

English Summer Gardens with Hampton Court Garden Festival 4th - 10th July 2021 (6 nights)



This spectacular high-season tour explores some of our very best English gardens and houses. We will enjoy extraordinary gardens in their full summer profusion, private tours, fascinating historic houses, attractive scenery and experience members-only day at RHS Hampton Court Garden Festival – the largest of its kind in the world.

Sunday 4th July

After our morning pick-up at Heathrow Airport, we head north to the charming, **4-star King's Head Hotel, Cirencester**. En-route we make a stop at the magnificent **Waterperry Garden**. Made famous by Beatrix Havergal who established her School of Horticulture for Ladies here from 1932 to 1971, Waterperry is now home to 8 acres of beautifully landscaped ornamental gardens. There is free time for lunch (independent). This evening join your tour director and travel companions for dinner at the hotel (included).



Monday 5th July

Today we begin with a drive through the **Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty** to **Painswick Rococo Garden**. This rare Rococo survival has been sensitively restored based on a 1748 painting of the gardens. After, there is time in the village of **Painswick** for lunch (independent).



In the afternoon we visit the private garden of **Trench Hill**. We'll meet the owners who will show us around their 3 acre garden which is set in a small woodland with panoramic views. We conclude the day with a visit to **Miserden Garden**, a delightful garden designed in part by Edwin Lutyens, surrounding the beautiful Miserden House. We have an introduction to the estate from the owner, then time to explore. For dinner, we enjoy a private event in the 'pop-up' garden restaurant at Miserden (included).

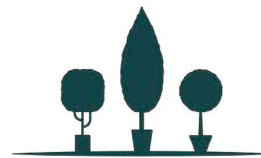
Tuesday 6th July

Today we visit **the Royal Gardens at Highgrove** – home to HRH the Prince of Wales and the Duchess of Cornwall. These gardens have been created by the Prince of Wales during his 30 years of ownership and are widely regarded as some of the most inspired and innovative gardens in the UK. After the guided gardens tour, we'll enjoy lunch in the Orchard Restaurant (included). Please see note below regarding Highgrove. We return to **Cirencester** where the afternoon and evening is at leisure for you to enjoy this attractive market town with its many eateries, fascinating church and Roman heritage.



Wednesday 7th July

We wave good-bye to the Cotswolds and begin our journey south. Our destination is the **RHS Hampton Court Palace Garden Festival**, the largest flower show in the world. We visit on a



‘members-only day’ to see magnificent floral displays, show gardens, cookery demonstrations, live music and gardening talks. If you need a quiet moment, step into the beautiful **Hampton Court Palace gardens** adjacent. Lunch is at leisure at the show (independent). In the afternoon, we check into our hotel, the **4-star Nutfield Priory**. Dinner in the hotel is included.

Thursday 8th July

We start the day with a private ‘pre-opening’ guided tour of **Sissinghurst Castle Garden**, a romantic garden created around a slender brick-built castle tower by Harold Nicolson and Vita Sackville-West. En-route to our next garden, we enjoy lunch (included) in a traditional Kentish Pub. In the afternoon enjoy a guided tour of **Great Dixter House and Garden**, a cottage garden on a grand scale. We return to the hotel for dinner (included).

Friday 9th July

This morning we enjoy a visit to **Nymans Garden**, one of the most fashionable gardens of the Edwardian period. The house was devastated by fire, leaving part a romantic ruin to dominate the garden.

We then head to **Gravetye Manor**, the spectacular home of William Robinson, author, botanist and gardener. The house is now a ‘boutique’ hotel. We are treated to lunch in the restaurant (included), followed by a guided tour of the gardens. We return to our hotel for a light supper (included).

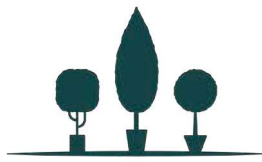
Saturday 10th July

For our final visit of the tour, we go to **RHS Wisley**, the home of the Royal Horticultural Society. Full of ideas and information, the garden delights and inspires in any season of the year. We enjoy a guided tour so you’ll be sure to see the very best of these impressive gardens. We stay for lunch (independent) at Wisley.

In the afternoon we return to Heathrow Airport where we drop off at The Sheraton Heathrow Hotel and Heathrow Terminal 3 for inter-terminal transport links and the Heathrow Express train travel into London. Full details of tour joining and departure can be found on our website.

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

HIGHGROVE: In February each year, the Prince of Wales’ office at Highgrove releases dates on which pre-booked visits to the gardens will be available. Dates are limited and dependent on the Prince’s diary. It is therefore not possible to guarantee tickets to Highgrove before these dates are released. Our itinerary may be re-ordered to accommodate the visit to Highgrove or an alternative garden will be included should tickets not be available.



OUR HOTELS

Our hotels are 4-star and are selected for their high standards of comfort and service. All rooms are ensuite and offer free wifi access.

The Kings Head, Cirencester (3 nights)

The Kings Head is an elegant boutique hotel with 45 stylish bedrooms, located in the heart of the historic Cotswolds market town of Cirencester. The exact age of the Kings Head is not known, but it was certainly in existence as a coaching inn in the middle of the fourteenth century. Today it is a haven of style and comfort.



Nutfield Priory, Redhill (3 nights)

Nutfield Priory is a 4-star country house hotel and spa inspired by the Neo-Gothic splendour of the Palace of Westminster. This unique Victorian mansion house which dates back to 1872, delights with its stylish interiors and many original features. The hotel is set in 12 acres of private grounds and offers a fully equipped health club including indoor pool, squash courts, gym and spa.



TOUR PRICES: Prices are per person, based on twin/double room share, with single supplement (solo occupancy of a double room) shown separately. Tours are priced in £GBP.

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	£3,500	£500

PRICES INCLUDE: Accommodation at 4-star hotels with en-suite facilities based on twin/double room share; buffet breakfast daily; 3 lunches and 5 dinners; admissions to gardens and the RHS Hampton Court Palace Garden Festival; one year's individual membership of the RHS; deluxe coach travel with professional driver; guided tours as described in an information pack provided at the start of the tour; services of your Sisley tour director throughout; all tour gratuities; 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); souvenirs and items of a personal nature.

Please see our FAQs for further information.

BOOK YOUR TOUR

Booking Form: Firstly please complete our online booking form at www.sisley.co.uk/booking-form. The form will ask you to indicate how you would like to book the tour from the following options:

- In \$USD by check or credit card with our appointed travel agent in the USA, Worldwide Traveler
- In your local currency through your own travel agent. The booking form asks for their contact details so that we can contact them to progress your booking
- In £GBP by credit card via Paypal or by direct bank transfer directly with Sisley Garden Tours

Tour Payment: Once we have received your booking form, we will confirm that places are available and ask you (or your preferred travel agent) for a 10% deposit to secure your booking. Tour balance payment is due 90 days prior to the tour.

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