

Berry Pomeroy Castle



Begun in about 1560 and enlarged around 1600, Berry Pomeroy Castle was going to be the most spectacular house in Devon. But money ran out, the mansion was never finished. By 1700, it had been abandoned.

Its ruins became a magnet for sightseers and artists, and inspired blood-curdling ghost stories. Some people still believe them. You can hear some of them in the Berry Pomeroy audio guide.





The most famous owner of the castle was Edward Seymour, Duke of Somerset and Lord Protector to Edward VI, Henry VIII and Jane Seymour's son.

- You can still see ornate mouldings over the windows, along with fragments of carving which now lie in the courtyard.
- Spot the remains of the arched loggia which led from the main courtyard to the Great Hall.
- Climb the steps to the first floor of the medieval gatehouse to the high roofed chamber and be rewarded with 15th-century art.



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