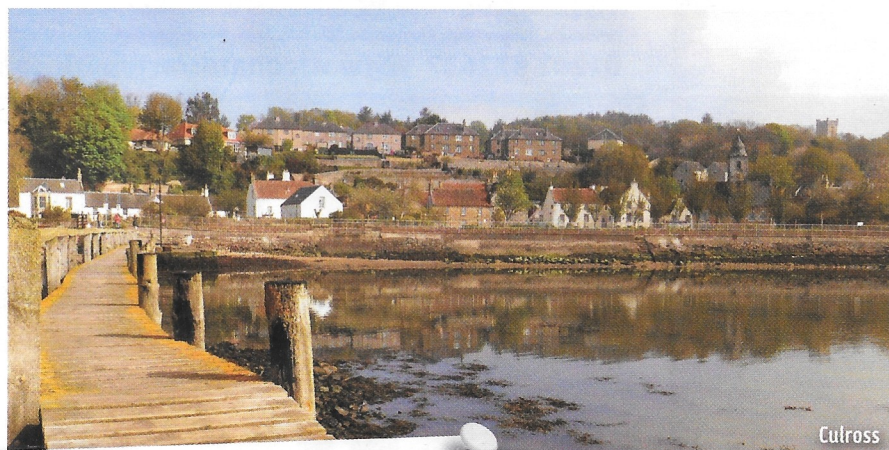


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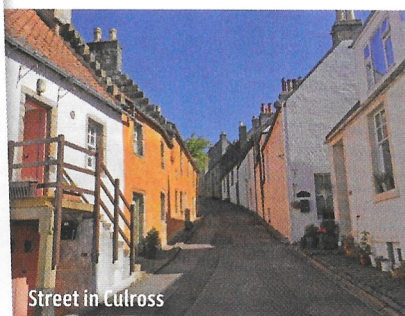
Highland Gateway Glamping & Caravanning, Clackmannanshire, Scotland



Culross



Sunset on site



Street in Culross

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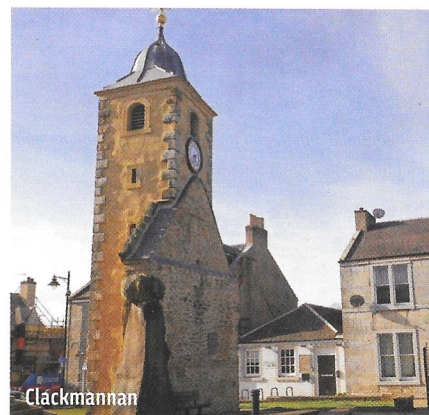
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Cost: From £30

Open: February – December

Nearest bus/train: 1.5 miles

Nearest pub/food: 1.7 miles



Clackmannan

The pitches at Highland Gateway look over agricultural fields on all sides, with the range of hills called the Ochils as a northerly backdrop. The site only has eight serviced hardstanding pitches and two pods. There are two small sanitary blocks with two showers and three toilets and a sink for washing up. There is a low rumble of traffic from the busy roads off the bridges over the Forth, but nothing too distracting.

We arrived on a sunny afternoon and after pitching up we set off on a circular walk to Clackmannan. A grassy lane from the site led us through woodland and gently uphill, into Clackmannan in under an hour.

The stone belfry tower on

Clackmannan's main street is what remains of the 16th-century Tolbooth and is the centre of the town along with the Mercat Cross. Next to these, on a block, stands the stone (or Clack) of Mannan (after a Celtic god called Mannan) which gave Clackmannan its unusual name.

We do like small campsites, and this one was perfect due to its proximity to Culross, a pretty village on the banks of the River Forth. The village has been on our list to visit for some years and is only a 15-minute drive from the campsite. There are two car parks at Culross, but it is a popular destination and if you have bikes there are good cycle paths from the campsite.

In Culross we walked along the shore and on narrow cobbled streets among the traditional houses, many owned by the National Trust.

Climbing Hags Wynd, we reached the hanging gardens viewpoint and could see why this village is loved by film crews, including *Outlander*, as we soaked in the centuries. The attractive ochre-coloured buildings, known as Culross Palace, were a wealthy merchant's house and can be visited, but check opening times on the website for filming events.



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