

VISIT TO LOSELEY PARK

THURSDAY 15TH JUNE 2023 at 10.30 am



We are delighted to invite you to a summer day trip to Loseley Park near Guildford.

The joy of Loseley House is that so little has changed, for the current house is still fundamentally that built in the 16th century. The story of Loseley Park begins with the purchase of the Manor of Loseley during the reign of Henry VII. As Sheriff of Surrey and Sussex the purchaser, Sir Christopher More, was a man of considerable influence and power, yet it was his son, Sir William More, also a direct ancestor of the current owner, who first began building work in earnest. For anyone with an interest in furniture and its history, Loseley House is a treasure trove and a walk through its rooms is a walk of constant surprises. Nothing about the rooms or furniture at Loseley is staged, for every table, every chair, every cabinet, was originally here as working pieces of furniture – and so remain preserved in the domestic setting the original designers and craftsmen intended. Visits to Loseley House are by guided tour only which lasts about 45 mins.

The gardens are also delightful: The Walled Garden covers 2.5 acres and is divided into 'rooms' each with its own unique planting scheme and personality. There's the Rose Garden with over one thousand bushes, the Flower Garden with its maze of pathways and hidden corners and the White Garden that contrasts spectacular, showy, blooms with lush yet subtle silver and grey foliage.

We suggest you need to spend at least four hours at Loseley Park to appreciate it fully, although on summer days people stay considerably longer and visitors are always welcome to spend the entire day there. Further information about the house, garden and facilities can be found on: <https://www.loseleypark.co.uk/>

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BOOKING DETAILS

The visit is organised by Mrs Marion Clark. Please contact her on Tel: 07931 500645 or by e-mail at: marion.clark@hotmail.com for further details about the visit and for arranging car sharing. **Please indicate below whether you are able to offer a lift or you need a lift.**

We need at least 20 visitors for the visit to go ahead, so please bring your family and friends for an interesting day out. Travel will be by private cars and we encourage members to get together and share cars and the cost of petrol. We suggest you meet at OWMH, but please make your own travel arrangements. The estate is 3 miles south of Guildford and the main entrance is in Stakescorner Rd, GU3 1HS. The journey from Old Windsor is 28 miles and it will take about 45mins.

The cost for a guided tour of house plus entry to gardens is £29 pp and this includes coffee/tea and a Danish pastry on arrival. We have been advised to forgather in front of the House at 10.30 am from whence we will be directed to the Tea Hut for refreshments. These will be followed by a guided tour of the house at 11.15am. The visit will last about 45 mins after which you will be free to visit the gardens.

The Tea Hut also offers food and drinks for lunch, including pizzas subject to the weather, and afternoon drinks and cakes. Please check the website for menus and further details. Picnics are not allowed in the grounds but they are happy for us to have these in the car park.

There are two options for booking and paying for this visit, as below. Please send in your booking as soon as possible or bring it to our lecture on **24th May, which is the cut off date.**

1. E-mail booking and payment via BACS

You could book by paying by BACS into our bank account:

Account Name: The Arts Society Windsor

Sort Code 40-47-02, Account No: 81377264

Reference: name plus 15/06.

Afterwards please send an e-mail confirming payment and lift needs/offers, with your name, telephone no and e-mail address, to Mrs Marion Clark, to arrive before 24th May.

2. Booking and Payment by Post

Please complete the form below and send it with your cheque to: Mrs Marion Clark, c/o Mrs Linda Aitken, 53 Kings Road, Windsor, SL4 2AD, to arrive before 24th May.

I wish to attend the Loseley Park Visit on 15th June 2023 and enclose a cheque for £29, payable to The Arts Society Windsor.

I wish to bringguest (s) at a cost of £29 pp and enclose a cheque for a total of

I can offer a lift to Loseley Park Y/N

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