



Medieval Castles

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In this issue we start a new section named **TopMoc**, in which we want to showcase some of the models we like best in a certain theme. The idea is to choose a different theme for each issue, scour the Internet for a small selection of constructions related to this theme that draw our attention, and publish them in our magazine.

It is not our intention to turn this section into any kind of ranking, nor to show the best builds that can be found on the Internet. We simply want to show a number of builds that we like especially. We will contact the authors to ask for their permission, and if they grant it we will publish a short text with their MOC and data. In addition to the fact that the construction must draw our attention we look for pictures that clearly show the complete construction.

That doesn't mean there won't be more complex or spectacular builds. During the brief period in which we have compiled this issue's **TopMoc** section, we have listed a good number of MOCs from which we have selected those we liked best and from that selection we have published those whose authors gave us permission and provided the necessary data. We have only been able to include the first responses as there is an obvious limitation in space, but note, we could fill a whole issue with all the great MOCs we have seen.

Each subsequent issue will contain a selection of a different theme that will only be announced that same issue.

In this first selection of **TopMoc** we have looked for a

theme we like, not just because of how spectacular and awesome some builds are, but also because of the size and setting the authors achieve. So **medieval castles** it is.

We have looked for pictures of complete castles, with walls, towers etc. We have not included constructions that represent partial elements or castles that are not medieval so our focus has been centred solely on complete medieval castles with some historical value, excluding those that include less realistic elements like flying castles, steam engines, magical elements or structures that would have been impossible in medieval times.

What has drawn our attention most in the chosen castles is the landscape surrounding the castle. In every case the author has not only done a splendid job with the details of the castle itself, in many cases large constructions. In addition they have taken care to include a beautiful landscape that highlights the beauty of the castle. It is also curious to see the different ways in which the walls and battlements have been built; while many are quite similar, the techniques used to build them in LEGO® are very diverse.

Another detail to look for is the work done on some of the castles to get shapes that are rounded or without straight angles, a detail that makes the construction a lot more complicated, but adds some extra realism and enhances the construction.

Without further ado, this is the selection of castles that was chosen by the HispaBrick Magazine team:

Nordana Castle

Jonas Wide (32)

~ Gideon ~
(Sweden)

August - October 2013



https://www.flickr.com/photos/jonas_wide/

Feldoran Castle

David Leest (29)

~ Deviet ~
(Belgium)

2013 winter



<https://www.flickr.com/photos/deviet/>

Belynia Village

Simon Schweyere (19)

~ ~
(Switzerland)

February - March 2014



https://www.flickr.com/photos/buurli_burri/

Castle Black

Pawel Michalak

~ Kris Kelvin ~
(Poland)



https://www.flickr.com/photos/kris_kelvin/

Ebbegard Castle

Tobias Geserick (30)
~ Kumpel Kante ~
(Germany)

December 2014



<https://flic.kr/s/aHsjPuM5Ax>

Nottingham Castle

Lukasz Wiktorowicz (19)
~ LL ~
(Poland)

2013



<https://www.flickr.com/photos/lukaszwiktorowicz/>