

Case Study

Nunney Castle, Somerset

ELLIS
&Co.

Craftsmen in the
Conservation of
Historic Buildings

Trades – Conservation, Stabilization, Repointing, Masonry

History of the Building

The striking and picturesque moated castle of Nunney was built in the 1370s by Sir John de la Mere, a local knight who was beginning to enjoy royal favour. Extensively modernised in the late 16th century, the castle was held for the King during the Civil War, but quickly fell to Parliamentarian cannon in 1645: not until Christmas Day 1910, however, did the gun-damaged portion of the wall finally collapse.



Description of work completed by Ellis & Co

Ellis & Co. carried out two contracts at Nunney Castle.

The first contract involved stone conservation works, stabilization works and repointing to the internal wall surfaces. This work was done in five successive stages.

The second contract involved repointing and piecing-in with stone to the moat walls, using a raft.



Client	English Heritage
Consultant	English Heritage
Total Contract Value	Contract 1 - £192,184.00 Contract 2 - £29,238.00