Harry Potter City Trail



Walking around historic Oxford you almost feel Harry, Hermione and Ron right behind you in some magical parallel universe! Oxford locations (the Bodleian, New College and Christ Church) famously feature in many of the early Harry Potter films helping to create the iconic gothic backdrop that became the unmistakeable Hogwarts school of Witchcraft and Wizardry!

Divinity Hall (Bodleian Library)

In 'The Philosopher's Stone' This famous hall with its classic gothic vaulted ceiling was used as Hogwarts Infirmary. Harry ends up here at the end of the film after his confrontation with Voldemort.

Duke Humphries Library (Bodleian Library)

In 'The Philosopher's Stone', Harry in his invisibility cloak looks for clues in Hogwarts library to be terrified by the monster in the book and then in real life by caretaker Argus Filch.

New College Cloisters (New College)

In 'The Goblet of Fire', Harry has fallen out with everyone and comes face to face with Malfoy sitting in the tree. Malfoy is then turned into a ferret in front of our eyes to the annoyance of Professor McGonagall

The Stairway (Top) (Christ Church)

In 'The Philosopher's Stone', Harry, Ron, Hermione and the other first years walk up the grand stairway to Hogwarts to be met by Professor McGonagall under the magnificent gothic vaulted roof. It is here also that the 3 are reunited at the end of the film.

The Great Hall (Christ Church)

One of the most famous rooms in Oxford became the inspiration for Hogwarts' Dining Hall for all of the Harry Potter films. A studio set was created from photographs of the Tudor Great Hall and used for the film shoots. See if you can spot the similarities and differences!

The Stairway (Bottom) (Christ Church)

In 'The Chamber of Secrets', Harry and Ron fly into Hogwarts in their Ford Anglia, climb these stairs and come face to face with Argus Filch. It is also the location used for the first meeting between Harry and Tom

The Cloisters (Christ Church)

In 'The Philosopher's Stone', Hermione shows Harry the trophy his father won as a seeker in Quidditch here. The scene was shot just outside the curren t bookshop.





Bodleian Library Divinity Hall



Bodleian Library Duke Hampshire Library



New College Cloisters



Stairway (top) Christ Church



The Great Hall Christ Church



Stairway (bottom) Christ Church



Cloisters Christ Church

