

Glorious Gardens from Windsor to Bath 30th June - 6th July 2019 (6 nights)



This high season tour is based in two of Britain's best historic cities - Windsor and Bath. We visit RHS Hampton Court Palace Flower Show - the largest flower show in the world - and explore some of the country's best known gardens such as Stourhead and Bowood. These are intertwined with many smaller private gardens, where we have the chance to meet the owners and head gardeners. A wonderfully rich tour of fascinating gardens and two beautiful hotels.

Sunday 30th June

After our morning pick-up at Heathrow Airport, we make our way to the delightful **Savill Garden** - one of Britain's finest ornamental gardens, located in Windsor Great Park. A highlight is the Rose Garden which will be in full bloom.



We then make our way to our hotel, the **4-star Macdonald Windsor Hotel**, located in the centre of historic Windsor. The afternoon will be spent at the magnificent **Windsor Castle**, the largest and oldest occupied Castle in the world - and home to HRH Queen Elizabeth II. In the evening, join your tour director and the rest of the group for welcome drinks before dinner together (included).

Monday 1st July

We begin our day at **The Manor at Upton Grey** with its garden designed by Gertrude Jekyll in 1908 for Charles Holme, a leading figure in the Arts & Crafts movement. The current owner, Rosamund Wallinger spent years researching the garden's history, then set about restoring it, and it is now considered to be the most complete and authentic Jekyll designed garden still in existence.



We continue to **West Green Garden**, one of England's finest manor house gardens, marrying traditional style with contemporary design. Created by acclaimed garden designer and Chelsea Flower Show award winner, Marylyn Abbott, we will enjoy lunch in the gorgeous garden conservatory (included) and free time in the gardens.

Your evening is at leisure in the historic city of Windsor.

Tuesday 2nd July

Tuesday is the prestigious first members-only day of the **RHS Hampton Court Palace Flower Show**, a highlight every time this world-class show is on our itinerary. You will see magnificent floral displays, extraordinary show gardens, garden tools and products, a host of garden structures and artefacts.

We return to our hotel for dinner (included).





Wednesday 3rd July

After check out from the hotel, we head west towards Bath. We make a stop at a beautiful private garden, **Old Camps**, near Newbury. This 8 acre garden is full of surprises from traditional herbaceous borders through desert and prairie planting, to exuberant and exotic subtropical schemes.

In the afternoon we're treated to lunch (included) and a private guided tour of the Walled Garden at **Bowood House**, home of the Marquis and Marchioness of Lansdowne, set amidst one of Britain's finest 'Capability Brown' landscapes. We then take a short drive to the historic city of Bath and check into the **5-star MacDonald Bath Spa Hotel** for the next three nights. Dinner in the hotel included.

Thursday 4th July

We spend the morning at a unique garden, **Hanham Court**. This privately owned house has award-winning gardens which were designed and developed by Julian and Isabel Bannerman over twenty years. The gardens are truly romantic and a rare treat.

Before lunch, we return to the Regency spa **City of Bath** where the rest of the day is spent at leisure (lunch independent). Marvel at the Georgian architecture, bathe in the natural hot spring waters of Bath Spa or discover more about Jane Austen, Bath's most famous resident at the Jane Austen Centre. Dinner in the hotel included.

Friday 5th July

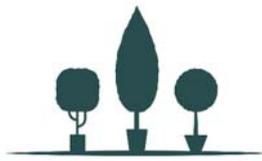
We begin the day with a private guided tour of the walled garden at **Iford Manor**, a Grade I Italianate garden designed by the architect and landscape gardener Harold Ainsworth Peto who lived here from 1899 to 1933. The Manor House is also famed for its tranquil beauty and romantic setting.

We then continue onto **Stourhead** – England's finest landscape garden. We will have time for lunch (independent) before taking a guided tour of the garden. At its centrepiece is a magnificent lake reflecting classical temples, mystical grottoes, and rare and exotic trees. We return to the hotel for our final night dinner (included).

Saturday 6th July

We check out of the Bath Spa Hotel and make our final garden visit of the tour to **Abbey House Gardens** – a spectacular 5 acre garden beside the 12th century Abbey Church in the centre of medieval Malmesbury. In the afternoon we will make one drop-off at Heathrow Airport and one in central London where we say good-bye. We can advise on departure planning.

NOTE: This tour includes one year's individual membership of the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS).



OUR HOTELS

Our hotels are 4 and 5-star and are selected for their high standards of comfort and service. All rooms are en-suite and offer free wi-fi access.

MacDonald Windsor Hotel, Windsor

Just two minutes walk from Windsor Castle, this Georgian townhouse has been beautifully converted into a lovely contemporary hotel in the centre of historic Windsor. The cobbled streets around the hotel and Windsor Castle offer a delightful mix of eclectic shops and cafes.



MacDonald Bath Spa Hotel, Bath

A luxury 5-star hotel located in the heart of historic Bath. This elegant Georgian mansion is situated in its own verdant parkland and offers comfortable rooms, fine dining and a luxury spa. The garden view bedrooms afford lovely views across the landscaped grounds, have stylish marble bathrooms and are a perfect place to unwind.



TOUR PRICES:

Prices are per person, based on twin/double room share, with single supplement (solo occupancy of a double room) shown separately. Prices are payable in £GBP. For clients travelling from USA, our tours can be booked in your local currency through our travel partner shown below, or you can book through your own travel agent or consultant. Just ask them to contact us

Glorious Gardens from Windsor to Bath (6 nights)	Price per person (sharing a twin or double room) £GBP	Single Supplement £GBP
	£2,975	£500

PRICES INCLUDE:

Accommodation at 4 and 5-star hotels with en-suite facilities based on twin/double room share; first members-only day at the RHS Hampton Court Flower show; buffet breakfast daily; 2 lunches and 5 dinners; admissions to gardens; deluxe coach travel with professional driver; guided tours as described in an information pack provided at the start of the tour; one year's membership of the RHS; services of your Sisley tour director throughout; arrival transfers are included only if you are joining the tour at Heathrow Airport on the first morning of the tour.

PRICES EXCLUDE:

Airfares; passport and/or visa fees; beverages; laundry; telephone calls; lunches and dinners (except where included in the itinerary); gratuities; souvenirs and items of a personal nature.

Please see our FAQs for further information.

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