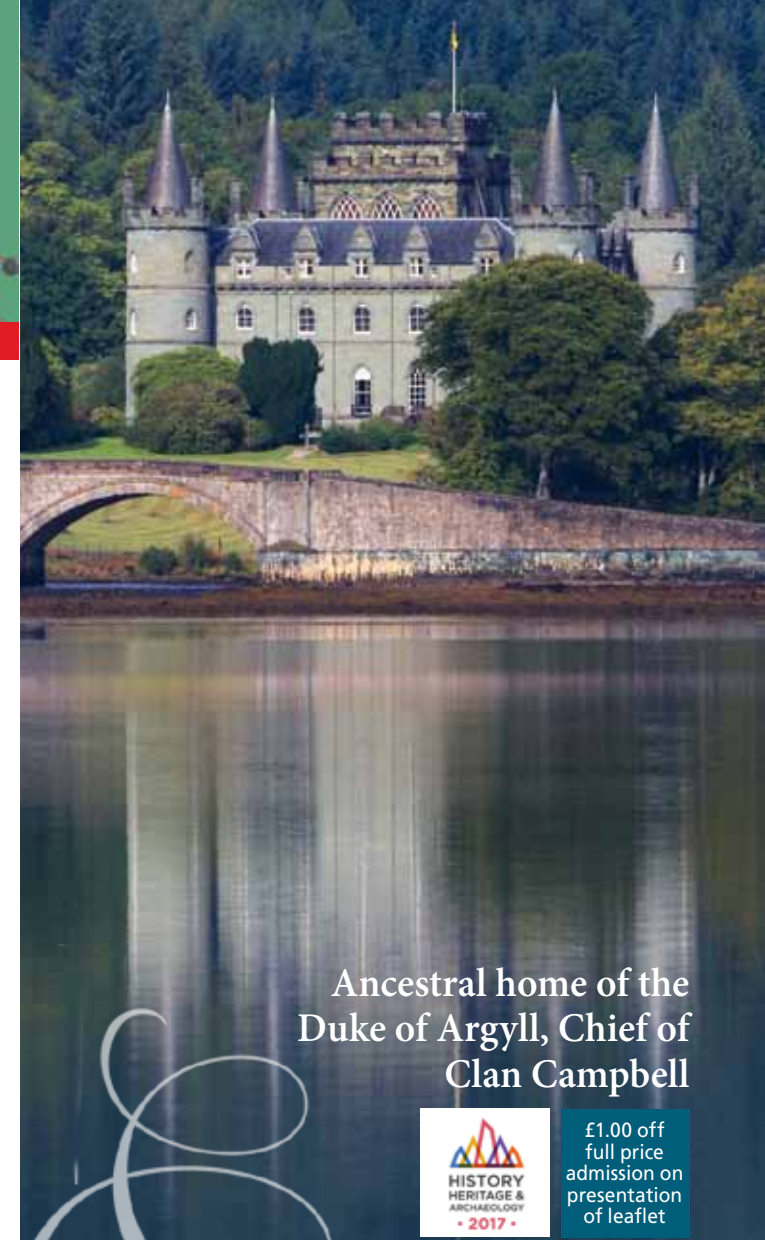


SPECTACULAR



# INVERARAY Castle & Gardens

ICONIC • HISTORIC • HOME



The Castle gardens and grounds extend to 16 acres, including two acres of formal lawns and flowerbeds and 180 hectares of park and woodland - one of the most important designed landscapes in Scotland. Alive with bluebells and daffodils in spring, a riot of rhododendrons and azaleas in early summer, and a mellow tapestry of tones in late summer and autumn, the gardens at Inveraray are a must-see at any time of year.

## Tea Room & Gift Shop

Take time out to visit our traditional tea room, run personally by the Duchess. The mouth-watering menu uses the best of local and Scottish ingredients, including Mull cheddars and Arran ice creams, while our soups, quiches and scones are made daily in the Castle and the cakes and traybakes are made on the Estate. And don't miss the charming Castle gift shop, which offers a vast array of quality gifts and books, many with a Scottish and Clan Campbell association.

## Events

There's always something exciting to see and do at Inveraray! Join us during the month of May for our beautiful Bluebell Festival; celebrate the Inveraray Highland Games with us on Tuesday 18th July; and be entertained at our famous Best of the West Festival, held on 9th-10th September, 2017.



*£1.00 off full price admission on presentation of leaflet*

## How to find us

Whichever route you choose the journey to Inveraray, through breathtaking scenery, is always spectacular. Situated on the banks of Loch Fyne, 60 miles from Glasgow and just 38 miles from Oban, it's the ideal destination for a day trip, as well as the perfect base from which to explore Argyll, the west coast and the islands. INVERARAY CASTLE, INVERARAY, ARGYLL, PA32 8XE.

## Opening Times

Open from 1st April to 31st October, 10am - 5.45pm. Last admission 5pm. Tours of the Private Apartments including the Broughshane Paintings are from 22nd April – 11th May by appointment – **tel: 01499 302203**. Car parking for the Castle & Garden is free, with a £3 charge for walks visitors, redeemable in the Shop and Tearoom when spending £10 or over.

2017 Admission Prices		
	Castle & Gardens	Groups (20+)
ADULTS	£11	£8.80
SENIOR CITIZENS	£10	£8.00
STUDENTS WITH CARD	£10	£8.00
SCHOOLS (per student or teacher)		£4.00
CHILDREN (under 16)	£8	£6.40
FAMILY (2 adults & 2 or more children)		£32
CHILDREN Under 5	FREE	
GARDENS ONLY	£5	

Prices are correct at time of going to print January 2017. We reserve the right to alter dates/times or refuse admission. Dogs are not allowed in the castle, except for guidedogs. The castle has limited access for those with disabilities. For more information please call 01499 302203 or visit our website [www.inveraray-castle.com](http://www.inveraray-castle.com)

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Ancestral home of the Duke of Argyll, Chief of Clan Campbell



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## ICONIC



There has been a castle on the shores of Loch Fyne since the 1400s, although the present Inveraray Castle wasn't built until the late 18th century. Inspired by a sketch by Vanbrugh, the architect of Blenheim Palace and Castle Howard, it is baroque, Palladian and gothic in style, and was architecturally ahead of its time. A fire in 1877 resulted in the addition of the third floor and the conical roofs on the corner turrets – creating the familiar 'fairytale' castle we see today.



## HISTORIC



Inveraray Castle is the ancestral home of the Dukes of Argyll and the seat of the Clan Campbell. The Campbells arrived in Argyll as part of a royal expedition c.1220 and settled in Lochaweside, where their Chief, Colin Mor Campbell ('Colin the Great') was placed in charge of the King's lands in the area. His name, 'MacCailean Mor' is still used by the Duke of Argyll, Chief of the Clan Campbell, today.



## HOME



A tour of the Castle provides a glimpse of the Clan heritage and the part played by the Duke of Argyll's ancestors through generations of Scottish and British history. To the Duke and Duchess, however, the Castle is first and foremost a family house. They and their three children look forward to welcoming you in sharing the magic and magnificence of this wonderful place they are proud and privileged to call home.

