

Warner Bros. Studio Tour London: The Making of Harry Potter museum



Good afternoon! Welcome to Warner Bros. Studio Tour London: The Making of Harry Potter. My name is Alona. And today I am your tour guide who will show you all the magical places that were hidden during the filming of the Harry Potter movie. It

was here that eight films about the famous young wizard were shot. Our museum consists of several unusual rooms. Here you can sit at the table of Gryffindor, Slytherin, Hufflepuff and Ravenclaw, look into Headmaster Dumbledore's office and walk down Diagon Alley. During the tour, you can personally get acquainted with various props, meet living inhabitants of the world of Joan Rowling and take part in a small show. A large, detailed model of Hogwarts is available for viewing, which was used for panoramic shooting using computer graphics. Also, there you will be able to go to cafes with themed dishes that cannot be tasted elsewhere and a souvenir shop with a rich assortment of both cute souvenirs and rare magical things that will come in handy in your adventures. You will be able to buy even a broom. So, let's start our magical journey!

Well, in our hall, you can see a large Ukrainian Ironbelly dragon hanging from above, which you could see in the movie "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2".



Further on the wall you can see the words of Joan Rowling "No story lives unless someone wants to listen" and further you can see different papers with scenarios of different characters, different photos and how it all started.

So, the first location is the Dursley house, which was located on Privet Drive. Here you can see many photos of their family Vernon, Petunia and their son Dudley. This is the same pantry under the stairs that Harry lived in in the first part of the film.

Next, you can see on the wall many photos from different parts of the film from 2001 to 2011, how the actors changed and how the magic was created.



Now you can see the Great Hall, where many decisive battles were filmed. In the hall there are four long tables, at which students of four faculties sat: Gryffindor, Slytherin, Hufflepuff and Ravenclaw. A little further, there is a table where all the professors of this school were sitting. Hundreds of candles flew above the tables of the faculties. Students and professors usually have breakfast, lunch and

dinner in this hall. Also, major holidays such as Halloween, Christmas and the Easter feast were held here. In 1993, for one night, the Great Hall turned into a school dormitory: due to the invasion of Sirius Black's castle, it was considered dangerous for students to stay in the faculty rooms. In the Great Hall, the OWL and FROG exams are held annually. To do this, faculty tables are temporarily removed, and instead, several dozen single desks are placed - according to the number of students taking the exam. In the Great Hall, the Battle of Hogwarts ended and the most powerful dark wizard of the 20th century - Lord Voldemort - was overthrown. So, as you can see this is quite a prominent place in Harry Potter history.



Then you can see many photos, documents of directors, how they worked on the film. Also, there are many different models of the great hall, different buildings and small details that you later saw in the movie in large size.

In almost every corridor, you can see different costumes of the main characters from different scenes, from different parts of the film. There are many different wigs, shoes, jewelry, and you can also see small screens showing how makeup was done for almost every character.



Let's go further and on the right you can see the famous Marble Staircase. It connected the Entrance Hall with the first-floor corridor. You can also see other staircases that moved and many different famous paintings that moved in the movie. Under the stairs you can see the costumes of such characters as Sibyl Patricia Trelawny and Alastor "Mad-Eye" Moody, who we first saw in the fourth part of "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire". On the

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On the left you can see the bedroom where the Hogwarts students slept. There is central heating in the middle of the gymnasium, where students dried their clothes. Also an interesting fact, all the beds were small so that they did not take up much space, but everything was removed so that it was not visible. There are also many mechanisms like those used in the film to make objects move. This room was built in 2000 for the first part of "Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone", and they tried to make it cozy enough for Harry to feel at home.



Right in front of you, you can see Dumbledore's office. The Hogwarts Headmaster's office is located in the Headmaster's Tower of the castle, it's a system of three small towers of stepped geometry, integrated into the roof of the Great Staircase Tower. This place is the temporary home of every headmaster or headmistress of Hogwarts School. Similar

to the school's faculty dormitories, the entrance to the director's office is password protected. At the entrance to the tower, a huge stone gargoyle awaits the visitor, guarding the passage to the spiral staircase leading directly to the director's office. It is this "faithful keeper" who must be given the password in order to get an appointment with the head of the school. During the reign of Albus Dumbledore, the office was filled with a variety of tables with twisted legs, on which fragile silver cutlery fit; some constantly crackled and tinkled, others puffed and released streams of smoke. At that time, magical tomes and manuscripts that made up Professor Dumbledore's personal library, a pensive, and a phoenix named Fawkes also found shelter here. Naturally, each new owner of the office equipped it in accordance with his taste and needs. The headmaster's office apparently has "its own exceptional character" as do other rooms at Hogwarts. So, in 1996, Dolores Umbridge failed to get into this office, although the Minister of Magic Cornelius Fudge himself appointed her to the post of director. Phineas Nigellus Black, one of the previous Headmasters of Hogwarts, explained this by saying that "the room is intended only



for the true Headmaster. "In addition, the Headmaster's Office is where the Sorting Hat and Sword of Gryffindor are kept , which originally belonged to Godric Gryffindor , one of the founders of the school. Interestingly, the director's office has its own small library. So, in June 1997, after Dumbledore's death, Hermione Granger managed to take Secrets of the Darkest Art from it, simply by luring the book " Accio ". The book was very useful for the guys in their search for a way to destroy horcruxes.



Our next location is Quidditch. This is an extremely popular, fictional sports game. On the right you can see many magic brooms and you can also take a photo as if the broom is rising towards you. And here on the left, you can see the uniforms of the Quidditch players, all the balls, helmets, flags of each team. In

general, this game is very important in Hogwarts, there is also an interesting fact that the game won't end until the snitch is caught - so the game can last as long as you like and the record was three months. There are also as many as seven hundred different ways to break the rules of Quidditch. The very name of the game comes from Quirdich swamp. It was there that the witch Gertie Cadle saw magicians on broomsticks tossing the ball around and trying to get it between the branches of the trees at the opposite end of the marsh. It happened in the 11th century - the eternally dissatisfied Gertie kept a diary in illiterate Old Saxon, which owes us the first written mention of Quidditch. First there was a quafel - a leather ball with which the players try to score a goal. Almost immediately he was joined by two bludgers - heavy balls that try to knock down all the players. The latest to appear is the snitch. The prototype of



the snitch is the fast little snitch bird. In the 13th century, its fishing was a popular pastime among wizards. In 1269, the head of the Wizarding Council, Barbarys Boltown, released a snidget during a Quidditch match and offered 150 galleons to the player who caught it. Thus appeared the catcher and 150 points for the snitch caught.

The next and last location is Hagrid's hut. This is a small house located in the east of Hogwarts grounds, between the castle and the Forbidden Forest, not far from the Main Gate. It is home to the school

gamekeeper Rubeus Hagrid. Probably, Hagrid's predecessor, the forester Ogg, previously lived there. The hut consists of two rooms: a common room and a storage room. It's a bit cramped, but there's enough room for a half-giant. Moreover, sometimes Hagrid places animals that are especially dear to him next to him. Like, for example, the hippogriff Buckbeak, not to mention Rubeus' constant companion, the wolfhound Fang. In the larger room, there is a table, chairs and Hagrid's bed, and right there is a fireplace, where Rubeus cooks simple food for himself and manages to bake cupcakes although not entirely edible. In the same fireplace he nursed the dragon egg, and in this room he raised the hatched Norbert for several weeks.

This is the end of our magical journey, and now you can go on your own and explore what you are most interested in or enjoy the famous drink of the Harry Potter universe "Butterbeer", which, as you know, is very popular among wizards. Thank you!