

FAQs



Who lives in a house like this?

Boughton is the Family home of the Duke of Buccleuch and Queensberry, KBE. and is used as such by him and his immediate family throughout the year

How do you pronounce Buccleuch?

The 1931 revised Little Oxford Dictionary, p.592, listing pronunciations of proper names gives "buk - loo." The origin of the name: A "buck" (stag) was killed in a "cleuch" (small ravine) hundreds of years ago, by a young man who saved the King's life by seizing it by its antlers when it charged him.

How do you pronounce Boughton?

Boughton is pronounced BOWton or BOUGHTon (as on a tree).

How old is the House?

The oldest part of the House may date back to the 1420s, though the timber of the great hall roof has been dated by dendrochronology as having a felling date of between 1509 – 1541. It is known that the House was purchased by Sir Edward Montagu in 1528, and has remained in the hands of the same family ever since. Most of the House you see was constructed on the orders of the 1st Duke of Montagu in the 1690's.

How many rooms are in the House?

There are over a 100 rooms in the house.

How many people work at Boughton?

The Trust has 7 full time staff who deal with the many and varied tasks associated with opening a Stately home to the public including educational visits, House visits, the tearooms, gift shop and other events. The House is maintained by the Custodian, his Assistant and 6 ladies who clean the house. In charge of the Gardens is a Head Gardener with 4 gardeners. We also employ approximately 40 seasonal staff such as house guides.

When are we open?

Boughton is open throughout the year for educational groups by appointment

How many can I bring in a school group?

Size varies depending on the activities but we can accommodate groups of around 20 to 30. Although groups may need to be further separated depending on room size and activity. Multiple groups can be accommodated with planning

How much do you charge for school groups?

We normally charge £2 per child with no charge for supervising adults.