

Esk Tower

Region: Perthshire Sleeps: 10

Overview

Tucked away within 1,300 acres of breathtaking parkland, Esk Tower is a majestic retreat nestled amidst ancient woodlands teeming with wildlife. The surrounding landscape is a peaceful sanctuary, where fallow and red deer roam freely, pheasants dart through the undergrowth, and squirrels scurry between towering trees. Bordering the gentle flow of the River Southesk, the estate is a haven of tranquillity, offering guests a true escape from the demands of everyday life.

Stepping inside Esk Tower, you are welcomed into an elegant and spacious apartment, perched on the second floor of this historic castle. Every room is designed to embrace the surrounding beauty, with large windows framing panoramic views over the rolling parkland. The sitting room is grand yet inviting, with three plush sofas and several armchairs offering a perfect space to gather, unwind, and admire the views. Through an adjoining doorway, the well-equipped kitchen awaits, complete with a larder and a separate entrance for discreet catering. For memorable evenings of fine dining, the separate dining room seats up to ten, making it ideal for celebrations or intimate family meals.

The apartment boasts two generously proportioned bedrooms, each with an en-suite. The main suite is truly magnificent, featuring a regal four-poster king-size bed and a spacious bathroom with floor-to-ceiling windows that offer uninterrupted views across the parkland. The second bedroom is equally enchanting, offering flexible sleeping arrangements with the choice of twin beds or a superking, a charming claw-foot bath, and stunning views over the estate. A collection of oil paintings, depicting the renowned Aberdeen Angus bulls bred at Kinnaird, adds a unique touch of heritage to the space.

Beyond the castle walls, the estate's extensive grounds invite exploration. From your windows, watch as deer meander through the trees and rabbits dart across the lawns—scenes of natural beauty that make every moment here magical. For those who enjoy outdoor pursuits, the estate offers a dedicated garden area perfect for barbecues, a tennis court for friendly matches, and endless countryside to discover at a leisurely pace.

Esk Tower is more than just a place to stay; it is an experience of serenity and splendour, offering the perfect getaway for couples, families, or larger groups when combined with the Lauderdale apartment. Whether relaxing by the warmth of the biomass heating or stepping outside to embrace the fresh Highland air, a stay at Esk Tower is one to be cherished.



Facilities

Ideal for Xmas/NY • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Special Offer • Has
Discount • Great Value • Pets on Request • All Bedrooms En-Suite •
Instagrammable • Townhouse/Apartment • <1hr to Airport • Parking
Space • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Easy By Train • Heating •
Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Fenced Grounds

Interior & Grounds

Layout:

3,500 square foot apartment located on the Second Floor

To accommodate 4 guests:

- Well equipped kitchen and larder
- Dining room seating up to 10
- Large sitting room with three sofas and several armchairs
- Laundry room
- The main suite with a 4 poster bed, hand drawn walls including some very fine portraits and a very spacious bathroom with floor to ceiling windows overlooking the parkland in two directions
- The Bull Bedroom with a super king bed (option to separate into twin beds) with an ensuite overlooking the park with a claw foot bath

To accommodate additional guests up to 10:

- Alexandra Bedroom with a double and a separate bathroom with stand up shower
- Tredegar Bedroom with a king bed and a separate bathroom with stand up shower
- Lily Bedroom with twin beds and en-suite with walk in shower



Location & Local Information

Esk Tower is located between the Montrose Basin and Brechin adjoining the river Southesk. The Estate covers some 7,000 acres of low lying land, with a combination of good arable land, forestry and permanent pasture, which has been under the stewardship of the Carnegie family since 1400. The Carnegie family, now Dukes of Fife, have cared for the land for over 600 years, and this stability and care has allowed wildlife to flourish, making for an idyllic escape that feels like a luxurious retreat to any visitors.

There are Farms, Forestry, Game and Fishing departments, that all work together to keep the estate in its exceptional state. Wild habitats, with endless varieties flora and fauna can be found all over the grounds and have to be explored during your stay. The land also includes a Site of Special Scientific Interest on Rossie Moor, an unspoiled lowland moorland that sits on the hill overlooking Montrose. Another Special Area of Conservation on the estate, is the Southesk River, for its salmon and fresh water pearls. The estate also actively participates in the red squirrel project, so if you keep an eye out during your stay, you are likely to spot some of these along with woodpeckers, kingfishers, ospreys, owls and many other bird species.

On top of all the work and diligence put into caring for the natural landscapes and wildlife on the estate, the family has not forgotten the human experience of these spaces. There are miles of paths laid out for you to follow, taking in the breath-taking scenery, follies and views over the river and lake. There are also plenty of walks and cycles that you can discover along the quiet roads of the estate.

Bringing the castle and its grounds into the 21st century, there is a focus on renewable energy. The estate biomass boiler was also built in 2016, as part of a 100kw hydro-electric scheme and is in operation on the river Southesk, offering power to the national grid.

Local Amenities



Nearest Airport	Dundee Airport (46.6 km)
Nearest Train Station	Brechin (5.6 km)
Nearest City	Dundee (43.3 km)
Nearest Town	Brechin (5.7 km)
Nearest Restaurant	The Caledonian (5.6 km)
Nearest Supermarket	Lidl (5.4 km)
Nearest Beach	Montrose Beach (11.4 km)
Nearest Golf	Brechin Golf Club (7.8 km)
Nearest Tennis	Montrose Tennis Club (11.1 km)

What we love

- Just as perfect for couples as it is for large groups, the romance and charm of this 15th-century castle is remarkable!
- The grounds and estate have been diligently cared for, with many wild habitats, and endless varieties flora and fauna.
- The views from the castle and estate are sublime, a real escape from the hustle and bustle of day-to-day life.
- Alternatively, Esk Apartment (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/britain-ireland/scotland/esk-apartment/>) sleeps up to 6 guests. For larger groups, Esk Castle (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/britain-ireland/scotland/esk-castle-tower-and-apartment/>) combines both the Apartment and the Tower to accommodate up to 16 people.

What you should know...

- The castle itself is very cosy, heated by an impressive biomass boiler.
- All guests will be provided with complimentary towels, linen and toiletries and the apartments are equipped with cleaning materials and laundry facilities.
- There is storage space downstairs ideal for leaving bicycles or perfect for dogs should you need it.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** £500 paid via bank transfer to the owner before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Pets welcome?:** Up to two well behaved dogs are welcome on request only and with prior agreement with the owner. Please enquire at time of booking.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** None of the fireplaces are functional. The house is heated with a community wood chip boiler which keeps everything very warm even in the coldest weather.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean included in the price. Guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Smoking & Vaping are not permitted.
- **Minimum stay:** 2 nights.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included.
- **Stag & Hen Do Allowed? :** No stag or hen do's allowed.