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# ALICE KYTELER ACCUSED:

## WITCHCRAFT, HERESY & MURDER!

## DAME ALICE KYTELER

The original owner of this Inn was Dame Alice le Kyteler whom was born in Kilkenny. In her time she gained much notoriety not least because she acquired four husbands and a considerable

Her enemies eventually conspired to accuse her of witchcraft and have her burned at the stake. It is now generally accepted that the charges against Dame Alice and her associates were trumped up but what is on record as been certainly true is that Kyteler's Inn was "a place of merrymaking and



On a day in 1280, Alice de Kyteler was born in Kyteler's House, Kilkenny to wealthy Norman parents.

Forty four years later, in 1324, she fled to England to escape being burned as a witch and in July of that year, her property, including Kytelers Inn was confiscated.

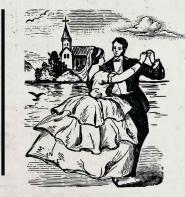
In the intervening years Dame Alice had married four times, has been Mistress of Kytelers Inn and had become a central figure in a battle between the Church and the Temporal Power in Ireland.

Her first husband was William Outlawe, a local banker and they had a son, also called William, who was





to feature strongly in the saga of her life. Her husband took ill and died suddenly within a few years of marriage and shortly afterwards Alice married her second wealthy husband, Adam de Blund of Cullen who soon also died suddenly and mysteriously. Having inherited two substantial fortunes, the now very wealthy Alice married Richard de Valle and the pattern continued his early, sudden mysterious death.



### MERRY WIDOW

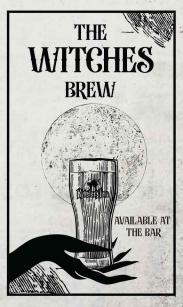
unwittingly began a chain of events that would lead to Alice being convict-John de Poer showed signs of illness. family members. Armed with cal founder of Ethiopia.

rumours (which may have been false It was the fourth husband of Kilken- and inspired by local jealousy), they ny's 'Merry Widow' however who brought charges of witchcraft and sorcery against Alice before the English-born Franciscan Bishop of ed on charges on witchcraft before an Ossory, Richard de Lederer. They ecclesiastical court. Some years after claimed that Alice had 'bewitched' her his marriage to Alice, landowner Sir. husband and forced him to change his Will. His Lordship convened a Court His hair and nails fell out and he of Inquisition which included five became weak and sickly. Shortly before Knights and several Noblemen which he succumbed to death, he changed his heard evidence that Alice headed a Will to the benefit of Alice and her son coven of witches and had sex with a William, an act which resulted in demon called Artissen, who is someanger and resentment among his other times depicted as Aethiops, the mythi-

## WITCHCRAFT TRIALS

The Kilkenny Witchcraft Trials did however take place. William Outlawe was convicted and ordered by Bishop Lederer to attend three Masses every day and to give alms to the poor. This light sentence was in sharp contrast to the torture meted out to less wealthy friends of Alice, including her maid Petronella who was tortured, whipped and finally burned at the stake.

Alice disappeared from history following her second escape to England, but her memory lives on in folklore. In 2004, Paddy Shaw, an American artist, painted a portrait of Alice de Kyteler, based on his knowledge of her life and his imagination. She is coupled in the painting with a representation of the demon Aethiops. Some years later, in 2005, Kilkenny writer Claire Nolan completed a novel called 'The Stone', which is a fictional account of the life of Dame Alice. The painting lay in Paddy Shaw's studio until one day it turned up in the post at Kytelers Inn with a note from the artist saying 'Alice doesn't like being with me - you have her'. (pic bottom left)



## STARTERS

**Creme of Vegetable Soup 1.7 6.50** 

Garlic Ciabbatta 1.7 topped with Mozzarella

6.50



**Deep Fried Chicken Wings** 

with BBQ or Buffalo Sauce 9.50

**Deep Fried Wedges of Brie** 

with Raspberry Coulis

9.50



## LUNCH MENU

## SANDWICHES

**Choose from Brown or White Bread** 

Ham & Ballymaloe Relish

6.50

Chicken & Pesto 6.50

Cheese, Tomato & Onion

6.50

Traditional Salad Sandwich 6.50

All Served with a Garnish of Crisps

Add a portion of Fries for

4.50

## MAINS

Kytelers Inn chicken & ham Vol au Vents 1.3.7.10 with Salad & Fries

14.50

Special of The Day (Please check the Specials Board)
16.50

**Roast Beef** 

Served with Mash Potato & Seasonal Vegetables with Gravy

16

Breaded Fillet of Chicken served with Mash & Seasonal Veg

15.50

Cajun Chicken Salad

Honey & Lime dressing with Grated Cheese

15.50

**Goats Cheese tartlet** 

Served with Fries and side salad

14.50

Lasagne Al Forno 1.3.7.10

Served with Fries and side salad

15.50

Bangers & Mash 1,3,9,10,11,12,13 Locally sourced Pork with Guinness & Leek infused: Served with Peas & Onion Gravy

17,50

Fish & Chips 1.3.4.7.10

Breaded Plaice served with Fries and Peas on the side.

16.00 Please let your server know if you would like tartare sauce.

**Kytelers Beef Burger** 

.3.7.10.11

Rocket Salad, Onion topped with Bacon, Cheese & Ballymaloe Relish on a Brioche Bun Served with a little garnish of mixed leaves Served with chips

16.50

Traditional Bowl of Lamb Stew 3.7.8.10.11 16.50

#### TOASTIES

Ham, Cheese, Tomato & Onion 7.50

Chicken & Cheese 7.50

Roast Beef Roll 11.50

All Served with a Garnish of Crisps

Add a portion of Fries for 4.50

## PANINI

Cajun Chicken

with Mozzarella & Red Onion 11.50

Home Cooked Ham Red Cheddar, Tomato &

Onion Classic

11.50

Chicken & Pesto

with Mozzarella

11.50

All Served with a Mixed Salad & Fries

Protein Salad Irish Crumbled Black

Pudding & Poached Egg,

Sprouted Quinoa, Mixed

leaves, Orange, Roasted

items may be substituted due to

## EXTRA SIDES

Mash 7	Coleslaw 3.10 2.50
Chips 4.50	Gravy 1.3.4.7.10 0.30
Veg7	Baby bowl 4.75

### KIDS MENU under 12s

Kids Burger &	Kids Pasta
chips	7.50
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Nuggets & Chips 7.50	Kids ½ portion
	Dinner
	10.50
Sausage & chips	
7.50	HALL BEEFE BALL

## SUMMER SALADS

## Cajun Chicken

on a bed of fresh mixed lettuce, topped with grated Mozzarellla. Honey & Lime Dressing

15.50

Superfood Salad

Sprouted Tri colour Quinoa, Mixed leaves, Orange, Roasted Cashews, Pomegranite seeds, Goji Berrys & Broccoli (some items may be substituted due to availability) 12 Cashews, Pomegranite seeds, Goji Berrys & Broccoli (some

availability)

15.50

All Salads Served with Garlic Bread

#### DESSERTS

Selection of Ice-cream 1 Strawberry, Mint & Chocolate Traditional Slice of Apple Pie 1.3.7 7.50

Warm Lemon Meringue Pie 1.3.6.7.8 7.50 Sticky Toffee Pudding 1.3.6.7.8 7.50

Chocolate Fudge Cake 1.3.6.7.8 7.50 Warm Apple & Berry Crumble 7.50

#### PLEASE NOTE WE DO NOT SPLIT BILLS

Allergens: 1.Cereals 2.Crustaceans 3.Eggs 4.Fish 5.Peanuts 6.Soy 7.Milk 8.Nuts 9.Celery 10.Mustard 11.Sesame 12.Sulphites 13.Lupins 14.Molluscs Gluten Free options available.