

# The National Monument of Scotland

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The National Monument of Scotland is located on the top of Calton Hill, just to the East of Princess Street in Edinburgh. The construction started in 1826 and, due to the lack of funds, it was left unfinished in 1829. The architects were Charles Robert Cockerell and William Henry Playfair. It is a replica of the Parthenon in Athens at a cost of some £42,000. Because of that, the site has acquired various nicknames such as "Scotland's Folly", "Edinburgh's Disgrace", "the Pride and Poverty of Scotland" and "Edinburgh's Folly".

The National Monument of Scotland is a memorial to the Scottish warriors who died in the Napoleonic wars. It is famous for its outstanding view and is worth visiting. Moreover, it is one of the 11 Iconic Buildings and Places in Edinburgh.

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