

# GROUP VISITS & PRIVATE TOURS 2023

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HIS MAJESTY THE KING



# WELCOME

I am delighted to introduce Royal Collection Trust's programme of group visits and private tours for 2023.

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Director of the Royal Collection

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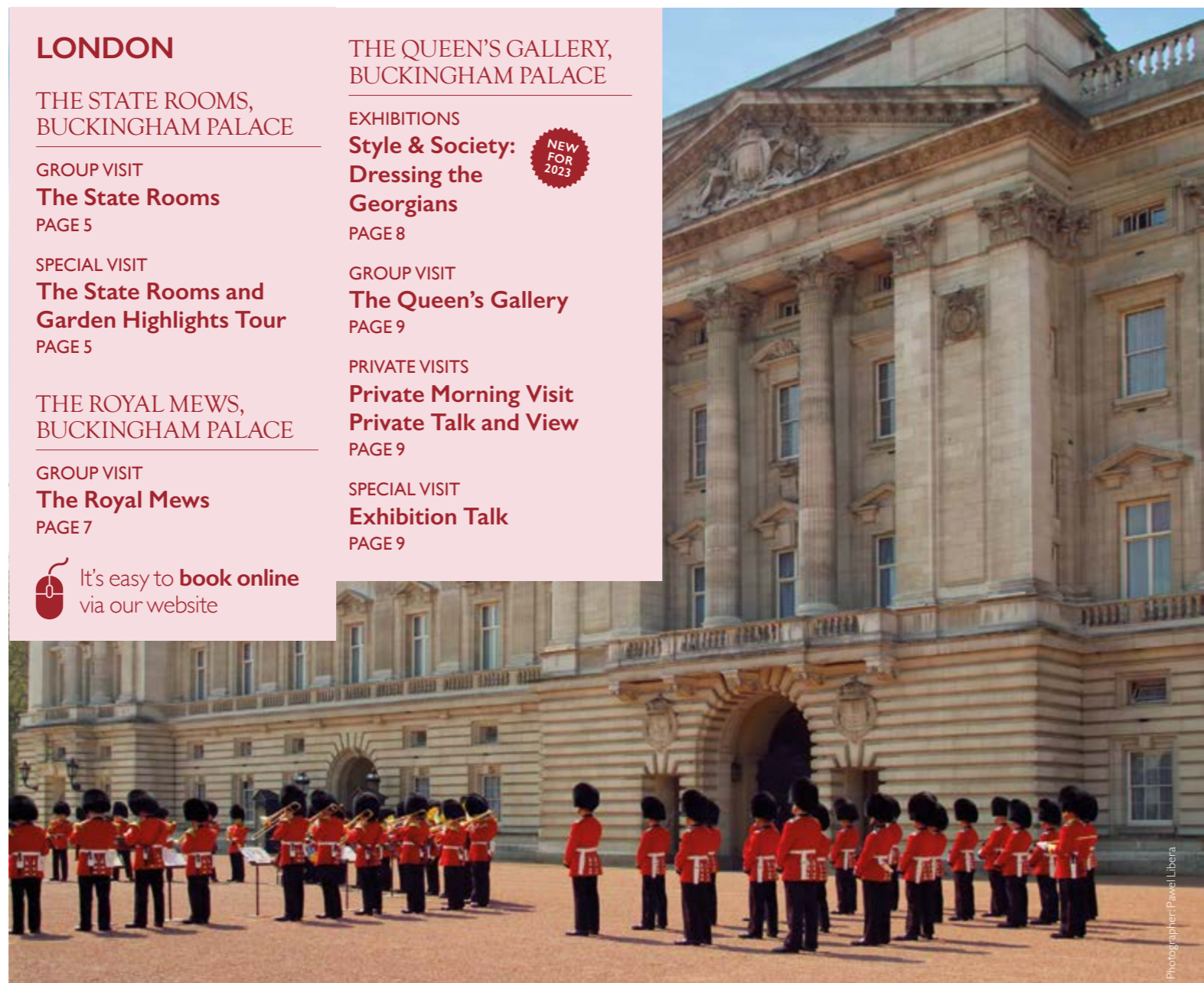
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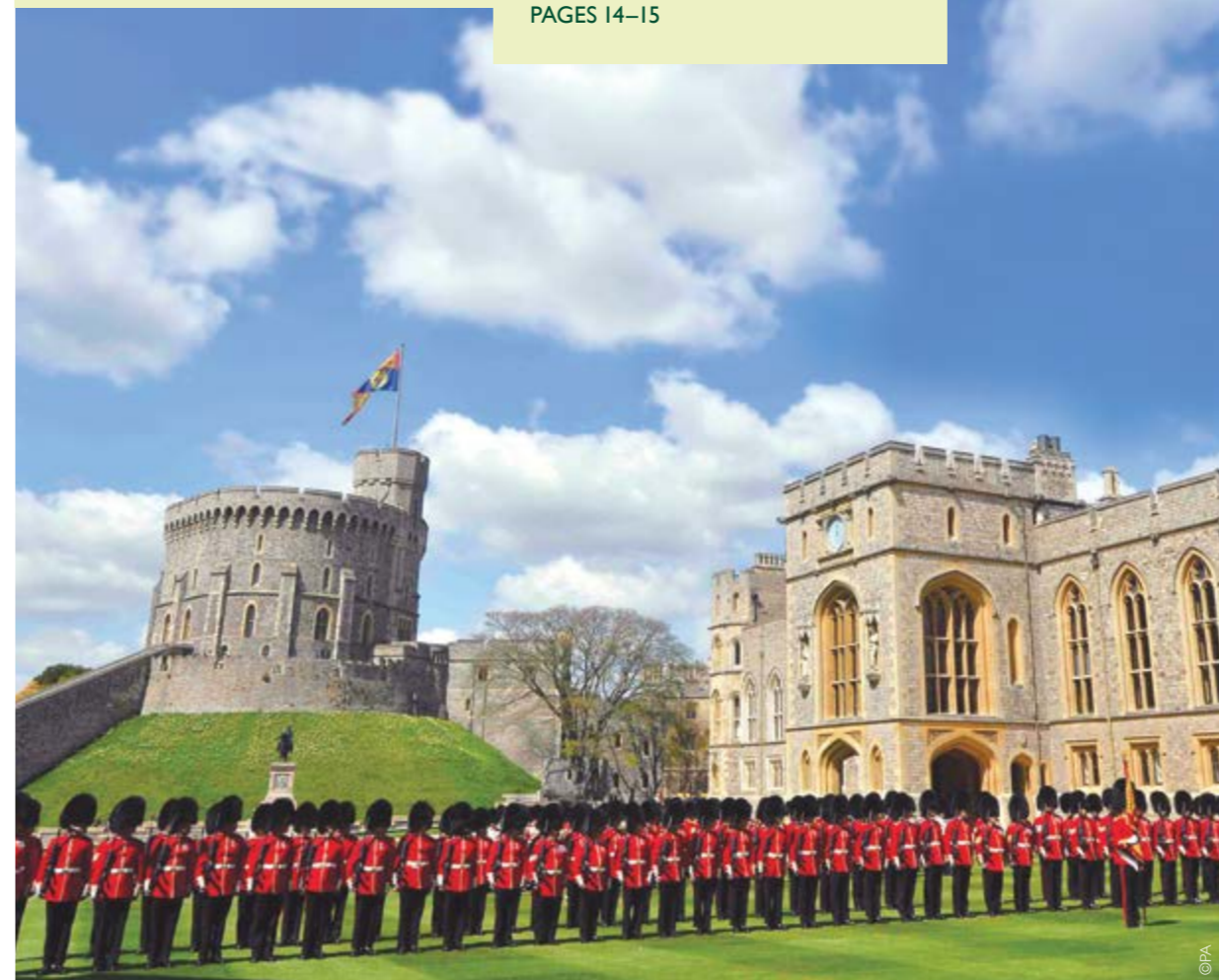
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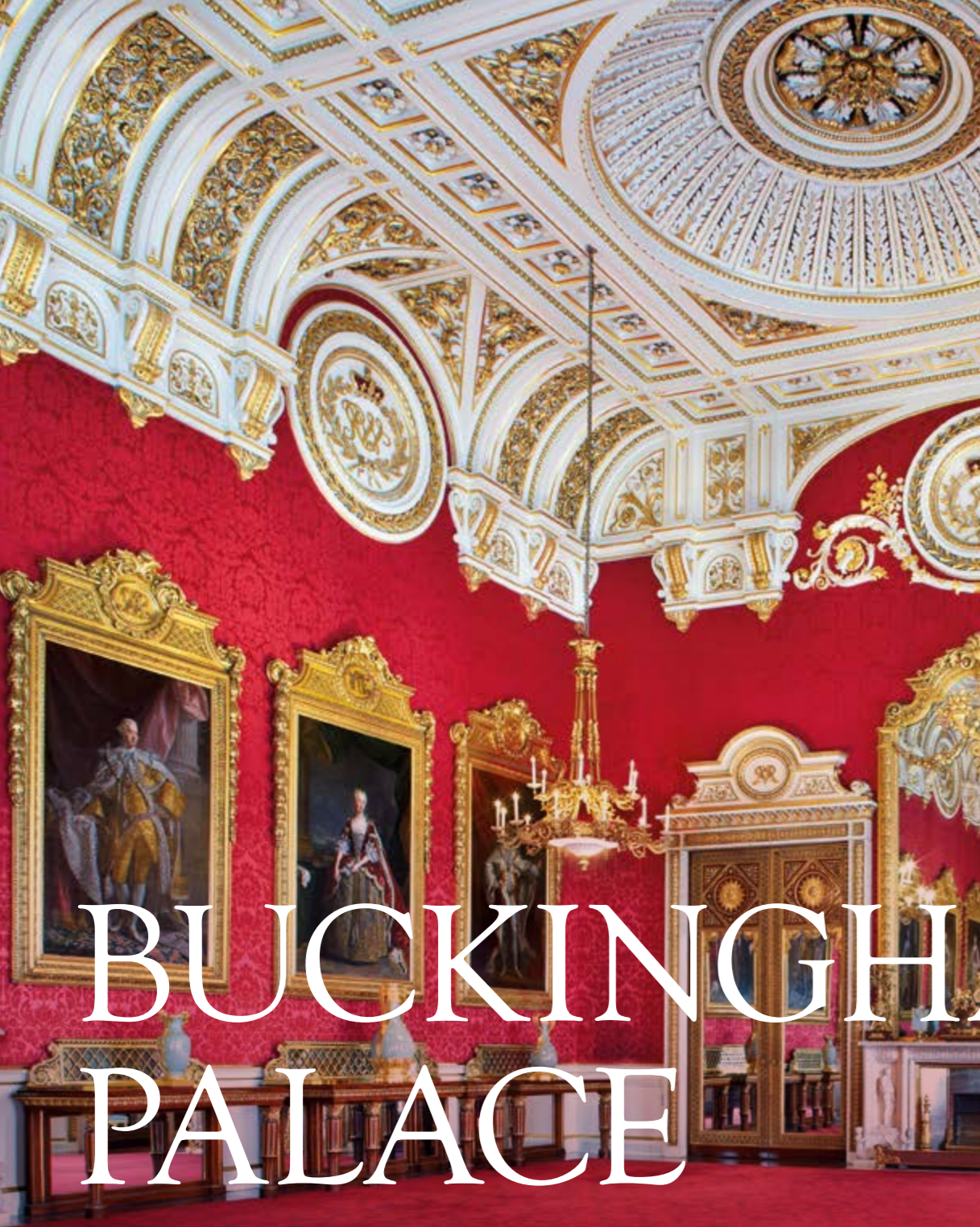
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# BUCKINGHAM PALACE

## Buckingham Palace serves as the official London residence of His Majesty The King.

It is one of the few working royal palaces remaining in the world today. Each summer, when the Palace is not being used in its official capacity, visitors can enjoy the magnificent State Rooms.

Left: State Dining Room  
Below: White Drawing Room  
Right (top): Picture Gallery  
Right (bottom): Blue Drawing Room



## HIGHLIGHTS

### PICTURE GALLERY

Designed as a setting for George IV's magnificent collection of Old Master paintings, the Picture Gallery at Buckingham Palace displays some of the finest works in the Royal Collection. The hang is changed regularly, as the Monarch lends many paintings to exhibitions around the world. Artists represented include Vermeer, Rembrandt, Van Dyck, Rubens, Titian, Canaletto and Claude.



### BALLROOM

Queen Victoria ordered the construction of the enormous Ballroom, the largest room in the Palace. Originally named the 'Ball and Concert Room', it opened in 1856 with a ball to celebrate the end of the Crimean War. The Ballroom has been at the centre of official entertaining ever since and is still used today for State Banquets and Investitures.

### THRONE ROOM

The dramatic arch and canopy in this room are the work of the architect John Nash and were greatly influenced by his background in theatre design. Central to the room is the pair of throne chairs which were used for the Coronation ceremony of Queen Elizabeth II and The Duke of Edinburgh. The room has also been used as the backdrop for royal wedding photographs.



### WHITE DRAWING ROOM

Among the most beautiful of the Palace's State Rooms, the White Drawing Room is a symphony of white and gold. Incorporated into the room's design is a concealed door, allowing members of the Royal Family to enter and leave the State Rooms discreetly from the private areas beyond.



## GROUP VISIT

The State Rooms at the heart of Buckingham Palace provide the setting for ceremonial occasions and official entertaining, where The King and members of the Royal Family welcome guests from all walks of life.

### Opening times

See website for opening dates and times

### Price

#### ADVANCE

|                       | Individual | Group  |
|-----------------------|------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £30.00     | £27.00 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £19.50     | £17.50 |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £16.50     | £14.80 |

#### ON THE DAY

|                       | Individual | Group  |
|-----------------------|------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £33.00     | £29.70 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £21.50     | £19.30 |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £18.00     | £16.20 |

Price includes a multimedia tour in nine languages or a family multimedia tour in English.

### Group size

Minimum 15

### Duration

2 hours 30 minutes

## SPECIAL VISIT

### THE STATE ROOMS AND GARDEN HIGHLIGHTS TOUR

Combine a visit to the State Rooms with a guided walking tour of the famous Palace garden.

The Garden Highlights Tour explains the history of the garden, taking you to the beautiful Herbaceous Border, the wisteria-clad summer house, Rose Garden, the enormous Waterloo Vase and the Palace tennis court, where King George VI and Fred Perry played in the 1930s. Between the multimedia tour of the State Rooms and the guided tour of the garden, the itinerary allows time for your group to enjoy tea and cakes from the Garden Café and to visit the Garden Shop.

### Availability

See website for opening dates and times

### Price

|                       | Group  |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £37.80 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £24.50 |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £20.70 |

Price includes a multimedia tour of the State Rooms in nine languages or a family multimedia tour in English and a guided tour of the garden in English.

### Group size

Minimum 20 / maximum 26

### Duration

Minimum 2 hours 45 minutes (2 hours for the State Rooms, 45 minutes for the Garden Highlights Tour)

# THE ROYAL MEWS

The Royal Mews, one of the finest working stables in existence, is the home of all road travel arrangements for His Majesty The King and members of the Royal Family.

Left: A Warden Guide talk in The Royal Mews  
 Right: The Gold State Coach  
 Opposite page (top): The Diamond Jubilee State Coach  
 Opposite page (bottom): The carriage horses



Photographer: Rupert Frere

Photographer: Ian Jones

## HIGHLIGHTS

### THE DIAMOND JUBILEE STATE COACH

This beautiful coach was first used at the State Opening of Parliament in 2014. Its interior incorporates items donated by over 100 of Britain's historic sites and organisations, including the Royal Yacht Britannia, Canterbury Cathedral and 10 Downing Street. The gilded crown on top of the coach, carved of oak from HMS Victory, includes a camera to film the coach's journey and the crowds lining the streets.



### THE CARRIAGE HORSES

During your visit you may see some of His Majesty's horses that draw the coaches and carriages housed at the Mews. The Cleveland Bays are used to escort newly appointed High Commissioners and Ambassadors to their audience with The King while the Windsor Greys pull the coaches and carriages carrying the Royal Family on State and ceremonial occasions.



### THE GOLD STATE COACH

Undoubtedly the most dazzling vehicle at the Royal Mews is the Gold State Coach, which was built for George III in 1762 and most recently played a starring role in the Platinum Jubilee celebrations in 2022. As its name suggests, the surface of the coach is covered almost entirely in real gold leaf. It weighs almost four tonnes, requires eight horses to pull it, and has carried every monarch to their coronation since 1821.

## GROUP VISIT

Since the 19th century, the Royal Mews at Buckingham Palace has been home to the royal collection of coaches and carriages.

It has played an important role in many memorable State and ceremonial occasions, such as Queen Elizabeth II's Coronation, royal weddings and Trooping the Colour.

Today the Royal Mews provides a unique opportunity for visitors to see the work of the Royal Household department that provides road transport for The King and members of the Royal Family by both horse-drawn carriage and car. The Mews is also home to Windsor Greys and Cleveland Bays, the horses that pull the royal carriages.



### Opening times

2 March – 30 October  
 Thursday – Monday 10:00–17:00  
 (last admission 16:00)

### Price

|                       | Individual | Group  |
|-----------------------|------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £15.00     | £13.50 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £10.00     | £9.00  |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £9.00      | £8.10  |

Price includes a multimedia tour in nine languages or a family multimedia tour in English.

### Group size

Minimum 15

### Duration

1 hour

Left: Queen Elizabeth II returning to Buckingham Palace after the State Opening of Parliament, 4 June 2014

Above: TRH The Prince and Princess of Wales travelling to Buckingham Palace after their wedding ceremony, 29 April 2011

# THE QUEEN'S GALLERY, BUCKINGHAM PALACE

## EXHIBITIONS



Right: The Queen's Gallery, Buckingham Palace



### STYLE & SOCIETY: DRESSING THE GEORGIANS

NEW  
FOR  
2023

21 APRIL – 8 OCTOBER 2023

This exciting exhibition of paintings from the Royal Collection explores what the Georgians wore, from the practical dress of laundry maids to the glittering gowns worn at court. Discover what fashion can tell us about life in the 18th century, a revolutionary period when trade, travel and technological innovations fuelled fashion trends across all levels of society. Delve into the Georgians' style story and get up close to magnificent paintings, prints and drawings by artists including Gainsborough, Zoffany and Hogarth, as well as luxurious textiles, sparkling jewellery, and a range of accessories from snuff boxes to swords.

Above: British School, St James's Park and the Mall, c.1745 (detail)

## GROUP VISIT

### Opening times

Thursday – Monday  
10:00–17:30 (last admission 16:15)

### Price

|                       | Individual | Group  |
|-----------------------|------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £17.00     | £15.30 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £11.00     | £9.90  |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £9.00      | £8.10  |

Price includes a multimedia guide in English and information sheets in eight other languages.

### Group size

Minimum 15

### Duration

1 hour – 1 hour 30 minutes

## PRIVATE VISITS

### PRIVATE MORNING VISIT

Enjoy private access to our exhibitions before opening hours.

Groups are welcome to bring their own guide for this exclusive hour of private access to The Queen's Gallery. Guests may also remain self-guided in the exhibition after it opens to the public at 10:00.

### Availability

24 April – 5 October  
Monday and Thursday

09:00–10:00

(08:30–09:30 July – September)

£30 per person

Minimum number 25 / booking value £750, maximum number 150

Price includes private access to the Gallery, and groups may bring their own guide.



### PRIVATE EVENING TALK AND VIEW

Enjoy an exhibition without the crowds with one of our experts or your own guide.

Groups are invited to experience private access to The Queen's Gallery with this exclusive product, perfect for those wanting a more personalised exhibition experience.

### Availability

24 April – 22 June  
Monday and Thursday  
18:30–20:00

£45 per person

Minimum number 25 / booking value £1,125, maximum number 80

Price includes a 30-minute talk in English by an expert guide, a private view of the exhibition and a glass of English Sparkling Wine at the end of the visit.

## SPECIAL VISIT

### EXHIBITION TALK

To appreciate an exhibition in more depth, book an exclusive introductory talk by a Royal Collection Trust expert in the Gallery's Redgrave Room.

Following the talk, your group is free to enjoy the exhibition at leisure using a complimentary multimedia tour.

### Availability

24 April – 22 June  
Monday and Thursday 11:00

### Price

|                       | Group  |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £25.00 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £16.50 |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £14.00 |

Price includes tea and coffee on arrival, a private talk in English, and a self-guided view of the exhibition.

### Group size

Minimum 25 / maximum 80

### Duration

1 hour 30 minutes – 2 hours  
(30 minutes for the talk, 1 hour – 1 hour 30 minutes for the exhibition)



Far left: Thomas Gainsborough, Queen Charlotte, c.1781

Middle and left: Visitors attend a talk in The Queen's Gallery

# WINDSOR CASTLE



Windsor Castle is the oldest and largest occupied castle in the world.

Established in the 11th century by William the Conqueror, it has been remodelled by successive kings and queens, including Edward III, Charles II and George IV. Today the Castle is used regularly for ceremonial and State occasions and has been the home of 40 monarchs.



Opposite page: The Round Tower; Windsor Castle  
Right: St George's Chapel  
Top right: Queen Mary's Dolls' House  
Far right: Christmas tree in St George's Hall

## HIGHLIGHTS



### THE STATE APARTMENTS

A walk through the State Apartments takes you on a journey through 1,000 years of royal history, from the medieval origins of the Castle to the present day. Many of these magnificent rooms were built for Charles II and are today the setting for State and ceremonial occasions.

### ST GEORGE'S CHAPEL

St George's Chapel is one of the finest examples of Gothic architecture in England. It is the spiritual home of the Order of the Garter and the final resting place of eleven monarchs, including Henry VIII, Charles I, Queen Elizabeth II and her husband Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.



### QUEEN MARY'S DOLLS' HOUSE

The largest and most famous dolls' house in the world was built by the British architect Sir Edwin Lutyens and no detail was omitted. The house has a fully stocked wine cellar, flushing toilets, running water and working lifts, and is filled with thousands of objects made by the leading artists, designers, craftsmen and manufacturers of the time.

See our website for the latest information on opening dates.

### CHRISTMAS

The Castle is decked with Christmas trees, garlands, and twinkling lights for the festive season. This is a wonderful time of year to see Windsor, and a visit to the Castle is the perfect way for groups to celebrate.



## GROUP VISIT

Whether your interest is in fine art, architecture or history, Windsor Castle offers an extraordinarily varied day out all on one site.

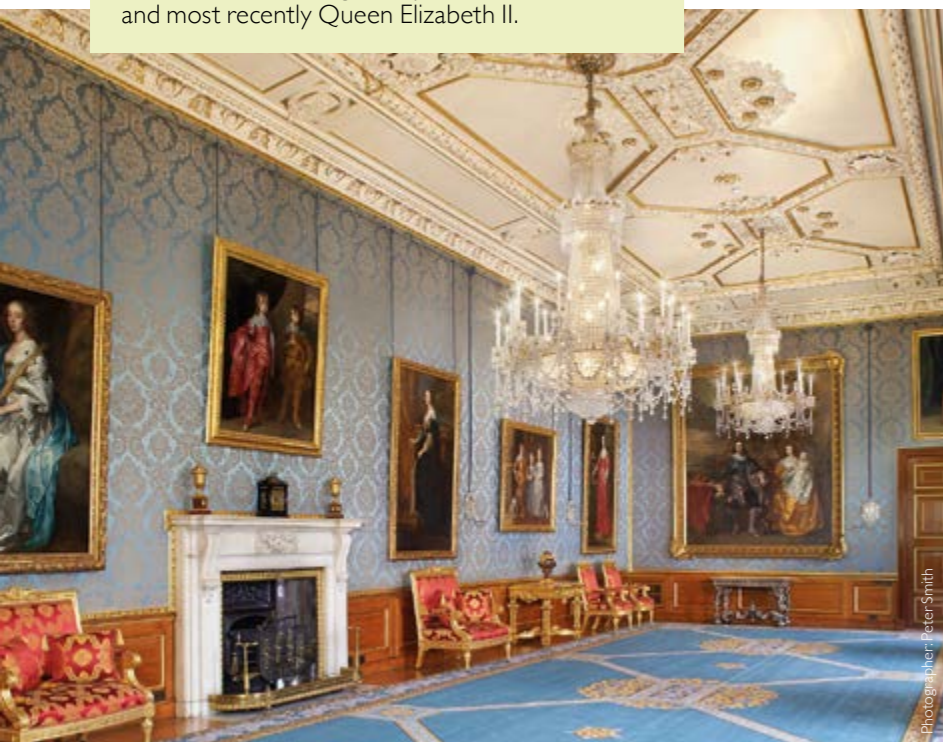
The State Apartments are furnished with some of the finest works from the Royal Collection, including paintings by Rubens, Van Dyck and Holbein, Sèvres porcelain and exquisite English and French furniture.

From October to March, you can also enjoy the richly decorated Semi-State Rooms, which were George IV's private apartments and are still used for official entertaining.

Your ticket also includes St George's Chapel, one of the most beautiful ecclesiastical buildings in England and the final resting place of 11 monarchs including Henry VIII, Charles I and most recently Queen Elizabeth II.

*An absolutely stunning, beautiful and wonderful castle. I loved every minute.*

VISITOR, JULY 2022



### Opening times

March to October  
Thursday – Monday 09:30–17:15  
(last admission 16:00)

November to February  
Thursday – Monday 09:45–16:15  
(last admission 15:00)

The Semi-State Rooms are open from October to March

Please note that St George's Chapel is closed to visitors on Sundays.

### Group size

Minimum 15

### Duration

2–3 hours

### Price

#### ADVANCE

|                       | Individual | Group  |
|-----------------------|------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £28.00     | £25.20 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £18.00     | £16.20 |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £15.50     | £13.90 |

#### ON THE DAY

|                       | Individual | Group  |
|-----------------------|------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £30.00     | £27.00 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £19.50     | £17.50 |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £16.50     | £14.80 |

Price includes admission to the Castle, a multimedia tour in nine languages or a family multimedia tour in English.

Far left: The Queen's Gallery  
Left: St George's Hall

Right: A Private Tour in the Grand Vestibule



## PRIVATE GUIDED TOUR, WINDSOR CASTLE

Your group can take a private tour of the Castle's State Apartments for a truly unforgettable experience. Your expert guide will take you on a journey through 1,000 years of royal history.

Go behind the ropes and discover how William the Conqueror's wooden castle was rebuilt by Edward III and how Charles II set out to rival his cousin Louis XIV's Palace of Versailles, while George IV filled the rooms with works of art and gave Windsor its famous skyline. You will also learn how His Majesty and members of the Royal Family use the Castle today.

Please note that St George's Chapel is not included in this tour.

### Availability

Monday, Thursday and Friday (except April–July), 18:00–20:30

### Price

£70 per person / minimum booking value £1,050

Price includes a guided tour in English, a guidebook and a glass of English Sparkling Wine.

### Group size

Minimum 15 / maximum 60

### Duration

2 hours 30 minutes



## SPECIAL VISITS

### QUEEN MARY'S DOLLS' HOUSE – PRIVATE TALK AND VIEW

NEW FOR 2023

For nearly 100 years visitors to Windsor Castle have been astonished by the attention to detail of this one of a kind royal town house.

Together with hundreds of household objects, each reproduced at a 1:12 scale, the house features working lifts, electric lighting and running water. Its library contains tiny books specially written by the greatest authors of the day. This dolls' house was never intended for children but instead to showcase the best of British art and design after the First World War. For the first time, Groups will explore the story of the house, its contents, and how modern conservators meticulously care for this world in miniature, followed by a private viewing without the crowds.

#### Availability

March to October (except July – August)  
Monday, Thursday and Friday  
14:30

#### Price

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £35.50 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £25.50 |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £23.00 |

Price includes a self-guided tour of the Castle upon arrival, followed by a private talk in English and a viewing of the Dolls' House.

#### Group size

Minimum 15 / maximum 54

#### Duration

2 hours 30 minutes  
(30 minutes for the talk, 1–2 hours for the remainder of your visit)

Above: Queen Mary's Dolls House

Right: The Queen's Drawing Room, Windsor Castle



## QUEEN ELIZABETH II'S LIFE AT THE CASTLE – PRIVATE TALK

Windsor remained a constant in the Queen's life; through childhood, war and 70 years on the throne.

The Castle served as a stage for the great events of the Queen's reign and as a focus for her leadership of the Church of England, the Armed Forces, the Order of the Garter and other aspects of national life.

At the same time, Windsor was a peaceful refuge in which to raise a family; a place to ride horses with children and great-grandchildren and to enjoy many other private moments that made the Castle her favourite weekend home.

Groups will gain new insights into the function of Windsor Castle and how it shaped the Queen's life.

#### Availability

March to October  
Monday, Thursday and Friday  
13:30 arrival for 14:00 talk

#### Price

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £35.50 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £25.50 |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £23.00 |

Price includes tea and coffee on arrival, a private talk in English, and a self-guided tour of the Castle.

#### Group size

Minimum 15 / maximum 54

#### Duration

2 hours 30 minutes  
(30 minutes for the talk and refreshments, 1–2 hours for the remainder of your visit)

Below: Queen Elizabeth II meets members of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery at Windsor Castle, 2021

Right: The Savill Garden



## WINDSOR CASTLE AND THE SAVILL GARDEN

The splendour and history of Windsor Castle is perfectly matched by the beauty and serenity of The Savill Garden, just four miles away.

In 1932 Queen Mary gave Sir Eric Savill permission to develop a 35-acre garden in Windsor Great Park. Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother showed great interest in the garden, and the Temperate House is dedicated to her.

Visitors can delight in the vibrant colour of The Savill Garden's beautiful herbaceous borders and the eye-catching Savill Building. Visitor facilities include a gift shop, plant shop and restaurant.

#### Availability

April to October  
Monday, Thursday and Friday

#### Price

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £33.20 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £24.20 |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £21.90 |

Price includes admission to Windsor Castle and The Savill Garden. A multimedia tour in nine languages is included at Windsor Castle only.

#### Group size

Minimum 15

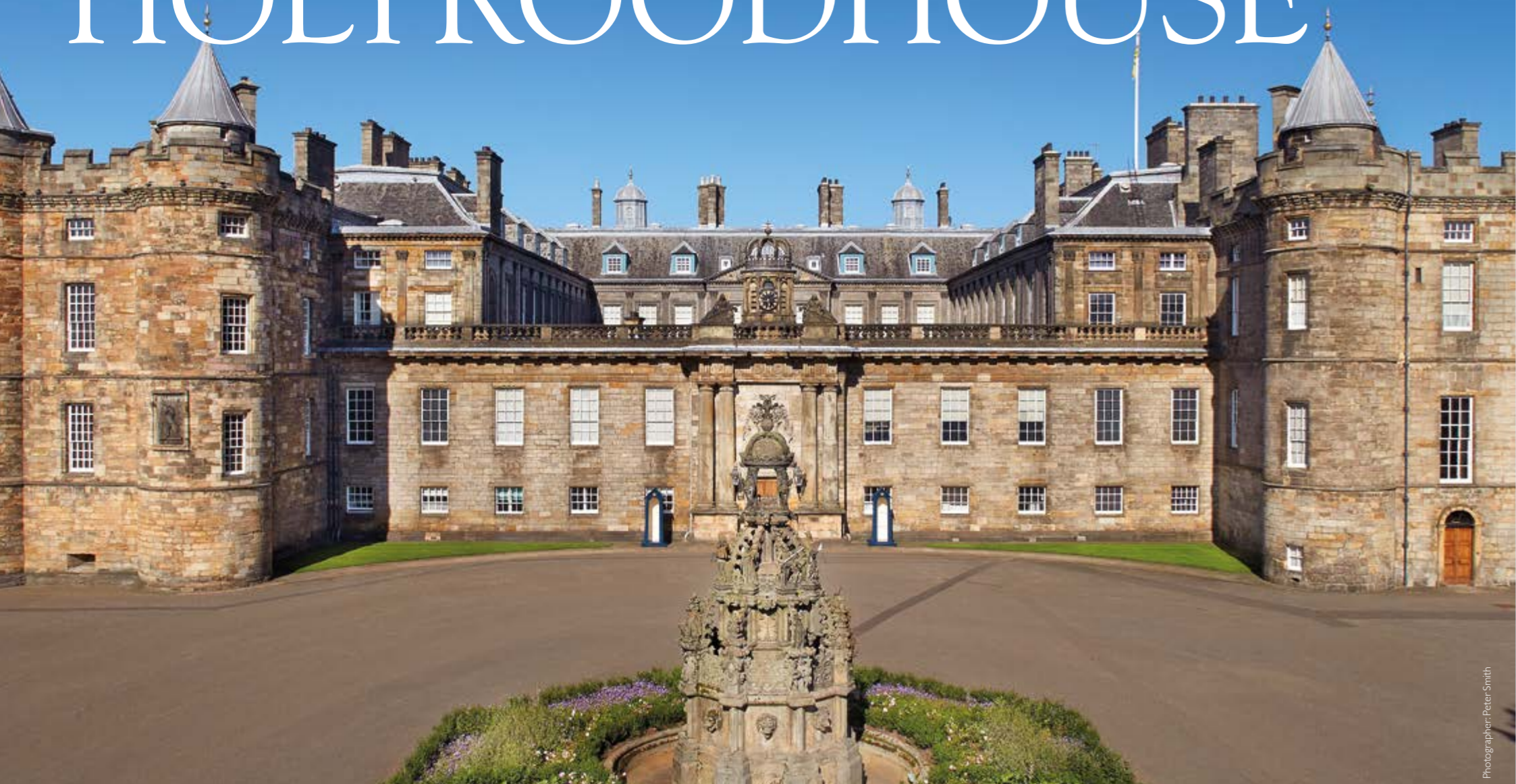
#### Duration

3 hours 30 minutes – 4 hours 30 minutes  
(2 hours for Windsor Castle, 1 hour 30 minutes for The Savill Garden)





# PALACE OF HOLYROODHOUSE



Photographer: Peter Smith

The Palace of Holyroodhouse is Edinburgh's Royal Palace, His Majesty The King's official residence in Scotland, and stands at the foot of the Royal Mile against the spectacular backdrop of Arthur's Seat.

It has been a royal residence for over 500 years and is closely associated with Scotland's rich history.



Left: Forecourt  
Right: Portrait of Mary, Queen of Scots, attributed to the British School, 1700s  
Top right: Portrait of Bonnie Prince Charlie, John Pettie, before 1892



## HIGHLIGHTS



### MARY, QUEEN OF SCOTS

Follow in the footsteps of Mary, Queen of Scots, one of Scotland's most famous and fascinating historical figures, on a visit to the Palace of Holyroodhouse.

The daughter of James V, Mary came to live at Holyroodhouse in 1561. She married both of her Scottish husbands at the Palace, and witnessed the murder of her secretary, David Rizzio, at the hands of a group led by her jealous husband, Lord Darnley.

Groups can visit Mary's Bedchamber, described as 'the most famous room in Scotland', and her Outer Chamber, where she met with Protestant cleric John Knox.

On the night that she witnessed David Rizzio's brutal murder, Mary was six months pregnant with the future James VI. A 'bloodstain' on the floor in the Outer Chamber allegedly marks the spot where Rizzio's body was left.

The spectacular Darnley Jewel, on display in the Outer Chamber, is one of the most important early jewels in the Royal Collection.

### BONNIE PRINCE CHARLIE

Bonnie Prince Charlie brought the Palace to life in 1745, when he set up court for six weeks as he attempted to claim the British throne for his father. You can see the Great Gallery where the Prince held extravagant balls and receptions, and the sumptuous bed in which he may have slept, which remains in Lord Darnley's Bedchamber.

# HIGHLIGHTS



## THE PALACE AT CHRISTMAS

Celebrate the festive season as a group at the Palace of Holyroodhouse. The Palace will be decorated with sparkling lights, spangled wreaths, Christmas trees and decorations inspired by the famous plasterwork ceilings of the State Apartments.

It is also possible to enjoy the Palace at this magical time of year with a Private Guided Tour.

## CAFÉ AT THE PALACE

In the historic Mews Courtyard, the award-winning Café at the Palace offers homemade dishes using fresh, locally sourced produce. Afternoon tea is served daily, along with a selection of soups, hot main courses and a range of delicious salads, sandwiches, speciality breads and cakes. Groups can pre-book afternoon tea by contacting the Café at the Palace directly on +44 (0)131 652 3685.



Top: The Christmas tree in the Throne Room  
Above: Afternoon tea, Café at the Palace  
Right: Holyrood Abbey

Far right: His Majesty The King attends the Ceremony of the Keys at the Palace of Holyroodhouse in September 2022



Photographer: Ian Jones

## THE PALACE GARDENS AND ABBEY

Throughout the year you can explore the Palace gardens, set against the spectacular landscape of Arthur's Seat, and the setting for the annual Garden Party, held in July for around 8,000 guests.

You can also view Holyrood Abbey's romantic ruins next to the Palace, and learn about the building's extraordinary history as part of a self-guided visit.

A new public garden based on the earliest recorded gardens at the Palace opened in 2020. A flowering meadow of medicinal plants evokes the 15th-century monastic gardens of Holyrood Abbey while geometric flowerbeds reflect the design of 17th-century gardens. Raised beds filled with herbal, medicinal and culinary plants reimagine the physic garden established in the Palace grounds 350 years ago, the first of its kind in Scotland.



## GROUP VISIT

Reflecting the changing tastes of successive monarchs, the State Apartments are renowned for their fine plasterwork ceilings and unrivalled collection of Brussels tapestries.

They are furnished with numerous works of art, many of which have long associations with Holyroodhouse and Scotland.

Your visit will explore 500 years of Scottish royal history, how the Palace has been used historically and how it is still used today by His Majesty and other members of the Royal Family for official ceremonies and entertaining.

### Opening times

April to June  
Thursday – Monday 09:30–18:00  
(last admission 16:30)

July to September  
Daily 09:30–18:00  
(last admission 16:30)

October  
Thursday – Monday 09:30–18:00  
(last admission 16:30)

November to March  
Thursday – Monday 09:30–16:30  
(last admission 15:15)

### Price

|                       | Individual | Group  |
|-----------------------|------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £18.00     | £16.20 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £11.50     | £10.30 |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £10.00     | £9.00  |

### ON THE DAY

|                       | Individual | Group  |
|-----------------------|------------|--------|
| Adult                 | £19.50     | £17.50 |
| Young Person (18–24)  | £12.50     | £11.20 |
| Child (5–17)/Disabled | £10.50     | £9.40  |

Price includes a self-guided multimedia tour in 10 languages or a family multimedia tour in English.

### Group size

Minimum 15

### Duration

1 hour – 1 hour 30 minutes

*Be sure to visit this palace, there is so much history there.*

VISITOR, MAY 2022

# PRIVATE VISIT

## PRIVATE GUIDED TOUR, PALACE OF HOLYROODHOUSE

This exclusive tour is available both in the morning and evening, allowing you to experience the charm of the Palace of Holyroodhouse when it is closed to the public.

Below: Private Guided Tour, Morning Drawing Room



Photographer: David Cheskin

Go behind the ropes with an expert guide and learn about the Palace's important role as The King's official residence in Scotland, and the fascinating behind-the-scenes work that ensures the smooth running of Garden Parties, Investitures, audiences and receptions. This tour is the only opportunity to see the West Drawing Room, used by His Majesty and members of the Royal Family as a private sitting room.

Your tour includes a visit to the newly redisplayed Historic Apartments of Mary, Queen of Scots, which were home to Mary during some of the most dramatic events in her turbulent reign.

### PRIVATE MORNING TOUR

#### Availability

Throughout the year  
Thursday – Monday 08:30–10:30

#### Price

£35 per person / minimum booking value £875

Price includes a guided tour in English, a guidebook and tea, coffee and pastries.

#### Group size

Minimum 25 / maximum 90

#### Duration

2 hours

### PRIVATE EVENING TOUR

#### Availability

April to October  
Thursday – Monday 18:30–20:30

November to March  
Thursday – Monday 18:00–20:00

#### Price

£40 per person / minimum booking value £1,000

Price includes a guided tour in English, a guidebook and a glass of English Sparkling Wine.

Hospitality upgrades available, including drinks receptions and dining. Please telephone for further details.

#### Group size

Minimum 25 / maximum 90

#### Duration

2 hours

## GROUP VISITS

| SITE  | TICKET TYPE          | INDIVIDUAL ADVANCE | INDIVIDUAL ON THE DAY | GROUP* ADVANCE | GROUP* ON THE DAY | OPENING DATES AND TIMES  | CLOSED†  | BOOKING NOTES                 | DURATION   | HOW TO GET THERE   | FACILITIES | MULTIMEDIA/AUDIO TOURS   | GUIDEBOOKS  |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|--|--|-------------------------------|------------|--|------------|--|---|
| <b>THE STATE ROOMS, BUCKINGHAM PALACE</b>     | Adult                | £30.00             | £33.00                | £27.00         | £29.70            | See website for opening dates and times  |  | Pre-booked timed tickets only | 2½ hours   | <b>Rail:</b> London Victoria<br><b>Underground:</b> Victoria, St James's Park or Green Park          |            | English, Brazilian Portuguese, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Chinese Mandarin, Russian.  | English, Brazilian Portuguese, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Chinese Mandarin, Russian. |
|   | Young Person (18–24) | £19.50             | £21.50                | £17.50         | £19.30            |  |  |                               |            |  |            |  |   |
|   | Child (5–17)         | £16.50             | £18.00                | £14.80         | £16.20            |  |  |                               |            |  |            |  |   |
| <b>THE ROYAL MEWS, BUCKINGHAM PALACE</b>      | Adult                | £15.00             | £15.00                | £13.50         | £13.50            | <b>2 March – 30 October</b><br>Thursday – Monday<br>10:00–17:00 (last admission 16:00)   | Until 2 March 2023<br>7 April 2023<br>31 October –<br>31 December 2023<br>State occasions and royal events | Pre-booked timed tickets only | 1 hour     | <b>Rail:</b> London Victoria<br><b>Underground:</b> Victoria, St James's Park or Green Park          |            | English, Brazilian Portuguese, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Chinese Mandarin, Russian.  | English   |
|   | Young Person (18–24) | £10.00             | £10.00                | £9.00          | £9.00             |  |  |                               |            |  |            |  |   |
|   | Child (5–17)         | £9.00              | £9.00                 | £8.10          | £8.10             |  |  |                               |            |  |            |  |   |
| <b>THE QUEEN'S GALLERY, BUCKINGHAM PALACE</b> | Adult                | £17.00             | £17.00                | £15.30         | £15.30            | <b>Until 26 February 2023</b><br><b>21 April – 8 October 2023</b><br>Thursday – Monday<br>10:00–17:30 (last admission 16:15)   | 27 February –<br>20 April 2023   | Pre-booked timed tickets only | 1–1½ hours | <b>Rail:</b> London Victoria<br><b>Underground:</b> Victoria, St James's Park or Green Park          |            | English<br>Information sheets in Brazilian Portuguese, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Chinese Mandarin, Russian.                      | Exhibition catalogues are available via the booking line or in the shop.                              |
|   | Young Person (18–24) | £11.00             | £11.00                | £9.90          | £9.90             |  |  |                               |            |  |            |  |   |
|   | Child (5–17)         | £9.00              | £9.00                 | £8.10          | £8.10             |  |  |                               |            |  |            |  |   |
| <b>WINDSOR CASTLE</b>                         | Adult                | £28.00             | £30.00                | £25.20         | £27.00            | <b>March to October</b><br>Thursday – Monday<br>09:30–17:15 (last admission 16:00)<br><b>November to February</b><br>Thursday – Monday<br>09:45–16:15 (last admission 15:00)   | 7 April 2023<br>25 – 26 December 2023<br>State occasions and royal events                                  | Pre-booked timed tickets only | 2–3 hours  | <b>Rail:</b> Windsor & Eton Riverside or Windsor & Eton Central<br><b>Road:</b> M4 Exit 6, M3 Exit 3 |            | English, Brazilian Portuguese, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Chinese Mandarin, Russian.<br>Guided Castle Precincts tours in English. | English, Brazilian Portuguese, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Chinese Mandarin, Russian. |
|   | Young Person (18–24) | £18.00             | £19.50                | £16.20         | £17.50            |  |  |                               |            |  |            |  |   |
|   | Child (5–17)         | £15.50             | £16.50                | £13.90         | £14.80            |  |  |                               |            |  |            |  |   |
| <b>PALACE OF HOLYROODHOUSE</b>                | Adult                | £18.00             | £19.50                | £16.20         | £17.50            | <b>April to June</b><br>Thursday – Monday<br>09:30–18:00 (last admission 16:30)<br><b>July to September</b><br>Daily<br>09:30–18:00 (last admission 16:30)<br><b>October</b><br>Thursday – Monday<br>09:30–18:00 (last admission 16:30)<br><b>November to March</b><br>Thursday – Monday<br>09:30–16:30 (last admission 15:15) | 7 April 2023<br>25 – 26 December 2023<br>Royal events  |                               | 1–1½ hours | <b>Rail:</b> Edinburgh Waverley<br><b>Tram:</b> York Place   |            | English, Brazilian Portuguese, French, Gaelic, German, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Chinese Mandarin, Russian.                                      | English, French, German, Spanish, Chinese Mandarin  |
|   | Young Person (18–24) | £11.50             | £12.50                | £10.30         | £11.20            |  |  |                               |            |  |            |  |   |
|   | Child (5–17)         | £10.00             | £10.50                | £9.00          | £9.40             |  |  |                               |            |  |            |  |   |

## SPECIAL VISITS AND PRIVATE VISITS

| SITE   | GROUP PRICE |                      |                         | GROUP SIZE  |     |
|--|-------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----|
|  | Adult       | Young Person (18–24) | Child (5–17) / Disabled | Min*        | Max |
| <b>THE STATE ROOMS, BUCKINGHAM PALACE</b>                            |             |                      |                         |             |     |
| Special Visit – The State Rooms and Garden Highlights Tour           | £37.80      | £24.50               | £20.70                  | 20          | 26  |
| <b>THE QUEEN'S GALLERY, BUCKINGHAM PALACE</b>                        |             |                      |                         |             |     |
| Private Visit – Morning Visit  | £30.00      | –                    | –                       | 25 / £750   | 150 |
| Private Visit – Talk and View  | £45.00      | –                    | –                       | 25 / £1,125 | 80  |
| Special Visit – Exhibition Talk                                      | £25.00      | £16.50               | £14.00                  | 25          | 80  |
| <b>WINDSOR CASTLE</b>  |             |                      |                         |             |     |
| Private Visit – Guided Tour  | £70.00      | –                    | –                       | 15 / £1,050 | 60  |
| Special Visit – Queen Mary's Dolls' House Private Tour               | £35.50      | £25.50               | £23.00                  | 15          | 54  |
| Special Visit – Queen Elizabeth II's Life at the Castle Private Talk | £35.50      | £25.50               | £23.00                  | 15          | 54  |
| Special Visit – Windsor Castle and The Savill Garden                 | £33.20      | £24.20               | £21.90                  | 15          | –   |
| <b>PALACE OF HOLYROODHOUSE</b>                                       |             |                      |                         |             |     |
| Private Visit – Guided Morning Tour                                  | £35.00      | –                    | –                       | 25 / £875   | 90  |
| Private Visit – Guided Evening Tour                                  | £40.00      | –                    | –                       | 25 / £1,000 | 90  |

All Special and Private Visits must be pre-booked. Payment is due 30 days before the visit date and no commission is available. Please contact the Ticket Sales and Information Office for further details.

\*Minimum group size/minimum booking value  
All prices are correct at time of going to press.

\* Applicable to groups of 15 people or more  
† Closures as of November 2022

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## TICKET SALES AND INFORMATION OFFICE

### HOW TO BOOK

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Book in advance via our website

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+44 (0)303 123 7324  
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Booking lines are open daily,  
09:00–17:00

**Ticket Sales and Information Office**  
Royal Collection Trust  
London  
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### HOW TO ENQUIRE

For general enquiries, please e-mail  
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For enquiries regarding Special and Private Visits or visitors with disabilities, please contact the Specialist Sales Team at [specialistsales@rct.uk](mailto:specialistsales@rct.uk).



### HOW TO PAY

Group visit prices apply to 15 people or more. Special and Private Visit group sizes vary. Groups are encouraged to reserve and book in advance via the Royal Collection Trust website or by telephone.

Pre-booked group reservations must be paid for 30 days prior to the day of the visit or when booking. Bookings made within 30 days are subject to availability and must be paid for at the time of enquiry. The Buckingham Palace Garden Highlights Tour must be booked and paid for 30 days before the visit.

### PAYMENT METHODS

On-the-day group bookings: by cash, credit card or debit card. Group reservations: by credit card over the telephone or by posting a company cheque with two signatures. Company cheques should be made payable to 'Royal Collection Enterprises Limited'.

We accept the following credit and debit cards: Visa, MasterCard, American Express, JCB and Switch/Maestro. We do not accept payment by BACS transfer.

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## PLANNING A VISIT

### COACH PARKING

**London** – There is no dedicated coach parking at Buckingham Palace, The Queen's Gallery or the Royal Mews. Once your booking is confirmed, we will advise you of the nearest set-down and pick-up points.

**Windsor Castle** – Pay-and-display parking is available on Alma Road in the town centre and is clearly signed from all approach routes. A lift takes visitors from the Coach Park to Windsor Royal Station, approximately a ten-minute walk to the Castle entrance. Coaches cannot set down or pick up passengers at the entrance to Windsor Castle.

**Palace of Holyroodhouse** – For groups purchasing tickets to the Palace, coach set-down, pick-up, and limited free parking is available adjacent to the Palace on Abbey Hill. Coach drivers may also enjoy complimentary tea and coffee, but then must remain with their vehicle for the duration of the visit. Alternative pay-and-display coach parking is available on nearby Regent Road.

### FILMING AND PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography and filming (for private use only) and the use of mobile phones are permitted in outdoor areas but not inside the buildings, except at the Royal Mews, the Palace of Holyroodhouse and The Queen's Galleries. Wedding photography is not permitted at any of the sites.

### GROUP LEADERS AND GUIDES

At the Palace of Holyroodhouse, one group leader will receive free admission when accompanying a group of 15 people or more.

At all sites Blue Badge Guides receive free admission, subject to availability, when they present their credentials.

At all sites, only Royal Collection Trust-authorized Blue Badge Guides are permitted to guide in designated areas. No guiding is permitted inside the buildings.

### TIMING AND SECURITY

Admission to our sites, especially Windsor Castle, is busiest immediately after opening and throughout the morning. Arrival after midday is recommended, especially during the summer and on public holidays. We operate timed ticketing at all sites, excluding the Palace of Holyroodhouse. It is essential to pre-book your visit to guarantee entry at your preferred time.

Prior to entry, visitors and their belongings are subject to airport-style security checks. Please assist us in reducing the time taken for security procedures by asking your group to arrive with as few bags and bulky items as possible and by encouraging them to leave these items on the coach or at their hotel.



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### REFRESHMENTS

**Buckingham Palace** – The Garden Café offers a selection of hot and cold drinks, sandwiches, cakes, and ice cream, available to State Rooms ticket holders only.

**Windsor Castle** – The Undercroft Café offers freshly prepared meals, including sandwiches, wraps and salads. Canned water is also available at the Castle shops.

**Palace of Holyroodhouse** – The Café at the Palace offers a range of hot and cold refreshments and lunch. Groups may reserve a seating area or pre-order take-away food. Dietary requirements for special and private tours should be communicated in advance. Please telephone +44 (0)131 652 3685 for further details.

### SHOPPING

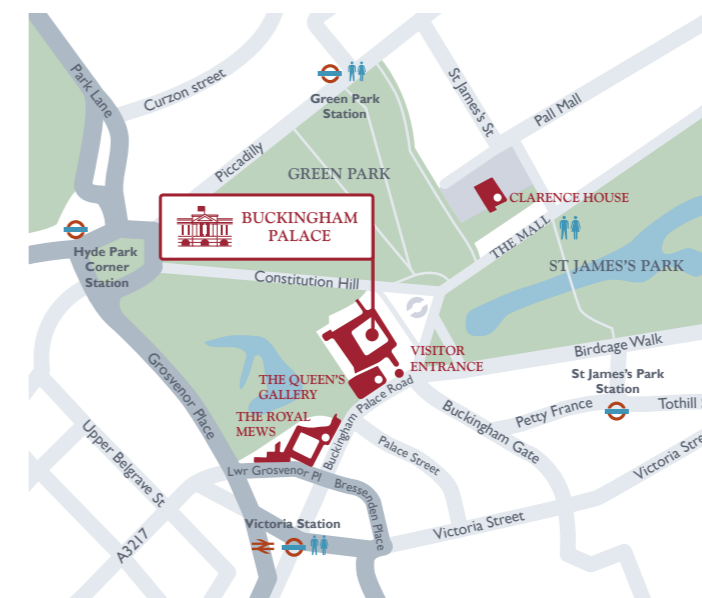
Guidebooks may be purchased at the time of booking, and a wide range of exclusive merchandise, exhibition catalogues and books about the royal residences and art collection are available from Royal Collection Trust shops at each site.

### CLOSURES

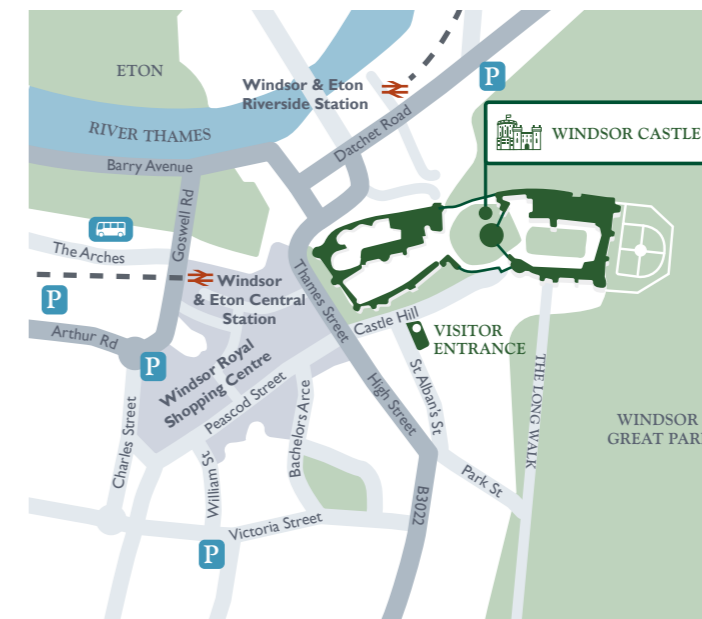
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## MAPS

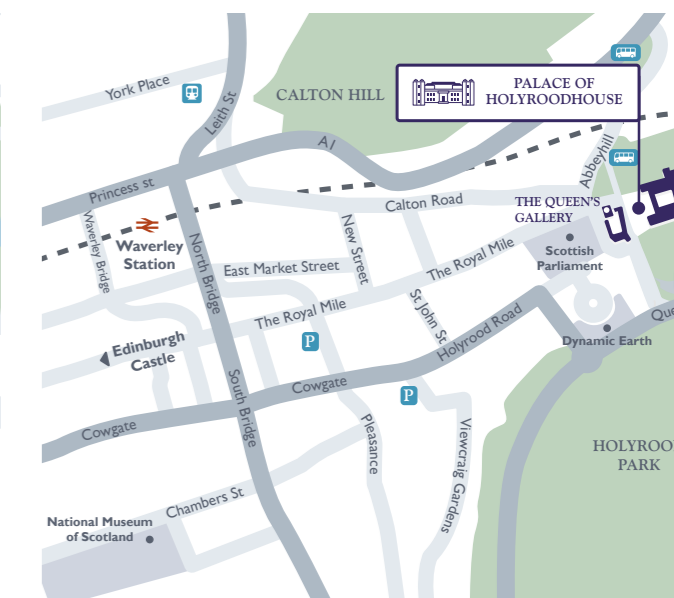
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### ACCESS

Concessionary rates are available for visitors with disabilities, and an accompanying companion is admitted free of charge. Access resources include large-print texts, induction loops and mobility aids. Please note that for the State Rooms, Buckingham Palace, wheelchair access and step-free access is subject to availability and must be pre-booked in advance by contacting the Specialist Sales team on +44 (0)30 3123 7324.

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### KEEP IN TOUCH

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE



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## The Official Residences of His Majesty The King

WINDSOR CASTLE



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PALACE OF HOLYROODHOUSE



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