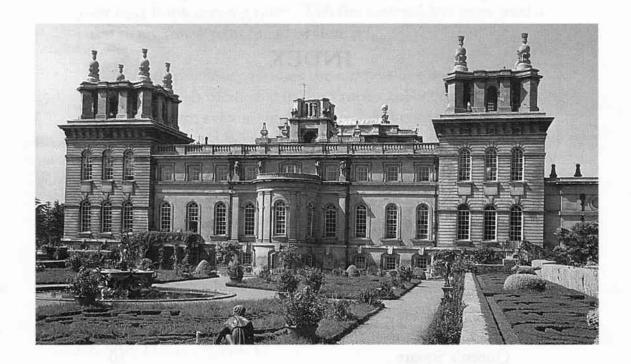
BLENHEIM PALACE



Blenheim Palace, the only palace in England that is not Royal or episcopal, was built to Vanbrugh's and Hawksmoor's designs between 1705 and 1707. The land was given to John Churchill, the first Duke of Marlborough, after his successful campaign against Marshal Tallard at the village of Blindheim or Blenheim. The picture shows the west front of the building from the formal gardens created for the 9th Duke in the early 1900s.