# LEVERAGE OUR DESIGNATIONS AND ACCOLADES

SOUTH OF SCOTLAND
TOURISM CONFERENCE 2024









ADVOCACY & PARTNERSHIPS

#### **AMBASSADORS & CHAMPIONS**





CREATING A BRAND

#### **DEVLOPING A DESTINATION**







## Sustainability

What does it all mean?

It's all in the balance...















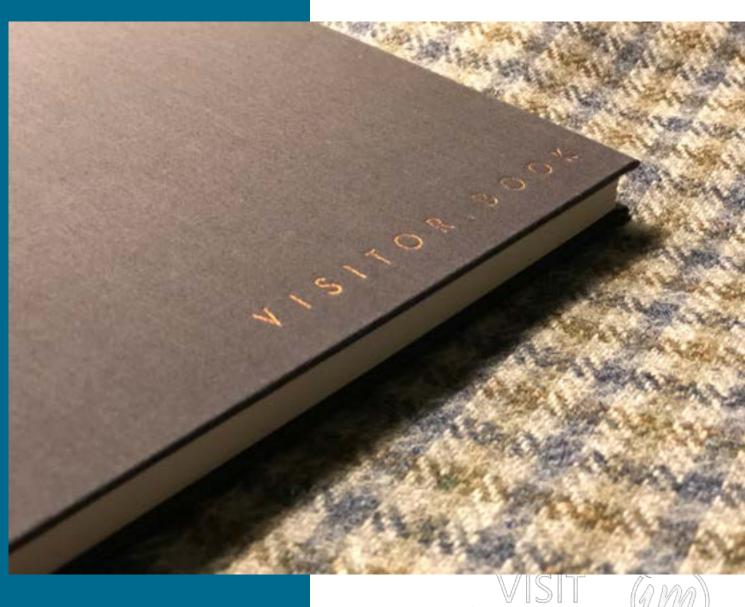
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#### **GREEN STORY**

#### **INSPIRING OUR VISITORS**

#### RESPONSIBLE VISTOR CHARTER

- Shop local & support local businesses
   & community enterprise
- Give the car a rest
- Reduce, reuse and recycle
- Conserve energy
- Conserve water
- Nurture your environment
- Encourage wildlife conservation
- Take nothing but photos
   Leave nothing but footprints

























#### **EXPERIENCE**



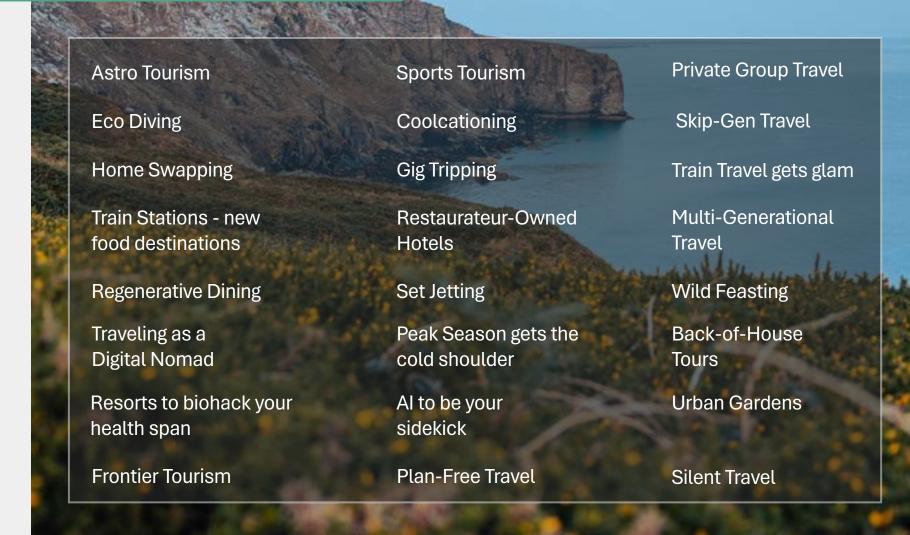


#### TRAVEL TRENDS

## **Traveler**

In 2024, travellers will be putting what's important to them front and centre of their plans:

- value deeper experiences
- leave a positive impact
- slowing down
- indulging love of food
- new interesting places
- time spent with loved ones
- immersive wellness
- lasting memories



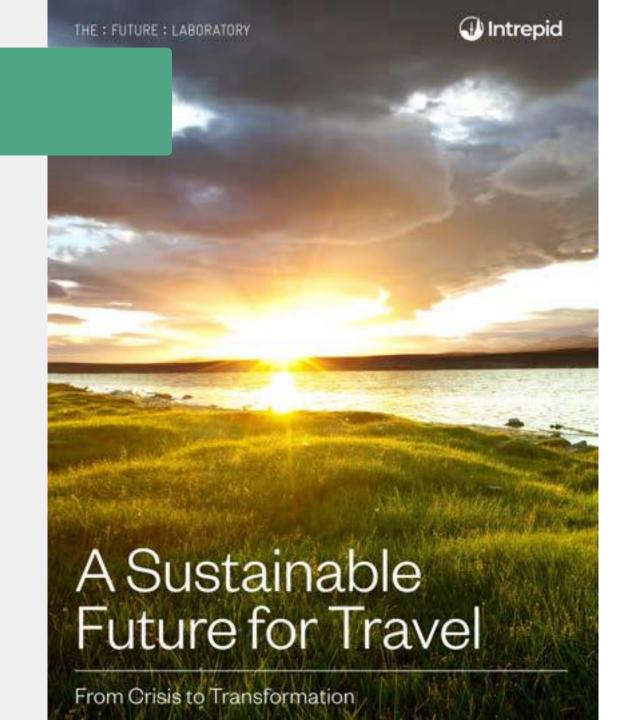


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**'People-Positive'** travel is pegged as the successor to sustainable travel.

Going forward, regenerative travel will focus on travel being social-led instead of product-led, with people-positive travel focusing on forging deeper human connections, as well as considering the environmental and social impact.

Focusing on local communities will also be key, helping prevent 'tourism leakage', when money flows out of the destinations.



#### The Galloway and Southern Ayrshire UNESCO Biosphere







Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere Reserve since 2012 Man and the Biosphere Programme

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A GLOBAL BRAND

#### **BIOSPHERE ENTERPRISES**





#### The Galloway and Southern Ayrshire UNESCO Biosphere - DARK SKY NETWORK



## GSAB Proud Supporter





## **Biosphere Itineraries**



















Scotland's Meaningful Travel Map



### Sustainable Event Charter



## International Learning Journey





## **Community Tourism**

A SENSE OF PLACE

MAKING THE MOST OF DESIGNATIONS



+ SCOTO Scottish Community Tourism





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#### THANK YOU

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