YOUR VISIT

In the heart of the capital city, the site you see today is at once a reconstructed Roman fort, an impressive Norman Castle, and an extraordinary Victorian Gothic fantasy palace created for one of the world’s richest men.

GROUP BENEFITS

- Discounted admission rates
- Free visit for group leader and coach driver
- Easy drop-off and pick-up points for coaches
- Specialist Castle tours and group talks
- Audio guide & app in 10 languages

A TAILOR-MADE VISIT

Make your visit your own by ‘adding on’ aspects that suit your group’s interests. Let us make your visit memorable by arranging for our costumed Air-Raid Warden to show you the Second World War Wartime Shelters or travel back to the times of the Norman Conquest with our medieval costumed guide. Make your day complete by including Lunch or Afternoon Tea or join us for an unforgettable evening of hospitality at our Welsh Banquet.
MUST SEE AND DO

The jewel in Cardiff Castle’s crown is the wonderful decoration of the spectacular apartments. The opulent interiors are simply breath-taking, rich with gilding, elaborate wood carving, murals and stained glass.

- Spectacular rooms in the Castle Apartments
- Panoramic views from the top of the Norman Keep
- Atmospheric Wartime Shelters
- Firing Line: Cardiff Castle Museum of the Welsh Soldier
- Collect an audio guide / download our app
- Enjoy our café and gift shop
GROUP TOURS

HOUSE TOUR

A 50 minute guided tour with one of our expert guides will take you through the stunning rooms in the Castle Apartments. Tours can be arranged in English, Welsh, French or Spanish.

CONNOISSEUR TOUR

A 90 minute exclusive private tour of the Castle Apartments with your own expert guide who will give you a further insight into the Castle’s exquisite decoration. Included in the package is a guide book, refreshments and is more suited to smaller groups.

FILM LOCATION TOUR

A fascinating insight into the areas within the Castle which have featured in popular hit shows such as Sherlock, Doctor Who and Torchwood.
CURATOR TOUR

Castle Curator, Matthew Williams, the foremost expert on William Burges and Cardiff Castle can provide your group with unrivalled insight into the work of this Gothic-Revival architect and his extraordinary transformation of the Castle. The Curator Tour starts with an illustrated talk before an in-depth tour around the Castle Apartments. Allow approximately 2 hours for this tour plus additional time to see other areas of the Castle. Tea, coffee and Welsh cakes are included in the price.

CLOCK TOWER TOUR

The Clock Tower is an instantly recognisable landmark on the city skyline and the rooms within are amongst Burges’ crowning achievements. Your group will ascend the spiral stone staircase from the Winter Smoking Room to the top of the Clock Tower and the breath-taking Summer Smoking Room. Allow 30 minutes for this tour.
WELSH BANQUETS

From 2 January – 30 November 2018
Available: Sun – Thurs every week, subject to minimum numbers

An unforgettable evening of Welsh hospitality in the historic setting of the 15th century Undercroft. Join us for a relaxed and informal evening where you can enjoy the best of Welsh entertainment, Welsh food and the warmest of welcomes from your hosts, who will entertain you with a selection of traditional and contemporary songs in Welsh and English.

- Mead-tasting on arrival
- 3 course dinner featuring local specialities
- Evening is hosted by a Master of Ceremonies, traditionally costumed entertainers and a harpist

For a small additional charge, groups can also arrange a 30-minute evening tour of the Clock Tower before the banquet begins.

TRAVEL TRADE

Price: £41.50 per person
Evening Tour: £5.25 (only with a Welsh Banquet)
Banquet price includes VAT at 20%
ADMISSION PRICES
1 January – 31 December 2018

Group rates apply to pre-booked groups of 20 or more people. One tour leader/coach driver is admitted free per group for daytime admissions.

CASTLE TICKET
Includes Interpretation Centre, Firing Line, audio guide (subject to availability), Wartime Shelters, Norman Keep and Castle Apartments.

OPENING TIMES
Daily except 25, 26 December and 1 January

March – October: 9am – 6pm (Last group booking at 4.50pm)
November – February: 9am – 5pm (Last group booking at 3.50pm)

Early morning group visits and guided tours can be arranged from 8.30am onwards

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CONNOISSEUR TOUR: £27.95 PER PERSON
CURATOR TOUR: £30 PER PERSON
BOOKING INFORMATION

- All group visits must be booked in advance with any requirements stated at the time of booking
- Groups of more than 40 people may be split into smaller groups for entry into the Castle Apartments
- Maximum 25 people on each tour. Larger groups will be split into a 10 minute interval between the start times of each tour group, subject to availability
- For a Curator Tour, minimum group size is 20 people and maximum is 45

HELPFUL HINTS

- Most elements of the visit can be done at your own pace, but specific times are given for tours
- Allow approximately 3 hours to visit with a Castle Ticket and around 4 hours when adding a tour
- Audio guides available in English, Welsh, French, German, Italian, Spanish, Mandarin Chinese, Japanese, Russian and Portuguese
- The official Cardiff Castle app, containing the audio guide content, is available as a free download from the iTunes and Google Play app stores
- Coach parking: drop off points immediately outside the Castle offer easy access for coach parties, with parking close by (nearest coach parks: Sophia Gardens and Civic Centre)
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