

DORKING'S FAMOUS CAVES

MYSTERY, HISTORY & GEOLOGY

Take a trip into history
- deep underground!



The Dorking Caves are one of Surrey's best kept secrets.

Carved out of the Lower Greensand, these hidden galleries have been in use for hundreds of years.

A knowledgeable guide will take you back in time to when the caves were used as wine cellars, showing you dark old passageways atmospherically lit by candles. You will pass by the old wine bins and several ancient well shafts and see dozens of dates and names carved into the walls dating back as far as 1666.

When you have inspected the upper chamber, your guide will take you down a long staircase descending 50 feet below street level to Dorking's very own 'mystery chamber'.

A visit to Dorking Caves is one you will not forget!

Cave guide booklets are also available.



Tour Details & Conditions

Tour Dates:

Tours of the Caves are run from Easter until the end of October.

Groups and organisations can arrange a private tour on request, by appointment with Dorking Museum.

Open Days will take place once a month, including the Heritage Open Days event in September.

Please see the Museum website or enquire at the Museum for dates.

Booking is essential for both group tours and Open Days.

Tour Times:

Group tours by appointment, between the hours of 9am and 8pm.

Open Days: tours at 10am, 11am, 1pm and 2pm.

Tour Prices:

Adult groups of up to 12 people: £60

Youth groups between 5 and 16 years to include two responsible adults: £50, or £30 for Youth charity organisations.

Open Days tours: £6 per person.

Conditions and Information:

- There is a maximum of 12 people per tour.
- Tours take approximately 45 minutes.
- Tours are not suitable for children under 5 years.
- The tour is not suitable for people with poor eyesight, walking difficulties, heart problems or claustrophobia or for pregnant women.
- Suitable footwear **MUST** be worn – no open-toed shoes or high heels. In some places, there is poor air quality, uneven flooring and / or low lighting levels.

Further Information and Bookings:

Group tours: contact via email (address below). The Cave tour can be combined with a Museum tour, an historic guided walk of Dorking or a meal for an additional fee.

Open Days: booking via the Museum website (address below).

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