

PENTILLIE

Castle & Estate

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Environmental Policy Statement

Our mission at Pentillie Castle & Estate is to reduce the environmental impact of our business by vigorously pursuing the best 'green' management practices and initiatives .

We encourage clients, customers and all our suppliers to consider minimising the impact of transport, packaging and services through joint environmental action.

Pentillie Castle is fully committed to increasing its environmental awareness and thus lowering its carbon (CO₂) foot-print.

Pentillie Castle is committed to:

- The reduction of its carbon footprint by a conscious use of eco-friendly products and services. Using low energy and LED light bulbs, solar panels to heat water for the Castle and swimming pool and a Bio-Mass wood chip boiler to heat the Castle.
- The efficient and responsible use of raw materials, energy and other resources.
- Reducing our energy usage with low energy and LED lights bulbs. Reducing our heating requirement by the installation of roof insulation, draft proofing windows and using shutters, blinds and double lined curtains.
- Practice the responsible use of Water by utilising our own bore hole when practical, using dishwashers that re-cycle water and the control of tap flows. Water for the gardens is supplied by ancient adits in the park.
- Meeting all applicable environmental legislation regulations and other requirements.
- Minimising the creation of waste wherever possible and promoting reuse and recycling.
- Reducing the use of single use plastic bottles and glasses by supplying guests and visitors with re-useable bottles and beakers.
- Using locally sourced products whenever possible. (e.g. Apple juice and Honey from Pentillie Estate and making our own Jams.). Our meat is from Warrens of Launceston, much of which is sourced from the Pentillie Estate.
- Using dried flower arrangements, pot plants, bulbs or flowers grown in the gardens whenever possible to decorate the Castle.
- Exercising good husbandry and sustainable management of the Estate in partnership with Natural England within the Countryside Higher Level Stewardship Echeme.

- Maintain wild flower and natural vegetation areas along the entrance drive and in the garden. We do not use artificial fertilisers or chemical sprays in the parkland which is managed according to Natural England's Higher Level Stewardship Scheme.
- Encouraging environmental awareness within the local community by organising wild life events for school children, their parents and special interest groups.
- Offsetting our carbon footprint by planting two orchards with traditional Tamar Valley varieties of Apple and Cherry trees. One orchard has been dedicated as a Community Orchard. Ongoing replanting programme of hundreds of trees in the park and woods.
- Planting a Eucalyptus wood as a sustainable source of fuel to the local community.
- Working in collaboration with the Botanical Garden Edinburgh to plant conifer trees that are on the 'Red List' of trees species at risk.

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- Offering guests who travel to Pentillie by Boat, Bicycle, Bus, Electric Car or on foot a 10% discount on the cost of their accommodation.
- Offer guests the free use of our 4 electric car charging facilities.
- Supporting local Charities by organising and hosting special events and fundraising.

At Pentillie Castle we believe good environmental management makes sound business sense and it is one of our core considerations. We are proud members of the Green Tourism Business Scheme and have achieved their Gold Award.

Sammie Coryton

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How you can help...

To help minimise our environmental impact we would appreciate it if you could:

- Re-use your towels where possible. Please put towels that you would like to be changed on the floor or in the bath.
- Turn lights and appliances off when you leave your room.
- If your room is too hot please turn the radiators down rather than opening the windows during the winter months. The number 3 on the thermostat will maintain a room temperature between 19° - 21°C.
- Minimise the unnecessary use of water where possible.