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DAY EXCURSIONS 2024

BANBURY and THENFORD ARBORETUM SNOWDROP WALKS

Saturday 17th February 2024

This morning we will travel to Banbury known as the 'Gateway to the Cotswolds', a charming waterside market town steeped in history. The River Cherwell and Oxford Canal provides a stunning backdrop to a wealth of culture, entertainment, retail and dining that can be found in the heart of town. Enchanting streets and historic architecture entwined with the vibrant, contemporary Castle Quay Shopping Centre, hosts a variety of high street names, independent stores and traditional local markets. Famous for the nursery rhyme 'Ride a cockhorse' and its delectable Banbury cakes. it



has a little something for everyone. This afternoon we visit Thenford Arboretum home of the Heseltine family and spread out over seventy acres, featuring a collection of more than three thousand different trees and shrubs, together with extensive herbaceous borders, water gardens, an alpine trough garden, a sculpture garden, a rose garden and a rill. Enjoy the snowdrop walks where you will see extensive collections of over 600 different snowdrop species and cultivars. There is a café serving tea coffee and cakes in the Church.

Adults: £53.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £52.00 Includes Arboretum admission

THE CREATIVE CRAFT SHOW/ SEWING for PLEASURE & FASHION & EMBROIDERY at the NEC BIRMINGHAM

Saturday 16th March 2024

The Creative Craft Show is back and the show is a haven for knitting, cross stitch, paper crafting, jewellery, dressmaking and stitching enthusiasts, offering all the very latest supplies, ideas, and innovations in the craft and hobby world. Here you will find everything from kits, charts and patterns to fabrics, yarns, threads, and buttons. You will have opportunities to gain advice from industry experts, as well as the chance to try something new in our workshops. Your ticket enables you to access Sewing for Pleasure and also Fashion and Embroidery.



Adults: £37.00 Senior Citizens: £36.00 Child: £30.00

Free admission for child up to 16 years with an adult holding a show ticket

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A LINCOLNSHIRE WOLDS TOUR with FISH 'n' CHIP LUNCH & WOODTHORPE GARDEN CENTRE

Good Friday 29th March 2024

The Lincolnshire Wolds, an area of outstanding natural beauty, dotted with sleepy stone villages and the charming market town of Louth. Explore the town with the Good Friday market before a Fish & Chip lunch at "Mr Chips". We continue to Alford and the outstanding Wood Thorpe Garden Centre a huge undercover plant area, fantastic gift area and restaurant serving a delicious menu including afternoon teas.



Adults: £49.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £48.00 Includes Fish 'n' Chips

A DAY in the ANCIENT CITY OF YORK

Easter Monday 1st April 2024

York is a walled city in northeast England that was founded by the ancient Romans. Its huge 13th century Gothic cathedral, York Minster has medieval stained glass and 2 functioning bell towers. The City Walls form a walkway on both sides of the river Ouse. The Shambles are one of York's oldest and most fun streets. check out the Shambles Market, which is best explored early in the day. The Jorvik Viking Centre gives you the chance to step back to that time and explore the city as it was under Norwegian rule. The National Railway Museum is amazingly popular as the mighty machines on display have very broad appeal. Take a close look at about 100 engines, including several working steam trains. Bettys is almost certainly the most famous tea rooms in York but there are lots of cafes and restaurants for lunch and

stores and cafés, including Marks & Spencer.

after no on tea which are even better than Bettys. Parliament Street with its wide square is lined with high street

Adults: £43.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £42.00 All attractions are extra cost

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A VISIT TO THE NATURAL HISTORY OR THE VICTORIA AND ALBERT MUSEUM AND LONDON SHOPPER

Saturday 13th April 2024

We travel down to London this morning and the choice is yours either The Natural History Museum that exhibits a vast range of specimens from various segments of natural history and The Victoria and Albert Museum the world's largest museum of applied arts, decorative arts and design, housing a permanent collection of over 2.27 million objects. It was founded in 1852 and named after Queen Victoria and Prince Albert, Both Museums are on Exhibition Road in South Kensington where our coach will drop you off and pick you up which-ever you choose. The entry is free but there is a choice of special exhibitions which have an entry fee at both Museums. We are not able to name these exhibitions at the moment with our excursion being 2024. We will have more details beginning of next year.

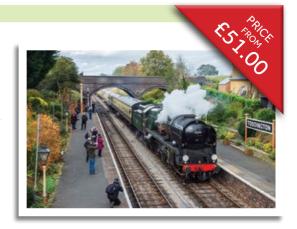


Adults: £52.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £51.00 Special exhibitions at extra cost

GLOUCESTER WARWICKSHIRE STEAM RAILWAY from CHELTENHAM to TODDINGTON

Saturday 20th April 2024

A fantastic day for all steam train enthusiasts for a ride on the GWSR. We begin the day travelling to Cheltenham, a spa resort of handsome Regency architecture, broad avenues and fine parks. The medicinal waters can be taken at several sites in the town but mainly at the Pittville Pump Room. The Promenade here has been named as one of the best shopping streets in Britain with shops, restaurants and cafés for refreshments. This afternoon we transfer you to the Cheltenham Racecourse Station where we board a steam train for our exciting ride to Toddington Station. We are disembarking the train here where you will find the GWR shop located on Platform 1 that stocks a wide range of gifts and railway memorabilia. Visit



the loco yard viewing area at the south end of the station complex. Bring your camera to take a shot or two of the locomotives in the yard. The North Gloucestershire Railway Company operates the Toddington Narrow Gauge Railway, which is co-located with the GWR, adjacent to Toddington Station. If you require refreshments look no further visit the Flag & Whistle a franchised café run by Lynne Tiddy and her enthusiastic team dedicated to offering Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway passengers a warm and friendly welcome, along with fresh hot and cold homemade food and drinks. We re-join our coach for our journey home.

Adult: £57.00 Senior Citizens: £56.00 Child: £51.00 Includes train ride

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RUFFORD OLD HALL with SPRING GARDENS and BLUEBELL WOODS A NATIONAL TRUST PROPERTY

Tuesday 7th May 2024

Rufford Old Hall at Rufford, Lancashire was built in 1530 for Sir Robert Hesketh. Only the Great Hall survives from the original structure, a brick-built wing in the Jacobean style was added in 1661, at right angles to the Great Hall, and a third wing was added in the 1820s . The beautiful Tudor building is surrounded by Victorian and Edwardian gardens and as you pass through the entrance of the Hall, you will notice a colourful array of springtime flowers coming into bloom. From daffodils and crocuses, you can see the signs of spring blooming all around you with a sparkling sea of bluebells dotted all through the Hall's North Woods. The Victorian Tea Room offers a range of hot and cold food, sandwiches, soups, snacks and



homemade cakes and bakes, as well as hot and cold drinks. There is only the second-hand book shop to browse. We continue to Ormskirk an historic Market Town in the heart of West Lancashire steeped in history and character. It offers excellent shopping with a mix of high street and independent retailers and a wide range of restaurants, cafes and pubs all in walking distance within a compact town centre.

Adults: £59.00 Senior Citizens: £58.00 Child: £52.50 Includes Hall and Garden admission

Adults: £48.55 Senior Citizens: £47.55 NT members only

NT members please bring card and make the office aware to qualify for reduction

RHS MALVERN SPRING FESTIVAL

Sunday 12th May 2024

In its beautiful setting at the foot of The Malvern Hills, this national show enjoys the reputation of being the first and one of the finest RHS gardening events of the year. There are superb shopping opportunities with hundreds of quality trade stands selling gardening sundries, exquisite crafts and delicious food and wine. We stay for the plant sales that start at 16.30hrs.



Adults: £69.00 Senior Citizens: £68.00 Includes flower show admission

Child: £44.00 Child up to 16 years free with a ticket holding adult

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LATE SPRING AT KEW GARDENS AND KEW PALACE

Saturday 25th May 2024

Whatever the season, the Gardens at Kew are a treat for the senses and brimming with botanic treasures. In late May the display of flowers on the laburnum pergola is spectacular. Its golden yellow and sweet-scented flowers appear in chains up to 25cm long that frame the colonnade in a bright and fragrant array. Designed to complement Kew Palace, the Queen's Garden is dedicated exclusively to the plants and architectural styles of the 17th century. Kew Palace is the smallest and most intimate of the royal palaces. It was purchased by George III in 1781 to accommodate his expanding family, subsequently becoming a more permanent home for the Royal Family. Queen Charlotte died here in 1818 and having lain untouched since her death, the Royal Kitchens at



Kew can now be explored for the very first time. Your visit will open the door to a lost space and let you discover more about life in the historic times, the servants who worked in the kitchens and Georgian culinary life. Take advantage of an optional ticket to ride on the Land Train for a guided tour of the Gardens for just £5.00 extra. There a wide variety of cafes and restaurants available for refreshments and the gift shop has a great range of gifts, plants and books to purchase.

Adults: **£TBC** Senior Citizens/Child: **£TBC** Includes Kew Gardens and Palace admissions

LIVERPOOL HOME of the BEATLES, FAMOUS CATHEDRAL'S and the ALBERT DOCK

Bank Holiday Monday 27th May 2024

The magnificent Albert Dock, Liverpool is one of the country's top heritage attractions and situated on the banks of the river Mersey. It is home to the award-winning visitor attractions including the Beatles story, International Slavery Museum, Merseyside Maritime Museum and the Tate Liverpool. There is a vast choice of friendly cafe bars and restaurants for refreshments. Liverpoolis extremely proud of its two magnificent cathedrals, the Anglican Cathedral, the largest in Britain and the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King. Why not board a ferry to cross the Mersey or catch an open top bus for a tour of this wonderful city.



Adults: £48.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £47.00 All attractions extra cost

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THE INFAMOUS TOWER of LONDON

Wednesday 12th June 2024

We travel down to London this morning with a comfort break on route before passengers leave the coach at the bus stop for the Tower of London. It is a short distance to the West Gate entrance for our entrance to the famous Tower of London, her Majesty's Royal Palace and Fortress. which is an historic Castle. Steeped in history with an infamous past, visitors can see the Crown Jewels, the White Tower including the Royal Armouries. or join a Beefeater Tour, these Yeoman Warders will entertain you with tales of intrique, imprisonment, execution and torture and much, much more. There are great opportunities for lunch and refreshments within the Tower and outside.



Adults: £85.50 Senior Citizens: £78.50 Child: £68.50 Includes Tower admission

BBC GARDENERS WORLD LIVE AND SUMMER GOOD FOOD SHOW AT BIRMINGHAM NEC

Father's Day Sunday 16th June 2024

Two award winning shows one venue, one ticket and one great value day out. These unmissable BBC shows provide something for everyone. Dazzling displays of plants and flowers, expert advice from top gardener experts. Speciality producers, live demos from top chefs, with great shopping and entertainment plus much more. Whether you're wanting food-to-go or a sit-down meal, there are lots of tasty options for eating and drinking at the Show. There will be plenty of choice from various bars, cafes, restaurants and street food stalls.



Adults: £52.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £51.00 Includes show admissions

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THE OUTSTANDING ARLEY HALL AND GARDEN FESTIVAL

Saturday 29th June 2024

The Garden Festival is firmly established as one of the foremost events in the horticultural calendar of the northwest of England. Your ticket includes entry to the Hall and the beautiful Gardens with Garden tours running throughout the day, led by Lord Ashbrook and Gordon Baillie the Head Gardener. There will be dedicated plant nurseries and high-quality garden accessory traders at the show and a programme of talks and demonstrations will also be running throughout the day.

Creative Crafts will play host to a large selection of high quality gift and craft traders in their own marquee whilst food traders will be in our historic Cruck Barn. There will be a brass band playing in the afternoon and a foot tapping jazz band playing throughout the day.



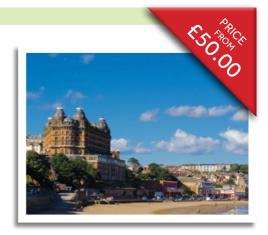
Lotus cars will be outside the Hall on Saturday. Barretts are the caterers for the show with outside refreshments available and The Gardener's Kitchen Café offering sandwiches, salads, hot meals with vegetarian options and the most delicious cakes and scones. There is a Gift Shop and a Plant Nursery to browse.

Adults: £59.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £58.00 4-16 years including Festival ticket

SCARBOROUGH the OLDEST RESORT in the UK on the STUNNING YORKSHIRE COAST

Saturday 6th July 2024

Scarborough is a town with two beautiful bays and glorious sandy beaches split by a headland bearing the 12th century Scarborough Castle. It is home to parks and gardens including Peasholm Park, South Cliff Gardens and Royal Albert Park to name a few. Scarborough offers an array of food and drink experiences that cater to all tastes. Enjoy fresh seafood from award-winning fish and chips enjoyed on the seafront or a tasty seafood platter in a stylish restaurant. Top it all off with a classic afternoon tea complete with freshly baked scones and a pot of tea to enjoy as you take in the coastal views. When you fancy a tipple, choose from cosy pubs and bars with a selection of local ales, ciders, and craft beers on offer. Of course, you can't come to the seaside and not



indulge in a delicious ice cream! You're spoilt for choice in Scarborough, with ice-cream shops lining the parade waiting to serve up sundaes and cooling treats.

Adults: £51.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £50.00 All attractions extra cost

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THE ROYAL INTERNATIONAL AIR TATTOO CELEBRATING THE 50th ANNIVERSARY of the F-16 FIGHTING FALCON

Saturday 20th July 2024

The Royal International Air Tattoo at RAF Fairford is the largest and most prestigious military show in the world, with a famous two-milelong static display and over seven hours of flying displays featuring many of the world's best aerobatic teams and jet demonstrations. You will find a mouthwatering range of both artisan and street food, hog roast, beef burgers and much more - plus there are specialty coffee, ice cream and innovative bar facilities available throughout the day. Enjoy an extravaganza of entertainment at the RIAT, the world's greatest air show.



Adults: £99.50 Senior Citizens: £98.50 Child: £45.00 Coach fare only includes admission Children up to 16 years have free admission with a ticket holding adult only

THE 141st SANDRINGHAM FLOWER SHOW

Wednesday 31st July 2024

Sandringham Flower Show is a unique event offering not only the best in horticulture but an excellent day out. Set in the magnificent surroundings of Sandringham Park with Sandringham House and Sandringham Church in the background this show has always proved popular and has been privileged to enjoy Royal patronage in the past. Many of the region's leading nurseries and horticultural specialists exhibit. In addition, there are display gardens by leading designers around 200 trade shows, a craft marquee, main arena events and a military band. The gardeners' forum is the venue for gardening talks by top television gardeners. Admission to the show includes entrance to the gardens and church.



Adults: £66.00 Senior Citizens: £65.00 Child: £46.00 Includes admission to flower show

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HISTORIC TOWN of WELSHPOOL and the WELSHPOOL & LLANFAIR RAILWAY

Saturday 10th August 2024

Welshpool is a market town steeped in history and tradition on the River Severn. It has a unique mix of architecture, modern and antique and set amidst the rolling borderlands and described as the gateway to Wales. The indoor market stalls offer a wide selection of food, clothes, household goods, antiques, jewellery, arts and crafts, gifts, flowers and plants. There is an interesting mix of local and national shops adorning the High Street with restaurants, cafes and pubs for refreshments. This afternoon we visit the Welshpool and Llanfair narrow gauge railway station at Raven Square in Welshpool. This has been the terminus of the narrow-gauge railway since 1981. The railway is largely run by volunteers and provides steam-hauled passenger rides along the Banwy Valley to Llanfair Caereinion terminus.



Adults: £68.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £67.00 Includes Train Ride

HARROGATE AND THE BEAUTIFUL YORKSHIRE DALES VILLAGE OF GRASSINGTON

Saturday 17th August 2024

Welcome to the Yorkshire Dales, an outstanding place to explore! It has many moods; it can be wild and windswept or quietly tranquil with valleys full of hay meadows, drystone walls and barns. We travel to Harrogate where the Spa history continues to shape the town with several superb spas, including the original Turkish Baths in the iconic Royal Baths building in the centre of town, the Royal Pump Room Museum, documenting the importance of local mineral springs. Opposite the Museum is the beautiful Valley Gardens with 17 acres of formal gardens and woodland. Historical buildings include the Magnesia Well Pump Rooms, the Sun Pavilion, and the Sun Colonnade. There are many shops in Harrogate plus restaurants and bars including



Betty's Tea Rooms. This afternoon enjoy the great dales scenery as we travel to Grassington located in Upper Wharfdale and the Yorkshire Dales National Park. Discover a bustling cobbled market square, fringed by shops offering everything from practical essentials to totally tempting luxuries, art galleries, crafts and open studios. There are friendly cafés, restaurants and cosy hotels for refreshments. Grassington is the home of the fictional market town of Darrowby in All Creatures Great and Small, the 2020 television series set in 1937. Based upon the classic James Herriot books written by Alf Wight which follow the adventures of a young country vet in Yorkshire. There is a Yorkshire Dales National Park Information Centre, plus Toilets at the coach park. We return via Skipton.

Adults: £49.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £48.00 All attractions at extra cost

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THE PREMIER RESORT of WALES LLANDUDNO

Bank Holiday Monday 26th August 2024

This morning we travel to the wonderful resort of Llandudno, which has a host of attractions. Take a stroll along the promenade and explore the Victorian Pier, the longest in Wales or browse in the town shops and take refreshments in the many restaurants and cafes. The Great Orme is Llandudno's own mini mountain, which rises straight out of the sea to a height of 207m. You can walk up if you are feeling energetic or take the historic Great Orme Tramway, which has been ferrying passengers to the summit since 1898. The Visitor Centre has a cafe, a shop and a walk outside rewards you with stunning views all the way to the Lake District. Visit Happy Valley located on the Great Orme. It was first created in the late 19th Century and was listed as



a historic garden of excellence during the 1930's due to its notable Alpine plant collection. The Gardens have a café, adequate seating, miniature golf course and a camera obscurer. The park is extensive and contains many different areas, including: terraced gardens, woodland walks, formal lawns and a quarried cave known locally as Elephants Cave. In 2009 Happy Valley was awarded a Green Flag. This confirms our belief that Happy Valley is a park worthy of a status of national excellence.

Adults: £53.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £52.00 All attractions extra cost

HIGHCLERE CASTLE TOUR, EGYPTIAN EXHIBITION AND GARDENS

Sunday 1st September 2024

Designed by Sir Charles Barry, architect of the Houses of Parliament, this is considered to be one of the finest Victorian homes still in existence, which houses fine furniture and works of art. Today, the Castle is the home of the 8th Earl and Countess of Carnarvon and is known around the world as the real home of 'Downton Abbey'. The Egyptian Exhibition catalogues the 5th Earl's fascination with Egypt, his relationship with his friend Howard Carter and the discovery and contents of the tomb of Tutankhamun, including a magnificent reproduction of the sarcophagus. Tours of the Castle and Egyptian Exhibition are on a self-guided basis, with guides throughout to provide information and assistance. The Tearooms are open throughout the day offering a delicious selection of sandwiches,



salads, wraps, cakes and scones. Light lunches and hot food are available between 12noon - 2pm. The Gift Shop is set in the Castle Courtyard selling a wide selection of exclusive, branded gifts for home and garden, inspired by different aspects of life at Highclere and reflecting this unique heritage.

Adults: £79.50 Senior Citizens: £78.50 Child: £74.00 Includes admissions

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THE BURE VALLEY STEAM RAILWAY & NATIONAL TRUST PROPERTY BLICKLING HALL

Saturday 7th September 2024

We travel this morning to Wroxham and the Bure Valley Railway Station for a nostalgic trip by steam on Norfolk's longest narrow-gauge railway which runs between the bustling town of Wroxham to the historic market town of Aylsham. The 18 mile round trip runs through the pretty Bure Valley countryside following the meandering River Bure through meadowland and ancient pasture. This afternoon we continue to Blickling Hall a Jacobean stately home situated in 5,000 acres of parkland in a loop of the river Bure, near the village of Blickling. The mansion was built on the ruins of a Tudor building for Sir Henry Hobart from 1616 and designed by Robert Lyminge. Explore above and below stairs in



the mansion and discover the garden and the restored walled garden. At the Stables Cafe you'll find a variety of hot and cold dishes to soup, sandwiches and cakes with vegetarian and gluten options with ample seating both inside and out. If you feel like a pub lunch The Buckinghamshire Arms is a 17th century former coaching inn adjacent to the Hall which offers a traditional English pub lunch, with picturesque surroundings and plenty of history. In the National Trust Shop, you will find tasty treats unique gifts, plant sales and second-hand books in its own shop.

NT Members includes the train ride

Adults: £79.50 Senior Citizens/Child: £78.50 Includes Train ride & Blickling Hall & Gardens

Train ride & Blickling Hall and Gardens

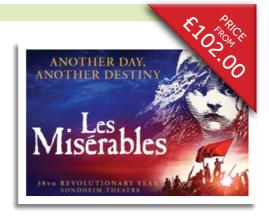
A DREAM PRODUCTION of LES MISERABLE MATINEE PERFORMANCE

Senior Citizens: £64.00

Thursday 12th September 2024

Adults: £65.00

A great day out for all theatre goers join us to see a matinee performance of Les Misérables the world's longest-running musical, seen by over 120 million people globally. It flies its flag over London at the Sondheim Theatre. The current production of Boublil and Schönberg's classic has been hailed as 'Les Mis for the 21st Century' with new sets, costumes and video design. Its heart-wrenching, life-affirming story of redemption and revolution makes it one of the best musicals in the West End. The show follows former convict Jean Valjean, who spent 19 years in jail for stealing a loaf of bread. Revolution is in the air in France as Valjean breaks his parole to start a new life, while the merciless police inspector Javert hunts him down.



Adapted from French author Victor Hugo's novel, there are many iconic songs in the Les Misérables musical including "One Day More", "I Dreamed a Dream" and "Bring Him Home".

Adults: £103.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £102.00 Best Dress Circle Tickets

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SEWERBY HALL and GARDENS and LAND TRAIN RIDE to BRIDLINGTON

Saturday 21st September 2024

Set in 50 acres of parkland on a dramatic cliff-top position, forming the gateway to the Flamborough Heritage Coast, Sewerby Hall enjoys spectacular views over Bridlington Bay. The Georgian House contains the magnificent Orangery, period rooms, history and archaeology displays, art and craft galleries and the Amy Johnson Room. Experience the peace of the stunning formal and walled gardens, the engaging small zoo or relax in the fully licensed Clock Tower Tea Rooms offering snacks and light refreshments. This afternoon we board the Land Train with an exciting ride along the cliff top to Bridlington for the remainder of the day.



Adults: £64.00 Senior Citizens: £63.00 Child: £58.50 Coach fare only includes admission

RHS MALVERN AUTUMN FLOWER SHOW

Includes admission to Hall, Gardens and Train ride

In its beautiful setting at the foot of The Malvern Hills, this national show enjoys the reputation of being one of the finest Autumn RHS gardening shows. There are superb shopping opportunities with hundreds of quality trade stands selling gardening sundries, exquisite crafts and delicious food and wine. We stay for the plant sales that start at 16.30hrs.

Sunday 29th September 2024



Adults: £65.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £64.00 Includes flower show admission

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OSWALDTWISTLE MILLS SHOPPING VILLAGE WITH AFTERNOON TEA

Saturday 5th October 2024

A great day for all shoppers at Oswaldtwistle Mills Home and Lifestyle Centre in Lancashire it has something to amaze, charm and intrigue visitors of all ages. The former Weaving Mill has over 100 retailers all under one roof: Furniture, Fashion, a Garden Centre, Giftware, The Works, Pavers Shoes, Deli & 4 Restaurants and much more. At 15:00hrs we sit down to afternoon tea including fresh quarter sandwiches with a range of traditional fillings, a selection of delicious homemade tray bake cakes and a freshly baked homemade fruit scone with fruit preserve and whipped cream. Served with tea or coffee and a refill.

ADDITIONAL OPTIONS
Glass of prosecco – £3.95pp
Cup of soup – £1.50pp
Bowl of chips – £2.00pp
Special dietary requirements can be catered for on request when booking.



Adults: £64.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £63.00 Includes Afternoon Tea

NT CHARLOTE PARK and the AUTUMN TREE WALK

Saturday 19th October 2024

NT Charlecote Park is a grand 16th-century country house, surrounded by its own deer park, on the banks of the River Avon. It has been the seat of the Lucy family since 1247, the house being built in 1550s but extensively remodelled between 1826-67 for George Hammond Lucy and his wife Mary Elizabeth. The gardens include a formal parterre, woodland walk and the wider parkland inspired by 'Capability' Brown, offers walks with picturesque views across the River Avon. Today enjoy the tree walk in their Autumn colours. A selection of hot and cold drinks, snacks and meals are available in either the Orangery Restaurant or the Wood Yard Cafe. Visit the Servant Hall gift shop or browse a beautiful selection of plants and gardening items at Avenue Plants.



Adults: £50.50 Senior Citizens: £49.50 Child: £45.00

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FESTIVE SEASON AT CHATSWORTH HOUSE, THE CHRISTMAS MARKET & THE GARDEN LIGHT TRAIL

NOVEMBER 2024 (DATES TO BE CONFIRMED)

Enjoy a great day at Chatsworth with the House superbly decorated for Christmas. We begin the morning with a stroll around the Christmas Market with log cabins and stalls crammed with festive crafts, gifts galore and Christmas fare of foods to eat and purchase. Timed tickets for the House tour will be confirmed at a later date. There are plenty of places to take refreshments, light bites are available at the Farmyard Café or a hearty meal at the Cavendish and Carriage House Restaurant along with outside catering. You can book yourselves for the Restaurants beforehand to avoid the gueues. After the House tour indulge in shopping in the Courtyard before strolling around the Gardens following the amazing Light Trail.



Adults: £TBC Senior Citizens: £TBC Child: £TBC

Includes admission to the House and the Light Trail

ENJOY A MAGICAL CHRISTMAS AT CHESTER CHRISTMAS MARKET 2024

Get the festive feeling this winter spoil yourself at Chester Christmas Market. A handmade, historical, magical experience awaits you with 70 traders situated in the square around the town hall, the new arcade and the forum surrounding the iconic sparkling tree in the heart of the city centre. Discover unique, locally made produce and with handmade crafts, jewellery, accessories and stocking fillers, you're sure to find the perfect presents in Chester. With an abundance of award winning restaurants, country pubs and quaint cafes all serving only the best, fresh local produce, you are sure to find plenty of places for eating.

Saturday 30th November 2024



Adults: £45.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £44.00

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BEVERLEY TRADITIONAL VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS MARKET 2024

Sunday 8th December 2024

Every year the centre of Beverley is transformed into a magical Christmas shoppers wonderland, when more than 100 stalls brimming with fantastic gifts and local treats take over the historic market town. There are four Victorian Christmas markets nestled within Saturday Market, Wednesday Market, North Bar Within and Flemingate Shopping Centre where you can soak up the smells and sounds as you wander around enjoying live entertainment, carols, music and dancing. A visit to the Minster is a must, a holy place for 1300 years. It inspires awe and wonder in everyone who approaches the magnificent twin towers of the west front, even more when they enter inside, a place rich in history. It is the last day of the annual Christmas Tree Festival with over 100 beautifully decorated trees each tree sponsored by a different local charity, organisation, school or business. There is an admission charge. Beverley has numerous restaurants, cafes and pubs for eating with outside catering at the markets.



Adults: £42.00 Senior Citizens/Child: £41.00

THURSFORD CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

Saturday 30th November 2024 Saturday 7th December 2024 Saturday 14th December 2024

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