

Leigh Estuary U3A Mini Break 2019

Tuesday 10th ~ Thursday 12th September

£175 pp double/twin room, £225 pp single room

For 2 night's bed, breakfast and 3 course evening meal with tea or coffee

The itinerary includes:

- A visit to Rockingham Castle, Northamptonshire
- A whole day visit to the National Memorial Arboretum, Staffordshire
- A visit to Ascott House, Buckinghamshire

Mercure, Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire ****

This 4 star hotel is a grand, Italianate-style country manor set in 8 acres of grounds. It is the former home of Staffordshire brewer, William Worthington and is grade II listed. Our stay at this no-smoking hotel includes a comfortable room, a good breakfast and 3 course evening meal with tea or coffee.



The hotel has the following facilities:

- Free Wi-Fi
- Lift
- Garden

Room Facilities:

- Flat screen TV
- Safety Deposit Box
- Free Wi-Fi



Itinerary

Day 1: Tuesday 10th September

We will depart our local area and journey to Rockingham Castle where there is an opportunity to join a free flow tour of the castle and get some refreshments from the cafe. After our visit we will continue on our way to our hotel.

Day 2: Wednesday 11th September

Today our coach will take us to the National Memorial Arboretum, an area of 150 acres with over 300 memorials and an abundance of wildlife. The arboretum is home to over 30,000 trees and a vast collection of flora, fauna and wildlife habitats. There is a Land Train offering a 50 minute journey around the arboretum with a pre-recorded commentary. At the end of the visit we will return to our hotel.

Day 3: Thursday 12th September

Today we will be departing for home, stopping off at Ascott House, Buckinghamshire on the way. This National Trust property has an old farmhouse dating from around 1606 at its core. In 1873 it was acquired by the Rothschilds and contains an exceptional collection of paintings, fine furniture and oriental porcelain as well as having an extensive garden. Although donated to the National Trust in 1949, Ascott House remains the countryside residence of the de Rothschild Family.

Included in the cost:

- ♣ Exclusive coach travel with Kirbys
- ♣ 2 night's accommodation with bed, breakfast and 3 course evening meal with tea or coffee
- ♣ Entry to Rockingham Castle
- ♣ Day excursion to National Memorial Arboretum
- ♣ Travel to Ascott House

Not included:

National Memorial Arboretum - Land Train and donations at your own expense

Ascott House - NT members free, non-members approx. £12 House and Gardens, £7 Gardens only

Please note:

Travel insurance is not compulsory but is recommended and is your responsibility to organise.

Booking

Please specify whether you would like a twin, double or single room. If necessary, please give the name of the person you wish to share a room with. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

If you are interested please contact Lorna Reeve on **01702 478102** or **lornatravelu3a@gmail.com**



Rockingham
Castle



National Memorial
Arboretum



Ascott House