

--- Do You Speak Scots? ---

While English is the spoken language in Scotland, there are many words that the Scots use which are unfamiliar to us. Sometimes the same word has a different meaning in Scotland. Here are a few variations, but there are many more not listed here. One fun aspect of international travel is learning a new language and using it when you can. Good Luck!

Accommodation

En suite	Private bathroom
First Floor	Second floor
Flannel	Face cloth
To let	For hire
Twin beds	Two singles

Food and Drink

Afters	Dessert
Ashlet	Plate
Bangers'n Mash	Sausage and Mashed potatoes
Bannock	Oatcake (a savory biscuit/cookie)
Boiling	Boiled candy
Bucks Fizz	Mimosa
Biscuit	Cookie
Champit tatties	Potatoes
Chips	French Fries
Clapshot	Turnip and potato mashed together
Courgettes	Zucchini
Crisps	Potato chips
Faggots	Meat balls
Gigot	Leg of mutton
Haggis	Scottish National Dish
Jacket potato	Baked potato
Jam	Jelly
Jelly	Jello
My shout	My round (my turn to pay for drinks)
Neeps and Tatties	Traditional vegetable accompaniment to Haggis
Pud	Dessert
Slider	Ice-cream between 2 wafers
Spotted dick	Steamed suet pudding
Tablet	Rectangular bock made of butter, sugar and condensed milk
Tomato Sauce	Ketchup

In the car, on the road

Give way	Yield
Return	Round Trip
Coach	Bus
Bonnet	Hood
Boot	Trunk
Lorry	Truck
Petrol	Gas

### Out sightseeing and traveling around Scotland

Ben	Mountain
Bonny	Pretty
Burn	Stream
Clachan	Village
Croft	Small Holding
Factor	Estate Manager
Finnock	Young Trout
Glen	Valley
Haar	Mist
Haugh	Meadow
Highland Coo	Native Scottish cow with long horns and thick shaggy coat
Hoolit	Owl
Loch	Lake
Tup	Ram
Wynd	Lane

### Miscellaneous

Chemist	Drug store
Engaged	Busy
Inch Tape	Tape Measure
Jumper	Sweater
Naught	Zero
Plaster	Band-Aid
Way out	Exit

### Other interesting tidbits

Auld Lang Syne	Poem by Scotland's national poet, Rabbie (Robert) Burns, which has become the world's most traditional song of farewell
Auld Reekie	Edinburgh (literally 'old smokey')
Ceilidh	Gathering for dance, song and stories
Gaelic	The native language of Scotland, most commonly used in the western isles
Scotland	Ancient kingdom, part of the island of Great Britain (along with Wales and England) and a member state of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. In this context the misuse of the generic term "England" causes offense!
Scotsman	A proud citizen of the ancient kingdom of Scotland. Most definitely not English!
Tartan	The plaid, Scotland's major contribution to the world's fashion industry along with tweed and wool
Tattoo	A signal by drum or bugle ordering the military to return to barracks
Whisky	Scotland's national drink, from the Gaelic "uisge beatha" - the water of life