



Alba Bagpipes

Professional Scottish Entertainment

*AWARD WINNING . PROFESSIONAL
AFFORDABLE . RELIABLE*



About Alba Bagpipes

Alba Bagpipes, established in 2010, is a multi-award-winning professional Scottish entertainment company based in the North East of Scotland. We specialise in providing traditional Scottish music for weddings and events, offering an authentic and unforgettable experience.

As the provider with the largest number of professional pipers, side drummers, tenor drummers, and Highland dancers in the North East of Scotland, we take pride in our diverse and highly skilled team. Many of our players are among the most talented in the world, with most having won major pipe band competitions in various grades, including Grade 1, which is reserved for the best pipe bands globally.

Our musicians have performed with some of the most renowned pipe bands and groups, including The Red Hot Chilli Pipers, The Edinburgh Military Tattoo Pipes & Drums, Inveraray & District Pipe Band, TEXO Deeside Caledonia Pipe Band, and City of Aberdeen Pipe Band. They have also performed worldwide, taking part in prestigious concerts and events, such as performing with André Rieu and his Johann Strauss Orchestra, at The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, and even for members of the Royal Family and other dignitaries.

With such an impressive roster of talent, we bring the very best in Scottish entertainment to your wedding or event, no matter where in the world it may be.



Proud Moments

Aberdeen Football Club

Alba Bagpipes was truly honoured when AFC approached us and requested our bagpiping services for special moments during the 2023/2024 season. Being part of such significant events was a privilege, and we were thrilled to contribute our unique sound to these memorable occasions.



Aberdeen vs St Mirren
30th Dec 2023



Player of the Year
24th April 2024



Aberdeen vs Livingston
15th May 2024

Cruises Arriving in Aberdeen

With the launch of the new South Port Harbour in Aberdeen, the Port of Aberdeen approached Alba Bagpipes to provide piping for all cruise arrivals into the city. This is a tremendous honour for us providing Scottish entertainment to thousands of visitors arriving in our vibrant city. We are incredibly proud to be part of this historic moment, bringing the unmistakable sound of the bagpipes to greet guests from around the world.



Performing on Stage With André Rieu

In 2022, Alba Bagpipes was contacted by André Rieu Productions, requesting a pipe band to perform on stage with the world-renowned violinist, André Rieu, and his Johann Strauss Orchestra at P&J Live in 2023. We were fortunate to perform with André Rieu in Romania and were later invited to his home concerts in Maastricht, which was the greatest honour.



Romania, Cluj



P&J Live, Aberdeen



Holland, Maastricht

Available to Hire

Bagpiper(s)

Alba Bagpipes takes pride in offering top-tier piping professionals, many of whom boast prestigious titles such as World Pipe Band Champion, Multi Solo Piping Champion, and a Guinness World Record Holder in Piping. Our talented team includes both male and female pipers, who typically wear the traditional Scottish kilt, jacket, and waistcoat uniform. Some of our pipers can also wear the full military uniform, seen at the renowned Edinburgh Military Tattoo, and this comes at no additional cost.



Side Drummer(s) & Tenor Drummer(s)

Both side and tenor drummers are becoming increasingly more popular at weddings. Both are unique in their own way and compliment a piper beautifully. The side drum's sharp, powerful rhythm can elevate the pace of the performance, creating an intense and energetic vibe. The tenor drummers flourishing and finesse brings a captivating element to the show, drawing the eye while enhancing the overall sound with its deep, resonant tones. Both can be hired individually to perform alongside a piper or together as a three piece.



Mini or Full Pipe Band

A mini or full pipe band is an absolute showstopper for any wedding! The energy and excitement that a full ensemble of pipers and drummers brings can truly elevate the atmosphere, whether it's during the day or a stunning evening performance. The combination of multiple pipers playing in harmony with drummers, creates a sound that's larger-than-life



Available to Hire

Highland Dancer(s)

Combining the skill and grace of our world-class Highland Dancers with the powerful and evocative music of our piper truly creates a spectacular atmosphere. It's an experience that transports audiences to the heart of Scotland, evoking the cultural richness and tradition of events like the Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Highland dancing is full of energy and precision, and when it's synchronized with the piping, it becomes an unforgettable unique performance.



Acoustic Guitarist(s) & Singer(s)

That combination of acoustic guitar and Highland or Small Bagpipes sounds incredibly unique and beautiful! The rich, soulful tones of the acoustic guitar blend perfectly with the distinct, powerful sound of the bagpipes, creating a harmonious balance that can elevate any ceremony or reception. The acoustic guitar brings a softer, melodic layer that complements the bagpipes and maintains the traditional Scottish feel. Available for solo hire.



Backing Track Music with Bagpipes

Unique to Alba Bagpipes, we offer a completely different type of entertainment not seen anywhere in the North East of Scotland. We have over 40 backing tracks which our Small & Highland Bagpipes can play along to using professional audio equipment to project the sound to either indoor or outdoor audiences. The versatility of this approach means we can seamlessly mix classical, contemporary, and even more modern tracks with the rich tones of the bagpipes, which would be a striking surprise for your guests



Alba Bagpipes Wedding Packages

Arrival Package *(Day or Evening)*

- Pipe for 40 minutes to greet your guests
- Pipe to welcome the Bride (Day Only)

Wee Dram Package *(Half Day)*

- Pipe for 40 minutes to greet your guests
- Pipe to welcome the Bride
- Pipe the Bride down the aisle (**Small pipes if required**)
- Pipe during the signing of the register (**Small pipes if required**)
- Pipe couple back up the aisle
- Pipe for confetti shot
- Pipe for 20 minutes at the conclusion of the ceremony

Highland Fling Package *(Full Day)*

- Pipe for 40 minutes to greet your guests
- Pipe to welcome the Bride
- Pipe the Bride down the aisle (**Small pipes if required**)
- Pipe during the signing of the register (**Small pipes if required**)
- Pipe couple back up the aisle
- Pipe for confetti shot
- Pipe for 20 minutes at the conclusion of the ceremony
- Pipe to greet the guests on arrival to the reception venue
- Pipe to greet couple on arrival to reception venue
- Pipe intermittently during afternoon drinks reception
- Pipe the Bridal party into dinner
- Pipe the couple into dinner
- Recite the Pipers Toast

Shindig Package

(Evening)

- Pipe guests as they arrive to evening reception
- Pipe couple into evening reception
- Pipe the grand march

Full Scottish Package

(Full Day & Evening)

- Pipe for 40 minutes to greet your guests
- Pipe to welcome the Bride
- Pipe the Bride down the aisle (**Small pipes if required**)
- Pipe during the signing of the register (**Small pipes if required**)
- Pipe couple back up the aisle
- Pipe for confetti shot
- Pipe for 20 minutes at the conclusion of the ceremony
- Pipe to greet the guests on arrival to the reception venue
- Pipe to greet couple on arrival to reception venue
- Pipe intermittently during afternoon drinks reception
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- Pipe the couple into dinner
- Recite the Pipers Toast
- Pipe guests as they arrive to evening reception
- Pipe couple into evening reception
- Pipe the grand march

Small Pipes

Small pipes are available at no extra cost and are mainly used during 'Piping the Bride down the aisle' & 'Piping during the signing of the register'.

The small pipes are no louder than an acoustic guitar.

Small Pipes are subject to availability

Tailor-Made Packages

All of our packages can be tailor-made to suit your wedding. Our online booking form allows you to select what you require from each package.

Deals & Offers

£20 Amazon or M&S Voucher

Every couple who books Alba Bagpipes is given a unique code which they can share with friends and family. Each time your unique code is used to book any of our packages, you'll receive a £20 Amazon or M&S Voucher

Your unique code is your married Surname + Wedding Date



Full T&C'S can be found at www.albabagpipes.com/ref-a-friend

Price Match



We will endeavour to price match any quote you have received from any other wedding piping company.

We will require proof of the companies quote or a link to their pricing information to enable us to carryout out a price match assessment.

We will also require details of the package being offered by the other company.

Price match is subject to availability

Wedding Supplier Discounts & Offers

To celebrate our crystal anniversary, we will be teaming up with wedding suppliers from all across the North East of Scotland to bring some unique discounts to couples who make a booking with Alba Bagpipes

Each couple will be provided with a unique supplier discount code once their booking is confirmed which they can provide to any of the suppliers listed on our website link below

www.albabagpipes.com/supplier-discounts-offers

Each wedding supplier will have their own T&C's regarding their offer or discount

Win Your Wedding Piper

Each year from **1st October – 31st January**

we run a free entry competition to win a 'Wee Dram Package' Piper

Previous Winners



5% Discount + Free Side Drummer

Every couple who enters will receive 5% discount off any of our packages
If booking, please ensure you enter discount code **5%OFFALBA** and you'll receive your discount and be entered into the competition automatically
The winning couple will receive a full refund of any monies paid thus far

Free Side Drummer

A free Side Drummer for the 'Wee Dram Package' is only available to the winning couple if a booking is made before the competition ends

The winning couple will be posted on Instagram & Facebook at 5pm on 1st February

(See booking link on reverse)

How To Enter

Scan the QR code below and complete the online entry form

or

visit www.albabagpipes.com/competition



Website Reviews

Since 2018 we have been inviting couples to complete a customer feedback form regarding their experience with Alba Bagpipes.

We have well over 100 reviews on our website to view

www.albabagpipes.com/reviews

29.12.2018

(Logie Country House)

The piper went above and beyond our expectations. Our musician cancelled at the very last minute and Rikki stepped in. Everyone said how beautiful Highland Cathedral was when I walked down the aisle.

19.04.2019

(Norwood Hall)

Rikki was absolutely amazing on the bagpipes and the Highland Dancers were absolutely fantastic and all our guests have been talking about them all. Would highly recommend to everyone.

15.02.2020

(Raemoir House)

Barry was our Piper for the day. He arrived on time, introduced himself, played the guests in, even stood in the rain. Well presented, very very friendly. Barry was in contact about the songs to play. Brought the Scottish wedding.

05.11.2022

(Rohaan Café Bar)

Everything is perfect with your service from start to finish. Amazing piper, was everything we ever dreamed of and everyone loved the piper. Was the best thing from the whole day, wish we booked him longer.

29.07.2023

(Barn at Barra Castle)

Matthew was incredibly friendly and professional. We had a number of guests from outside Scotland and they particularly enjoyed the piper. Thank you Matthew for adding something special to our day.

16.08.2023

(Glen Taner)

The bagpipes really were the perfect start to our day. The team were so professional & obviously very talented. Honestly couldn't recommend Alba Bagpipes enough to anyone getting married.

24.08.2024

(Dionysos Village, Turkey)

We loved having Robert as part of our special day. Our Turkish & Scottish guests loved him and it was great having the Scottish aspect to our wedding in Turkey. Thank you for being part of our day Robert.

07.09.2024

(House of Elrick)

The music was amazing, everything we asked for and more! Matthew was so good. He was really lovely and chatted away to us as well before we went in for dinner. Everything we could have wanted, top notch.

Social Media Reviews

Alba Bagpipes is rated 5 out of 5 stars on both Google & Facebook



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Megan Robertson recommends Alba Bagpipes - Professional Scottish Entertainment. ...

9 October 2024 · 🌐

Myself and my husband were thrilled to have Matthew play at our wedding on the 7th September 2024. He was so good, really everything we asked for and more! All of our guests thought he was fantastic. Would highly recommend ★★★★★



Natalie Stewart recommends Alba Bagpipes - Professional Scottish Entertainment. ...

21 November 2022 · 🌐

Can't thank Alba Bagpipes enough for being part of our special day, they was amazing from start to finish. Really wish we booked them longer for the day as they really are amazing to hear and all our guests loved it.



Carron Skene recommends Alba Bagpipes - Professional Scottish Entertainment. ...

16 June 2022 · 🌐

Myself and my husband were honoured to have Matthew play at our wedding on the 11th June 2022. He was so professional and even with my youngest one screaming the place down, he didn't let that get in the way of playing fantastically on the pipes. All of our guests thought he was fantastic. Would highly recommend 🙌



Jamie Green recommends Alba Bagpipes - Professional Scottish Entertainment. ...

6 June 2022 · 🌐

Myself and my new wife were honoured to have Rikki play at our wedding the full day and night yesterday, I honesty could not recommend him enough. Very professional, nothing was too much trouble and he was absolutely fantastic the whole day and let's face it who wouldn't want a Guinness world record holder at there wedding 😊 Thank you again Rikki for making our day complete.



Jenny Sangster Williams recommends Alba Bagpipes - Professional Scottish Entertainment. ...

13 September 2019 · 🌐

We were lucky enough to win alba bagpipes Facebook competition and won a wonderful piper at our ceremony.... there are simply no words to thank you enough. The piper was absolutely exceptional and all our guests kept commenting on how amazing he was. he piped me down the aisle with small pipes and it just sounded fantastic. If your searching for a piper for any event then look no further! thank you again guys!

How To Book

To place a booking, scan the QR code below
or
visit www.albabagpipes.com



Mutli-Wedding-Award Finalist & Winner



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