

PRIZE COMPETITION

DESIGN AN ARMOUR FOR THE KING

Royal Armouries has very strong connections to British royalty – it's even in our name! Many of the historic objects in our collection belonged to past kings and queens of this country and were originally stored at HM Tower of London where our museum first started.

FIT FOR A KING

Throughout history kings have displayed their wealth and power by having fabulous armours made by the best craftsmen, to wear in tournaments and on the battlefield. And although our new king, Charles III, is unlikely (fingers crossed) to ever wear an armour for either of those occasions we thought that it would be exciting to design one for His Majesty to celebrate his Coronation.

Royal armours have been decorated with powerful animals such as lions, mythological heroes like Hercules, family heraldry and even St George and the dragon. How will you decorate your suit of armour for King Charles?

You'll find lots of inspiration for your armour design in our collection. Have a close-up look at our collection of armours online (www.royalarmouries.org/collections) or pop down to our museums in Leeds or at the Tower of London to see a whole host of royal armours on display.

PRIZES

Winners in the three age categories will win:

A VIP family ticket to our Jousting Tournament in Leeds or

A family ticket to our Firepower event at Fort Nelson near Portsmouth

PLUS the best overall armour design – chosen by our expert team of armour specialists – might even be made by a master armorer and put on display in the museum!

HOW TO ENTER

You can draw your armour design on the entry form, or use your computer, or create it in some other way. All we need is a picture of your armour design for our judges to consider.

There are three age categories:

- Under 5s
- Ages 6 - 11
- Ages 12 - 17

Closing date for entries is 17:00 on Sunday 2 July 2023.

Please send your entry to this email address: competition@armouries.org.uk

See terms and conditions for more information.

GET CREATIVE!

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

To enter the competition, please send us an image of your child's armour design by 17:00 on Sunday 2 July 2023.

Please include their name and age and the contact email of a parent or guardian.

Email your entry to competition@armouries.org.uk

or post to Design an Armour for the King Competition, Royal Armouries Museum, Armouries Drive, Leeds LS10 1LT.

The prize for each category consists of the following:

4 x balcony tickets to the Royal Armouries Jousting Tournament in Leeds, on Saturday 26, Sunday 27 or Monday 28 August 2023, or 4 tickets to our Firepower at the Fort event, Saturday 8 or Sunday 9 October 2023. The visit date will be agreed with the prize winner directly.

Prize is non-refundable and non-transferable. No cash alternative is available. Travel to Leeds or Fort Nelson is not included.

The winners will be contacted via email by 14 July 2023.

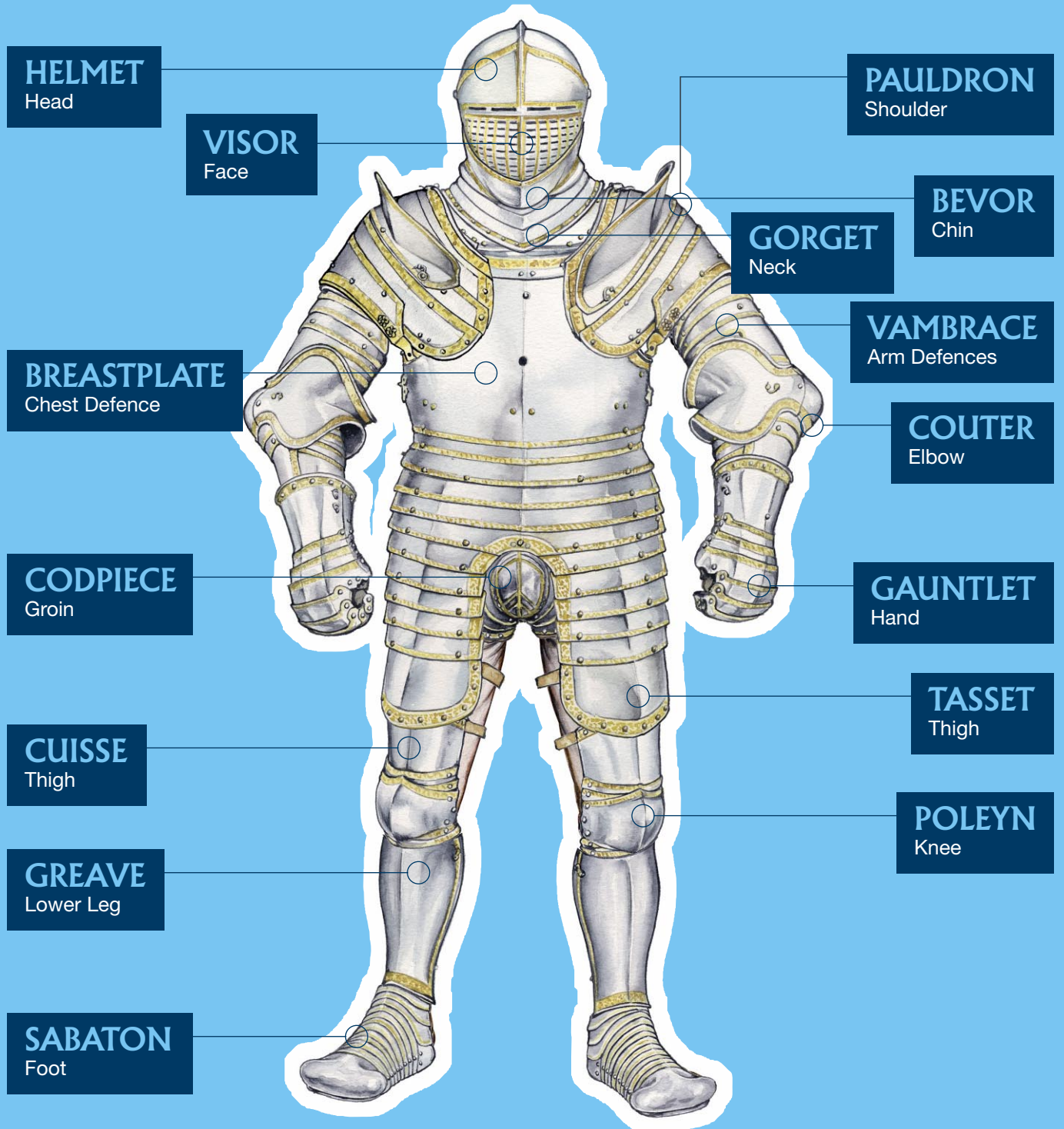
The winners must claim their prize by 31 July 2023, or another winner will be selected.

Standard terms and conditions apply.

All entrants agree to their submissions for the competition being used for marketing purposes.

Manufacture of the overall winning armour is not guaranteed and is at the discretion of Royal Armouries.

PARTS OF AN ARMOUR AND WHAT THEY PROTECT



DESIGN INSPIRATION

All these royal armours are highly decorated. You can zoom in on these armours online on the Collections section of our website.

How will you decorate your armour for the King?



Armour of King Charles I (1612) and a detail of the decoration



The silver and engraved armour of Henry VIII (1515) and the breastplate showing St George and the dragon.



The Lion Armour (1551) made for King Henri II of France.

ROYAL ARMOURIES



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