

ALNWICK CASTLE

Come and visit one of the most iconic castles in Britain with broom training, state room tours and much, much more!

*Alnwick castle is currently closed
and will reopen on March 21st 2021.*



CASTLE HISTORY

In 1309, Henry Percy, great-great grandfather of Hotspur, purchased a typical Norman-style castle of motte and bailey form. In the following 40 years he and his son converted it into a mighty border fortress. They added towers and guerites around its curtain walls with a strong gatehouse at the entrance and a concealed postern gate to the rear. The gateway to the keep was strengthened with the addition of two massive octagonal towers.

Stone figures were added to the tops of the battlements, as was fashionable at that time, either for ornament, or to confuse attackers. This was a medieval device that the 1st Duchess was to copy to excess in the more fanciful mid-18th century castle restoration.

RECENTLY

Alnwick Castle most recently featured in Transformers: The Last Knight, and as the magnificent Brancaster Castle in Downton Abbey's 2015 and 2016 Christmas specials. Having already featured as Hogwarts in the first two Harry Potter films, as well as appearing in Elizabeth and Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves, among others, the castle is no stranger to film crews!

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OPENING TIMES

Castle : 10:00am - 4:00pm

Gift shop : 10:00am - 4:00pm

The Armoury Takeaway : 10:00am - 3:00pm



TICKETS

Adults - £8

16 and under - Free

Admission tickets are not transferable and are non-refundable, except for the reason outlined below.

HAVE FUN VISITING:

CASTLE INNER BAILEY, OUTER BAILEY, THE COURTYARD, THE DUNGEONS, THE RAMPARTS WALK, THE FUSILIERS MUSEUM, THE COACH HOUSE AND CASTLE GIFT SHOP. **TAKE PART IN** BROOMSTICK TRAINING, STATE ROOM TOURS, ARCHERY AND THE DRAGON QUES. **ENJOY FOOD** AT THE ARTISANS COURTYARD CAFÉ, CHIP SHOP AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!



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