The Museum of The Black Watch

About the Museum

The Black Watch Regimental Museum is housed in the dramatic and historic Balhousie Castle. Set in its own beautiful gardens and grounds, it is home to a number of monuments and tributes to Black Watch men. The Castle is situated close to the centre of Perth, beside the pleasant parkland walks of the North Inch on the banks of the River Tay.
The Museum is laid our chronologically through ten rooms within the Castle. These display an amazing variety of artefacts illustrating the history of the Regiment as well as a fine collection of paintings and photography. Supplemented by a number of audiovisual installations the overall experience is highly evocative and brings to life the experience of serving in the Black Watch from the Battle of Fontenoy (1745) to the Battle for Fallujah (2004) and beyond.

What to see

This unique and special collection consists of two and a half centuries of treasures of Scotland's oldest Highland Regiment. Uniforms, fine paintings, medals, photographs, weapons and military equipment linked to film, reminiscences and dioramas, bring to life the proud military heritage of this family Regiment.
Objects of particular interest include:

The Birkenhead Claret jugs
The Waterloo Colours
The St Valery Helmet
The Battle of the Loos Kilt

When to visit

The Museum is open at the following times:

April to October	Monday - Saturday	9.30am – 5pm
	Sunday	10am – 3.30pm
November to March	Monday - Saturday	9.30am – 5pm

An admission charge may apply.

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Every Object Tells A Story...

These powder horns date from the eighteenth century and were used during the North American campaigns by members of the Regiment. Both carved powder horns illustrate maps of North America. The maps cover large areas, including the Delware River, Philadelphia, New York, Boston and Halifax.

Other museums in our local area include:

PERTH MUSEUM AND ART GALLERY
ATHOLL COUNTRY LIFE MUSEUM
MUSEUM OF ABERNETHY