

Welcome to

# FLOORS CASTLE

There is so much to enjoy, from our historic home and beautiful walled garden, to walks on the estate, our children's playground and our cafes and shops. There are also great events across the year.



## Floors Castle

Begin by exploring our Castle - the largest inhabited house in Scotland. It was built in 1721 to designs by William Adam and greatly enhanced by William Playfair in the 1830s. The tour introduces you to our outstanding paintings, porcelain, tapestries and furniture, and fascinating insights into the Roxburghe family history.

## The Walled Garden

Under the guidance of our Head Gardener, we're remodelling our delightful Victorian kitchen garden with its spectacular herbaceous borders. We've created a Tapestry garden and our hot border in particular is a site to see in the summer. The Walled Garden and its glasshouses supply the Castle Kitchens with fruit and vegetables and the Castle with vibrant floral displays.

## The Millennium Garden

To celebrate the new Millennium the 10th Duke and Duchess transformed the flower garden into a parterre, laid out in the formal French style. Heritage varieties of apple trees can be found here, and it's a beautiful place to sit whilst exploring the estate. In one corner stands the Queen's Summerhouse, built especially for Queen Victoria's visit in 1867.



## Star Plantation

This woodland garden with meandering paths and glades provides contrasting colour and scale as the seasons change. The Star Plantation was created after a storm in 1993 and is planted with large and ornamental trees as well as flowering shrubs, evergreens and bulbs. The spectacular show of Snowdrops and Rhododendrons in their glory are a must see, as are these beautiful deer sculptures by Hamish McKenzie.

## Eating & Shopping

We pride ourselves on our delicious homemade food. All of our dishes are created in the Castle Kitchen using only the finest local produce. The Terrace Café, which overlooks the Walled Garden, is open all year round and offers tasty seasonal menus created by our chefs, delicious lunches and a fun children's menu. The Courtyard Café, nestled between the Castle and the Woodland Car Park, is open seasonally from May to September, and offers a takeaway style menu. Both Cafés offer indoor and outdoor seating and are perfect for lunch or afternoon tea.

The Castle Gift shop stocks a range of books and souvenirs, and the



Apple Shed, adjacent to the Terrace Café, has a wide range of gifts, kitchenware, toys and books as well as housing our delicatessen. Here you will find lots of tasty treats including cakes and biscuits, honey and marmalade made on the Estate, Castle-made frozen meals to take home and our award-winning shortbread. You can even create your own bespoke hamper full of goodies.



## Woodland, Riverside Walks & Cycle Trails

The trails start at the woodland car park and at the Walled Garden. The Woodland Walk is an easy 2.6km (1.6 miles) stroll for about 50 minutes. The 4km (2.5 miles) Riverside Walk includes stiles and takes about an hour. Wear strong footwear. Neither trail is suitable for wheelchairs. A cycle trail follows a circuit of 2.9km along undulating ground, tracks and Estate roads and is suited to cyclists of all ages.



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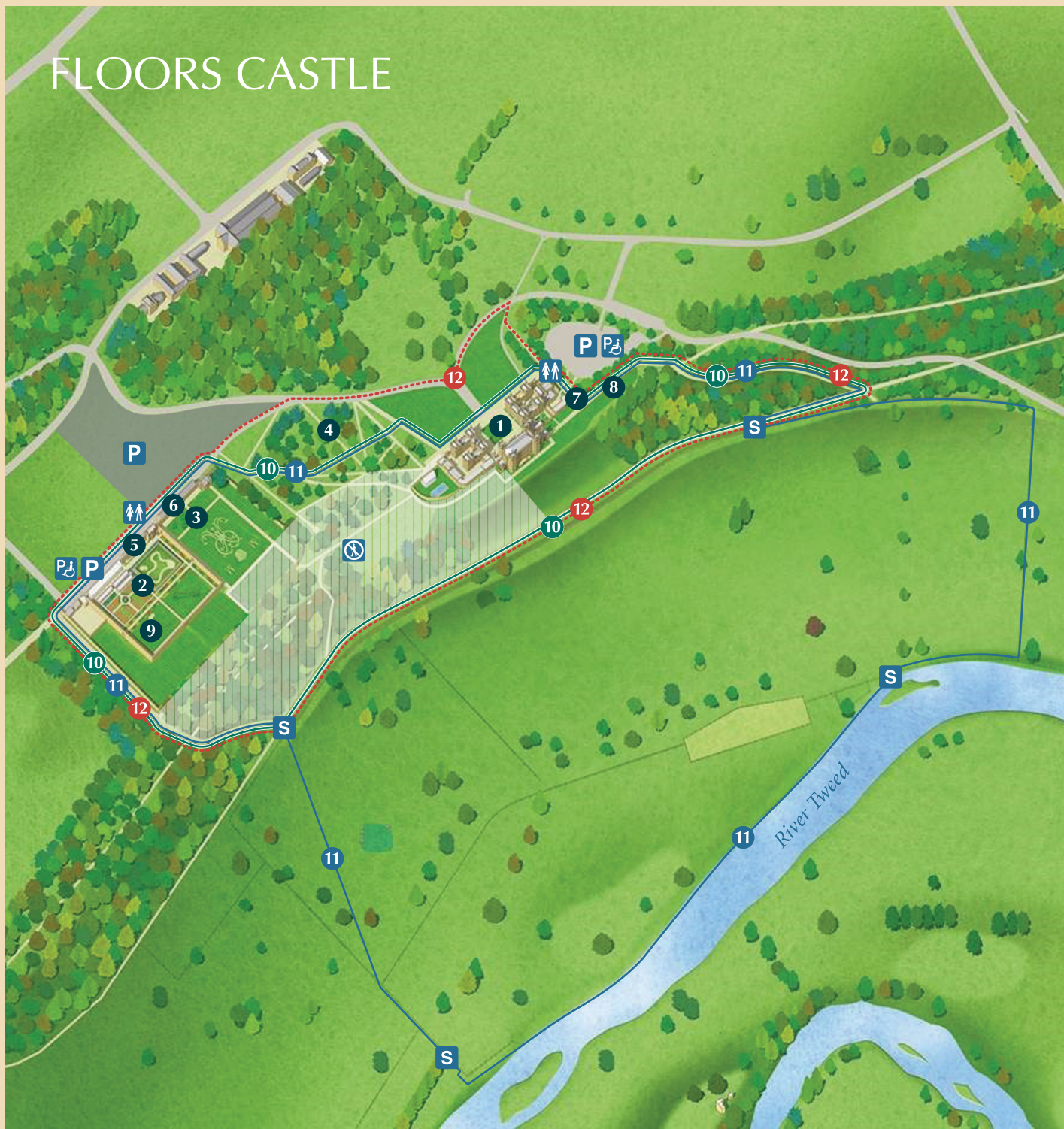


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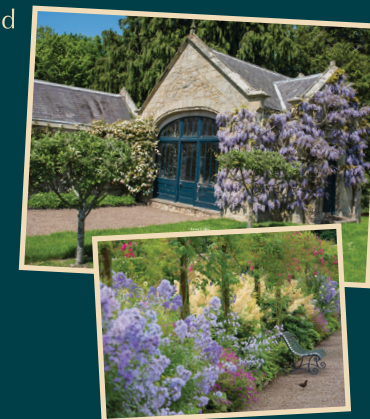
## For more information

Ask at any of the attractions, contact 01573 223 333, email: [enquiries@floorscastle.com](mailto:enquiries@floorscastle.com) or visit [www.floorscastle.com](http://www.floorscastle.com)

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## Walks & Cycle Route

**Woodland Walk** ■  
2.6km / 1.6 miles, 50-minute stroll.  
Follow the green waymarked route.

**Riverside Walk** ■  
4km / 2.5 miles includes stiles, 1hr 30 minutes of moderate walking. Follow the blue waymarked route.

Wear strong, waterproof footwear.  
Not suitable for wheelchairs.

**Dogs & Privacy**  
Dogs on leads are very welcome throughout the grounds and gardens (no dogs in the castle please). There are water points at the Terrace and Courtyard Cafes, so they needn't be shut in the car.

**Cycle Route** ●●●  
2.9km / 1.8 miles.  
The cycle route is a mixture of roads and gravel tracks and is used by other vehicles. Please take care at junctions and observe any warning signs. Follow the red waymarked signs.  
For 2.5kms of dedicated off-road cycle trails please visit Kelso Cycle trails near the first mini-roundabout as you approach Kelso from the north. For other cycle routes please visit [www.cyclescottishborders.com](http://www.cyclescottishborders.com)