

Library Cocktail List

HISTORY OF TORTWORTH COURT

During the reign of Edward I in the 14th-century, Tortworth belonged to wealthy local nobleman, Sir Nicholas Kingston. It was subsequently in the possession of the De Veel and Throckmorton families for 200 years, before being purchased by Sir William Ducie.

The Tortworth Estate remained the ancestral home of the Ducie family for the next 350 years. In 1840 Tortworth was owned by Henry George Francis, the 2nd Earl of Ducie. He suffered with rheumatism and arthritis and hated the long, cold winters at his country home in Woodchester, instead favouring Tortworth's healthier proximity to sea level.

Tortworth Court as you see it today was designed by Samuel Sanders Teulon and was built between 1849 and 1853 in the 'high Victorian' style of architecture that was highly fashionable at the time. It was only as recently as 1991 that the Ducie family finally sold the estate after a 350 year tenure. It was bought with the intention of turning it into luxury flats, before a disastrous fire forced it to lay derelict for a decade. In 2001 it was restored and opened as a luxury hotel.

The hotel received a £20 million restoration in 2018. Former stables have become bedrooms and the iconic Orangery is now a grand and unique venue for weddings and events. The vast library now functions as the hotel's dining room and the Westminster Suite is a completely new building, designed to complement the style of the original house. The corridor leading to the suite offers views of a beautiful magnolia tree of such botanical importance that it was granted special protection. All the original paths in the garden had become grassed over and, it wasn't until the job of clearing them began that a pet cemetery was revealed, beyond the Wisteria and Laburnum tunnel. All the trees of the estate have been documented to record their species, size, age and condition.

CLASSIC COCKTAILS

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Espresso Martini Absolut Vodka Kahlua Espresso Sugar Syrup	£10.95
French Martini Absolut Vodka Chambord Pineapple Juice	£10.95
Passionfruit Martini Absolut Vanilla Vodka Passoa Pineapple Juice Lime Juice	£10.95
Cosmopolitan Absolut Vodka Cointreau Lime Juice Cranberry Juice	£10.95
Bramble Beefeater Gin Crème de Cassis Lemon Juice Sugar Syrup	£10.95
Old Fashioned Buffalo Trace Sugar Syrup Angostura Bitters	£10.95
Sidecar Martell Brandy Cointreau Lemon Juice	£10.95
Margarita Jose Gold Tequila Cointreau Lime Juice	£10.95

CHAMPAGNE COCKTAILS

Lady Grey	£14.95
Beefeater Gin Cointreau Crème de Cassis Champagne	
Raspberry Fizz Chambord Fresh Raspberries Champagne	£14.95
French 75	£14.95
Beefeater Gin, Lemon Juice Sugar Syrup Champagne	

MOCKTAILS

	Virgin Mojito Apple Juice Lime Juice Mint Soda	£5.95
,	Elderflower and Mint Sparkle Apple Juice Elderflower Mint Soda	£5.95
	Tropical Spritz Orange Cranberry Pineapple Sugar Syrup Elderflower Tonic	£5.95

FRUITY COOLERS

Watermelon Martini Absolut Watermelon Vodka Lime Juice Watermelon Juice	£12.95
Pomegranate Gin Fizz Beefeater Gin Lemon Juice Sugar Syrup Pomegranate, Soda	£12.95
Rhubarb Southside	£12.95
Beefeater Gin Lemon Juice Rhubarb Syrup Mint	