

Gardens of the Test Valley: Visit Houghton Lodge and Longstock Water Gardens

Monday 15 July 2019

Our Garden Visit this year takes us to Hampshire to visit two outstanding gardens near Stockbridge. The first is Houghton Lodge, a rare example of an 18th century 'Cottage Ornee', which we will be shown around on a private tour. Afterwards you will be able to stroll at leisure around the delightful riverside gardens which include a walled kitchen garden, long border and orchid house.

We will then make a short journey to the Leckford Estate, former home of the John Lewis family, where we will enjoy an informal lunch in their beautiful barn restaurant. This will be followed by an introductory talk to the Longstock Water Gardens, rated as one of the finest in the world for its water lilies. As we have arranged another private visit you will be able to fully enjoy the peace and tranquillity of these magnificent gardens before our return trip to Malmesbury.

COST: The cost of this trip including coach, coffee and lunch is £58.