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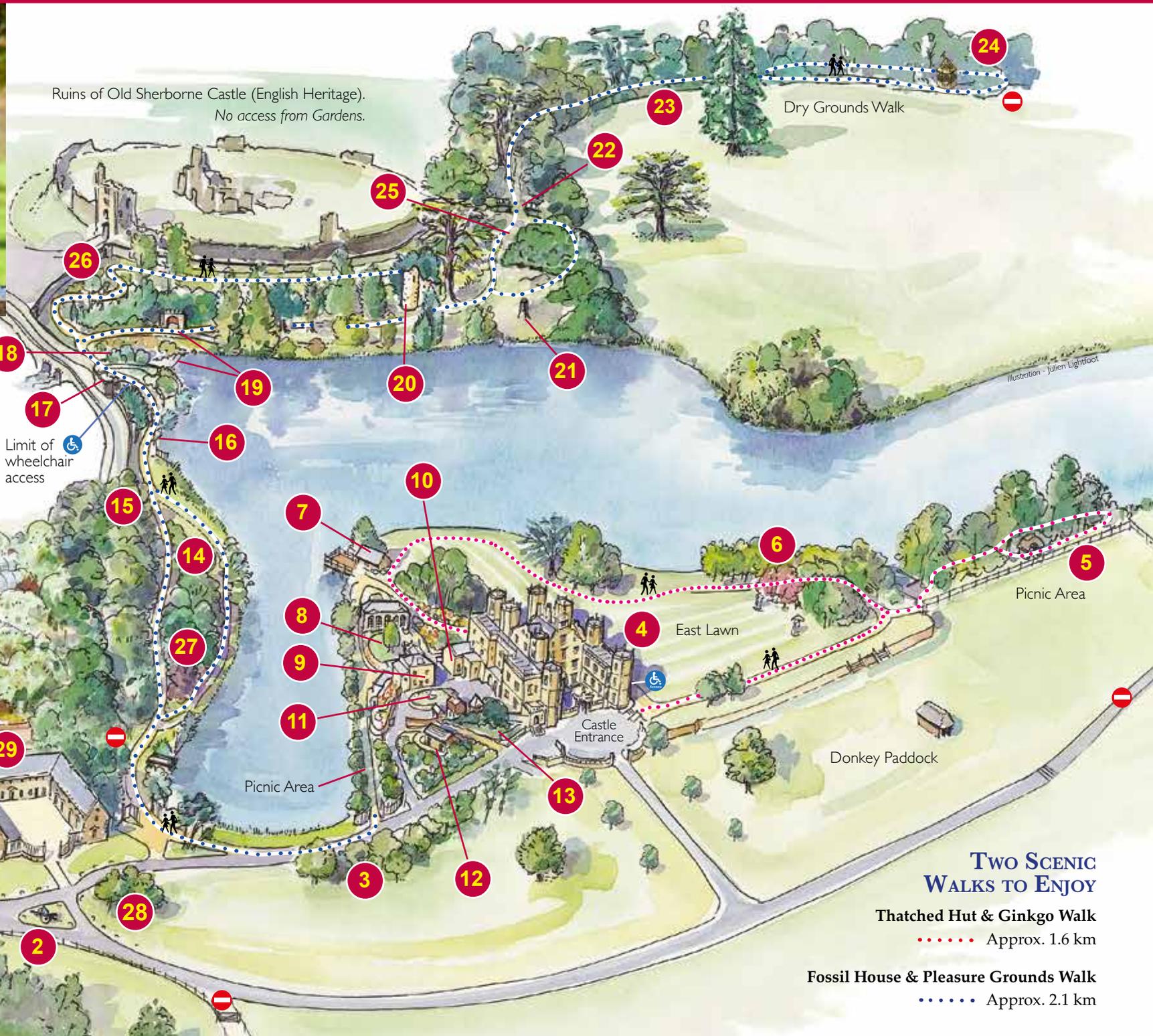
1. Visitor Entrance 
2. Turkish Field Gun
3. South West Shrubbery
4. Castle
5. Thatched Hut
6. Anemone Walk
7. The Boat House & Pier
8. The Orangery, Ginkgo Lawn & Herbaceous Borders
9. Old Dairy with Roman Mosaic
10. Museum
11. Boat Shaped Bed, Game Larders, Ice House, Herb Garden & Sunken Garden
12. Toilets 
13. The Circular Seat Bed & Stumpery
14. Maple Glade
15. West Lakeside Bed
16. Clematis Bridge
17. Raleigh's Seat
18. Dinney Bridge & Riverside Beds
19. Pope's Seat & Cascade
20. The Folly
21. Cedar Tree Lookout
22. Earl Henry's Bridge
23. The Cedars & Dry Grounds Walk
24. Fossil House
25. The Clairevoire & Culpeper Corner
26. Old Castle Corner
27. The Spikey Border
28. The Castle Mound
29. The Stables / Estate Office
30. Walled Garden Restaurant

 Heart Defibrillator (AED) location



SHERBORNE CASTLE WINES & SPIRITS

The Estate Vineyard produces award winning wines and spirits. Available to purchase from the Visitor Entrance.



TWO SCENIC WALKS TO ENJOY

- Thatched Hut & Ginkgo Walk
..... Approx. 1.6 km
- Fossil House & Pleasure Grounds Walk
..... Approx. 2.1 km



SHERBORNE CASTLE & GARDENS

WELCOME

Welcome to Sherborne Castle, built by Sir Walter Raleigh in 1594 which has been our family home since 1617.

Take a tour of the Castle and discover “The Great Stories”, the key moments of history over the last 400 years will come alive. See nationally important collections of art, porcelain and furniture along with personal historical curios from the archives of the Wingfield Digby family. Discover Raleigh’s Kitchen and an immersive and interactive family museum.

Explore our beautiful gardens, discover unusual plants, champion trees and quirky garden features such as the Fossil House, Raleigh’s Seat and the Cascade. Enjoy the colours of the seasons; Carpets of Spring bulbs, glorious herbaceous borders in Summer and breath taking Autumn colours reflected in the lake. Children enjoy our Garden Trail. Dogs welcome on short leads.

Lunch in the Walled Garden Restaurant or wander into historical Sherborne, famous for its Abbey, architecture and independent shops.

We hope you enjoy visiting our house and garden.

The Wingfield Digby family



VISITOR INFORMATION

Health and Safety

We endeavour to provide a safe and healthy environment for visitors within the constraints of an historic property and as far as is reasonable and practicable. Please observe all notices during your visit, and follow any instructions given by staff. Occasionally, parts of the Castle and Gardens are required to be closed for essential maintenance; and in the case of the Gardens, in extreme weather conditions. Please do not enter cordoned off areas and observe any directions and signs accordingly.

Hazards Warning

Please be aware that there are staircases, steps and slopes to negotiate where care should be taken by all visitors. There is a large lake within the grounds, in which paddling or swimming is forbidden; children should be supervised at all times. Under no circumstances should anything be picked or eaten from the gardens. Some plants have sharp thorns and/or are poisonous. Visitors with back packs are asked to carry these by hand whilst in the Castle.

Babies

Regrettably, we do not admit baby back pack carriers to the Castle, due to the dangers of low doorways, steps and arches plus the high risk of damage to Castle contents; front sling carriers are admitted. Pushchairs are admitted at the discretion of the Castle staff.

Dogs

Dogs are welcome on short leads in the gardens. Assistance dogs are permitted in the Castle.

Photography, Mobiles and Camera Phones

We welcome amateur photography within the gardens. We regret, however, that photography in the Castle is not permitted, this includes video cameras and mobile phones. No commercial use of photographs is permitted in any part of the estate without written permission. Drones and Remote Control Vehicles are prohibited from use in or over the grounds.

Picnics

Visitors are welcome to picnic in the gardens. BBQ’s or any other naked flame are not permitted.

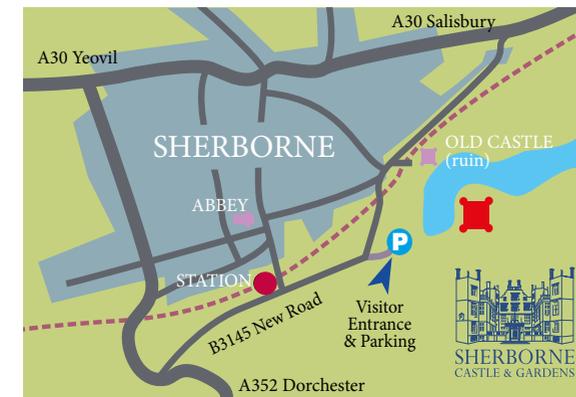
Smoking

Smoking is not permitted inside any building within the Castle Grounds.

Accessibility

There is a permanent ramp in front of the Castle to enable disabled visitors to access the Castle interior from the East Lawn. There is no lift and the stairs leading to the first floor are narrow and numerous. We therefore regret that wheelchair access is restricted to the ground floor only, and that there is no wheelchair access to the upper or basement floors. A slide show is available to see the rooms inaccessible by wheelchair. Access to the gardens is unrestricted, however there are some steep paths to be negotiated to certain areas around the Castle, and on the north side of the lake.

TRAVEL TO SHERBORNE



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By Rail: London Waterloo to Exeter St. Davids mainline stops at Sherborne (approx 2 hours 15mins from London). The Castle is a 10 minute walk from the Station or take a taxi.

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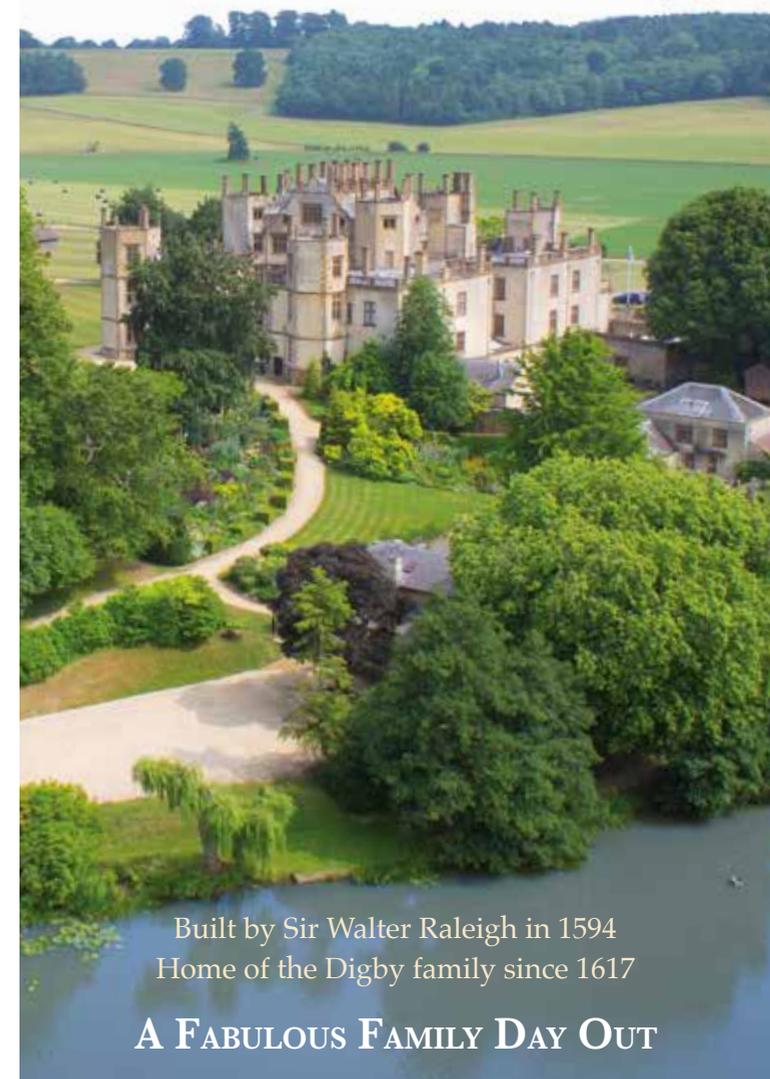


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Built by Sir Walter Raleigh in 1594
Home of the Digby family since 1617

A FABULOUS FAMILY DAY OUT