

Medieval and Early Modern History Itinerary



Site: Dover Castle | **Subjects:** History

- 10.00:** Arrive at Dover Castle. Coach parking is available close to the entrance of the site. You will be greeted at Constable's Gate (a special entrance for groups) by a member of English Heritage staff who will give you information about the site.
- 10.30:** Step into medieval Dover during our Knights, Feasts and Garderobes expert-led Discovery Visit workshop (suitable for KS1-3). You'll be greeted by a member of the King's court from Dover Castle, who will take you on a guided tour of the medieval keep, giving you the chance to learn what life was like for the lords and ladies of the castle. (80 minutes)
- 11.50:** Time for a bite to eat in our sheltered lunch rooms, located in the Keep Yard or enjoy a picnic outside. (30 minutes)
- 12.20:** Explore the Great Tower and immerse your pupils in the royal court of King Henry II. Experience the vibrant colour and opulence of the King's bed chamber, as well as having the chance to sit on his throne! Climb to the top of the Great Tower to see the views across the White Cliffs and to France, and make sure you tick off our Top Things to See list, found in our **Teacher's Kit**. (45 minutes)
- 13.05:** Delve into the Siege of 1216, and explore the casemates in the heart of the northern defences. Through interactive displays and cinematic film, unearth the dramatic story of the most testing times in the castle's history and of England itself (20 minutes)
- 13.25:** Descend into the winding medieval tunnels, built during the medieval sieges and role play the firing of the cannons. (30 minutes)
- 13.55:** Get hands-on with our Attack and Defence Handling Collection in our education room. (30 minutes)
- 14.25:** Using our **Teacher's Kit**, delve deeper into medieval Dover Castle with our Sensory Trail, Medieval Activity Trail or Interactive Timeline (20 minutes)
- 14.45:** Pop into our shop before you leave and maybe you'll pick up a souvenir of your visit.