



Ford Castle

Residential Schools Activity Centre.

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Where is Ford Castle?

Ford Castle is a Medieval castle set in the rolling countryside of Northumberland, with exciting activities hidden within the grounds. They provide group activity holidays for children.



Ford Village, Berwick-upon-Tweed TD15 2PX

When are we going?



- **Wednesday 22nd May to Friday 24th May.**
- **Week after SATs.**
- **2 Night accommodation at Ford Castle.**
- **Depart Wednesday morning.**
- **Return on the Friday afternoon.**

How will we get there?



- **Coach transport has been arranged as part of the Ford Castle package.**
- **Coach will collect children and staff from Montalbo School and drive us to Ford Castle.**
- **We will return to school via coach on Friday afternoon.**

Where will we sleep?



- **CASTLE CHAMBERS**
- ALL rooms are within the 14th century castle.
- Children's rooms sleep between 6 and 12 and have en-suite or adjacent bathrooms.
- The Duty Manager secures all buildings at lights out to ensure on site safety.
- Montalbo staff on duty at all times.



Where will we eat?

- All visits are fully-catered.
- Meals at Ford Castle are home-cooked, nutritional and filling.
- Menus are created with young people in mind and special dietary requirements are always catered for.
- Meals on site are taken in the Castle dining room.
- Packed lunches are provided on the day of departure, if necessary.



What activities will we do?



- A whole range of activities to choose from...



We have choices to make...

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ITINERARY CHOICES

Activities that take half a day:

- * Beach Games
- * Eco Trail Coast
- * Eco Trail Ford Moss
- * Canoeing (+ £10 pc)
- * Cliff Climbing (+ £10 pc)
- * Require transport

Activities that take an hour:

- Assault Course
- Archery
- Castle Tour
- Crate Stack
- CSI Ford
- Enigma
- Falconry (+ £3 pc)
- Fencing
- High All Aboard
- Initiative Exercises
- Jacobs Ladder
- Knights Quest
- Leap of Faith
- Low Ropes
- Nightline
- Photo Trail Ford Village
- Potions Class
- Postmans Walk
- Team Games
- Zip Wire

Please note 3 of the above = a half day.

Excursions that take half a day:

- * Bamburgh
- * Berwick & Honey Farm
- * Dunstanburgh
- * Farne Islands
- * Flodden Field
- * Holy Island

Excursions that take a day:

- * Alnwick Castle
- * Cragside House
- * Roman Wall
- * Durham
- * Beamish Museum
- * Edinburgh

Preferred visits on your excursions:

If you wish to add York as a visit en route
or on the way home please contact us to
discuss details.

Children will decide on each activity in class and we will confirm this with Ford Castle.

What can we do on an evening?



- **FREE TIME**
- Students' Common Rooms have pool, TV / DVD facilities and a variety of board games
- Football Pitch and outdoor playing space.
- Computer Facilities.
- King James' Suite – perfect for story-telling and setting the mood.



Ensuring everyone is safe.



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- **SAFETY FIRST**
- ALL instructors hold qualifications in: GNAS, BUC, BFA and First Aid Equipment is checked before and after every use, and records kept.
- We have an excellent health and safety track records.
- Activity appropriate equipment is provided for every student, including harnesses and helmets, and boots and buoyancy aids where necessary.
- CRB checks are carried out on all our members of staff.

FORD CASTLE ACCREDITATIONS

The LOTC Quality Badge confirms how safe we are .
Our return bookings demonstrate that we deliver great school trips.

Quality Badge awarded by



**MORE
INFORMATION
AVAILABLE AT:
<https://www.ford-castle.co.uk/health-safety>**

FIRST AID

ALL health and safety certificated for Ford Castle can be viewed online.



- The first aid room will be made available to your appointed first aider on arrival at the Castle.
- Should any member of your party need the services of a doctor or hospital, this is readily available and Ford Castle staff will be on hand to help.
- Amongst our staff there are several First Aiders who can assist with any queries you may have.
- All staff are trained in our established Accident and Incident procedures.



AAIAC Certificate

BAPA Inspection Certificate

LOtC Quality Badge

Onsite Activities Risk Benefits Assessments

Evening Entertainment Risk Assessments

Off Site Canoeing Risk Assessment

Off Site Excursions Risk Assessment

Grounds Risk Assessment

Site Risk Assessment

Certificate of Employers' Liability Insurance 2018/19

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Risk assessment / medical needs.



- All visit risks to be assessed by Montalbo School.
- Educational Visit Safety Checks to be submitted to Durham County Council before the visit takes place.
- First Aid member of staff to collect all information regarding children's medical needs. (parent letters for this)
- Medicines need to be brought to school before / or on the morning of the visit. Well sealed box/ bag and clearly labelled with child's name.

How much will it cost?



- **The full cost of the visit per pupil will be:**
- **£197** (a deposit of £40 and the remaining balance of £157 due by 1st April preferably or no later than – 24/05/19)
- **This includes:**
 - 2x nights accommodation at Ford Castle.
 - Home cooked meals (2x evening meal, 2 x lunch, 2x breakfasts)
 - Full teacher / instructor supervision at all times.
 - Professional and fully qualified instructors for adventurous activities.
 - Coach transport: return visit from Montalbo School to Ford Castle.

What happens next? Questions?



- **Are there any questions?**
- **Please take a leaflet with you.**
- **Collect letters – sign and return them.**
- **Thank you for coming.**