

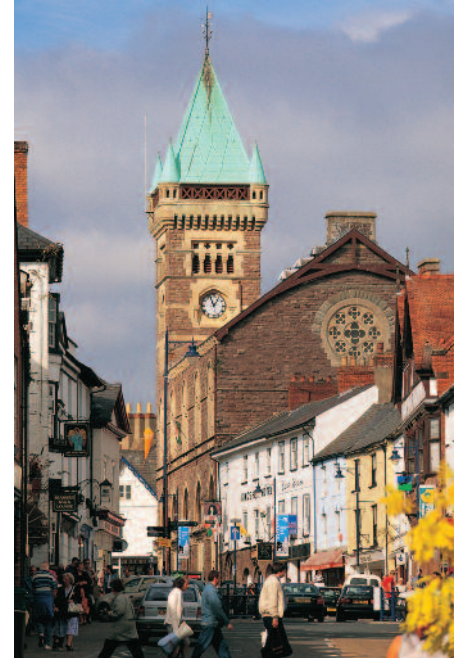
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Abergavenny Castle & Museum

Enjoy a day out visiting two attractions in one. Abergavenny Museum is set in the grounds of a 'ruined' Norman castle, where you can enjoy a picnic during the summer and a brisk walk on colder days.

Although the original castle is now largely in ruins there is still a tall stretch of curtain wall to the right of what would have been the gatehouse, originally from the 12th Century.

The museum is housed in a former 19th Century hunting lodge built by the Marquess of Abergavenny within the walls of the castle. The museum has five permanent displays which tell the story of this historic market town from prehistory through to the present day.



Sample Itinerary

- 11.00 am Arrive and take a tour of the museum.
- 11.45 am Explore Castle grounds.
- 1.00 - 2.00 pm Enjoy a picnic in the grounds or have lunch in Abergavenny.
- 2.00 pm Exploration of the market town of Abergavenny (* Tuesday is market day).
- 4.00 pm Depart for home.



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Where is it? Abergavenny Castle and Museum are situated at the end of Castle Street which is signposted from the roundabout on the A4143 in Abergavenny. They can be accessed by car either by turning left at the top of Lower Castle Street (between Castle Street and Monk Street) or by driving up Castle Street where you will see the castle gates straight ahead. Explorer Map OL13 or Landranger Map 161- SO 300 138.

Facilities: The museum hosts permanent displays and a regular programme of temporary exhibitions which include new acquisitions and work by local artists. There is a gift shop in the main entrance and an activity room for children. Most of the museum is accessible, but there are flights of steps between some levels. There are gravel paths around the grounds, mostly on one level though there are some steep slopes. The castle grounds are open from 8am to dusk.

Parking is available for visitors who are using the museum and castle grounds. Unfortunately coaches are unable to access the grounds. Alternative parking and toilets are available at Castle Street Car Park or the Bus Station beside the National Park & Tourist Information Centre.

Opening times:

March – October: Monday - Saturday: 11am-1pm & 2pm-5pm
Sunday: 2pm-5pm

November – February: Monday - Saturday: 11am-1pm & 2pm-4pm
Cost: Free admission for all (charges apply at some special events). Tel: 01873 854282.

Public Transport: By train: the nearest railway station is Abergavenny. The Museum and Castle is a 1km walk from the railway station. <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk>

By Bus: Stagecoach Tel: 01874 622849. Beacons Bus service Bank Holidays and throughout the summer. Tel: 01873 853254
– see the Transport pages at www.visitbreconbeacons.com or visit www.traveline.org.uk for more information.
By bike: NCN 46 runs close by.

Nearby Attractions: Blaenavon World Heritage Site(8), Big Pit National Coal Museum(4), Pontypool and Blaenavon Steam Railway, Goytre Wharf(6).



Itinerary Locations

- 1 Brecon Beacons National Park Visitor Centre
- 2 Waterfall Country
- 3 Brecon Mountain Railway
- 4 Big Pit National Coal Museum
- 5 Taff Trail, near Brecon
- 6 Goytre Wharf, near Abergavenny
- 7 Llangorse Lake, near Brecon
- 8 Blaenavon Ironworks & Heritage Centre
- 9 Abergavenny Castle & Museum
- 10 Garwnant Visitor Centre

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