

HUGHENDEN ALLOTMENT & GARDEN ASSOCIATION

Day Visits for 2024

- The cost may be less but not more than the amount advertised
- Payment is taken at the end of the visit via cash, cheque (payable to HAGA) or bank transfer
- The coach pick-up points are: (1) The Harrow; and (2) Boss Lane
- Please: Book your place at a HAGA meeting or with the Social Committee

Be at the pick-up point at least 10 minutes before the stated time

Board the coach in the order of queuing at your pick-up point

Unless stated otherwise, give at least 7 days notice of cancelling or payment will still be due

Bring relevant membership cards e.g., National Trust

Non-HAGA members are welcome if not all the seats on the coach are taken by members.

Thursday 2nd May – Perch Hill – Sarah Raven's Garden

Cost £49

Leave at 10.30am and home by 18.30pm

We have pre-booked to visit Sarah Raven's Garden – Perch Hill – in East Sussex on a special open afternoon in Spring 2024. We plan to arrive by 1.00pm.

Combinations of tulips, late narcissi, carmassias, amongst honesty and wallflowers, with other biennials, should be available to view. Sarah Raven has written for the Saturday Telegraph, Country Living, Gardeners' World magazine and Sainsbury's magazine amongst others.

The Perch Hill shop will be open selling plants, seeds, gardening kits, gifts, etc.

The total journey will be about 2.5 hrs including a comfort break.

Saturday 3rd August – Thenford Arboretum

Cost: £39

Leave at 12.10pm and home by 18.45pm

Michael and Anne Heseltine purchased this house and garden in 1976. Their priority consisted in the restoration of 40 acres of woodland – now 70 acres with over 3,000 species of trees and shrubs. There are also extensive herbaceous borders, water, sculpture, walled and rose gardens. There are restored medieval fish ponds with an interconnecting canal and lakes.

We will be attending a Summer Garden Open Day from 2.00 to 5pm. Tea, coffee and cakes are available in the Church Barn at no extra cost.

The total journey time should be about 1.5 hours.

<u>Saturday 14th September – RHS Wisley</u>

Cost £27

Leave at 9.00am and home by 17.30pm

Optional tour £5

As HAGA is affiliated to the RHS, and entitled to an annual free visit to one of their gardens, we have booked to go to Wisley. Advertised as beautiful in all seasons, there is plenty to see and do at Wisley, both outside and inside, eg exotic and walled gardens, the glasshouse, and free daily talks and demonstrations at RHS Hilltop. There are also 3 cafes, a Food Hall and a restaurant, the Garden Centre and the shop. There are generally no garden tours at the weekend, but Wisley have promised to try to book a volunteer for our visit.

The journey time to Wisley should be just over an hour but because of the major roadworks (due to be finished in Summer 2025!) at the M25/A3 junction, the journey time may be longer.

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