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Sir Thomas Willoughby, 2nd Baronet and 1st Baron Middleton

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BIOGRAPHY

Second son of Francis Willoughby, the naturalist, and Emma Barnard. After the death of his elder brother Sir Francis in 1688, he inherited the baronetcy and the Wollaton and Middleton estates. He restored and occupied Wollaton Hall, represented Nottinghamshire and Newark in Parliament, and was raised to the Peerage of Great Britain in 1711/12 as Baron Middleton.

NOTES / SOURCES

University of Nottingham, Willoughby Family history

<https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/manuscriptsandspecialcollections/collectionsindepth/family/middleton/middletonfamilyhistory.aspx>

University of Nottingham, biography of Sir Thomas Willoughby

[https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/manuscriptsandspecialcollections/collectionsindepth/family/middleton/biographies/biographyofsirthomaswilloughby,1stbaronmiddleton\(1672-1729\).aspx](https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/manuscriptsandspecialcollections/collectionsindepth/family/middleton/biographies/biographyofsirthomaswilloughby,1stbaronmiddleton(1672-1729).aspx)

Cracroft's Peerage, Middleton <https://www.cracroftspeerage.co.uk/middleton1711.htm>

Wikimedia Commons, Willoughby arms, Baron Middleton

https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Willoughby_arms,_Baron_Middleton.svg

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