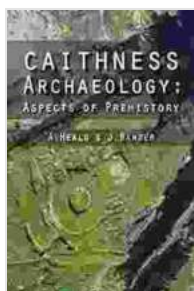


# Unveiling Caithness's Past: An Archaeological Journey Through a Northern Scottish Landscape

Nestled in the far north of Scotland, Caithness is a land of untamed beauty, rugged coastlines, and a captivating archaeological heritage that provides a window into the lives of our ancestors in this remote and enchanting landscape.



## Caithness Archaeology: Aspects of Prehistory

by Donald R. Hickey

★★★★☆ 4.8 out of 5

Language : English  
File size : 56069 KB  
Text-to-Speech : Enabled  
Screen Reader : Supported  
Enhanced typesetting : Enabled  
Word Wise : Enabled  
Print length : 192 pages





## From Prehistoric Hunters to Viking Raiders

Caithness has been inhabited since the Mesolithic era, around 8000 BC, as evidenced by the discovery of flint arrowheads and other stone tools.

The Neolithic period (4000-2500 BC) saw the emergence of farming communities, who left behind a legacy of impressive chambered tombs, such as the well-preserved **Camster Cairns** and the evocative **Warth Hill**.

During the Bronze Age (2500-800 BC), bronze artifacts became widespread, including weapons, tools, and ornaments. Caithness also boasts numerous Bronze Age burial mounds, revealing the region's importance as a center of ritual and ceremony.

In the Iron Age (800 BC-AD 400), the inhabitants of Caithness constructed a series of defensive forts known as **duns**. These strongholds, such as the formidable **Dunbeath Castle**, provided protection from raiding parties.

The arrival of the Vikings in the 8th century AD marked a new chapter in Caithness's history. Viking influence is evident in place names, archaeological finds, and the region's rich oral traditions.

## **Exploring Caithness's Archaeological Wonders**

Caithness is home to a wealth of archaeological sites that offer a tangible connection to our prehistoric past.

- **Cairn o' Get:** A spectacular Neolithic chambered tomb with a remarkably intact interior and impressive stone carvings.
- **Broch of Dun Dornaigil:** A well-preserved Iron Age broch, providing insights into the defensive and domestic life of this period.
- **Old Man of Stoer:** A towering sea stack that is home to a series of enigmatic prehistoric settlements.
- **Berriedale Viking Burial Ground:** A fascinating Viking burial site, revealing the intricate funerary practices of these Norse invaders.

## **Caithness Archaeology: A Treasure Trove of Discovery**

The archaeology of Caithness provides a fascinating lens through which to explore the human story in this remarkable landscape. From the earliest hunter-gatherers to the Viking raiders, the region has witnessed countless generations of human endeavor.



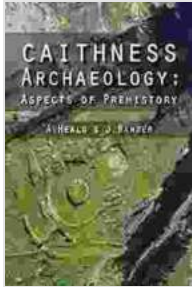
The book **Caithness Archaeology: Aspects Of Prehistory** offers a comprehensive exploration of this rich archaeological heritage. With stunning photography, detailed maps, and engaging text, it invites readers to delve into the captivating story of Caithness's past.

Whether you are a seasoned archaeologist, a history enthusiast, or simply curious about the human experience, Caithness Archaeology will captivate and inspire you.

Witness the wonders of Caithness's prehistoric past and uncover the secrets of a land that has borne witness to the ebb and flow of human civilization for millennia.

## Free Download your copy today:

- Our Book Library
- Barnes & Noble



### Caithness Archaeology: Aspects of Prehistory

by Donald R. Hickey

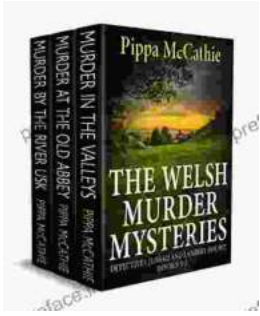
★★★★☆ 4.8 out of 5

Language : English  
File size : 56069 KB  
Text-to-Speech : Enabled  
Screen Reader : Supported  
Enhanced typesetting : Enabled  
Word Wise : Enabled  
Print length : 192 pages



### Unveiling the Tapestry of Western Civilization: Supremacies and Diversities Throughout History

: Step into the annals of Western Civilization, a grand tapestry woven with threads of triumph and adversity, dominance and diversity. From the dawn of ancient Greece to the...



## Unveil the Secrets: The Welsh Murder Mysteries

Prepare to be captivated as you delve into the alluring realm of 'The Welsh Murder Mysteries,' a captivating series of crime fiction novels that will leave...