



Dementors descend on Hogwarts this Halloween at Warner Bros. Studio Tour London – The Making of Harry Potter



This year, the Dark Arts will be even darker as Dementors and Death Eaters appear throughout Warner Bros. Studio Tour London from 13th September- 10th November 2024 as the Studio Tour's popular Halloween feature returns with brand new additions.

For the first time ever, Dementors will appear unexpectedly in The Forbidden Forest and fans will be able to banish them with The Patronus Charm, just like Harry Potter did in the films. In the Creatures Workshop, visitors can learn more about the creation of Dementors by taking part in an interactive demonstration of the moulding process that is used to make these evil apparitions.

Back by popular demand, the iconic Great Hall set will once again have over 100 pumpkins magically floating above the Hogwarts house tables, with each Jack-o-Lantern's expression uniquely carved by The Prop Making Department. The Great Hall's tables will be adorned with a festive Halloween feast of lollipops and red apples and the ghosts of Hogwarts will make an eerie appearance.

The fan favourite Death Eater procession will return to various parts of the Studio Tour when guests least expect it. Visitors are advised to beware as the loyal followers of He-Who-Must-Not-Be-Named will stalk through the iconic sets during the Dark Arts feature. During this takeover, they will demonstrate the menacing wand choreography developed by Paul Harris who devised the wand combat scenes in *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*.

Furthermore, aspiring witches and wizards will get the chance to learn the duelling technique in The Defence Against the Dark Arts classroom, as they come face to face with Death Eaters and put their wand skills to the test.

Visitors will see the symbol of Lord Voldemort and his Death Eaters throughout the Studio Tour. Courageous guests are encouraged to find and follow the Dark Mark using the hints in the Studio Tour's popular activity passport, which will be redesigned for this feature.

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Notes to Editors

The Studio Tour's Dark Arts feature will run from 13th September - 10th November 2024. Tickets must be pre-booked, and all Dark Arts additions are included in the ticket price.

After opening its doors to visitors on 31st March 2012, Warner Bros. Studio Tour London – The Making of Harry Potter celebrated its 12th anniversary earlier this year. The highly rated attraction offers visitors the ultimate chance to get up close to authentic sets to discover the magic behind spellbinding special effects and explore the behind-the-scenes secrets of the Harry Potter film series. Visitors can explore the original Great Hall, step into the Forbidden Forest, discover Gringotts Wizarding Bank and pull out a Mandrake in Professor Sprout's Greenhouse all before marvelling at the breath-taking miniature scale model of Hogwarts castle.

The Studio Tour has been well received with 96% of the 46,000+ reviews on TripAdvisor rating it as 'Excellent' or 'Very Good' and over 80,000 4- or 5-star ratings on Google Reviews. Tickets must be pre-booked at www.wbstudiotour.co.uk and cannot be bought at the attraction.

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The division includes Warner Bros. Studio Tour London – The Making of Harry Potter and Warner Bros. Studio Tour Tokyo – The Making of Harry Potter where wizarding world fans and newcomers alike can delight in learning behind-the-scenes secrets and filmmaking magic.

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About the Harry Potter franchise:

From the moment eleven-year-old Harry Potter met Rubeus Hagrid, Keeper of Keys and Grounds at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, his adventures have left an indelible mark on popular culture. Today, over 25 years later, the Harry Potter phenomenon thrives as one of the most successful and best-loved entertainment properties in history.

J.K. Rowling's best-selling Harry Potter novels have been brought to life in an ever-evolving, interconnected universe which is loved by millions of fans worldwide. Eight blockbuster Harry Potter films and three epic Fantastic Beasts films bring the spellbinding action to life on screen, Harry Potter and the Cursed Child mesmerizes on stage, and state-of-the-art video and mobile games from Portkey Games allow players to experience the wizarding world like never before. Fans can proudly showcase their passion through innovative consumer products, and thrill at spectacular location-based experiences- including five theme park lands at Universal Studios locations around the world.

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store- Harry Potter New York. Wizards, Witches and Muggles alike can also discover something new as they explore behind-the-scenes secrets at Warner Bros. Studio Tour London – The Making of Harry Potter and Warner Bros. Studio Tour Tokyo – The Making of Harry Potter.

With a new HBO Original TV series based on the Harry Potter books on the way, this extended world continues to provide the community with fresh and exciting ways to interact. For its global fans, and for generations to come, it invites everyone in to find the magic for themselves.

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