

Timeless Castle

Region: Scotland Sleeps: 16

Overview

The flamboyant South Wing offers luxurious, private accommodation comprising of a series of five lavish yet cosy apartments.

There is a selection of one, two- and three-bedroom apartments which are ideal for large groups travelling in tandem with extended families or friends. Each apartment has a kitchen and sitting room meaning that guests can either cater for themselves or chose to be catered for by the staff.

The castle's award-winning caterers can provide sumptuous menus in one of the new spaces within the castle such as the State Dining Room or the Vaulted Cellars - the best of the hotel experience within a private rental set-up! Groups that take all the apartments are automatically given the Victorian Kitchens as a communal dining space which features the original range and vaulted ceilings. It can comfortably seat 18 guests on a large central table.

The wider castle is open to day visitors who can marvel at 17th-century Dunsterfield plasterwork ceilings - some of the finest in Europe, the bedroom where Bonnie Prince Charlie stayed and the magnificent State Rooms with one of the country's most extensive family portrait collections. Day visitors are only permitted in the castle Sunday-Thursday between May and October which means that out with these times you can have exclusive use of the castle and chose to dine in the State Rooms or the rustic and atmospheric Vaulted Cellars.

Immaculately executed, the apartments offer airy, gorgeously decorated accommodation with breath-taking views across rolling parkland. They feature original castle features such as fireplaces, ornate and antique furnishings, oil paintings and irresistibly tactile fabrics - whether these be silk printed cushions or warm tartans with a nod to the local industry.

There are other additional experiences available upon request such as an exclusive guided tour of the castle by a member of the Maitland family, whisky or wine tasting, food hampers or spa treatments to ensure your stay is as relaxed as possible. It is even possible to organise activities such as a Highland Games for your guests! To supplement their stay, guests can also book one of the State Rooms or rustic Vaulted Cellars for a special dinner or event.

While the castle apartments have been restored in graceful recognition of their



surroundings, they offer every contemporary comfort for families and groups providing a “home from home” experience - beautiful and majestic within a 'movie-set' backdrop! This lavish and extravagant home creates a dreamy silhouette, its delicate spires and towers fused with a sense of history and theatrical brilliance which has been passed through the generations.

Timeless Castle is situated in the tranquil countryside in the heart of the beautiful Scottish Borders, close to the winding River Leader. Visitors can enjoy acres of parkland and woodland and use the castle as a base from which to explore this beautiful part of Scotland.

Facilities

Chateaux & Castles • Vill'otel (Like a Hotel!) • Heritage Collection •
Wi-Fi/Internet • Pets Welcome • <1hr to Airport

Interior & Grounds

The castle comprises of 4 private apartments that offer 8 en-suite bedroom, accomodating up to 16 guests. The apartments can either be taken individually or by a group accomodating up to 16 guests. For groups, the castle's recently restored atmospheric Victorian Kitchen can be used for communal dining. It features the castle's original range - last used during the Second World War - as well as an impressive vaulted ceiling.



Apartment 1 | Maitland

This luxury two-bedroom apartment off the castle's cobbled courtyard sleeps, four people. With its private access and exceptional views of the parkland, those staying in the Maitland Apartment can enjoy a relaxed castle stay. The apartment has been recently created in the South Wing in an area of Timeless Castle that was once the old laundries.

Apartment 2 | Lauderdale

There is a relaxed, neutral palette throughout the living area and generous bathroom in this one-bedroom apartment. The large bedroom has been finished in the striking blues and greens of the Maitland tartan as worn by the Maitland clan.

Apartment 3 | The Earl & Countess's Rooms

This apartment has three bedrooms with adjoining bathrooms and is in what was once the castle's nurseries. This apartment offers beautiful views over the parkland and boasts impressive portraits of the castle's former residents.

Apartment 4 | Glenburnie

This one-bedroom apartment is named after the moorland behind this castle as well as Glenburnie, the horse which was bred by the Maitland family and became European Champion in three-day eventing. The apartment features an original kitchen range in the open-plan kitchen/sitting room and a light an airy bedroom.



Apartment 5 | The Sculleries

Formerly the sculleries for the main castle, this part of the South Wing has been beautifully transformed into a high-end one-bedroom apartment. Accessed from the mezzanine of the castle's Cobbled Courtyard, guests look out over the castle gardens to the rear with double-height windows throughout. The traditional flagstone floor in the hallway is a reminder of the apartment's past, as is the authentic mangle which has been repurposed into a beautiful hallstand.

Dining

Guests will have access to the Victoria Kitchen which can seat up to 18 guests, so the whole party can dine together.

Fine Dining at Timeless Castle

Groups may wish to dine in the castle's State Rooms lined with one of the largest and complete collections of family portraits. Our award-winning caterers can design the perfect menu for you and your guests. Please contact us for further information - prices are available upon request.

For private dining we have the following spaces available for groups staying in the apartments:

- State Dining Room - £1000 per 24-hours venue hire
- State Dining Room and State Drawing Room - £1800 per 24-hours venue hire

Location & Local Information

Timeless Castle is nestled close to the river Leader, just outside the pretty market town of Lauder. Lauder is on the western edge of the Lammermuir Hills, only thirty-five minutes south of Edinburgh. Keen walkers will be delighted to discover the Southern Upland Way crosses the estate.

This bustling town has an attractive centre and ample historical interest. One of the best ways to discover the town and learn about local history is to explore the Lauder Town Trail. This fascinating town trail is approximately two kilometres long and takes about an hour to complete.

The Scottish Borders are rich with history, offering a glut of stately homes, castles and historical sights. Priorwood Garden is cared for by the National Trust for Scotland and provides a lovely walled garden in the ancient precinct of Melrose Abbey - ideal for a picnic or a stroll in the summer months. Mellerstain House and Gardens is voted one of Britain's best stately homes by the Telegraph and offers terrific, sedate gardens and tea rooms.

Worth a visit, Abbotsford is the ancestral home of Sir Walter Scott, nineteenth-century novelist and poet.

For golfers, The Lauder golf course has a nine-hole course with beautiful views.

Whether it be walking or cycling, this region is rich with opportunity, while Liamar Horse Hire is a small family-run business offering waggon rides from the village of Pencaitland in East Lothian, or keen equestrians will find multiple stables for trekking and riding.

The Scottish Borders are known for their textiles; the region offers tours of local mills, where visitors can observe the production of the gorgeous tartans and tweeds that the region is famous worldwide for, and will be able to pick up an excellently priced souvenir!

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Edinburgh Airport (55.6 km)
Nearest Train Station	Stow (10 km)
Nearest Village	Lauder (1 km)



Nearest Bar/Pub	The Black Bull (1 km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	The Golden Bannock (1 km)
Nearest Golf	Lauder Golf Club (2 km)
Nearest Supermarket	Asda Galashiels Superstore (17.5 km)
Nearest Supermarket	Co-op (Convenience store) (1.7 km)

What Oliver loves...

- Additional luxuries to meet guests every requirement: guests are entitled to complimentary entry to the castle during the summer or a private tour during the winter months. Added extras include exclusive tours of the castle guided by a member of the Maitland family, food hampers, spa treatments, taxi services and airport transfers
- To enhance your stay you can also book one of the State Rooms for a special dinner or event
- Dog-friendly apartments, pets are welcome, and the grounds are ideal for dog walking
- A fully catered option for a group booking; ideal for weddings, events, celebrations or anniversaries etc. - sumptuous State Drawing Room, or State Dining Room, lined with portraits of the Maitland family or Panelled Drawing Room offers alongside the finest caterers from Edinburgh and the borders

What you should know...

- The wider estate is open for public visits during summer months, comprising guided tours, bustling tea room and busy gift shop, as well as public access to the grounds; the South Wing, however, is solely for resident visitors

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: £1000 paid directly to the property owner prior to arrival. It is refundable provided no damage, loss or additional cleaning occurs during your stay.
- Arrival time: 4.00 pm
- Departure time: 10.00 am
- Energy costs included?: Yes
- Heating costs included?: Yes
- Linen & towels included?: Yes
- Pets welcome?: Pets are welcome
- Smoking Allowed?: No smoking inside the house
- Minimum stay: 3 nights minimum stay

***** Please note no external caterers can be hired at the Castle. All catering must be arranged through Timeless Castle*****