



Hollister House Garden

TOUR OF ENGLISH GARDENS

Led by Arne Maynard

Sunday, June 17 – Sunday June 24, 2018



Join celebrated English garden designer Arne Maynard and George Schoellkopf, creator of Hollister House Garden, on a special tour of some of England's most beautiful private gardens.

Sunday, June 17 (D)

Arrive Heathrow Airport and meet tour leaders for the trip to The Pig Inn near Bath, a beautiful Georgian country-house hotel set in the gently rolling countryside of the Mendip Hills, which will be our base for the next 4 nights. Enjoy a welcome dinner prepared especially for us.



Monday, June 18 (B/L/D)

After a delicious English breakfast we drive to Oxfordshire to visit **Appleton Manor**, a privately owned manor house dating back to the 12th century with gardens designed by Arne Maynard. Arne will talk about his design that blends the old and the new and introduces a smart contemporary twist to a traditional theme, while paying respects to the house's rich history.

Following a picnic lunch at Appleton Manor we will drive on to the beautiful private garden at **Westwell Manor**.

Westwell is a formal garden of rooms and enclosures with fine borders, topiary and water in a variety of forms.

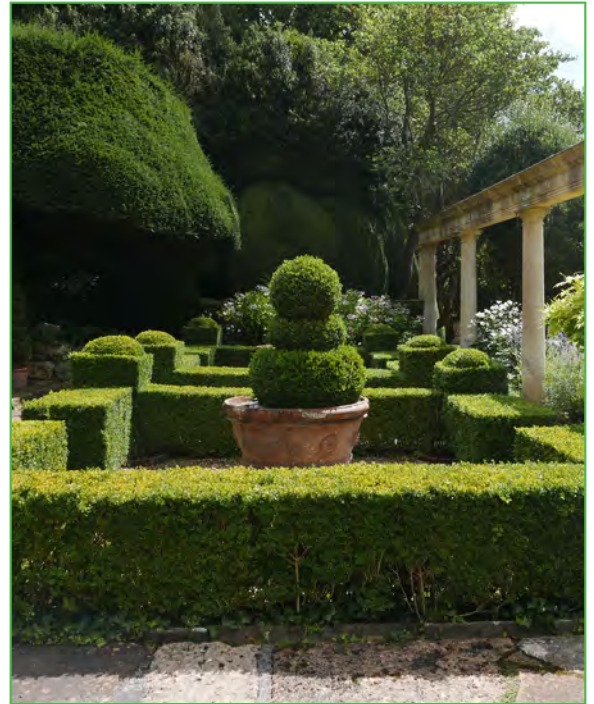


Tuesday, June 19 (B/L/D)

In the morning we will visit a garden in nearby Bradford-on-Avon, the magnificent **Iford Manor**, created at the beginning of the 20th century by architect Harold Peto and in private ownership. Steeply terraced gardens in the Italianate style overlook the river Frome in an idyllic setting with superb architectural features and statuary.

We will drive into Bath where Professor **Timothy Mowl** will lead a tour of Roman and Georgian Bath and join us for lunch.

In the late afternoon we will visit **Special Plants**, a small nursery specializing in perennials and run by self-confessed plantaholic, Derry Watkins. She will give us a tour of the nursery and her garden.

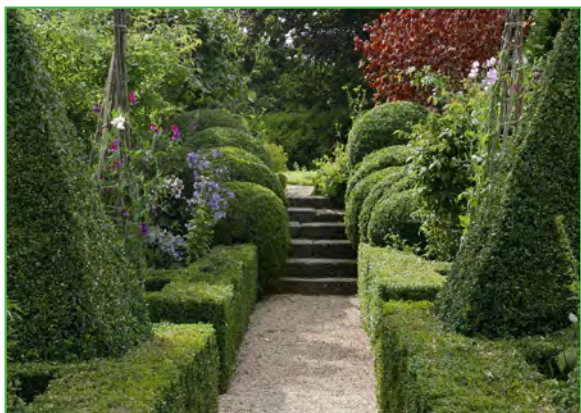


Wednesday, June 20 (B/L/D)

Today we drive to the Cotswolds to visit two exceptional gardens. In the morning **Upton Wold**, a quintessentially English country garden set on the slopes of a hidden valley, with views out over wild flower meadows, fine borders, secret gardens and an extensive collection of walnut trees. We will have lunch here in the Garden Room, hosted by the owner.



After lunch we drive to **Rockcliffe**, a classic Cotswold garden, imaginatively and immaculately planted by the owner, with quirky topiary, water, garden rooms and a wonderful walled kitchen garden. We will be shown around by the head gardener.



Thursday, June 21 (B/L/D)

This morning we travel to Abergavenny and the Angel Hotel where we will be staying for the next 3 nights. On the way we visit the private garden at **Hanham Court**. Designed 20 years ago by the previous owners, garden designers Julian and Isabel Bannerman, the present owners have recently made a full and sensitive restoration of this richly romantic garden.



We drive on to **High Glanau**, an original Arts & Crafts house and garden, beautifully restored by the owners according to the original design and with wonderful views out to the Black Mountains. We will have lunch here on the terrace with the owners, after which we are free to wander through the garden.

After lunch we drive on to Abergavenny and the Angel. There will be time to explore this charming town and look in on the Art Shop & Chapel for tea.



Sarah Price, acclaimed garden designer, gold-medal winner at RHS Chelsea and co-designer of the East London Olympic Park will inspire us with a talk about her work before she joins us for dinner at the Angel.



Friday, June 22 (B/L/D)

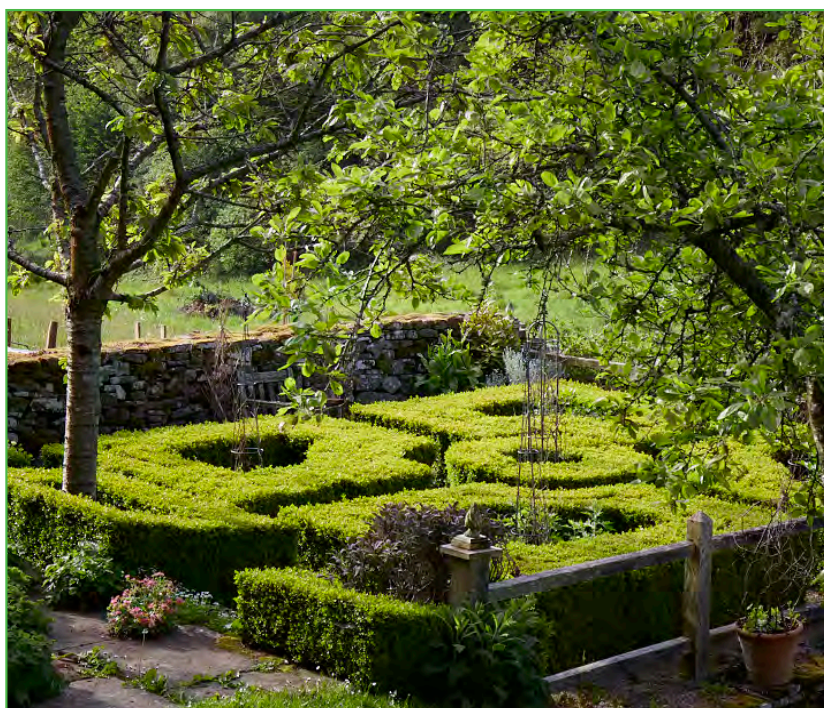
Today we drive south to Dorset and **Cothay Manor**. A beautiful and historic medieval manor house, Cothay dates back to the 15th century and is surrounded by twelve acres of magical gardens, laid out by the owner and widely acknowledged as a plantsman's paradise. We will have lunch here and have an opportunity to tour the manor house as well.



After lunch we drive on to **South Wood Farm**, where Arne has created a large country garden in sympathy with the 17th century Devon Farmhouse. A sheltered walled garden is filled with herbaceous perennials and topiary and a superb kitchen garden overflows with produce. Other delights include a nuttery, plum orchard and a traditional Devon courtyard with sunken greenhouse.

Saturday, June 23 (B/L/D)

This morning we will visit garden writer Camilla Swift's garden, **The Pant**, a garden of formal rooms and contrasting landscaped woodland all set within the larger landscape of the Black Mountains, secluded and with spectacular views.



After a picnic lunch we will drive to Arne's own magical house and garden at **Allt-y-bela** where we will have tea and Arne will take us around the garden and talk about his design and evolution of the garden.

In the evening a special farewell supper hosted by Arne with delicious food, drink and good conversation.

Sunday, June 24 (B)

Following breakfast we will travel to Heathrow Airport for the journey home.



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Eligibility

This tour is limited to 20 participants and preference is given to Hollister House Garden Circle of Friends members. To confirm your reservation we must receive your completed registration form and deposit. Reservations will be confirmed in the order in which they are received. Please note there are a limited amount of single occupancy rooms available.

Tour Fees: \$7,395 (single supplement \$1,545)

Includes

- Chartered coach transportation from Heathrow Airport to our hotel on Sunday, June 17
- Hotel accommodations for 7 nights
- English breakfast daily, six lunches
- Seven dinners including wine
- All garden visits and special presentations as outlined in the itinerary
- Services of our tour organizer Garden Days Out who will be accompanying us for the week
- All transportation during the tour and gratuities to coach drivers
- Chartered coach transportation to Heathrow Airport on Sunday, June 24

Does not include

- International flights to and from London
- Any meals not detailed in the itinerary
- Personal expenses, tips
- Cocktails or spirits
- Travel insurance



Additional donation of \$1,000 per person

This *fully tax deductible* contribution to the Hollister House Garden Educational Fund will support our mission.

Schedule of Payment

- \$1,000 per person deposit due with your registration form. May be paid by credit card or check.
- Balance due by February 1, 2018. Must be made by check payable to Hollister House Garden
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Cancellation and Refund Policy

The registration form with a deposit of \$1,000 per person must be received and processed to confirm your reservation. Should your plans change this fee is refundable less a \$500 administrative fee until February 1. Between February 1 and March 15 50% of the total fee will be refunded IF we are able to fill your place from a waiting list. There are no refunds after March 15.

Air Arrangements

The group will be met at Heathrow Airport on Sunday, June, 17 and travel by private coach to The Pig near Bath. A private coach will leave the Angel Hotel on Sunday, June 24 and return the group to Heathrow Airport.

The suggested flights are:

June 16 BA 0182 depart JFK 22:55 arrive LHR 11:00

June 24 BA 0113 depart LHR 16:05 arrive JFK 19:05

If you have arranged to spend time in London independently prior to the beginning of the tour or choose to make other flight arrangements please advise the Hollister House garden office and we will provide the designated meeting place at Heathrow.

Activity Level

There is a moderate amount of walking. Good health and stamina plus a sense of adventure and a flexible attitude will insure a pleasant trip for everyone.

Note: Arrangements and schedules are subject to change.



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REGISTRATION FORM

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

I would like to bring the following guest (other than spouse)

Guest Name: _____

Guest Address: _____

Guest Phone: _____ Guest Fax: _____

Guest Email: _____ Guest Cell Phone: _____

Tour of English Gardens Registration Fee

The cost of the Tour of English Gardens is **\$7,395 per person**. The single supplement is **\$1,545**. Deposit of **\$1,000** must be received to confirm your place on the trip.

I understand that payment of the balance is due no later than February 1, 2018 and must be paid by check

A tax- deductible contribution of **\$1,000 per person** payable to the **Hollister House Garden Education Fund** is due with my final payment.

Registration Fee: \$1,000 per person x _____ (number registering) \$ _____

Name as it appears on card: _____

Credit Card Number: _____ (*Amex, MasterCard or Visa only*)

Expiration Date: _____ / _____ Security Code (CSC) _____

Payments by check payable to Hollister House Garden may be mailed to:
PO Box 1454 Washington, CT 06793

Payments by credit card may be scanned and emailed to:
office@hollisterhousegarden.org or placed by calling 860-868-2200.