Get More out of Digital and Data

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Plan for Today

9:45-09:50 - Welcome & Introductions

9:50-10:30 –Tourism Now & In Future – Data, Trends & Examples

10:30 – 11:30 – Your Business & Data (Group/Interactive sessions)

Tourism Scotland to 2025 - Who are our Customers?

11:30 - 11:45 - Comfort Break

11:45 – 12.15 – Digital Tourism Resources & Learning Opportunities

12:15-12.30-Review, Next steps, Action Pans

12:30 – 1pm – Synden Grieve, Market Manager, Expedia

1pm - 2pm - Networking lunch - close







What do we mean by 'data'?

The tourism industry in Scotland is worth at least £11bn to the economy and employs over 217,000 people in Scotland. It is also a sector that currently has a low concentration of data science expertise, but the use of data has the potential for real impact within the sector.

Data Science is the development and application of computational methods for extracting knowledge from data.



Types of data

TRANSACTIONAL DATA

Typical transactional data ncluding invoices, payment orders, storage records and deliveries



SOCIAL DATA

This can include data from social media services and functionality such as Facebook Likes, Tweets & YouTube views

MACHINE DATA

This data can consist of information gathered from industrial equipment, real-time data from sensors and web logs that track user behavior online

What can data do for tourism?

Predict
Forecast
Improve Efficiency
Personalise Customer Experience
Improve marketing planning
Inform business decision – making
More?

Visitors to Scotland are becoming:

- more international
- _more digital
- more adventurous
- _more independent
- _more interested in meeting the locals

The Tourism Scotland 2020 Mid-term review says that we all need to:

- _strengthen industry leadership
- _strengthen digital capabilities
- influence investment
- _enhance the quality of the visitor experience



CUSTOMER WANTS

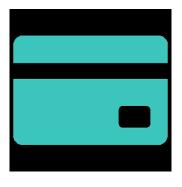
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Tourism data







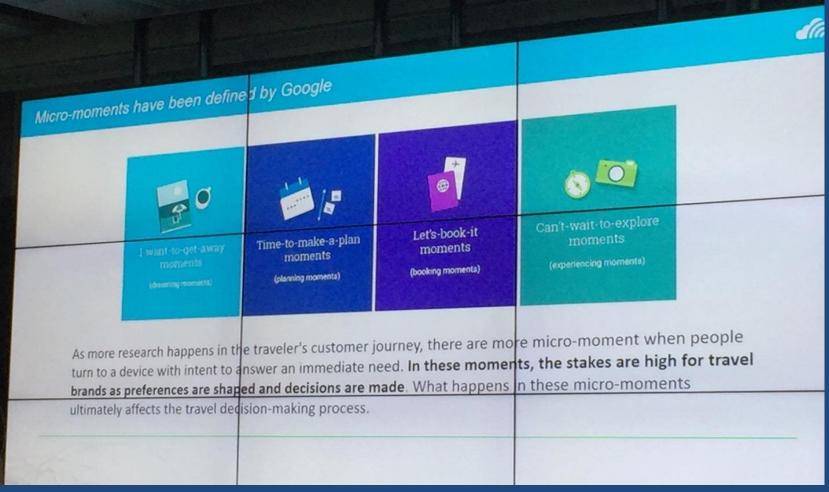
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Google Micro-Moments



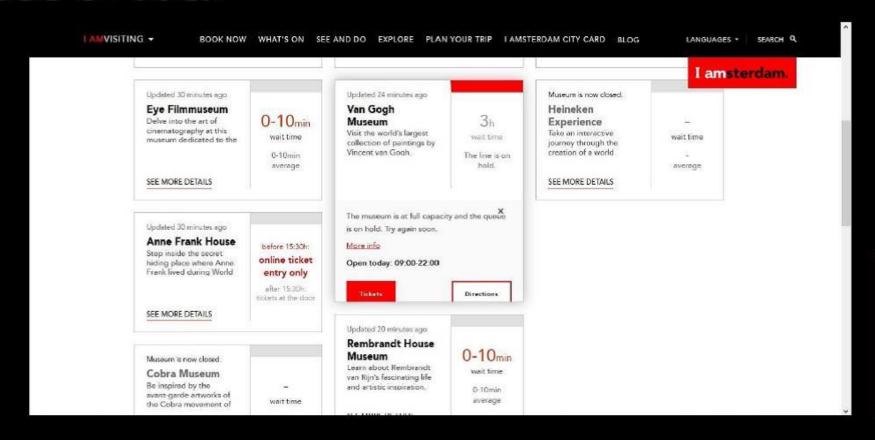
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Using Live Data to solve problems & assist visitors

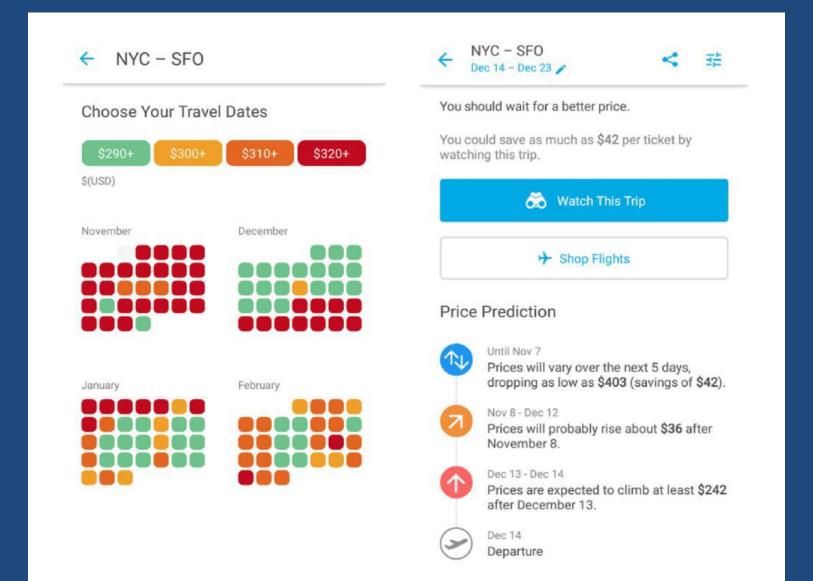
amsterdam marketing

Use of data



Source: Amsterdam Marketing, Geerte Udo, ETAG Conference 2018

Predicting/Optimising





Gamification - Helping to highlight other areas of a destination

QuestNative

Accept Adventures,

Go on Quests,

Share Local Experiences!

Gain points and win rewards going on Adventures and Quest, using the fun and interactive location-based app game.

See if you can climb the levels and share your Experiences in Scotland!



Source: ETAG/Data Lab April 2018

Questions & Review



Tourism Trends

Millennials
Collaborative Economy
Tourism Megatrends to 2025

Who will be our customers?

MILLENNIALS & GEN Z lead the way

 THE FASTEST GROWING CUSTOMER SEGMENT IN THE TOURISM INDUSTRY, EXPECTED TO REPRESENT 50% OF ALL TRAVELERS BY 2025

 AGE GROUP WITH HIGHEST INTENT TO VISIT EUROPE FROM LONG-HAUL MARKETS

(European Travel Commission)

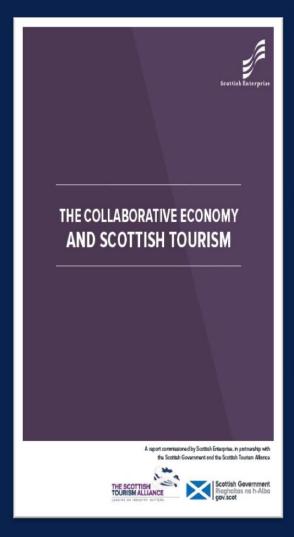
Key Trends

- Mobile
- Personalisation
- Competitive pricing tend to be quite price savvy and will shop around
- Interested in the sharing economy and experience focused
- Interested in value add this can be small things eg wine or tickets to something
- Want easy online service
- Will interact online and will actively review – great place to engage with them
- The difference between younger and other travellers is narrowing – younger travellers are becoming more affluent and want similar things

Source: Hotels.com

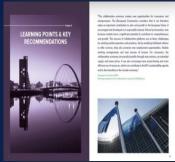
the collaborative economy:

"Connecting individuals or communities via online platforms enabling the sharing or provision of goods and services, assets and resources without the need for ownership"





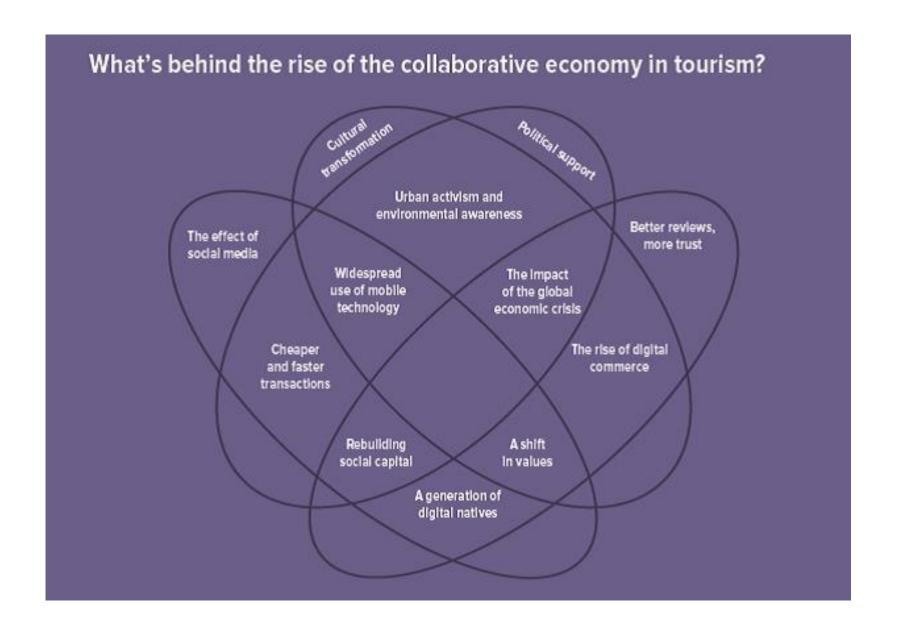




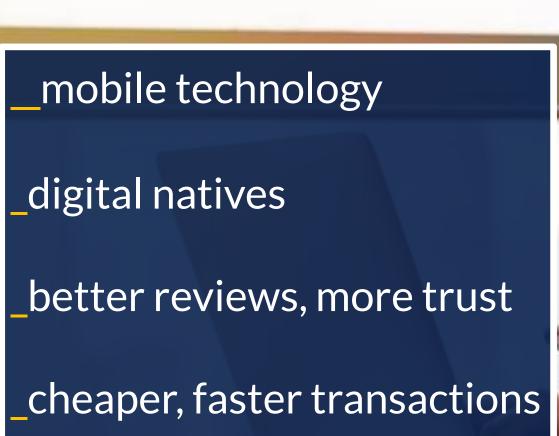
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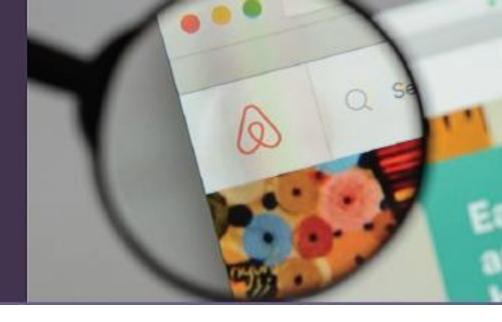
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the social media effect

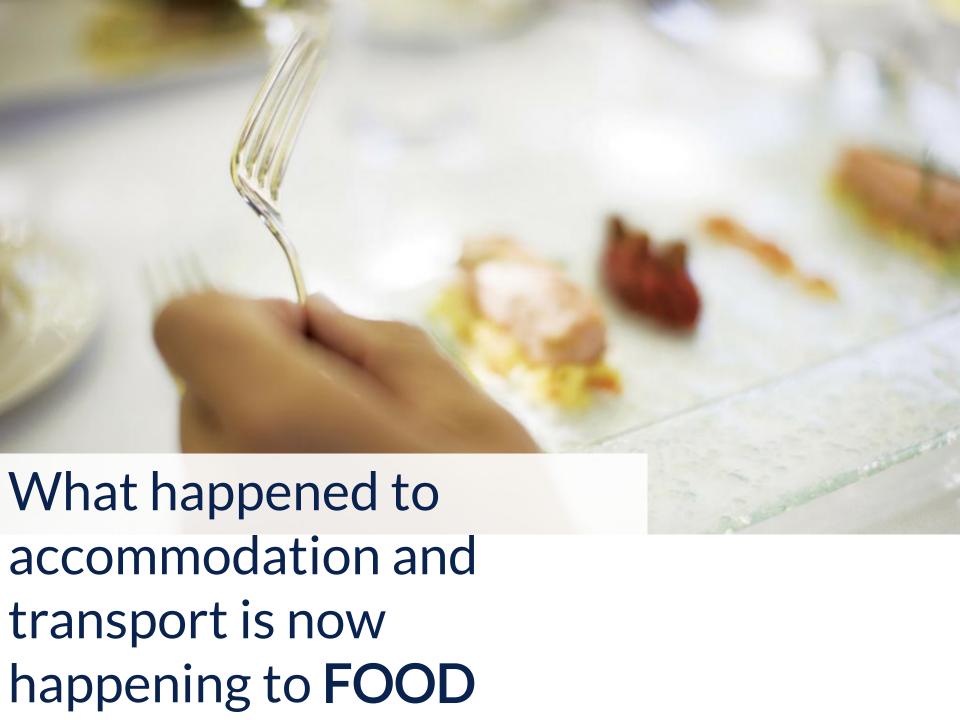
AIRBNB IN SCOTLAND

- 21,000 active listings in Scotland⁴
- 12,600 hosts who hosted from 1st March 2016-1st March 2017, hosting 802,000 inbound guests
- £68 million total income earned by host community
- · 2.8 nights average length of stay per guest
- 58% of listings for entire home, 41% for private room, and 1% for shared room
- Average host age in Scotland: 44 years, 64% female, 36% male⁵



35% of Scottish adults have used a collaborative economy platform. Over half of Scottish adults who've used a collaborative economy platform are aged 18-34. 21% of collaborative economy users in Scotland have used an online home-sharing service². 52% of adult EU citizens are aware of the services of the collaborative platforms, 32% have provided a service through a collaborative economy platform at least once³. Millennials are leading: adult EU citizens aged 25-39 are the most likely age group to use the collaborative economy, however the profile of users and providers is becoming more diverse every day.

Source: The Collaborative Economy and Scottish Tourism Executive Summary, Scottish Enterprise, January 2018





- Meals, food tours and cooking classes
- 20,000 hosts, 150,000 guests, 130+ countries
- Hosts can be individuals
 & travel trade
- Has partnerships with The Travel Corporation, Airbnb...



Become a host





DINNER AT OURS - THE BEST OF SCOTLAND

Menu

Reviews **** (4) Place & Amenities

€28 per guest (incl. fees)

Number of guests

2 guests



STYLE: ARTSY, CHIC, EDUCATIONAL, OFFBEAT



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MAKE A RESERVATION

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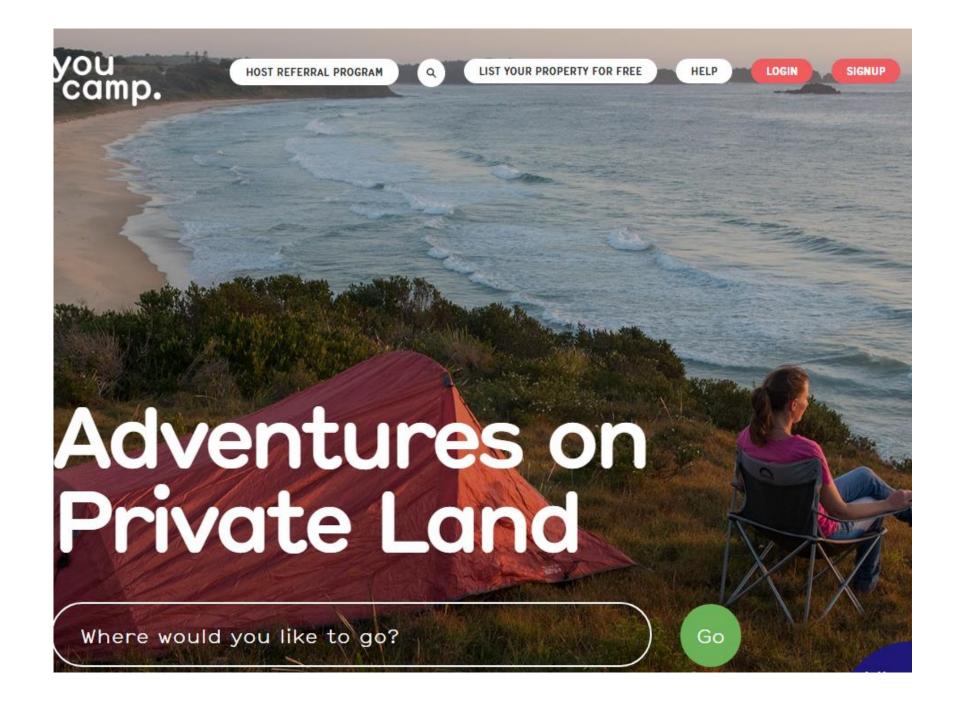
per person for 2 hours



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Mega Trends Impacting Tourism to 2025



Megatrends are defined as a long-term change in behaviour or attitude with global impact across multiple industries. This long-term analysis view is critical for any organisation or company that wants to shift from reacting to the short-term and move to innovation strategies including identifying and implementing solutions that better address the needs of tomorrow's consumers.

Experience More

Experience local people, culture, heritage, countryside, cities, food & drink Optimise the senses

Use technology to deliver a superior visitor experience that is:

Engaging, authentic and transformational



Time Out
Food
Market
Lisbon –
3m+ visitors
2016

Create more opportunities for tourists to experience truly local produce - maximise Scotland's food and drink heritage, such as whisky, seafood, gin, game.

Limitless Discoveries

Make a country far more compelling than one or two cities or famous landmarks Stimulate visitors to know more, do more, travel further and stay longer Examples: New Zealand, Canada, Iceland, Ireland, Spain, Denmark Position key cities as gateways to other parts of the country Sustainable, responsible travel Create itineraries, joined up experiences across (reliable) transport & ticketing



Alpine Pearls joins together 25 destinations across 6 countries in the entire Alpine area, combining tourist sites with eco transportation, dispensing with the car.

The Evolving Traveller

Demographic & social shifts – older, younger, disabled travellers Increase in travellers from China, India, Middle East, South East Asia Predicted that 1 in 3 Europeans will be 60+ by 2025.

Growing focus on attracting older, wealthier, active travellers – mobility/accessibility Make accessible travel mainstream rather than niche for disabled travellers Millennials value sustainable consumption & are willing to pay more for services committed to creating a positive environmental impact

My Green Butler Australia



Over a 17 month trial period at a 4½ star accommodation, guests were persuaded to use significantly less energy, including water and electricity while they enjoyed richer personalised activities. This service innovation is being tested for sustainable tourism outcomes in several tourist accommodations in three countries.

Designed to support ambitious and growing businesses that need to engage with the concept of sustainable continuous improvement in order to become more productive.



What can data do for your business?



Glasgow City Marketing Bureau Insights Dashboard



Business Loch Lomond Destination Dashboard



Sign in to view: www.businesslochlomond.com

Business Case Studies & Insights



Destination Research





How are visitors reaching you?



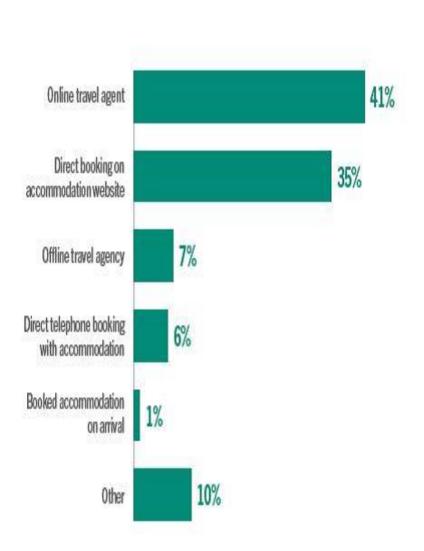
68% UK Travellers :online booking journey starts on metasearch

12% of all international travellers coming to the UK, search for destinations in Scotland.

56% - Weekend travellers account for the largest group of guests

Based on search volume, 78% of all international searches for destinations in Scotland come from just ten countries: Germany, Spain, the US, Ireland, Italy, Canada, the Netherlands, France, Australia and Sweden.

How are Customers Booking?





Used more regularly by...

- Frequent holiday makers
- Those going on international breaks
- Experience Seekers a globally diverse segment of travellers
- Millennials



Used more regularly by...

- Those undertaking domestic or niche holidays (e.g. activity breaks)
- North American travellers
- Seeking it All travellers a segment keen to maximise local interactions
- Baby boomers

The research also showed that midscale and budget hotels were more commonly booked via OTAs, whilst luxury or upscale hotels, and, as expected, sharing accommodation providers were the most likely to benefit from direct bookings.

Source: Scottish Enterprise/STR Consumer Travel Insights – Accommodation Booking Trends 2017

Customer Booking Trends

OTA vs. Direct Booking

Our research thus far has identified the important role of online booking channels, such as Booking.com. But how does the experience of using and booking through these channels compare to browsing and booking direct on, say, Marriott's or Hilton's websites?

Experience of Using Travel Websites¹

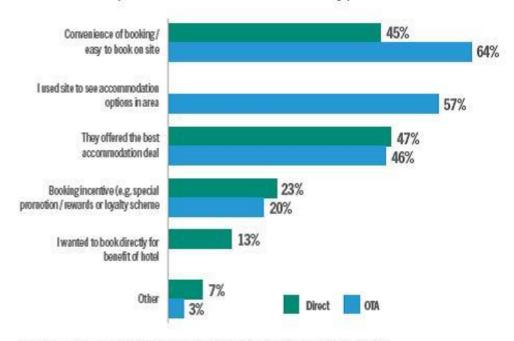




As shown above, there was some evidence to suggest that OTAs offer a better user experience compared to accommodation brands' own booking facilities, as the OTA experience was rated higher than the direct booking experience (4.26 vs. 4.13). Drilling down further, it was interesting to note higher satisfaction among Expedia and Booking, com customers than among Hotels.com customers.

Source: Scottish Enterprise/STR Consumer Travel Insights Accommodation Booking Trends 2017

Unsurprisingly, the results to the left suggest that the choice to book accommodation using an OTA, or directly on the accommodation's own website, is about more than just the user experience. We now explore key benefits and concerns our panellists associated with these two accommodation booking options.



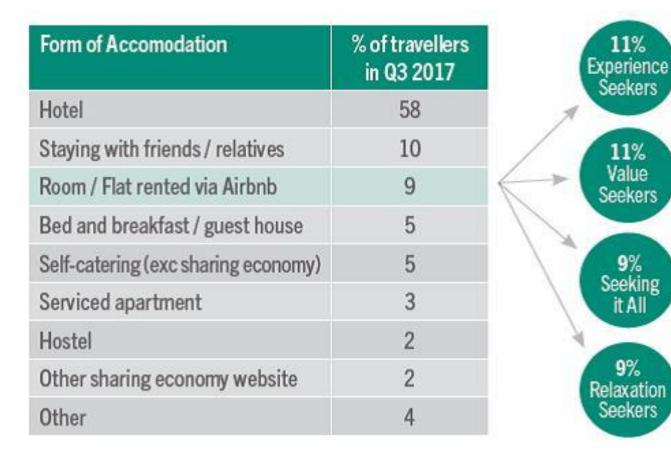
Therewere stark contrasts in travellers' reasons for using the different channels. OTAs were favoured due to their convenience, and, linked to that, the information they provide on accommodation options in a destination. Meanwhile, those who booked direct were less interested in convenience and were more interested in achieving the best accommodation deal. This finding highlights recognition of the benefits of booking directly in order to achieve the most competitive rate.

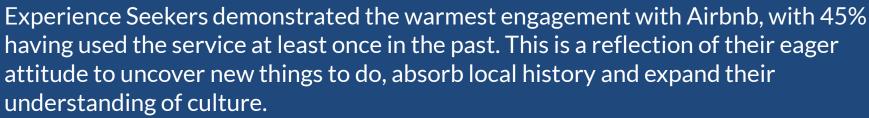
Air BnB Usage

39% travellers have used Air **BnB** at some point in their travels

Usage peaks in 25-34 age range (54%)

Higher uptake for female travellers 44% v 32% male.





Value

9%

it All

STR Traveller Panel 2k international respondents (November 2017)

Key segment: Aged 35-54 (41%)

59% female, 41% male

Analysis identified 5 Distinct Types of Travellers

Source: Scottish Enterprise/STR Consumer Travel Insights Accommodation Booking Trends 2017

Who are our customers?



These travellers are interested in a complete experience, in particular: experiencing new places and cultures, finding things to do, and enjoying food and drink options. 'Seeking it All travellers' tend to be female and reside in North America, with an average age of 47.



Experience seekers want to find things to do, absorb the history and ambiance of the places they visit and expand their understanding. Mostly female, and tending to reside in both North America and in Europe, but less so in the U.K., these travellers are younger than average age (44).



Value seekers are focused on finding things to do and enjoying their travels at an affordable price. These travellers, who are equally likely to be male or female, tend to live outside of Europe and North America. They have an average of age of 46.



Relaxation seekers are focused on relaxing and unwinding, in particular by seeking out enjoyable food and drink options. These travellers are almost equally likely to be male or female, and tend to reside in the U.K.. They have an older average age (48) compared with the other segments.



These travellers have no particularly strong motivations for travelling, rather, they seem willing to 'go with the flow'. They are most likely to be male and are commonly from Europe and the U.K.. They are a comparatively younger segment (average age: 44) and are more open to new experiences.

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■ Google Trends Explore Local Lamond **Updation, Pair 10 days**

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Data & Your Business

- 5 mins a short discussion about the opportunities and implications around your table notes onto flip chart
- 10 minutes What are you already doing notes onto flip chart
- * 10 mins What are you not currently doing / need to improve and what barriers are stopping you onto flip chart

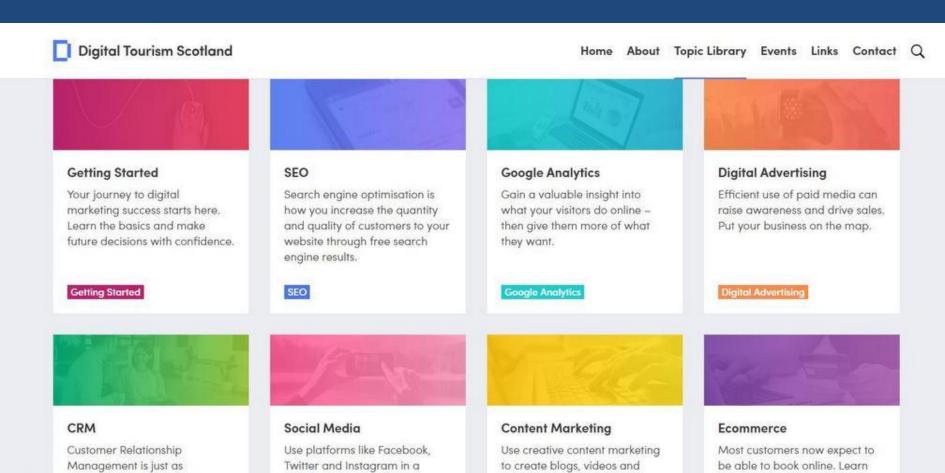
Tourism to 2025



3 Trends – Discussion & Ideas? Experience More Limitless Discoveries The Evolving Traveller



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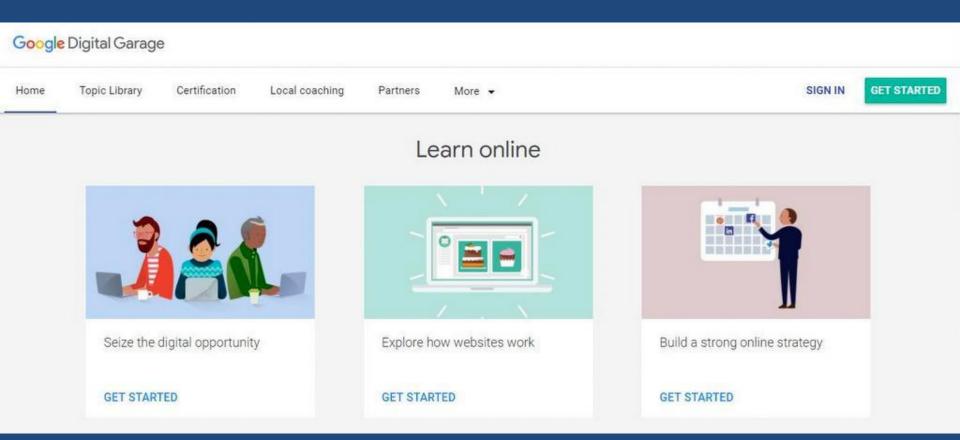


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17th August 2018

9:30am — 12:30pm

Clydebank, West Dunbartonshire

Email Marketing (Intermediate) - DigitalBoost

Being able to engage your customers in conversation is a key way to create sales. This workshop is ideal for people currently using email but not to its full potential.

31st August 2018

9:30am — 12:30pm

Clydebank, West Dunbartonshire

Producing Engaging Online Content (Intermediate) - DigitalBoost

Producing quality content is an excellent way of helping customers develop a meaningful relationship with your brand, and ultimately boosting sales. Learn to understand, source and measure content.

7th September 2018

9:30am — 12:30pm

Clydebank, West

Twitter & Hootsuite (Intermediate) - DigitalBoost

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- Share 1 key thing that you've learned from today
- List 3 key actions that you plan to do for your business as a result of today
- Tell us what information we can help provide to assist you

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