



Haddo House



Pitmedden Gardens



King's College, Aberdeen



Duthie Park

A full day excursion combines the stately home of Haddo House or the formal Gardens of Pitmedden with a visit to Aberdeen, the Silver City. Each attraction individually makes the perfect destination for a half day excursion.

**HADDO HOUSE** - Passing through the Haddo Country Park, guests will arrive at Haddo House, home of Lady Aberdeen whose ancestors have lived here since 1732. In this stately home, guests follow in distinguished footsteps, from British Prime Ministers, royal visitors, great politicians and musical celebrities. The extensive art collection includes a series of 150 water colours of Aberdeenshire Castles by Giles. Haddo House is also home to a choral and operatic society in the works of which Prince Edward is regularly involved. Although a stately home, Haddo exudes a family atmosphere which will make guests feel warmly welcome. Refreshments can be served on the rose terrace to the music of a Silver Band.



Total hours full day:	8
half day:	3 or 4

Full day or half day excursion

OR

# The Silver City and Haddo House/Pitmedden Gardens

**PITMEDDEN GARDENS** - originally laid out in 1675 the gardens were re-created by the National Trust in the 1950s. The elaborate and formal layout which incorporates no less than 30,000 annual plants and over five miles of boxwood hedges maintains colour throughout the summer and is a sight not to be missed.

After Haddo or Pitmedden the tour continues to Aberdeen, known as the Silver City because its granite buildings sparkle in the sun. On arrival to the City, lunch can be arranged in one of the historic rooms of the splendid setting of the 500 year old University at King's College.

After lunch, on the city tour guests will visit Old Aberdeen, with its cobbled streets, admire Aberdeen's unique granite architecture, the ancient twin spires of St Machar's Cathedral and Duthie Park's Winter Gardens, the largest indoor gardens in Europe.

Time is then available to explore some of the city's excellent shops which are mostly conveniently located near the area of Union Street. Alternatively more of the City's attractions, such as the Art Gallery, can be visited independently.

