The Commandery

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Fun for Families

- Pick up your Regimental Sticker at the Shop and find out which side of the Civil War you were fighting on.
- Dress as a civil war soldier and see if you could lift a pike.
- Hire an Explorer Backpack to enjoy fun games, puzzles and activities.
- Let off steam in the Commandery Gardens, or try the playground at Fort Royal Park.
- Grab a hot chocolate in the Café or some pocket money souvenirs in the Shop.

Ask us about our:
- Exciting events and fun activities.
- Award-winning schools programme.
- Unique rooms for hire, for weddings, meetings and functions.
- Fantastic volunteering opportunities.

On most days FREE talks on a variety of subjects take place in the Great Hall.

Tuesday – Saturday: The Garden Wing, which includes the Civil War Story, Tudor and Georgian Rooms will begin to close at 4.15pm and will be fully closed by 4.30pm. The rest of the site remains open until 5pm.

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Encounter the past brought to life in a beautiful building with 1000 years of history...

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The Commandery is a sprawling building with lots of twists and turns. This map will help you find your way, and you can also ask our helpful team.

**Main Visitor Facilities**
- Great Hall
- The Civil War Story
- The Tudor Rooms
- The Georgian Rooms
- Available for Private Hire
- Toilets

**Key:**
- 1 Watch the short introductory film in our beautiful Great Hall, then enjoy a stroll through the gardens to the entrance to the Civil War Story exhibition...
- 2 Go down to the ground floor where you can learn more in the Presidents Rooms...
- 3 Continue along the first floor to see our Tudor and Georgian rooms...
- 4 Follow the corridor to further explore the Great Hall, then cross into the opposite wing to discover our Medieval history – don’t miss the stunning Painted Chamber!
- Don’t forget to enjoy the wonderful gardens and our excellent café and shop
- Please note: on occasions we may have to close a room for a short time to accommodate a school visit or special event.

**Refuge areas:**
In the event of a fire evacuation the lifts cannot be used. If you are unable to make your way downstairs please go to the nearest safe refuge area (shown on the map) and await assistance.