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- The Castles







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- Medieval Settlement (remains of). A linear group of four irregular platforms up to 1.5m high and situated on the edge of the track skirting the southern boundary of the deer-park. The platforms were originally created for houses. It is not known when the houses were deserted but it may have been due to a change in the local road network.
- Horton Court. This small settlement, nestling below the Cotswold escarpment, is highly picturesque in its setting. The small numbers of buildings that make up the settlement create its unique charm especially with the use of local Cotswold stone.

The Parish Church of St James is 12th century in origin and predominantly perpendicular in style. It was rebuilt in the 14th century and altered in the 15th and 16th centuries. It was further restored in 1865. The church still retains a Norman fort and Jacobean pulpit.

Adjacent to the church is Horton Court, a 16th century Manor House built in 1521 by William Knight. However, the Manor incorporates a far older Norman Hall, which was built c.1140 as property of the church. The Hall is a single storey building, the north and south doorways being original and the timbered roof of 14th century origin. In the 18th century the Hall was divided horizontally into two and the upper floor made into a Roman Catholic Chapel. It was restored to a single room at the end of the 19th century.

The Castles" is an Iron Age hill fort with natural defences to the south and west, and single high bank and ditch structures to the north and west. Much of the ditch structure has been covered by ploughing but in places the embankment is still up to 3m high.