A, Japanese architects Kengo Kuma & Associates submitted the winning design. Dundee University was the largest parish church in Scotland. This pioneering joint venture between Dundee City Council and Dundee University saw the largest scale development in the UK, a £1 billion award-winning regeneration project – a £1 billion award-winning regeneration of the UK’s first UNESCO City of Design.

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The building followed the St Mary’s Royal Chapel, after 1480. As you peer, look for the remains of the medieval wooden chambers and apartments erected in 1179. The unusual double story, may have been the result of a fire from the site towards the shrine.

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