

Your tour includes:

- 4 nights' accommodation on a half board basis at the Leonardo Hotel Plymouth
- Porterage on arrival and departure at hotel
- Tea/coffee on arrival at hotel
- 5 days' executive coach services with Pulhams Coaches
- Visit to RHS Rosemoor Gardens (RHS affiliated group - no cost included)
- Return ferry trip Dartmouth/Greenway with Freenway Ferry & Pleasure Cruises
- Visit to Greenway House and Garden (National Trust - no cost included)
- Admission to Lukesland Gardens with guided tour
- Admission to Pinetum Gardens
- Admission to Trewithen
- Visit to Coleton Fishacre (National Trust - no cost included)
- Admission to Burrow Farm Gardens and Nursery

Your tour excludes:

- Travel Insurance
- Additional entrance fees to places of interest other than those detailed in the itinerary
- Lunches and refreshments, other than those detailed in the itinerary
- Gratuities

No admission costs have been incorporated to the National Trust properties featured on this tour. Admission for N.T. Members is free of charge on production of a valid membership card.

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At any time prior to the tour departure, we reserve the right to make changes (of equal value or difference will be refunded) to attractions, visits and excursions should such suppliers' requirements and/or unforeseeable circumstances make it essential to do so. During the tour, details in the itinerary may be subject to alteration at the discretion of the tour manager and in accordance with the wishes of a clear majority of the passengers. We reserve the right to cancel this tour not later than 8 weeks before departure, if insufficient bookings have been received to justify its departure.

You can obtain Booking Forms and Booking Conditions from your Group Organiser. Please send completed booking forms and payments (cheques payable to Norman Allen Group Travel Ltd) to your Group Organiser, name and address below:

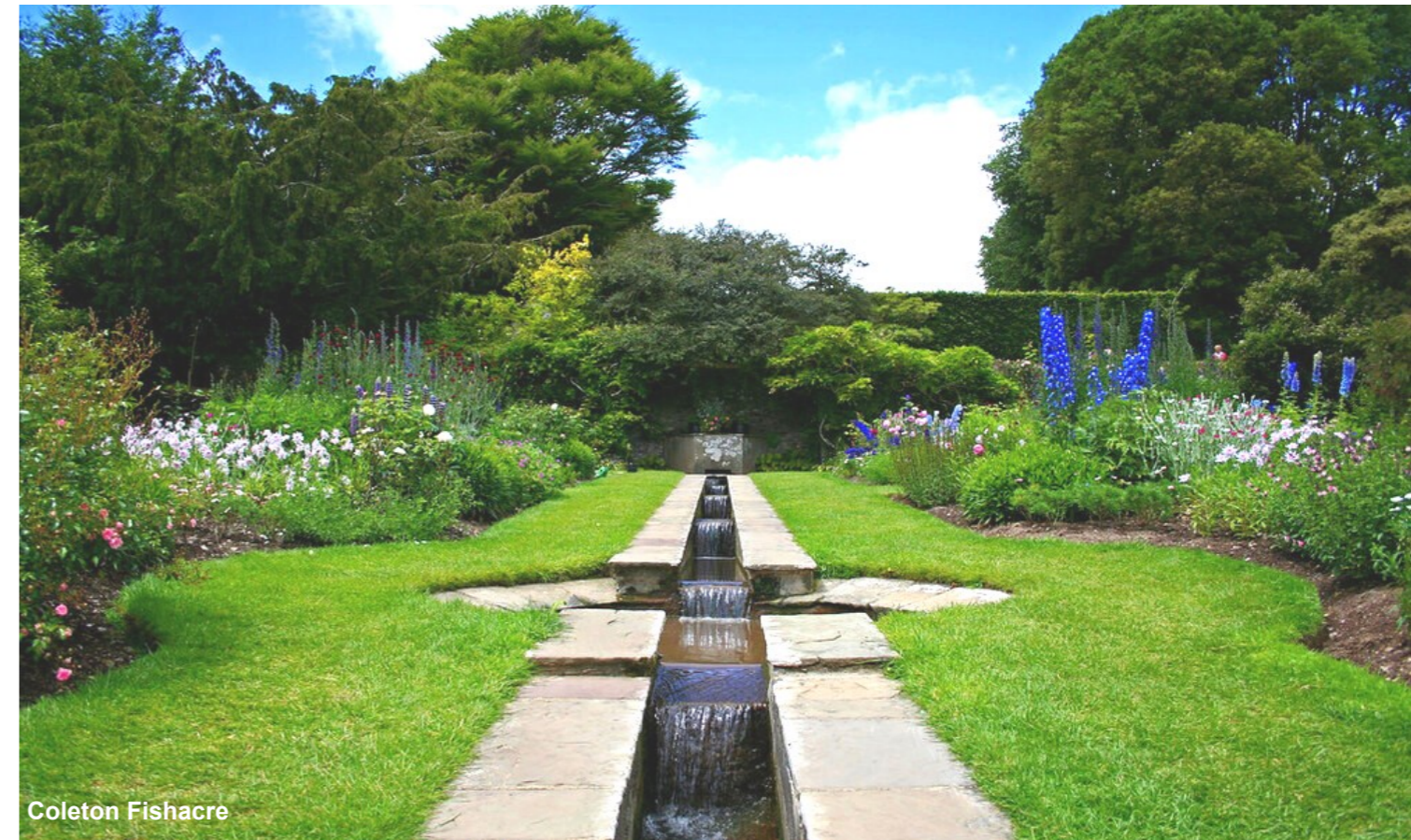
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Gardens of Devon and Cornwall

With Cheltenham Horticultural Society



Coleton Fishacre

15 to 19 May 2025

Known as Britain's Ocean City, Plymouth is our base for this tour of England's temperate south west. This climate allows a vast array of exotic plants to be cultivated in the area - we will explore a wide range of gardens and everything they have to offer. From meticulously colour-planned beds of perennials, to sprawling lawns and woodlands with abundant wildflower growth, and even the Arts and Crafts styled grounds of a stately home, our tour is full of horticultural delights for us to discover.



Lukesland Gardens

Trewithen

Thursday 15 May - RHS Rosemoor Garden

We begin our tour by departing Cheltenham for the journey to Plymouth. Along the way, we visit RHS Garden Rosemoor. Previously home to Lady Anne Berry, who built up the plant collection from her travels across the world to places such as South America, New Zealand and Japan, the garden was gifted to the RHS in 1988. Rich in horticultural heritage and set over 65 acres in the Torridge Valley, RHS Rosemoor now has an abundance of gardens with varying themes - from the Rose Gardens, showcasing both historical and modern breeds in a wide array of beautiful hues, to the Woodland Garden, which bursts into different vibrant colours with each season, and the Fruit and Vegetable Garden, whose seasonal crops help to provide for the various cafés and restaurants on site. After our visit we rejoin the coach to continue our journey to the Leonardo Hotel Plymouth, our base for the duration of the tour.



Friday 16 May - Greenway & Lukesland Gardens

This morning we depart for the riverside town of Dartmouth, where we head to the Dartmouth Town Pontoon to catch the ferry over to Greenway. This Georgian National Trust house was originally built in the late 18th century and served as a holiday home for Agatha Christie and her family, who would spend summers and Christmases on the estate. Today, the house holds their collections of silverware, Tunbridge ware, silver and books, including first editions of Christie's own books. The grounds feature a woodland which sprawls down the hillside towards the Dart estuary, the "Clock Golf" lawn with its beds full of dahlias, and the North and South Walled Gardens, which house a cut flower garden, an allotment, a Vinery and Peach House. After exploring Greenway, we catch the ferry back over to Dartmouth and make our way to Lukesland Gardens, where we enjoy a guided tour. Set in Dartmoor National Park over 24 acres, Lukesland is known for its range of specimen trees, some dating back to Victorian times. The gardens have a range of stunning sights, with a stream that cascades over waterfalls, under bridges and into ponds, towering beds of rhododendrons and vibrant carpets of bluebells.



Saturday 17 May - Pinetum Gardens & Trewithen

Today we travel into Cornwall for the day. Our first stop is Pinetum Gardens. Spanning 30 acres and lovingly created over the past 40 years, Pinetum is home to one of the country's largest and most impressive plant collections. There are ten immaculately designed garden rooms to explore, each with its own theme ranging from a Cornish Cottage Garden to an exotic Japanese Garden, and of course the Pinetum itself, with over 80 different conifers. Following this, we journey to Trewithen. With the name itself meaning "house of the trees", this collection of woodland gardens and parklands is a living legacy. Over 200 species of camellias, sourced on plant hunting trips in the early 20th century, cultivated species of magnolia introduced from China, and a fascinating blend of sculptures and flora are amongst the sights to explore here.



Sunday 18 May - Coleton Fishacre & Brixham

This morning we visit Coleton Fishacre, an impressive Arts & Crafts style county home which invites visitors to step back to the Jazz Age. Lady Dorothy and Rupert D'Oyly Carte spotted the site on which the house is built whilst on their yacht one day, with construction beginning in 1925 headed by architect Oswald Milne. As it stands today, the house offers a fascinating insight into life in the 1920s and the lifestyle of the D'Oyly Carte family, from the fossil-studded limestone fireplace in the Sitting Room to the tidal clock found near the front door, which was set each morning to tell the family when to expect high tide, and is still maintained by staff to this day.



Thanks to its position within a valley, Coleton Fishacre enjoys a mild climate which allows many exotic and tender plants to thrive in its garden. Kent's Border evokes the Arts and Crafts movement with its hedging, topiary and vibrant colours, the Hot Border creates a stunning 'firework' display of upward-pointing flowers in vivid red and orange hues, and the terraces are home to many tender, sun-loving plants which surround various pools.



Following our visit, we continue on to the harbour town of Brixham for some time at leisure. With its colourful buildings, life-sized pirate ship museum, a Napoleonic fort atop the headland and plenty of fresh seafood at the many restaurants in the town, it's the perfect place to spend an afternoon.

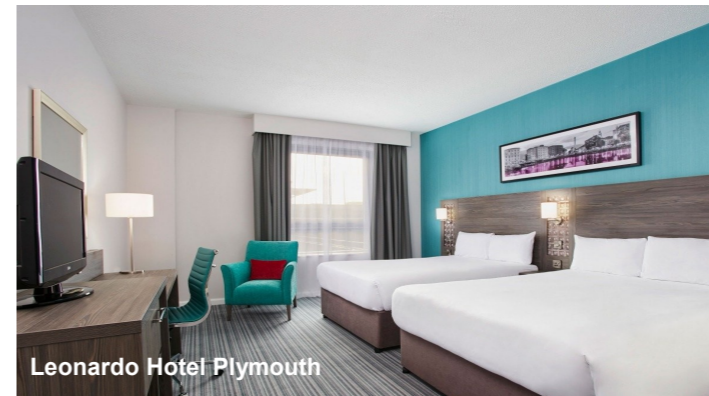
Monday 19 September - Burrow Farm Gardens and Nursery

This morning, we check out of the hotel and board the coach for our homeward journey. Along the way, we stop to visit Burrow Farm Gardens and Nursery. With 13 acres of sweeping lawns and colour themed planting, these gardens are a hidden gem of East Devon. The Woodland Garden is the oldest part of the site, with its mature rhododendrons, an ancient field maple and Roman clay quarry full of wildflowers. The Millennium Garden was created to celebrate the year 2000 and features stunning wisteria leading down the steps to the traditional stone gazebo. The Anniversary Garden was constructed to celebrate 50 years of Burrow Farm and offers an eye-catching range of pink, purple and blue perennials to explore. The Nursery on-site features many of the plants found in the gardens for sale. After spending time here, we rejoin the coach for the final portion of our journey back to Cheltenham.



Accommodation - Leonardo Hotel Plymouth (4*)

The Leonardo Hotel Plymouth is a stylish 4 star hotel, located in the centre of Plymouth, which provides the perfect base for our tour. Each spacious and comfortable room is equipped with free unlimited Wi-Fi, complimentary toiletries, flat screen TVs and all are serviced by an elevator. Breakfast and evening meals will be taken at the contemporary on-site restaurant - full English breakfast and 3 course evening meal with minimum 3 choices per course, plus tea/coffee afterwards.



Tour Price per person	£ 764.00
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Deposit per person	£ 80.00
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Single Room Supplement	£ 91.00
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(The final balance is due not later than 20 March 2025)

Travel insurance
If you have not already arranged cover, please visit <https://normanallen.b2ctravel.co.uk> who offer travel insurance.

For any travel insurance purchase, you should check the individual policy wording provided to you carefully to ensure this meets the specific needs for your chosen holiday.