

EDINBURGH'S HOGMANAY



Hogmanay is the Scottish celebration of New year's Eve, from December 30 to January 1.



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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29	30	31				



Once Vikings celebrated Hogmanay and the shortest day of the year.



On the 30 th December, in Edinburgh, people walk with torchlights. It looks like a river of fire !



On the 30th and 31st December, people listen to music groups and watch fireworks.



On the 31st December, just before Midnight, people sing *Aul Lang Syne*.





At Midnight, 4.5 tonnes of fireworks are fired out of Edinburgh Castle.



On the 1st January, one of the more traditional events is *First footing* : the first foot in the house after Midnight, with presents : salt, coal, whisky, black bun or shortbread.



On the 1st January, there is the *Loony Dook*. People wear costums and jump into the River Forth.

