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## The Gothic and neo-Gothic Style

'Gothic' referred to a style of architecture popular during the middle ages when towering castles and soaring cathedrals aspired to impress and overawe. The style is characterised by high longitudinal lines and ornate detail.

In the early nineteenth century, a movement to revive this style, became a serious challenger to the prevalent classical style, which had taken its inspiration and principle from Greek and Roman buildings. Neo-Gothic styles became popular and found expression from the lowliest suburban dwelling to the massive public monuments of the day.