

# Esk Castle - Tower & Apartment

Region: Scotland Sleeps: 4 - 8

## Overview

Fallow and red deer stride around the beautiful 1300 acres of rolling parkland that surround the history and charm of Esk Castle. This magnificent 15th-century castle is poised between the Angus Glens and the unspoiled dune filled coastline of Scotland. It has been home to the Carnegie family, now Dukes of Fife, for over 600 years. Unspoilt nature, luxurious living and an unforgettable array of holiday memories await!

Esk Castle is perfect for every season, with something to do and enjoy all year round. The estate has salmon and sea trout fishing and can offer pheasant shooting in winter months. Ideal for family groups, whether you are fishing, golfing or simply enjoying time together at this spectacular venue, we cannot recommend it enough.

The living spaces are separated into two separate apartments, that can be rented together or separately. Macduff Tower is the first, with ample room for four guests. For couples or a small family, this impressive apartment boasts a panorama of views over the park. The grandeur of the rooms makes the Tower ideal for entertaining, yet there is still a cosy and homely feel so you can cuddle up in front of the log fire embracing the intimacy and romance of the castle. Each room is generous, offering plenty of space to spread out and relax. There is a well-equipped kitchen and larder, a dining room to seat ten and a large sitting room with the atmospheric log fire. The two large bedrooms are brimming with character and furnished with four-poster beds. Equipped with en-suite bathrooms, including a claw foot bath and views over the park and castle terrace, it is impossible not to relax in these indulgent spaces.

The rooms can be combined easily with those of the Lauderdale apartment to accommodate large groups. This new apartment can accommodate six guests in the three spacious double rooms. In the same way as the rest of the Castle, the rooms pay homage to the buildings history, with charm and character taking centre stage in every space. Two of the bedrooms boast super-king beds, whilst the third bedroom is furnished twin beds. There is another large family kitchen, with a social sitting and dining area.

A welcome retreat for any group or couple, this peaceful estate is the perfect escape from the hustle and bustle of day-to-day life. With gardens, barbecues, a tennis court and rolling, beautiful countryside, there is nothing left to desire!



## Facilities

Chateaux & Castles • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Pets on Request • BBQ • Hairdryer • Satellite TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Cycling

# Interior & Grounds

## *Lauderdale Apartment*

- Large family kitchen with sitting/eating area
- Superking bedroom with en-suite bathroom
- Twin bedroom with en-suite bathroom
- Superking bedroom with en-suite shower room (can be made into twin)

## *Macduff Tower*

- Well equipped kitchen and larder
- Richmond Four Poster - en-suite, separate bath and shower
- Bull Twin - en suite, hand held shower
- Alexandra Double - separate bathroom, stand up shower
- Tredegar King - separate bathroom, stand up shower
- Lily Twin - en-suite, walk in shower
- Dining room with seating for up to ten
- Large sitting room with log fire and a supply of logs
- Laundry room

## **Additional Facilities**

- Wifi
- Hairdryer
- Washing Machine
- Ironing Facilities
- Dishwasher
- TV



## Location & Local Information

Esk Castle is located between the Montrose Basin and Brechin adjoining the river Southesk. The Estate covers some 7,000 acres of low lying land, with a combination of good arable land, forestry and permanent pasture, which has been under the stewardship of the Carnegie family since 1400. The Carnegie family, now Dukes of Fife, have cared for the land for over 600 years, and this stability and care has allowed wildlife to flourish, making for an idyllic escape that feels like a luxurious retreat to any visitors.

There are Farms, Forestry, Game and Fishing departments, that all work together to keep the estate in its exceptional state. Wild habitats, with endless varieties flora and fauna can be found all over the grounds and have to be explored during your stay. The land also includes a Site of Special Scientific Interest on Rossie Moor, an unspoiled lowland moorland that sits on the hill overlooking Montrose. Another Special Area of Conservation on the estate, is the Southesk River, for its salmon and fresh water pearls. The estate also actively participates in the red squirrel project, so if you keep an eye out during your stay, you are likely to spot some of these along with woodpeckers, kingfishers, ospreys, owls and many other bird species.

On top of all the work and diligence put into caring for the natural landscapes and wildlife on the estate, the family has not forgotten the human experience of these spaces. There are miles of paths laid out for you to follow, taking in the breath-taking scenery, follies and views over the river and lake. There are also plenty of walks and cycles that you can discover along the quiet roads of the estate.

Bringing the castle and its grounds into the 21st century, there is a focus on renewable energy. The estate biomass boiler was also built in 2016, as part of a 100kw hydro-electric scheme and is in operation on the river Southesk, offering power to the national grid.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Dundee Airport (46.6 km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Brechin (5.6 km)</b>
Nearest City	<b>Dundee (43.3 km)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Brechin (5.7 km)</b>



Nearest Restaurant	<b>The Caledonian (5.6 km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Lidl (5.4 km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Montrose Beach (11.4 km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Brechin Golf Club (7.8 km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Montrose Tennis Club (11.1 km)</b>

## What we love

- Just as perfect for couples as it is for large groups, the romance and charm of this 15th-century castle is remarkable!
- The grounds and estate have been diligently cared for, with many wild habitats, and endless varieties flora and fauna
- The views from the castle and estate are sublime, a real escape from the hustle and bustle of day-to-day life

## What you should know...

- The castle itself is very cosy, heated by an impressive biomass boiler
- All guests will be provided with complimentary towels, linen and toiletries and the apartments are equipped with cleaning materials and laundry facilities
- There is storage space downstairs ideal for leaving bicycles or perfect for dogs should you need it

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: £500 paid via bank transfer to the owner before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Heating costs included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Pets welcome?: No pets allowed
- Stag & Hen Do's Allowed? : No stag or hen do's allowed
- Smoking Allowed?: Smoking & Vaping are not permitted
- Other Ts and Cs: None of the fireplaces are functional. The house is heated with a community wood chip boiler which keeps everything very warm even in the coldest weather.