

# Group Visits

Barnard Castle, County Durham

  
**THE BOWES**  
— MUSEUM —





# Organise The Perfect Day Out for your Group

The breathtaking Grade 1 listed building that is The Bowes Museum was founded by John and Joséphine Bowes in the 19th Century to share their love of art with the world. Housing over 30,000 works of fine and decorative arts, there is a wealth of treasures for you to discover across 3 floors.



## Guided Tours & Talks

The Bowes Museum, which has recently undergone a £12m makeover, houses a superb collection of fine art, textiles, dress, silver & metals, ceramics, furniture, toys, local history and much more in 20 impressive galleries. Your group can take advantage of a special tour or talk to get the best from your visit. Please ask our group co-ordinator for more information.

## View a masterpiece

Get up close and personal to some of the world's finest works of art including paintings by great artists such as: Canaletto, Goya, El Greco and Turner, not forgetting the beautifully restored painting of Olivia Porter, recently revealed on the BBC Culture Show to be a work by the 17th Century court painter, Van Dyck. Don't miss the famous Silver Swan musical automaton performing daily at 2.00!

## Explore Fashion & Textiles

This extensive collection can be seen in a stunning, specially created state-of-the-art gallery, combining historic collections with contemporary design. The gallery has a growing reputation for the quality of its permanent collection and its superb exhibitions.

## Park & Gardens

Experience the wonderfully tranquil surroundings. Take a relaxing stroll along the newly created woodland walks – which are accessible by wheelchair – and finish by taking a seat and soaking up the glorious views.

## Acclaimed Private Dining

We can offer you free exclusive use of beautiful rooms so that you can enjoy dining together at your leisure and convenience. Choose in advance from a wide range of delicious homemade lunches or light refreshments to be ready when you are, for a relaxed experience. Groups enjoy our hearty soups, delicious sandwiches, scones and homemade cakes, which form the perfect complement to your visit.

## Exclusive Benefits

- Discounted admission rate of £7.00 per person, giving you a saving of 22%
- Dedicated Groups Coordinator to tailor your package
- Free admission for Driver and Group Organiser
- Complimentary Guide Book for Group Organiser
- Free preview visit for Group Organiser
- Free Café Bowes voucher for Driver
- Free coach parking on hard standing