



## THE Z HOTEL GLASGOW

### HOTEL IN GLASGOW

Budget Design Hotel

The tourist board for Glasgow's official slogan is "People make Glasgow". And indeed the city is a fantastically friendly place, with people who always have time to stop and chat.

But even in Glasgow I have never had a welcome as friendly as the one at the Z Hotel. As soon as I walked in the front door here the two front desk/bar staff were chatting to me about the journey, my plans for the evening, the potential for snow tomorrow. And not in that automaton-like way you get in many hotels, but in the way you would talk to friends you hadn't seen in a while.

This friendly welcome even extends to a free drink, with wine and cheese served in the lobby bar between 5pm and 8pm daily. I have only seen this rarely, and almost exclusively in the States.

The welcome sets my stay up nicely. The hotel is mere steps away from George Square and so I can wander at will around the city, lunching at Anchor Line and shopping in the Merchant City quarter. Every time I return I get the same smile, the same chat, and I feel at home.

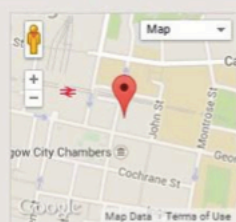
The rooms here are small but they manage to feel homely too. There is a small desk space and free Wi-Fi to keep me working, a tiny but fully functional bathroom (shower only) in one corner, partitioned off with frosted glass, and a large window with a view (almost, if you crane your neck) of George Square. The hanging space is just a few hangers on wall hooks so I don't unpack but with just a few nights here it hardly matters, and I spend most of my time out exploring Scotland's second city.

Every morning though I start with breakfast, served in the lobby bar and always with a side of chat. I've been to Glasgow many times but now perhaps I have found my home here.

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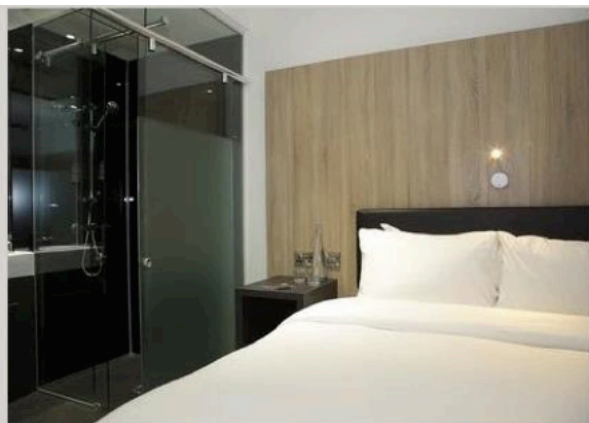
**HOW TO GET THERE**  
 Located just a few steps away from Glasgow's historic George Square as well as some great shops, bars and restaurants. The hotel is a two-minute walk from Queen Street Station.

**\*\*INSIDER TIP\*\***  
 Inside rooms have no windows. Room 117 is a good choice – on the end of the corridor and slightly larger than some others.

**OUR MAN ON THE GROUND:**  
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| Reviewer's Rating | ★★★★★  |
| Ambience          | Incredible Staff, Trendy   |
| Services          | Free High Speed Internet   |
| Cost              | Low  |
| Number of Rooms   | 104 rooms  |
| Related Activity  | Lively Nightlife, Culture / Sightseeing, Shopping, Great local restaurants |

**Room and Suite Categories**  
 Z Inside Single, Z Inside Double, Z Double, Z Inside Queen, Z Queen and Z Accessible.

**Additional Ambience Information**  
 Very friendly, chatty staff.

**Additional Price Comments**  
 Cheap, with prices for a Z Single starting from £40 a night.