

Welcome to Kidwelly Castle

Fatal setting for a Welsh warrior princess

What to see at Kidwelly Castle

- Who goes there? This striking gatehouse impressed friends... and kept enemies out, thanks to deadly defences like the drawbridge, arrowloops, a heavy wooden grill, and, if they got far enough, showers of missiles thrown through menacing murder holes in the passage ceiling.
- 2 Treasure the chance to find the entrance to the castle's strong room, hidden beneath your feet. Imagine it filled with coins and valuables collected in local taxes. This really was a money pit!
- 3 Descend into our dark basement, where the only daylight seeps in through narrow slits. Was this the prison? And why is there a mysterious handprint on the wall?
- 4 Take a close look at the four towers in the inner ward. We don't know why, but they are all built differently. Can you work out which one is kidney shaped?
- 5 Stroll the wall walks and keep a look out for great views over Kidwelly town and the surrounding countryside.
- 6 Fancy having to feed a castle full of people? It must have been a big task after all, these bread ovens are huge!
- Pay your respects to a Welsh warrior princess at the Gwenllian memorial.
- 8 Entrance/shop.



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