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FRONT DOORS IN LANCASTER

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As you walk around central Lancaster you will see a wide range of designs for the front doors of houses, from the simple and tiny (below left) to the rather grand (below right).



15 & 17 Castle Hill



1 Great John Street

You will often see pairs of doors close together, in both Georgian and Victorian styles.



4 & 6 Sulyard Street



59 & 61 Regent Street

The grander entrances have pillars or pilasters either side of the door.



4 High Street



19 Castle Hill

Or they have pediments or hoods above the door.



20 Castle Park



Ring O'Bells, 52 King Street

Doors from the Georgian era often have fanlights above the door to illuminate the hall and these can have elaborate tracery, as these examples show. In the first example note the sidelight windows.



1 Great John Street



8 Dalton Square



108 St Leonard's Gate



Sun Hotel, 65 Church Street



21 Castle Hill

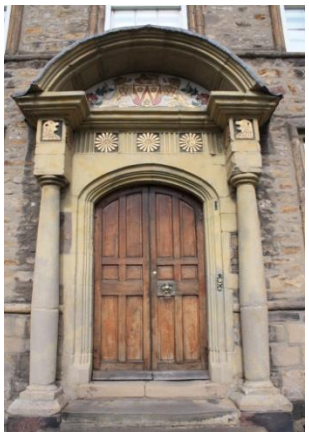


8 Castle Park

Finally, some distinctive designs of front door in central Lancaster.



5 & 7 Queen Street



Judges' Lodgings, Church Street



Greycourt, St Mary's Gate



80 Church Street

Some further reading on the design of domestic front doors in different eras.
S. Calloway and A. Powers *The Elements of Style* London: Octopus Publishing, 2012.
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