

Booking Forms for Visits Summer 2020

CONDITIONS OF BOOKING FOR VISITS

Note: This year we will not be picking up in Windsor End, but at the Beacon Centre, Holtspur Way, as well as Waitrose/Town Hall in the New Town.

1. Booking

Members may apply for a booking for any of the attached list of outings at any time up to 14 days before the date of the outing by completing the appropriate booking slip and sending it, together with the specified payment (see 4, below), to the name and address printed on the booking slip. Please include your phone number in case we need to contact you for any reason. There is also space for an optional 'Emergency' number that we can use in case of illness on the day. Bookings will be taken as from the official release of this document. All applications received will be treated on a first-come first-served basis. If any outing is over-subscribed the latest applicants will be notified and be given the option of going on the waiting list.

2. Non-members and late bookings

Applications from, or on behalf of, non-members will only be entertained from 14 days before the date of the visit and only if spaces are available. Late applications from members during that 14 day pre-visit period may also be accepted, but they will have no priority over allocations already made to non-members.

3. Confirmation of bookings

We do not issue any tickets, but if you want a confirmation of your booking, please send a stamped addressed envelope with your applications. All members will be advised if their application is NOT successful so that they can indicate if they wish to go on the waiting list or not.

4. Payment

All applications must be accompanied by the appropriate payment. **Please send a separate cheque for each outing, with the name of the relevant outing on the back of the cheque.** Make cheques payable to Beaconsfield and District Historical Society, (BDHS is acceptable). Cheques may be dated up to 14 days prior to the date of the outing. It will be helpful if cheques can be attached to booking slips with paper clips, rather than a staple. You may pay by cash if you wish, but do not send cash through the post.

5. Cancellations

A full refund will be given if you cancel at least 14 days before the outing. Refunds after that date cannot be promised but will be made if possible. Cancellation notifications should be made to the relevant organiser. Should the Society cancel any outing, all payments will be refunded.

6. Surcharges

The Society reserves the right, in exceptional circumstances, to make any necessary surcharges. (This may apply to non-senior members of our Society). If required these will be collected on the coach.

7. Pick-up points

Please indicate your chosen pick-up point on the booking slip. It is a good idea to mention if you will be bringing a wheelchair or walking aids.

Please Note: Many properties do not allow photography indoors. Please do not wear stiletto heels.

Brockhamton Estate (NT)
Bringsty, near Bromyard, Herefordshire, WR6 5TB

Thu 23 Apr 2020
£14 (NT) £23 (non-NT)

Traditionally farmed estate and medieval manor house. At the heart of this 1700-acre farmed estate lies Lower Brockhampton Manor House, a romantic timber-framed house dating back to the late 14th century. The house is surrounded by a moat and is entered via a charming timber-framed gatehouse, built 1530-40. The ruins of a Chapel, probably built around the same time as the Manor House, replaced an earlier timber one with records of services going back to 1308.

There are miles of walks through the orchards, park and woodlands, featuring ancient trees, and the picturesque Lawn Pool. This is home to a rich variety of wildlife, along with historic farming breeds such as Hereford cattle and Ryeland sheep. The Granary shop has unique gifts, award-winning local produce and refreshments including hot and cold drinks and one pot meals.

Coach leaves: Waitrose: 9:00am ; Beacon Centre: 9:10am ; Brockhamton: 4:00pm

Packwood House (NT)
Packwood Lane, Lapworth, Warwickshire, B94 6AT

Thu 7 May 2020
£13(NT) £25(non-NT)

Much-restored Tudor house, park and garden with notable topiary.

The culmination of a lifetime of dreams: salvaged objects and exotic pieces come together in a Jacobean meets Edwardian style. Beautiful, homely, warm and welcoming. We can't put it better than a visitor in the 1920s did: a house to dream of, a garden to dream in. The house was originally built in the 16th century, yet its interiors were extensively restored between the First and Second World Wars by Graham Baron Ash to create a fascinating 20th-century evocation of domestic Tudor architecture.

Packwood House contains a fine collection of 16th-century textiles and furniture, and the gardens have renowned herbaceous borders and a famous collection of yews. Shop selling locally sourced products Refreshments from the Garden Kitchen Cafe. Garden plants for sale, many grown in our own nursery.

Coach leaves: Waitrose: 9:00am ; Beacon Centre: 9:10am ; Packwood: 4:00pm

Hatchlands Park (NT)
East Clandon, Guildford, Surrey, GU4 7RT

Wed 3 Jun 2020
£11(NT) £24(non-NT)

Stretches of sweeping parkland sheltering a classic country house. Hatchlands Park was built in the 1750s for naval hero Admiral Edward Boscawen and his wife Fanny, since then it has housed wealthy families, a girls finishing school, and even a printing press. With 400 acres of rolling parkland and woodland, it is one of the largest country estates in the area and full of year-round seasonal colour. The gardens were partly landscaped by Humphry Repton. The mansion is now a family home, containing tenant Alec Cobbe's collection of paintings and fine furniture. Also on display is the Cobbe Collection, Europe's largest collection of keyboard instruments associated with famous composers including JC Bach, Chopin and Elgar. An early interior design commission for architect Robert Adam, his work can be seen in ceilings and fireplaces throughout the house. Historic kitchen café, in the cobbled courtyard.

Coach leaves: Waitrose: 9:00am ; Beacon Centre: 9:10am ; Hatchlands: 4:00pm

Layer Marney Tower
Layer Marney, Nr. Colchester, Essex C05 9US

Thu 25 Jun 2020
£22

We start our day at the Tiptree Jam Factory to enjoy morning coffee and a look around their shop and Museum. We'll have time for lunch and leave here at 1:30pm for Layer Marney Tower.

The Layer Marney Tower poses a great day out in Essex. Although it is the tallest Tudor Gatehouse in the country, Layer Marney Tower doesn't dominate the skyline until you are almost upon it. However, sail up the River Blackwater as a marauding invader and you couldn't fail to be impressed by its stately grandeur. The site was chosen following the defeat of the Anglo Saxons at the Battle of Maldon in 991, as a good look out point. The Marney family had a dwelling here probably from 1166, but it is the Tudor Palace, built by Henry, Lord Marney, that people now come to see.

Coach leaves: Waitrose: 9:00am ; Beacon Centre: 9:10am ; Layer Marney: 4:00pm

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Osterley House & Park (NT)
Jersey Road, Isleworth, Middlesex, TW7 4RD

Mon 20 Jul 2020
£10(NT) £20(non-NT)

Surrounded by gardens, park and farmland, Osterley is one of the last surviving country estates in London. Once described by Horace Walpole as 'the palace of palaces', Osterley was created in the late 18th century by architect and designer Robert Adam for the Child family. Today the house is presented as it would have looked in the 1780s. Stroll through the colourful formal gardens, transformed over a six year long project from an overgrown wilderness back to their 18th century grandeur of herbaceous borders, roses and ornamental vegetables beds. The original Robert Adam summer house is full of lemon trees and highly scented shrubs. The grounds include a lake, the temple lawn, a woodland walk, a forgotten boathouse, and an ancient meadow, bursting with wildflowers and butterflies. Lunch is available in the stables Cafe.

Coach leaves: Waitrose: 9:00am ; Beacon Centre: 9:10am ; Osterley: 4:00pm

Cotswolds Jewels (City & Village tour)

Mon 10 Aug 2020
£40

Our first stop is to buy refreshments in Moreton-in-Marsh at the head of the Evonlode Valley. Our Blue Badge guide will show us some of the highlights of this handsome town and share some of it's stories. By coach we'll take in Stow-on-the-Wold and Capability Brown's Broadway Tower. Broadway is the Jewel of the Cotswolds with an absolute chocolate box of a High Street with a good choice of places to buy lunch before re-joining the coach. Sezincote House was built in 1805 and is a notable example of Neo-Mughal architecture, a 19th-century reinterpretation of 16th and 17th-century architecture from the Mughal Empire, and is said to have inspired the Brighton Pavilion. It was built for Samuel Pepys' grandson - a Nabob of the East India Company. and has a curving orangery above a Repton landscape. We'll have a tour of the house and have time to explore the gardens.

Coach leaves: Waitrose: 9:00am ; Beacon Centre: 9:10am ; Sezincote: 5:00pm

Charlecote Park (NT)
Wellsbourne, Warwick, CV35 9ER

Thu 10 Sep 2020
£12(NT) £21(non-NT)

Overlooking the river Avon on the edge of Shakespeare's Stratford, Charlecote Park has been part of this corner of rural Warwickshire for centuries. Still the Lucy family home after 900 years, you can explore the vision of the Victorian owners George Hammond Lucy and his wife, the formidable Mary Elizabeth, who extended their home and filled it with treasures from their European travels. Today, the kitchen is brought to life in cooking and costume. Across the courtyard you can explore the laundry and brewhouse which once hummed with the activity of a busy working estate. Discover the stables which house the family's carriage collection, each with its own story to tell.

Stroll through the gardens that Mary Elizabeth loved so dearly, from the formal parterre to the shady woodland garden with rare plants and borders full of colourful herbaceous planting.. Our historic herds of Jacob sheep and fallow deer roam freely here and you can see them at close quarters all year round. There are shops selling locally sourced produce and an Orangery restaurant and Wood Yard cafe - serving a range of hot meals and light snacks, using home-grown produce where possible.

Coach leaves: Waitrose: 9:00am ; Beacon Centre: 9:10am ; Charlecote: 4:00pm

Christmas Trip (To be confirmed)

Thu 3 Dec 2020

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Please return all forms to: Jane Wall, 143 Vine Road, Stoke Poges, Bucks, SL2 4DH