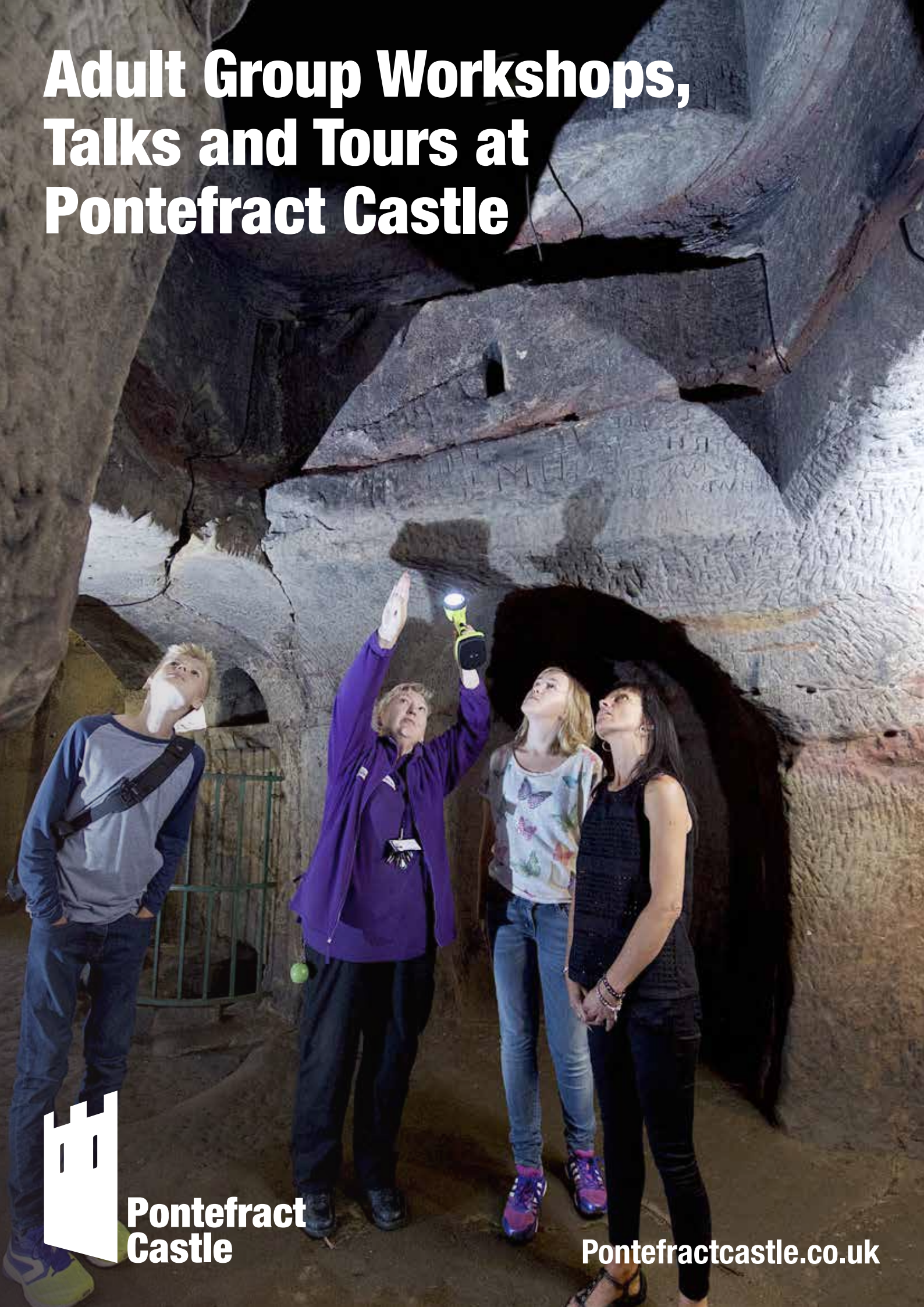


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Pontefract Castle has some fascinating stories to tell. Entrance to the Castle is free, so why not complement your visit with one of our pre-bookable group talks, tours or creative workshops? We have something to offer all types of interest, from tours of the dungeon to creative crafts.

Bookings are available at the Castle from May 2018.

For more information or to book, email: castleslearning@wakefield.gov.uk

Programme

Participatory Tours and Talks

Dungeon Tour

Experience the darkness of our dungeon where Civil Wars soldiers were imprisoned and liquorice was stored.

Maximum 20 participants. Groups of more than 20 people can book multiple tours to run consecutively.

35 minutes

Conservation for finders of archaeology/ metal detecting finds

Hands on talk aimed at finders of Archaeological objects on basic conservation, and what not to do!

Maximum 20 participants

1 hour

Themed talk and object handling

Themed object handling and talk with one of our learning team.

1-2 hours maximum

Reminiscence

Using objects and images to spark recollections and conversations, this reminiscence opportunity can be tailored to your theme.

Up to 2 hours

Curator Talks

The Ackworth Hoard

A hoard of gold and silver coins was discovered in Ackworth, buried during the Civil Wars in a pot, with a gold ring. Who buried the coins, and why? This curator-led talk shares some of our possible theories of this fascinating snapshot of the English Civil Wars.

1 hour

The History of Pontefract Castle

Talk on the history of the castle from the Saxon royal palace to the present day.

1 hour

Pontefract Castle Conservation

Talk on the conservation works (can be combined with the above talk on the history of the castle).

1 hour



Creative Workshops

Chocolate

Participants have a go at using a matate and mano to grind chocolate nibs to make hot chocolate and chocolate truffles, inspired by the Georgian chocolate pot in our collection.

Maximum capacity 15

2 hours

Simple Leather Notebooks

Discover the origins of the book and create a simple leather bound notebook in which to record all your hopes and dreams or just your shopping lists.

Maximum capacity 15

Up to 2 hours

Introduction to Paper Marbling

Create beautiful designs using marbling inks which can be used for a variety of crafts or as a beautiful piece of art. Warning! It can be addictive.

Maximum capacity 15

Up to 2 hours

Introduction to Papermaking

Discover how to make handmade paper and use a variety of recycled materials including book type.

Maximum capacity 15

Up to 2 hours

Introduction to Felt Making

Make your own piece of felt to use as a wall hanging or make into an item such as a bag.

Maximum capacity 15

Up to 2 hours

Medieval Desserts

Simple medieval recipes to inspire you, including Apple Fritters and Sambocade Cheesecake.

Maximum capacity 10

2 hours

Arts and Crafts at the Barn

Pontefract Castle's Arts and Crafts Barn is the perfect venue to explore the Arts and Crafts movement. Participants will design and print their own lino cuts inspired by William Morris's wallpaper designs.

Maximum capacity 15

2 hours

Christmas at the Castle

Participants are treated to festive music, mulled fruit juice and mince pies whilst making an evergreen table decoration to take home.

Maximum capacity 15

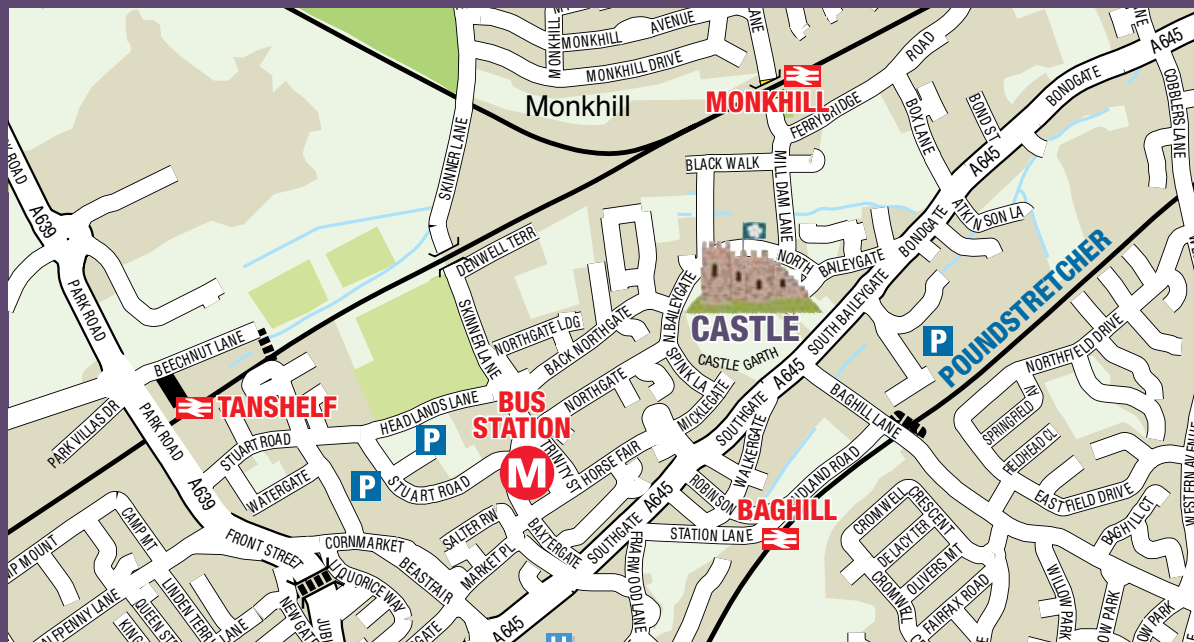
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Group Prices

	During Castle Visitor Centre opening hours (11-3pm)	Outside of Castle Visitor Centre opening hours
Talks and Tours	£40	£70
Creative Workshops*	£55	£75

**Consumable materials over £15 value will be charged at cost - price agreed on booking*

Visiting Pontefract Castle



Opening times

Visitor centre open 7 days a week

11am - 3pm

Grounds open

Monday to Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Saturday and Sunday 9:30am - 4:30pm

How to find us

Junction 32 off the M62, coach drop off located off Beech Hill, WF8 2JF

Group Bookings contact

E: castleslearning@wakefield.gov.uk

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