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for everyone and
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"HOLE IN ONE!" Everyone can have a lot of fun playing a round on this roman themed course. "YESSSSSS!"

"THIS WAY!" "DEAD END!"

Perhaps the most common shouts as people find their way, before they play, at this beautiful and romantic maze. "WOW!" Butterflies flying free in a tropical setting, it is just so interesting to find out all about their world. "COME AND SEE!"


So now take a look at the prices online and see what suits you best. You can choose any combination, and look out for the seasonal offers and promotion codes on the Explore Gloucestershire web pages. There's also an adult changing room and baby changing facilities. **Have an aMazing day out here soon!**


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Operating throughout the Forest of Dean

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Let yourself go in the Forest of Dean

Forest Adventure are a family run business located in the heart of the Royal Forest of Dean. Their highly experienced and qualified instructors are able to provide activities suitable for all age groups and abilities. The venues and approach vary according to the age and experience of the group. All activities are based in and around the Forest of Dean and Wye Valley. The activities offered are:- **Adventure days, health and wellbeing courses, canoeing, kayaking, raft building, climbing, abseiling, caving, gorge walking, archery, problem solving, bush craft, bridge building and adventure days.**

Forest Adventure offer camp hire and set up to make your experience as convenient as possible. Activities aim to engage everyone in outdoor activities and benefit from the physical, emotional and health boosting experiences. Instructors ensure that clients develop at their own level, in a learning environment enhanced with humour and encouragement. Forest Adventure are ready to continue creating memories through the great outdoors.

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- KID'S CRAFT SPACE
- GIFT SHOP, CAFE & PICNIC AREAS
- HOLIDAY FAMILY ACTIVITIES
- WOODLAND AREA TO EXPLORE
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A fascinating journey of discovery

A stunning and fully interactive site, the Dean Heritage Centre protects and preserves the unique history and heritage of the beautiful Forest of Dean.

With five acres to explore and a wide range of attractions, artefacts and displays, the Centre offers something for everyone, all set against a spectacular forest backdrop.

Five galleries bring the history of the Forest to life, from the Ice Age to the present day; along with a reconstructed Foresters cottage, charcoal burner's camp, Victorian schoolroom and woodland playground to enjoy as part of your visit.

Relax in the Heritage Coffee Shop and sample delicious homemade snacks and cakes overlooking the millpond. Browse in the shop where you will find locally made gifts, local interest books and a range of books and gifts for younger visitors.

There's always something new and exciting to interest, inspire and surprise you at the Dean Heritage Centre; a great day out for all the family.

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A perfect place to eat, shop and explore

If you're looking for a place to eat, shop and explore, look no further than Taurus Crafts.

You can browse the arts and crafts, meet artisan makers, purchase distinctive gifts, attend special events, or simply relax and unwind.

In addition to the **Taurus Crafts Store**, you can also find a great selection of independent arts and crafts businesses where you can see people at work and learn about something unique directly from the makers.

After you've explored all that's on offer, why not complete your visit to the **Sevenside Kitchen** for a delicious family meal or slice of freshly baked cake?

Taurus Crafts is home to **Sevenside Skills** which offers a vocational pathway to the world of work, and as part of **Camphill Village Trust** who aim to support and enable people with learning disabilities and autism to live a life of opportunity.

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GLOUCESTERSHIRE

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Fantastic adventure in the trees and on the ground

Award-winning outdoor adventure activities for all the family. Set within the beautiful Forest of Dean, families and friends of all ages can unleash their inner Ape on Tree Top Challenge and Tree Top Adventure, or explore the forest floor on epic all-terrain Segways. It's a day out like no other.

Tree Top Challenge: You will be briefed for safety before you fly down zip-wires, leap off Tarzan Swings and tackle obstacles whilst enjoying some breathtaking scenery.

Forest Segways: Get off the beaten track and Go Ape Forest Segway - an epic adventure with a down-to-earth twist.

Go Ape Beechenhurst Lodge, Forest of Dean (three miles away from Mallards Pike Lake) is home to the **Tree Top Adventure** (for younger adventurers) and **Tree Top Adventure Plus** for children above 1.2m and over 6 years. This extension loop is perfect for thrill seekers who've smashed the Treetop Adventure but aren't ready, or don't have time, for the full Mallards Pike Treetop Challenge course. Designed with the younger family in mind you can either harness up and join in or cheer on from the forest floor.

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Little London, Longhope, Forest of Dean, Glos.

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All weather fun in the Forest of Dean

Come rain or shine, the Dick Whittington Park is the place to visit for family fun, exercise and relaxation. Set in a beautiful location the Park offers a large indoor heated **Playbarn** with slides, climbing frames, trampolines, a climbing wall and wavy mirrors.

Enjoy the **Hidden Valley** nature trails around the Park: wander around the lakes and pathways into the ancient wood, and experience the Gloucestershire apple orchard and gardens. Book in for outdoor exercise and wild swimming.

The **Who's Who Gallery** gives an insight into famous Gloucestershire characters including J.K. Rowling and Eddie the Eagle.

Food and drink is available in the restaurant with picnic areas around the Park and **Sensory Garden**.

Dogs welcome outdoors.



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CLEARWELL CAVES

DISCOVER THE WONDER OF UNDER

Underneath the Forest of Dean lies a natural cave system that has been mined for more than 4,500 years.

➔ **Book online : clearwellcaves.com**

Underground adventure awaits at this unique attraction in the Forest of Dean

Explore these fascinating show caves, suitable for all ages.

Follow in the footsteps of generations of miners, including children that carved their living from the rock to make this incredible network of caverns.

Discover ten impressive caverns with displays throughout, as well as a **Gift Shop** selling unique gifts, ochre pigment, minerals and fossils.

The **Lamp Room Café** sells great coffee, cakes, drinks and light snacks. There are **Guided Tours** for groups, caving activities and special events throughout the year.

Scan the QR code on the right or visit www.clearwellcaves.com for lots more information, including online booking.

There is free parking on site too, helping make this day out in the Forest of Dean an affordable one.

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MUSEUM OF
GLOUCESTER



Museum - Collections - Exhibitions - Education - Family Activities - Talks & Tours - Trails - Shop - Café

Visit our website and social media channels for all the latest news, opening hours and our ever-changing exhibition and events programme...

More to explore...

Opening hours

Peak season (February half-term to end October half-term) | Tuesday-Saturday 10am-5pm, Sunday 11am-4pm.

Off-peak season (End October half-term to February half-term) | Tuesday-Saturday 10am-4pm, Sunday 11am-3pm

We are encouraging **pre-booking** to the Museum to avoid disappointment...

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Find out all about the Museum of Gloucester

Found within the city of Gloucester is an internationally important collection of treasures of over 750,000 objects...

The Museum of Gloucester is the most unique cultural and family destination in the city, telling the story of the city's origins as a Roman settlement and its subsequent development through the Dark Ages, Medieval period and beyond.

The beautiful Victorian building houses a significant collection of art including paintings by Richard Wilson and Thomas Gainsborough and the archaeology collection includes the world-famous Birdlip Mirror and the Gloucester Tables Set; the oldest complete backgammon set in the world. Highlights also include a Roman kitchen and Medieval street, plus part of the original Roman wall!

Explore the changing exhibitions throughout the year alongside a varied programme of events, workshops, tours and talks. Educational sessions, outreach and loan boxes are available as well as a gift shop full of exiting historical and local products (and not forgetting the café!)

Admission to the Museum is free, but donations make a huge difference in helping to preserve the historical sites and collections for generations to come.

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From Benedictine monks and medieval pilgrims to royalty and film crews, Gloucester Cathedral has welcomed many different visitors over the years. Explore this beautiful building and see the tomb of a king, a window the size of a tennis court, ancient stonemasons' marks, filming locations from some of the *Harry Potter* movies and so much more.

The guided **Highlights** and **Crypt Tours** take place daily and are the perfect way to learn about the stories, hidden spaces and breath-taking architecture that Gloucester Cathedral is so famous for. On certain dates throughout the year, visitors are offered the chance to climb to the top of the 226-ft tall Cathedral Tower as part of a **Tower Tour**, or to look inside the 15th century monastic library on a **Library Tour**.

Further details of all guided tours and general information can be found by visiting www.gloucestercathedral.org.uk or scanning the QR code on the right.

Gloucester Cathedral is open seven days a week, with entry by donation, and all are welcome.

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A fantastic family day out near Gloucester

Over Farm's Countryside Adventure will provide countless hours of fun in the fresh air, and only a short drive from the centre of Gloucester.

There's two amazing play areas to explore, including the specially built **Combine Harvester** and **Mini Over Farm Market**. With **Mini Golf** for all ages, **Jumping Pillows** and the animals always welcome friendly faces, what's not to love?

The **Tractor Trailer** and **Quad Train** are prepped ready to whisk you around the farm - as long as the weather allows they'll be fired up!

Drinks and snacks are available onsite, and the café within Over Farm Shop has hot meals, sandwiches, snacks and treats available.

If this isn't enough, a sensational season of events await in 2023. Keep your eyes peeled for the **Easter Eggstravaganza**, **May Wild Weekends** and not forgetting the **Halloween festival - Spookyard**, all bigger and better than ever before!



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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES - SCULPTURE GARDEN - FREE PARKING

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An inspiring museum for all ages to appreciate

Nature in art is unique - it is the world's only museum dedicated to art inspired by nature. Displays embrace two and three-dimensional work in all mediums and styles, spanning 1500 years, 60 countries and over 600 artists. Coupled with an exciting temporary exhibitions programme, you are sure to find something to spark your interest.

Located just two miles north of Gloucester in a beautiful Georgian mansion, the museum also boasts a sculpture garden, a purpose built education centre and an artist's studio. The popular artist in residence programme gives you the opportunity to meet and talk to an artist whilst they demonstrate their skills.

Why not visit and explore in 2023. There are 17 special exhibitions, over 100 activity sessions, 26 artists in residence, over 30 art courses, 12 mini craft markets, monthly talks, family fun days, a renowned craft fair and much more.

For more information, visit the website, social media channels or scan the QR code.

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Whatever your tittle, you're covered. Stylish cocktail venues include The Alchemist, Cozy Club or The Botanist; Brewhouse and Kitchen has an onsite microbrewery and Brewdog has a selection of 30 on-tap craft beers.

For quality food made fast there's Creams Cafe, Five Guys, Nando's, Prezzo or Son of Steak. We have Hub Box, Mowgli and Pho, offering a range of world cuisine, from Cornish burgers to Indian or Vietnamese. Plus our newest venue Pizza Express is definitely worth a visit.

For thrill seekers or those wanting a fun experience with family or friends, enjoy the range of entertainment on offer from Cineworld, Escape Hunt, Hollywood Bowl, Mr Mulligan's, The Play Farm and Flight Club.

Plus for fashion and homestyle lovers there's Urban Outfitters, Luke 1977 and - coming in Spring '23 - Søstrene Grene!

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The farm shop is open seven days a week, all year round, selling fresh fruit and vegetables and other produce from local suppliers. There's also a free play area and from April to October the outdoor café opens, serving light refreshments, scoop ice creams and hot drinks with covered seating in a large marquee.

During the school holidays Primrose Vale organises fun family activities, including an Easter Trail and the ever popular Halloween Trail - also the perfect time to pick your own pumpkins!

There's no entry fee for PYO, but events are ticketed and should be booked in advance. Visit the website or scan QR code for more info.

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For opening times & to book: www.puzzlewood.net



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A Warm Welcome to Holst Victorian House

Explore life in Cheltenham's only Victorian home open to all, the birthplace of composer Gustav Holst in 1874.

In Holst Victorian House you can explore the lives of some of the inhabitants, including Holst's parents, both in Victorian and more modern times. The house is a time capsule of 19th century life with working Victorian kitchen, bedroom, scullery and nursery.

Composer Gustav Holst's life and times can be discovered in his Music Room, complete with the piano on which he composed *The Planets*. The drawing room displays many original paintings by his great uncle Theodor in the Gothic-Romantic style.

The museum hosts a range of exhibitions, events and children's activities throughout the year, including popular *Bake Back in Time* events using the working coal-fired range.

Booking via their website (recommended) or just drop-in.

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The 89th summer season will run from Saturday 25 March until Friday 6 October. There will be a variety of events, activities and fitness classes again this year including:-

- Swim lessons • Fun inflatable sessions • Aqua aerobics
- Yoga • SUP yoga • Triathlon • Dog swim • Lifeguard courses
- Outdoor summer evening cinema and theatre

There is something for everyone of any age at Sandford Parks Lido.

All set within beautiful landscaped grounds that comprise of two pools, children's play area and the on-site cafe.

A booking system remains in place, to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all visitors. A number of spaces will be reserved for the spontaneous walk-in customer.




Find more information via the website or scan the QR code on the right.

Sandford Parks Lido look forward to seeing you soon!

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Soak in the beauty of the Cotswold hills as you journey along their Wildlife Walk, resting to taste the seasons in their onsite restaurant.

Mark your calendar and remember to join in the annual fun with live lambing, bottle feeding and many more seasonal events.

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A full day out in the heart of The Cotswolds

Located in the heart of the picturesque Cotswolds, Sudeley Castle and Gardens is home to fascinating treasures from ancient Rome to the present day. The castle is surrounded by a breath-taking 1,200-acre estate with 10 award-winning gardens and incredible adventure playground. It is also the only private castle in England to have had a queen laid to rest - Katherine Parr, the last of Henry VIII's six wives.

New for 2023: Sudeley's food and beverage offer has returned in-house with a new kitchen team, hot food offer and a warm-welcome for all. Inside the grounds, the **'CoExistence'** story continues with the **Sculpture Safari** relocating and more animals joining the beautiful elephants, rhinos, orangutans and more.

Sudeley Castle is located only eight miles from Cheltenham and Broadway. Free parking is available.

Open daily 20 March - 5 November 2023.

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Winchcombe, Glos.

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There's so much to explore in 2023

- * Garden Terrace Cafe * Gift shop
- * Children's play area
- * Themed children's trails
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Discover beautiful Batsford Arboretum

With 56 acres to explore, it's easy to lose yourself among the leafy glades, find a quiet spot to soak up the sunshine or marvel at the stunning views across the Evenlode Valley at Batsford Arboretum. Enjoy early colour from the snowdrops, spring-flowering bulbs and spectacular Japanese flowering cherries; escape the heat under the tree canopy in summer and prepare to be amazed by the outstanding autumn colour!

You'll find fabulous breakfasts, lunches, afternoon teas and cakes in the recently extended **Garden Terrace Café** where you can soak up the sun on the wooden deck while the kids explore the play area.

Browse the Garden Centre and pick up expert gardening tips - and everything you need for the garden and allotment - from the knowledgeable staff. The visitor centre is also home to the **Gift Shop** - full to bursting with hundreds of gift ideas you won't find on the high street.

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**COTSWOLD
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Tickets: Adult £12 - Concessions £10 - Children (4-15yrs) £6 - Carers £6

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Get Closer to birds of prey in the Cotswolds

Cotswold Falconry is home to over 60 species of incredible birds of prey, including majestic eagles, iconic falcons and endearing owls.


Open since 1988, Cotswold Falconry has developed into one of the leading bird of prey centres in the UK. Over this time, thousands of people of all ages have enjoyed finding out about the ancient art of falconry and how its skills are used to demonstrate the natural behaviour of the birds. Set against the beautiful surrounding Cotswold countryside, the centre hope you take away a greater appreciation for these amazing birds and a better understanding of their conservation needs.


Cotswold Falconry also offer '**Flying Starts**' and '**Owl Experiences**', which give a lucky participant the opportunity to come eye-to-eye with some beautiful bird species and experience the majesty of flying a bird of prey to their gloved hand. More information about these sessions and their availability can be found on their website.


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COTSWOLD MOTERING MUSEUM & TOY COLLECTION

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So much more than a car collection

Set in the beautiful village of Bourton-on-the-Water the Cotswold Motoring Museum and Toy Collection is waiting to be discovered.

The Museum is home to an impressive collection of over 50 vehicles including cars, motorcycles, pedal cars and caravans displayed over seven unique galleries. It takes you on a fascinating journey through the 20th Century, overflowing with vintage vehicles, hundreds of original enamel signs and an intriguing collection of motoring curiosities.

This must-see museum is also home to superhero car **Brum**, star of the classic 90's TV show. The enchanting toy collection also spans the decades with a wonderful display of toys and games from old favourites to more modern items.

Scan the QR codes throughout the museum for a guided tour, or take part in one of the quiz's or the **Brum Trail** - perfect for children and those with a few grey hairs who feel young at heart.

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COTSWOLD COUNTRY *Park & Beach*

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Take a dip in the swimming lagoon at the beach - children will love the adventure playground situated right by the beach. There is also a children's beach lagoon - families with toddlers will love the enclosed outdoor play area and paddling pool with grass picnic area.

Enjoy the fabulous **AQUAVENTURE** - the LARGEST inflatable waterpark in the area with lots of AWESOME action-packed obstacles! Race friends and family on the giant inflatable course. Climb the incredible **Mammoth Tower**, bounce on the amazing **Tornado**, have fun on the incredible slides with lots of action packed obstacles to challenge yourself, friends and family members. The ultimate total wipe-out style experience.

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Get closer to nature at Slimbridge Wetland Centre

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Plan your wetland escape

From nature lovers to families, there's something for everyone at award-winning WWT Slimbridge. Whatever the weather, wonderful wildlife awaits!

Explore **Mission Possible** and meet the world's rarest goose or immerse yourself in the **Living Wetland Theatre** and **Waterscapes Aviary**.

Spot all six species of flamingo and marvellous mammals from water voles to harvest mice, as well as awesome amphibians from all over the world in **Toad Hall**. Splash around in the newly developed **Welly Boot Land** and run wild in **Riverlife** outdoor adventure playground. Experience Slimbridge like never before with the family-friendly app, **Wetland Heroes**.

Travel back in time at **Scott House Museum** or become a real life explorer at **Arctic Adventure**. Venture to a hide for best views of wild birds – don't miss the accessible Estuary Tower with breath-taking views over the Severn estuary. Seasonal highlights include **Wild Safaris** around the wider reserve or paddling through the waterways on a **Canoe Safari**.

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The Castle is steeped in over 860 years of British history. It is best known as the scene of the brutal murder of Edward II in 1327 and for being besieged by Parliamentary troops in 1645. Over 24 generations of Berkeley's have gradually transformed a Norman fortress into the lovely family home it is today. The Castle is surrounded by lovely terraced gardens with flower borders, a lily pond, Elizabeth I's bowling green and sweeping lawns. Garden enthusiasts can enjoy a stunning display of roses and many rare plants and flowers in Berkeley Castle's magnificent terraced gardens in June and July with admission included within the entry cost to the Castle.

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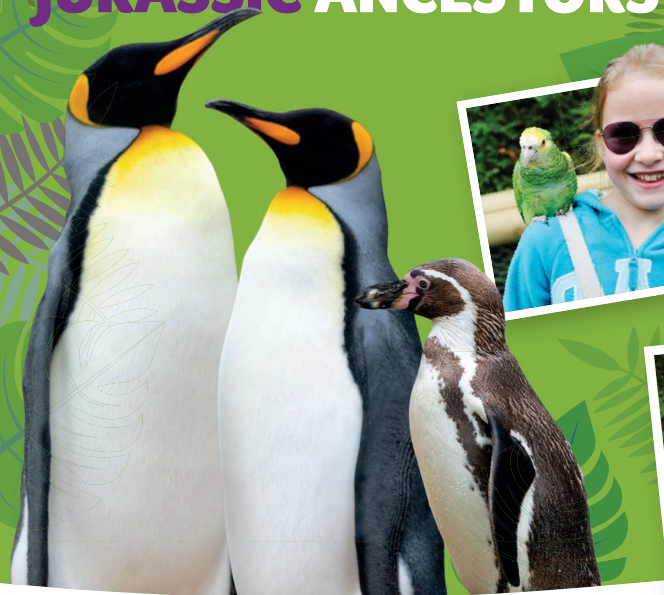
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A World of Birds in the Cotswolds

Birdland Park and Gardens, in Bourton-on-the-Water, is home to one of the largest collections of exotic birds in the UK.

Located in the heart of the beautiful Cotswolds, the park's magical combination of woodland, riverside and gardens makes it the perfect day out.

Meet more than 500 birds including birds of prey, large cassowary and rare species like the Waldrapp ibis. Spot flamingos, pelicans, cranes and waterfowl, with many more inhabiting over 50 aviaries.

See England's only breeding group of king penguins at the new-look *Penguin Shore* before exploring the *Out of Africa* area, home to hornbills, village weavers and many more.

Discover *The Parliament of Owls*, venture into the woodland to encounter life-sized dinosaurs lurking on your *Jurassic Journey*, then head to the *Pandemonium of Parrots* area to see vibrant and colourful parrots, macaws and lorikeets.

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A stunning garden with trees from around the globe

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Home to 2,500 different species from the far corners of the globe and 5 national tree collections and 15,000 species, Westonbirt is the perfect place for you to escape, relax or have an adventure!

Westonbirt Arboretum was established in the 1850s by wealthy landowner Robert Holford and later developed by his son George Holford. Unlike many arboreta, Westonbirt is laid out according to aesthetic appeal rather than scientific or geographical criteria.

Covering 600 acres, with natural play areas and restaurants including a smoke house, Westonbirt provides an amazing outdoors setting for a family day out. So, take a journey up into the canopy on the STIHL Tree Top Walkway, see if you can spot the Gruffalo or take in some beautiful scenery on a relaxing stroll!

For more information and to book tickets, visit the website or scan the QR code. For visitors without internet access, call 0300 068 0400 - Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm.

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A beautiful place to explore, escape and imagine

Experience the great outdoors with a cheeky peek into the flamboyant frivolity of the early 1700s in the UK's only complete surviving rococo garden. Whether you are visiting as a family, a group of friends or a couple – or simply in need of some time alone in nature – you'll discover a haven of peace and tranquillity, sprinkled with quirky features to surprise and delight you.

The Garden is the perfect place for all ages to get out in the fresh air and explore. Families can battle their way to the centre of the maze and explore the woodland rustic play area. Well-behaved dogs, on leads, can join in the fun too! There is plenty of free parking and a cafe serving a delicious range of cakes, ice-creams, light lunches and hot and cold drinks.

The Garden plays host to a programme of events throughout the year, including summer theatre and family trails. The hidden valley which forms the Rococo Garden is unforgettably carpeted with snowdrops for a few weeks at the start of each year – please check the website or scan the QR code on the right for all the latest event information.



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A full programme of exhibitions and events take place throughout the year, suitable for all ages. These include guided tours and object handling, with craft workshops for children during school holidays. Modern and accessible galleries offer the visitor a wonderful interactive experience.

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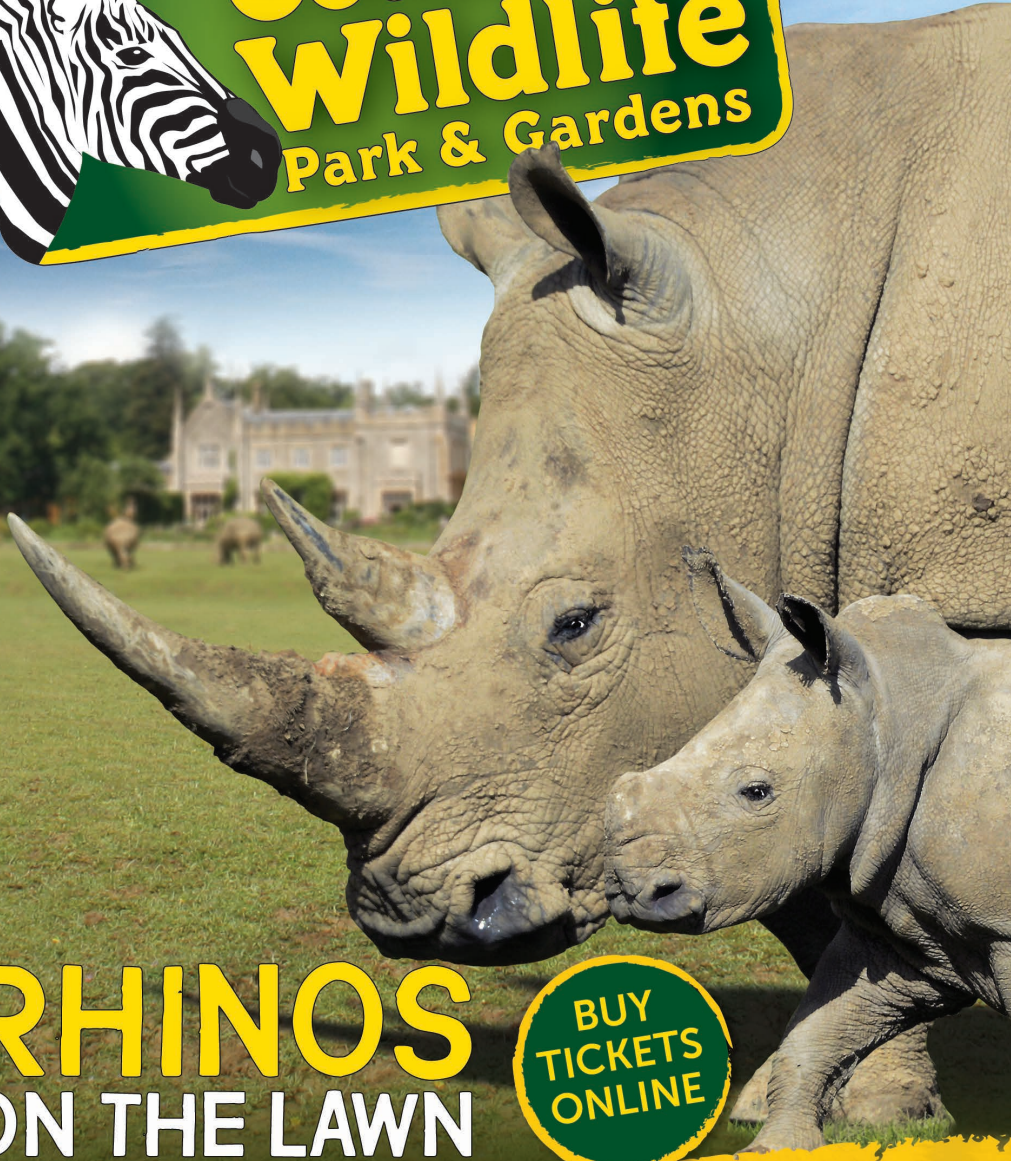
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