

Accommodation Dossier

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There is a housing shortage in Glasgow meaning you should focus your search beyond the city-centre. If you have any questions, we are here to guide and advise you. Please note, we do not have access to any properties and that it is up to you to find a flat and enter a rental agreement. We can take no part in your private negotiations.

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We have created a document which explores areas near Glasgow and gives you a bit of background on these places. We have included travel time estimations for you to get a better idea of where the properties may be located with regards to the city centre, and links to properties for rent in the area.

For any further relevant information about renting, please see our website.

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Paisley

From Paisley Gilmour Street to Glasgow Central station is about a 10-minute train ride.

- Situated 10 minutes from Glasgow, Paisley is Scotland's largest town with a rich history especially in textiles.
- Paisley is home to a host of architectural treasures, hidden gems and a vibrant cultural scene
- Paisley offers a wide variety of places to eat and drink and local attractions include, Paisley Abbey, Sma Shot Cottages, The Secret Collection Museum store, Lagoon Leisure Centre, Oakshaw Trinity Church, Paisley Arts Centre, Paisley Farmers Market, Paisley Thread Mill Museum, Robert Tannahill's Cottage, St Mirin Cathedral, The Wynd Centre, The Threadmill Museum and Thomas Coats Memorial Church amongst others.

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Shawlands

Less than 10 minutes on the train to Glasgow Central train station.

- Shawlands is an area of Glasgow, Scotland, located around 2 miles (3 kilometres) south of the river Clyde. The area, considered the "Heart of the Southside", is known for its independent restaurants and cafés, art scene, public parks, period terraces, and red and blond sandstone tenements.
- It is located between Pollok Country Park, the home of the Burrell Collection and Pollok House, and the acclaimed Victorian park Queen's Park.
- Shawlands has close links to the M77 and M8 motorways. Bus services (the majority operated by First Glasgow) in the area are frequent, taking on average 35 minutes, running from Glasgow city centre 24 hours a day. The area is within walking distance of Crossmyloof Railway Station, Shawlands Railway Station and Pollokshaws East Railway Station. All stations have direct links to the city centre, terminating at Glasgow.

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Uddingston

The train to Glasgow Central takes 15 minutes.

- Uddingston is a small town on the north side of the river Clyde 7 miles southeast of Glasgow.
- Uddingston is home to the unnock's factory, famed for its caramel wafers and teacakes. Viewpark Gardens, a horticultural centre which features Japanese and Highland plant displays as well as four glasshouses and water features, is a popular attraction.
- The entrance to Bothwell Castle, Scotland's largest thirteenth century castle, is in Uddingston and the attraction is open year-round and has a golf course in its grounds.
- The town has several sports clubs, with golf, cricket, rugby, and hockey all proving popular, as well as Junglee Fun Play Centre which caters to children aged 0-10 years.

Tradeston

Tradeston is 19 minutes away from Buchanan bus station or 19 minutes via the subway.

- Tradeston is a small district in the Scottish city of Glasgow adjacent to the city centre on the south bank of the River Clyde.
- Many former industrial buildings in the area were demolished as part of the M74 Extension which opened in June 2011.
- Barclays Bank opened a new headquarters at the Tradeston waterfront on the River Clyde's south bank in 2021.
- Tradeston is served by the Glasgow Subway system at West Street and Bridge Street stations.

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Johnstone

Johnstone to Glasgow Central station is about a 20-minute train ride.

- Johnstone lies 3 miles (5 km) west of neighboring Paisley, 12 miles (19 km) west of the centre of the city of Glasgow.
- Prestwick International Airport is a 30-to-40-minute train journey from Johnstone railway station.
- A dual carriageway, the A737, connects Johnstone to the M8 motorway to provide car transport links to central Scotland.
- Johnstone is linked to Glasgow Central, Paisley and the Ayrshire coast by the Johnstone railway station which is located at the east of the town on Thorn Brae. A second unmanned station, Milliken Park railway station lies at the west end of the town, just off the Cochranemill road.

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Cumbernauld

The bus between Glasgow Buchanan Bus station and Cumbernauld takes roughly 20 minutes and 45 minutes on the train.

- Cumbernauld is a large town in the council area of North Lanarkshire.
- Cumbernauld has a large shopping centre, as well as many good schools.
- To the south of the town, Palacerigg Country Park has nature trails, a tree-top walkway and a zoo, making for a great family day out.
- Cumbernauld Outdoor Activity Centre offers a range of leisure activities from archery to paintball and 4x4 driving.
- Regular bus services run to Glasgow, Stirling, Falkirk, Dunfermline, and St Andrews while local services run to the surrounding towns and villages.
- The town is served by two railway stations, Cumbernauld and Croy.

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Shotts

The train from Shotts to Glasgow Central Station takes about 40 mins

- Shotts is a town located halfway between Edinburgh and Glasgow.
- The picturesque Kirk o Shotts can be clearly seen from the M8.
- Shotts also has its own golf club, which is situated half an hour from both Glasgow and Edinburgh.

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Hillhead

A subway would take 20 minutes to get to the city centre, or a bus to the city centre would take 20-30 minutes.

- Hillhead is an area of Glasgow situated north of Kelvingrove Park and to the south of the River Kelvin, Hillhead is at the heart of Glasgow's fashionable West End, with Byres Road forming the western border of the area, the other boundaries being Dumbarton Road to the south and the River Kelvin to the east and north.
- The social and cultural life of the area is vibrant, including the busy shopping thoroughfare of Byres Road, the Botanic Gardens and the River Kelvin and intersected by Great Western Road, the main route out of the city to the north-west.

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Coatbridge

Coatbridge is about 25 minutes to Queen Street train station.

- Coatbridge is a town in North Lanarkshire which lies 9 miles east of Glasgow.
- Attractions include the Time Capsule leisure centre, which includes a water park and ice rink, and Drumpellier Country Park. The park contains a visitor centre and butterfly house.
- The town has a number of eateries as well as a variety of local and high street shops.
- The town is well served by a variety of railway lines which cover six railway stations.
- Coatbridge is easily accessible from Edinburgh, Stirling and Glasgow by road.
- Bus services connect the town to the surrounding area, including East Kilbride and Hamilton.
- St Ambrose High School, St Andrew's High School and Coatbridge High School, are the main secondary schools serving the town.
- Coatbridge also has several special needs schools including Pentland School (primary school), Portland High School, Drumpark School (now primary department only), Willowbank School (high school) and Buchanan High School.

Motherwell

From Motherwell to Glasgow, it would take 25 minutes on the bus and 35 minutes on the train.

- A notable building in the town is The Cathedral Church of Our Lady of Good Aid, otherwise known as Motherwell Cathedral.
- Strathclyde Country Park lies between Motherwell and nearby Hamilton. The park includes the remains of a Roman fort and bath house, and is home to M&Ds, one of Scotland's theme parks.
- Motherwell Concert Hall regularly holds concerts and other shows.
- The town contains a wide selection of cafes, restaurants, pubs and bars, and a variety of shops including the Motherwell Shopping Centre.
- Motherwell is easily accessible by road as it lies next to the M74 motorway and bus services run to a variety of destinations including Hamilton, East Kilbride, Airdrie, Glasgow and Lanark.
- There are three railway stations which provide links to local destinations such as Edinburgh and Glasgow and places in England as far as London.

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Lenzie

Lenzie offers the opportunity to get to Glasgow in 10 minutes by train and 25 minutes by bus.

- Lenzie is a small and affluent town on the borders of Dunbartonshire and Lanarkshire, six miles north-east of Glasgow city centre and a mile south of Kirkintilloch.
- It lies on the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway, and the county border cuts right through Lenzie station.
- Lenzie is an attractive place to live having close proximity to major road and rail networks, with the additional benefit of being situated in a semi-rural location, it is surrounded on all sides except north by rolling farmland and countryside.
- The village is well served with a variety of local amenities, having three churches, three
 primary schools, a secondary school, a Bowling Club, Tennis Club, Rugby Club, and Golf
 Course.

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Glasgow South Side (Pollok)

Glasgow south side is about 30 minutes away from Buchanan bus station.

- Glasgow's South Side is a large sprawling area south of the river Clyde with lots of distinct areas and plenty of attractions.
- One of the biggest attractions on Glasgow's South Side is Pollok Country Park where you'll find Pollok House and the Burrell Collection.
- The south side also has a large park, called Bellahouston Park, an excellent range of bars and restaurants and has a real community feel.
- The south side is easily accessible from the city centre by foot, subway or bus, and strong train and road links connect it to the wider surrounding area.

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Neilston

Neilston is about 30 minutes to Glasgow Central train station.

- Neilston is a village and parish in East Renfrewshire in the west central Lowlands of Scotland.
- Neilston railway station, is the western terminus of the Cathcart Circle Lines from Glasgow Central station. The station is managed by ScotRail and is 11+3/4 miles (19 kilometres) southeast of Glasgow Central.
- Neilston has two primary schools, but no secondary schools. St Thomas's Primary School is a feeder Roman Catholic primary school for St Luke's High School in Barrhead. Neilston Primary School is a non-denominational feeder primary school for both Barrhead High School in Barrhead and Eastwood High School in Newton Mearns.

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Clydebank

A bus from Clydebank to the city centre takes 30 minutes and it would be 25 minutes on the train.

- Clydebank has a selection of restaurants and cafes, and many pubs which also serve food.
 The town has a variety of shops, including the Clyde Shopping Centre which also has a cinema and includes a bridge over the Forth and Clyde Canal.
- A bus terminus sits at the southern end of the shopping centre and connects the town to Glasgow and the surrounding areas.
- The town is served by several railway stations, primarily Clydebank railway station which has regular services to Dalmuir, Glasgow, Motherwell and Helensburgh.

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Airdrie

Getting to the city centre from Airdrie takes 30 minutes on the bus or 30 minutes by train.

- Reflecting its roots as a market town, modern Airdrie has retained its traditional centre giving a focus for the many shopping and leisure activities that the town can offer.
- Airdrie is home to one of the four public observatories operating in the UK. The Airdrie Observatory is of significant historical and scientific interest and makes for a fun day out for both adults and children alike.
- Cumbernauld and Coatbridge are only a short drive from Airdrie, and have a number of attractions for the whole family.

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Dumbarton

Dumbarton is 30 minutes away by train or 30 minutes by bus.

- Dumbarton is a town on the River Clyde, west of Glasgow where you will find Dumbarton Castle.
- To the west of the town lies the ever-popular Overtoun Estate. This splendid mansion house dates back to 1859.
- The grounds have a variety of landscapes, from wooded glens and gorges to rolling parkland and exotic gardens, with colorful species collected in the Himalayas.
- Superb views of the surrounding Kilpatrick Hills can be enjoyed from the estate.
- One of the town's most popular visitor attractions is the fascinating Denny Tank Museum.
- The displays hark back to the glorious days of Clyde shipbuilding, offering a unique opportunity to step back in time to the days of the Victorian ship design, with displays of hull models and the working ship model testing tank.

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Bishopbriggs

It would take 30 minutes on the bus or 10 minutes on the train to get from Bishopbriggs to the city centre.

- Bishopbriggs is an affluent commuter suburb situated 5 miles north of Glasgow city centre.
- The town centre is known as 'The Bishopbriggs Cross' has many shops and restaurants.
- A number of local businesses are located at Huntershill Village, which sits at the top of the Crowhill area, including a gift shop, garden centre and coffee shop.
- Bishopbriggs is also known for its leisure centre, the Leisuredrome, which is one of the best equipped in Scotland.
- The town also has three golf courses, including the Bishopbriggs Golf Club and the Cawder Golf Club.
- Bishopbriggs has its own railway station, and a variety of bus services are available, connecting Bishopbriggs locally and to major towns.

Barrhead

Barrhead is about 35 minutes from Glasgow central train station.

- Barrhead is 8 miles southwest of Glasgow and is the main town in East Renfrewshire with a population of around 20,000.
- Barrhead sits on the edge of the Gleniffer Braes, a range of hills and park area. The park
 provides a variety of activities and sights including walks, play areas and waterfalls as well
 as stunning panoramic views from the Clyde Valley to Ben Lomond.
- Close to the town is Silverburn, one of the largest shopping centres in the UK, and Barrhead Sports Centre offers a range of leisure facilities.
- Barrhead sits near to the M77 motorway, making it easily accessible by car and it has a railway station which has regular services to Glasgow, Kilmarnock, Stranraer, and Carlisle.
 Local buses services are available which travel from Barrhead to Glasgow and Paisley.

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Cardonald

Cardonald is about 40 minutes from Glasgow Central train station or 35 minutes from Glasgow by bus.

- Cardonald is an outlying suburb of the Scottish city of Glasgow. Formerly a village in its own
 right, it lies to the southwest of the city and is bounded to the south by the White Cart
 Water.
- The district is served by Cardonald railway station on the Inverclyde Line and by Mosspark railway station on the Paisley Canal line, as well as numerous bus routes. There is also easy access to the Clyde Tunnel and the M8 motorway via Junction 25.

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Kilwinning

Kilwinning is about 35 minutes to Glasgow Central train station.

- The town of Kilwinning lies by the River Garnock, 5 miles south of Ardrossan and 3 miles north of Irvine on the North Ayrshire coast.
- The town dates back to the eighth century, when St Winning founded a church here. There is also a ruined 12th century abbey found in Kilwinning.
- The Museum of Ayrshire Country Life and Costume is found within Dalgarven Mill, which dates back to 1640. The museum is home to a unique collection of agricultural machinery, tools and photographs, and you can stop for a bite to eat in the Miller's Kitchen. A variety of dining options can also be enjoyed in the town's cafés and restaurants.

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Saltcoats

Saltcoats is about 39 minutes to Glasgow Central train station.

- This popular Ayrshire holiday resort is found on the coast and boasts a variety of things to see and do.
- Saltcoats is much better known for its picturesque harbour and golden, sandy beaches set around Irvine Bay.
- Popular attractions in Saltcoats include the Apollo Cinema, Basebowl Ten Pin Bowling and the Saltcoats Town Trail where you can learn about the town's fascinating heritage.
- Saltcoats is also home to variety shops to browse and cafés, bars, restaurants to dine in.
- Saltcoats is served by regular bus and railway services. Primary bus services are provided by <u>Stagecoach West Scotland</u>, while rail services are operated by <u>ScotRail</u>. These rail services are frequent and serve nearby Glasgow, as well as Largs, Ardrossan and Kilwinning.

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Kilmarnock

Kilmarnock is a 40-minute bus ride and 1-hour train ride away from the city centre.

- Located in the heart of Ayrshire, Kilmarnock has much to offer with its unique mix of culture, retail and leisure. The town centre is well-known for its wide range of independent niche shops which, combined with many of the familiar high street stores, offers a great retail mix.
- Bank Street is a charming cobbled street in the historic core, with the elegant John Finnie Street boasting one of the best examples of provincial Victorian architecture in Scotland.
- The Dick Institute and Palace Theatre offer first class cultural and leisure experiences within the town centre, with the Burns Monument Centre close by in the beautiful setting of Kay Park.
- Dan Castle and Country Park offer a fantastic day out for all the family with a programme of events and exhibitions throughout the year.

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Baillieston

Baillieston is about 40 minutes from Glasgow Queen street train station.

- Baillieston is a suburb of Glasgow, Scotland. It is about 7 miles (11 km) east of the city centre.
- The area is served by Baillieston railway station, with the Broomhouse neighbourhood on the opposite side of the tracks accessed via a rebuilt road bridge and a pedestrian underpass.
- Baillieston contains several primary and high schools in the area.

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Wishaw

From Wishaw to Glasgow, a bus would take 40 minutes and a train would take 30 minutes.

- Wishaw is 14 miles east of Glasgow and 32 miles west of Edinburgh, and both cities can
 be easily reached via the nearby motorways, the M74 and the M8 which makes it a great
 location for visitors, business travellers and commuters alike.
- The town has an attractive town park, Belhaven Park and the town centre has been upgraded and has various eating and drinking establishments.
- You can access the Clyde valley walkway and the attractive Cambusnethan Priory, unfortunately now falling into disrepair.

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Drumchapel

Getting the bus from Drumchapel into the city centre takes roughly 45 minutes, and catching a train would take you 20 minutes.

- Drumchapel is a district in the north-west of the city of Glasgow. It has a retail park and is a short bus ride from Glasgow's city centre.
- It has good bus and train links, and is close to Clydebank where there is another large shopping centre.
- There are many schools in the area and good links to explore neighbouring attractions, such as golf courses for adults and children.

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Troon

Troon is about 48 minutes to Glasgow Central train station.

- Just a few miles from Prestwick International Airport and 45 minutes from Glasgow Central Station, the charming town of Troon is a wonderful destination for a day out at the beach or a relaxed seaside holiday.
- The bustling harbour is home to Ayrshire's fish market, which supplies locally caught fish and seafood to quality restaurants at the nearby marina.
- The town also offers a wealth of charming independent cafés, as well as a range of unique boutiques and shops.
- Troon has five primary schools, one secondary school, and early years education is provided
 with a mix of private establishments and local authority establishments attached to
 primary schools which are operated by South Ayrshire Council.

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Hamilton

The train takes 40 minutes, or the bus takes around 50 minutes to Glasgow.

- Hamilton is a historic town at the head of the Clyde Valley in the heart of Lanarkshire.
- Strathclyde Country Park lies between Hamilton and nearby Motherwell.
- The park includes the remains of a Roman fort and bath house, and is home to M&Ds, one of Scotland's theme parks. Hamilton Park Racecourse is one of the country's premier horse-racing venues, while Hamilton Palace Sports Ground has football and tennis facilities.
- The town boasts three shopping centres as well as a large variety of independent shops and a wide range of eateries.
- The town has three railways stations whose destinations include Motherwell, Glasgow and Lanark.

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Carluke

Carluke is 55 minutes from Buchanan bus station or 53 minutes from Glasgow Central train station.

- Carluke is the largest town in the Clyde Valley and sits on a plateau overlooking the River Clyde, with excellent links of transport.
- The town has an excellent range of high street names and local shops. It has a wide selection of cafes, restaurants and takeaways as well as specialist shops such as Ramsay's of Carluke, the multi award winning family Scottish butchers who uses the traditional Ayrshire cure for their bacon.
- The town's location is also perfect for access to the garden centres of the Clyde Valley and has a gala day each year in June.
- The town benefits from a direct rail link with Glasgow and regular bus services to surrounding towns as well as Glasgow and Edinburgh. The town is easily accessible by car from Edinburgh, Glasgow and Lanark.

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Largs

Largs is about 57 minutes to Glasgow Central train station.

- Largs is a traditional holiday resort on the west coast of Scotland.
- Close to Largs lies the Isle of Cumbrae, just a mile offshore. There is a regular ferry service to the island and the famous Waverley Paddle Steamer makes regular trips from Largs during the summer months.
- Largs offers a great range of leisure activities, with two golf courses, putting, bowls, play parks and a swimming pool.
- The town has a railway station with connections to Glasgow, several restaurants and places to eat out including an art deco ice cream parlour.

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Greenock

Greenock is about 1h 3 minutes from Glasgow Central train station or about 58 minutes from Buchanan bus station.

- Greenock is a historic industrial town by the Firth of Clyde, 25 miles west of Glasgow.
- Attractions include McLean Museum and Art Gallery and the Old West Kirk. The Greenock
 Cut is an aqueduct which is one of the top 50 walks in Scotland, offering panoramic views
 of the Clyde
- Greenock has a number of shopping facilities, including the Oak Mall Shopping Centre, and many restaurants, cafes and pubs to eat in. The town has a variety of sporting facilities.
- Greenock boasts nine railway stations, which provide services to Glasgow, Gourock, Wemyss Bay and other surrounding stops. There is a number of local bus routes as well as services to further destinations such as Glasgow, Largs and Dunoon.

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East Kilbride

It takes an hour on the bus or 40 minutes on the train to get to the centre

- East Kilbride contains a variety of parks. Calderglen Country Park has a choice of woodland walks and contains the ruins of both Calderglen Castle and Craigneith Castle.
- There is a good range of sporting facilities in East Kilbride with the Dollan Aqua Centre, an ice rink and various golf courses in the area.
- The town centre has a large shopping centre and 'The Village', the oldest part of East Kilbride, is home to a variety of restaurants, cafes and pubs.
- East Kilbride railway station can also be found in The Village while Hairmyres railway station sits in the west of the town.
- Bus services run to surrounding destinations across Greater Glasgow and several main roads connect the town to Glasgow and the M77 motorway.

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Kilsyth

Travelling to the city centre from Kilsyth would take 1 hour on the bus or 45 minutes by train.

- Kilsyth is the most northerly town in Lanarkshire, nestling in the scenic countryside at the foot of the Kilsyth Hills. The town is home to the picturesque Burngreen Park, historic Colzium House, Auchinstarry on the Forth & Clyde Canal, and the Antonine Wall.
- Kilsyth has a lot to offer residents and visitors alike. As well as the Antonine Wall and Colzium House Estate there are numerous walking, cycling, and equestrian trails, angling in the many rivers, canals and lochs in the area, and canoeing and cruises on the Forth & Clyde Canal.
- Kilsyth is an ideal location for day trips and longer stays with lots to see and do and a selection of good quality accommodation available locally.

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Falkirk

A bus would take an hour to get into town, or it would be 30 minutes on the train.

- Falkirk is a town in Scotland's central belt, located between Edinburgh and Glasgow in the Forth Valley.
- Falkirk and the surrounding area is bursting with brilliant contrasts.
- The area boasts some outstanding attractions, including The Kelpies, The Helix, The Falkirk Wheel, Bo'ness and Kinneil Railway, the Antonine Wall, and The John Muir Way to name but a few.

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Milngavie

A bus would take 1 hour or a train would take 30 minutes.

- Milngavie is a town in the valley of the river Allander which is known for being the starting point of the West Highland Way.
- Milngavie (pronounced 'mill-guy') has a population of around 14,000 and is known for being the starting point of the West Highland Way, Scotland's first long-distance walking route. The pedestrianised town centre is known locally as 'Milngavie Precinct' and has a range of shops and restaurants as well as a local bookshop. Milngavie serves as a dormitory town for Glasgow and nearby Mugdock Country Park offers some good woodland walks.
- The town has its own train station which has regular services to Glasgow, Edinburgh, Lanark and Motherwell, while buses run to Glasgow and Kirkintilloch which are both just a short drive away.

Lanark

Lanark is about 1h 6 minutes from Glasgow Central train station.

- Lanark is a historic market town in the Clyde Valley and is one of the oldest royal burghs in Scotland.
- Lanark Museum, which houses a collection of items which illustrate the history of the town, is housed in the YMCA building. Other places of interest include Lanark Loch and Castlebank Park.
- Bus services connect Lanark to the surrounding area and larger towns such as Motherwell,
 East Kilbride and Glasgow. The town's train station provides links to several destinations including Glasgow, Uddingston and Cambuslang.

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Gourock

Gourock is about 50 minutes to Glasgow Central train station or 1h 15 minutes to Buchanan bus station.

- Gourock's ice cream parlours and open-air waterfront swimming pool recall its days as a popular day-trip destination for Glaswegians.
- Kempock Street has a variety of traditional shops and is Gourock's main shopping street.
- Gourock also has a golf club and is home to the Royal Gourock Yacht Club.
- Regular ferries run from Gourock to Dunoon, Kilcreggan and Helensburgh.
- Gourock railway station is located at the Pierhead and provides services to Paisley, Glasgow and Wemyss Bay while several local bus services connect the town to the surrounding area.

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