

Welcome to the group visitor information for Peel Castle. Here you will find everything you need to plan a visit.



The magnificent Peel Castle occupies the important site of St Patrick's Isle at Peel. The castle's curtain wall encircles the ruins of many buildings which are a testimony to the site's religious and secular importance in Manx history. These include St Patrick's Church and the round tower from the 11th century, the 13th century Cathedral of St German and the later apartments of the Lords of Mann.

Don't miss:

- Free audio trail (limited numbers available on a first come, first served basis)
- 10th and 11th century church and chapel of St Patrick and the round tower
- 16th century great garrison hall
- St German's Cathedral and the cathedral crypt
- Gatehouse tower
- Panoramic views of Peel and beyond
- The ghostly Moddey Dhoo (Black Dog)
- Seal spotting



## Opening hours 2024

Open daily from 28th March – 3rd November 2024, 11am – 4pm. Last entry 3.30pm

Peel Castle will be open daily for extended hours in June, July and August, 11am – 5pm. Last entry 4.30pm.

## Timing your visit

A typical visit lasts between 1 to 1½ hours. We recommend that a visit to Peel Castle is timed to coincide with a visit to the House of Manannan, which is also situated in Peel.

## Admission prices 2024

Pre-booked group\* £8.50 per adult

\*To qualify for the pre-booked group rate, groups must consist of at least 15 people and be paid for at least 7 days in advance.

Holiday passes providing multi-site admission can be booked in advance at a discounted group rate of £30 per adult and are also available at the standard price of £35 per adult from all Manx National Heritage sites. Holiday Pass admission is only permitted on production of a valid card. Cards are valid for the named person and are not transferable. ID may also be requested. Free access is for 14 days from the first day of use on a Holiday.

A combined Go Explore Heritage card is also available to groups of 20 or more which offers, during normal operating times, unlimited access to Manx National Heritage sites and unlimited travel on the heritage railways, buses and Douglas horse trams for up to 5 days.

Free admission is available to children under 18 years of age, persons accompanying a disabled visitor, Members of the Friends of Manx National Heritage and organisations holding an agreement with Manx National Heritage. Entry available to the named member only on presentation of a valid membership card. Restrictions may apply. For details on our reciprocal arrangements, please consult your membership handbook.

Coach drivers and guides accompanying a group receive free admission to all Manx National Heritage sites.

## Booking your visit

Booking your visit in advance is recommended and provides a substantial discount on the standard admission price and speedy hassle-free entry to the site.

To book your group visit please contact the group bookings office on +44 (0)1624 648017 or [enquiries@mnh.im](mailto:enquiries@mnh.im) Payment is due a week in advance. On receipt of payment, a group bookings permit will be issued to you for presentation at the site entrance on the day of the visit.

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## How to get there

By road: Access Peel from the A1 St Johns/ Douglas road. Turn left into Queens Drive following the road to its junction with Glenfaba Road or Patrick Street. Turn right and then take the next road on the left which leads towards the House of Manannan. Turn right at the bottom of the hill and follow East Quay along the quayside. Turn right onto Shore Road and the promenade. Visitors may be dropped off along the promenade or at the coach park situated at the far end of the promenade. There is no charge for coach parking. Visitors must then cross the harbour footbridge to access Peel Castle.

Coaches departing Peel should follow the promenade and turn right up Walpole Drive, turning left at the top of Walpole Drive. It is recommended that coaches depart Peel via Kirk Michael. Please note that speed limits apply in Peel and there are narrow streets within the town.

By bus: From Douglas, Ramsey, Castletown and Port Erin. For timetables please see [www.iombusandrail.im](http://www.iombusandrail.im)

On foot: Access to the castle is via the footbridge located at the harbour entrance. Access information Peel Castle contains steps, paths and grassy slopes and is not accessible to wheelchair users. There are 24 historic steps to reach the pay barrier and there is no alternative means of access. Once inside there are a network of uneven paths to explore over rough ground.

## Visitor information

- Gift kiosk
- Toilets
- A limited number of audio guides are available for use in the castle at no charge
- Photography and filming (per personal use only) and use of mobile phones is permitted
- Picnics can be enjoyed within the grounds of Peel Castle
- Visitors should wear sensible footwear and keep to defined routes
- There are a number of restaurants and pubs on the quayside in Peel for meals and refreshments.

## Access information

Detailed access information is available at <https://manxnationalheritage.im/visit-2/families-2/facilities-for-families-2-2/>

