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How to book

We have indicated where there is an event charge and where booking is necessary. Please note that normal admission charges apply unless you are a member. All children must be accompanied by an adult. And please check beforehand as to whether or not dogs are welcome. We do take every effort to ensure that all event details are correct at the time of going to press. The National Trust reserves the right to cancel or change events if necessary. **Tickets are non-refundable.**

Key to symbols

- School holiday fun
- Mother's day

BATH AND NORTH EAST SOMERSET

Bath Skyline

Bath

Bath Skyline guided walks

Sun 1 Mar, 2-6.30pm, Tue 24 Mar & 12 May, 10am-2.30pm

Ranger-led sunset walk (1 Mar) to discover more about the history and management of the Bath Skyline, plus city to countryside walks (24 Mar & 12 May).

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

£7 (sunset) £4 (city to countryside)

Wild Wednesdays

Wed 8 & 15 Apr & 27 May, 10.30am-12.30pm

A morning of fun, exploring and creativity in the woodland play area, with a different theme each time.

£2

Nature and archaeology walks

Sat 2 & Sun 10 May, for times see web

Guided walks with the Skyline ranger team and local experts to learn about the dawn chorus (10 May), and an amble around Bathwick Wood, examining the archaeology (2 May).

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

£13 (dawn chorus, includes breakfast), £6 (archaeology)

Woodland adventure day

Fri 29 May, 10.30am-2.30pm

A day of fire lighting, games, creativity and cooking over the campfire in Fairy Wood, Claverton Down. Each child must be accompanied by an adult, and each adult accompanied by a child.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

Child (age 5+) £11, adult £5.50

Prior Park Landscape Garden

Bath BA2 5AH

Garden tours

Every Tue & Thu from 4 Feb, 11.30am-1pm

These informative guided tours lead you through historic Prior Park, giving you a chance to find out about the project to restore the Georgian dams at the bottom of the garden.

Half term trails

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb & Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 10am-4.30pm

Nature-themed trails and activities for the school holidays.

Wild garlic season

Sat 21 Mar - Sun 12 Apr, 10am-4.30pm

Wild garlic carpets the garden in spring, with a sprinkling of tiny flowers and a delicate scent. You can forage for the best leaves to take home, and pick up some recipe cards.

BRISTOL

Dyrham Park

Near Bath SN14 8HY

February half-term nature activities

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 11am-2pm

Why not try some crafts to encourage our feathered friends to visit the garden on Mon, Wed & Fri? Both weekends there will be '50 things to do before you're 11¾' activities and nature trails on Tue & Thu mornings.

Winter tree ID walk

Sun 23 Feb & 1 Mar, 2-3.15pm

It's a challenge to identify leafless winter trees, but on this guided walk led by a tree expert learn how to identify native British trees through bark and buds.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

£5.50

Lady's Day events

Sat 21 & Sun 22 Mar, 11am-2pm

In the seventeenth century, the occupants of Dyrham Park would have celebrated Lady's Day at the end of March. Visitors can create dried flower willow wreaths, plant herbs or sample some seasonal cake.

£1 to plant herbs, £3 to make a wreath

Sing into spring: outdoor folk singing workshop

Sat 25 Apr, 7-9am

Sing with the dawn chorus: folk singer and musician Matt Norman leads an early morning wandering walk through woodland and valley, teaching folk songs on the way. Followed by refreshments in the garden.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

£15 (includes hot drink)

May Bank Holiday celebrations

Fri 8 - Sun 10 May, 10am-4pm

Get into the spirit of the season with May day celebrations including some maypole games and country dancing in the grounds of the 270-acre site.

May half-term nature activities

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 11am-3pm

There will be nature-themed activities and things to do outdoors. On both weekends there will be '50 things to do before you're 11¾' activities, nature trails on Tue & Thu and eco-friendly nature crafts on Mon, Wed & Fri.

Leigh Woods

Near Bristol

Three-day hedge-laying course

Sun 2, 9 & 16 Feb, 10am-3.30pm

Join organic Farmer Mike Amos at Lower Failand Farm and learn how to lay a hedge from start to finish on three consecutive Sundays.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

£80

Dawn chorus

Sat 14 Mar, 5.30-7am

Sat 21 & 28 Mar, 5-6.30am

Take in the early morning air and discover the sounds of spring with bird expert Ed Drewitt. Meeting at the North Road entrance to Leigh Woods (BS8 3PL).

Booking essential 0344 249 1895 £11

Leigh Woods nature day 🌿

Tue 7 Apr, 9.30am-3.30pm

A day exploring Leigh Woods with the rangers. Help with a butterfly survey and learn about bats, dormice and ancient trees.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895 £4.50

Veteran tree walk

Sat 23 May, 10am-12 noon

Join ranger Tor Stanfield to discover the veteran trees, what makes them so special and how we care for them.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895 £8.50

Tyntesfield

Near Bristol BS48 1NX

Horse and carriage rides 🐾

Sat 15 - Sun Feb 23 & Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 15 minute slots throughout the day

Travel across the estate in style like a true Victorian. Each ride lasts for 15 minutes, and you'll be able to share your trip with the whole family.

Booking advisable 0344 249 1895 £4 per person

Victorian week

Sat 7 - Sun 15 Mar, 10am-4pm

Discover life in times past as we explore the stories of Victorian travellers, exploration and trade. Expect re-enactment, living history and more.

Seasonal trail

Mon 9 Mar - Sun 31 May, 10am-5pm

Spring has sprung, and we're celebrating the best of the natural world this season. Pick up a free trail map and find out what's at its best at this time of year.

Mother's Day 🌸

Sat 21 - Sun 22 Mar, 12 noon-1pm, 1.30-2.30pm & 3-4pm

Treat mum to an afternoon tea in style, with the option to add bubbles for an extra bit of sparkle.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895 From £22 (see web)

Tulip season

Wed 1 Apr - Sun 31 May, 10am-5pm

Tyntesfield's annual display of these colourful flowers goes from strength to strength. You'll find them across the formal garden and even making up bouquets in the house.

Spring sketching tour

Tue 21 Apr & Sat 16 May, 9.45am-3.30pm

With guidance from a professional artist, take inspiration from the Tyntesfield landscape as you work with watercolours.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895 £55 (includes a sandwich lunch and materials)

DORSET

Brownsea Island

Pool Harbour
***Boat fare applies**

February half term* 🌸

Sat 15 Feb - Sun 23 Feb, 10am-4pm

For the first time Brownsea will be open throughout February half term. We'll be marking World Thinking Day with a whole week of free Scouting and Guiding-themed activities, plus bookable Ranger Day events.

Ranger days: booking essential 0344 249 1895

£25 (child with accompanying adult)

Spring walks*

First & third Fri of every month from 6 Mar, 11am-12 noon

On the first Fri of every month navigate the island's intriguing history on a Brownsea at war walk. On the third Fri the rangers lead a woodland wildlife or coastal creatures walk.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

Adventure camping*

Mon 13 - Fri 17 Apr, Tue 21 Apr - Fri 1 May, Mon 4 - Fri 8, Mon 11 - Fri 15, Mon 18 - Fri 22 May, overnight (baggage run 3pm)

Experience the peace and tranquillity of Brownsea Island on a campsite steeped in Scouting history set in woodland with sea views. The campsite has toilets and hot showers. Tent and equipment hire available.

Booking essential via web

Adult £23.50, child £12, under 5s free

VE Day celebrations

Fri 8 & Sat 9 May, 6-9pm

We're marking the 75th anniversary of VE Day with an open-air celebration. The wartime-style show will feature actors, music, comedy and dance. Bring a blanket or pop-up chair and warm outdoor clothing.

Booking essential 01202 707744 (option 8)

Adult £30, child £15 (includes show, admission and boat fare)

Burton Bradstock

Near Bridport DT6 4RF

Spring Tide Food Festival

Sat 16 - Sun 17 May, 10am-4pm

A festival for food lovers with over 50 local producers on the Jurassic Coast. Join us by the beach for food, drink, live music and quality products from local crafts people.

£2.50, under 12s free

Clouds Hill

Bovington BH20 7NQ

Volunteer recruitment drop-in session

Sat 1 Feb, 12 noon-3pm

Clouds Hill is looking for volunteers. If you're interested in volunteering here, or at Hardy's Cottage or Max Gate, come and have a chat. Tea and biscuits provided.

Clouds Hill trail

Daily from 1 Mar, 11am-5pm

New for 2020, explore the hillside at Clouds Hill in this family-friendly trail. Complete the trail sheet by collecting eight 'brass rubbings' of images relating to key moments in Lawrence's life.

Corfe Castle

Wareham BH20 5EZ

February half term 🌸

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 10am-3pm

Take part in the Great Escape teddy bear zip wire and watch missiles loose from the medieval siege engine. Family crafts in the outer baily and the challenge of the castle quest.

Story telling: 'The Keeper of the Castle'

Sat & Sun, 14 - 22 Mar, 10am 4pm

Meet the 'Keeper of the Castle' who will take you on journey of discover through 1000 years. Get ready for lots of fascinating facts, humour and fun.

Wolfshead Bowman

Thu 9 - Mon 13 Apr, 10am- 5pm

Join the Wolfshead Bowmen, and witness demonstrations of combat, skilled archery displays and join in with have-a-go sessions

£2 for six arrows

Saxons and Vikings: falconry

Sat 2 - Sun 3 May, 10am-5.30pm

Join Albion Historical Falconry to learn about the Saxon Kings who enjoyed the sport, from Ethelbald of Mercia to Edward the Confessor.

Saxons and Vikings: 'Siege of Wareham'

Fri 8 - Sun 9 May, 10am-5.30pm

Witness the sound and fury of Saxon and Viking warriors in pitched battle as they recreate the siege of Wareham. Explore the Saxon village and learn about everyday life during this harsh period.

Hardy's Cottage

Near Dorchester DT2 8QJ

Food! Eating with Hardy

Thu - Sun, 1 - 29 Feb, 11am-4pm

Daily, 4 Mar - 30 Apr, 11am-5pm

Celebrate all things edible at the birthplace of Thomas Hardy. There will be cooking demonstrations on selected days and displays exploring the food that Hardy and his characters enjoyed.

Volunteer recruitment drop-in session

Tue 4 Feb, 12 noon-3pm

Hardy's Cottage and Visitor Centre are looking for volunteers. If you're interested in volunteering here, or at Clouds Hill or Max Gate, come and have a chat. Tea and biscuits provided.

Easter holiday activities 🌸

Sat 4 - Sun 19 Apr, 11am-5pm

Family friendly activities including the launch of a new spring garden trail.

£2 per trail

Kingston Lacy

Nr Wimborne BH21 4EA

Guided estate walks

Monthly: see web for dates and times

Shake off the cobwebs with a walk through the Kingston Lacy park and estate, including some areas not normally accessible to the public.

Suggested donation £2

Snowdrop walks

Wed 12 Feb & 26 Feb, 9-10am

Join the Kingston Lacy gardeners on an exclusive walk down paths lined with carpets of snowdrops. Learn more about the many different varieties and discover their long history at Kingston Lacy.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895 £8

February half term 🌸

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 11am-4pm

Take your friends and family on a nature adventure this half term. Whatever the weather, there's something to enjoy, from craft activities to the woodland activity trail.

Exhibition: 'Off the wall'

Daily from Mon 2 Mar, 11am-4pm

Experience some of Kingston Lacy's most fascinating artworks from a new perspective as you explore the house. Pre-book your free timed entry ticket to the house in advance to avoid disappointment.

Booking advisable 0344 249 1895

Nature is nourishment

Daily from Sat 25 Apr, 10am-6pm

Yoga, silent spaces, meditation and photography; take a little time out for yourself. Connect to nature and enhance your wellbeing in the garden through a series of trails, events, classes and workshops.

Booking advisable 0344 249 1895

Some charges: see web

May half term 🌸

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 11am-4pm

This half term, discover more about the birds, bees and bugs that call Kingston Lacy home.

Max Gate

Dorchester DT1 2FN

Food! Eating with Hardy

Thu - Sun, 1 - 29 Feb, 11am-4pm

Daily, 4 Mar - 30 Apr, 11am-5pm

Join us at the home of Thomas Hardy to celebrate all things edible. There will be displays exploring the food that Hardy and his characters enjoyed and food-themed activities for children.

Volunteer recruitment drop-in session

Mon 3 Feb, 5-7pm

Max Gate is searching for more baking volunteers. If you're interested in volunteering here, or at Clouds Hill or Hardy's Cottage, come and have a chat with us. Tea and biscuits provided.

Easter holiday activities 🌸

Sat 4 - Sun 19 Apr, 11am-5pm

Family-friendly activities including the launch of a new spring garden trail.

£2 per trail

Studland Bay

Dorchester BH19 3AQ

Mindfulness meanders

Sun 2 Feb, Mon 16 Mar, Wed 1, 15 & 29 Apr, 9am-12 noon

On a peaceful morning exploring Godlingston Heath with Anna, relax into mindfulness exercises on a calming walk through the heath and finish with fresh local gorse flower tea and yoga at Agglestone Rock.

£20

Booking essential via web

Nature detectives half term trail 🌿

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 10.30am-3.30pm

Meet at the Discovery Centre to journey through the woodlands of Studland, solving clues and enjoying wonderful play and craft activities.

Purbeck World War Two exhibition and VE Day celebrations

Sat 2 - Sun 17 May, 10am-4pm

Learn about the part Purbeck played in the war effort, hear from locals, explore artefacts and talk to experts. Come along for a free party to celebrate VE day on Fri 8 May (see web for times).

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Chedworth Roman Villa

Yanworth GL54 3LJ

February half term 🌸

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 10am-4pm

Family fun with trails, crafts, dressing up, and meeting the Roman costumed interpreters.

Roman traders

Fri 8 - Sun 10 May, 10am-5pm

Meet the traders and see them create replica Roman items.

Hidcote

Near Chipping Campden GL55 6LR

Tai Chi

Sat 1 Feb, 7 Mar, 4 Apr & 2 May, 9.15am-11am

Come along and lose yourself in the beautiful outdoor surroundings of Hidcote. With regular practice Tai Chi and Chi Gung creates enhanced physical, mental and emotional well-being and practitioners can feel immediate health benefits.

Booking essential 01386 438333 or visit visitor reception at Hidcote

£10

Kaffe Fasset exhibition

Daily from Mon 6 Apr, 10am-5pm

The striking exhibition gives a different experience at Hidcote. The contemporary art will demonstrate how colour can improve health and wellbeing.

Medieval Hidcote walk and talk

Wed 11 Mar, 11am & 2pm, more dates online

Volunteer Buildings Historian, Roger Johnston, has been researching the history of the buildings at Hidcote and how they've evolved. Find out more about the intriguing Medieval village once here.

Chapel exhibition

Daily from 16 Mar, see web for times

This exhibition explores the impact of nature and gardens on health and wellbeing.

Easter trail 🌸

Mon 30 Mar - Fri 17 Apr, 10am-4pm

We're celebrating all things nature at Hidcote this spring, with hands-on immersive activities and an element to take home.

Child £3

Yoga

Wed 20 May, 6-8pm

This class, led by local yoga teacher Verity Thompson, teaches a dynamic, flowing style of yoga. Sessions are both fun and challenging, and include pranayama (breath work), mindfulness and relaxation.

Booking essential 01386 438333

£10

Lodge Park and Sherborne Estate

Near Cheltenham GL54 3PP

Planting pots

Sat 14 & Sun 15 Mar, 11.30am-1pm & 1.30-3pm

Families can plant seed pots to grow through the spring and bring some colour to gardens or windowsills.

Child £1 (includes materials)

Spring art

Sat 2 & Sun 3 May, 11.30am-3pm

Be inspired by nature to make your own artistic masterpiece.

Child 50p (includes materials)

Bug hunting 🐞

Sat 30 May, 11.30am-3pm

Search the woodland and the pond to find the different bugs that call Lodge Park home.

Newark Park

Near Wotton-under-Edge GL12 7PZ

February half-term fun 🧸

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 10am-5pm

Stretch your legs and follow the wintry trail around the garden, tick off one of your '50 things to do before you're 11¾' activities or explore the natural play area.

Wild for wild garlic

Daily in Apr, 10am-5pm

See, smell and taste wild garlic in the Newark garden and countryside. Follow a garlic trail around the garden or sample tasty seasonal treats from the Tea Pavilion and shop.

Newark in bloom

Daily in May, 10am-5pm

Spring has sprung across the garden and countryside. Find seasonal recipes, floral displays and garden tours.

Snowhill Manor and Garden

Broadway WR12 7JU

Sharing the stories of Snowhill

Various dates and times: [see web](#)

Over the winter a group of volunteers, led by creative writing lecturer Jane Pugh, have been delving into the stories of Snowhill. Come and hear as they bring these stories to life.

May half term 🧸

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, [see web for times](#)

Come and get creative in the garden at Snowhill, explore the manor on a family trail, or listen as a storyteller weaves tales of magic and wonder.

Have a go at stone carving

Sun 31 May, 10am-5pm

Create your own stone sculpture on a one-day workshop taught by Miranda Wakeman, professional sculptor and qualified tutor. Suitable for all levels of experience.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

£80 (includes materials)

SOMERSET

Barrington Court

Barrington TA19 0NQ

February half term fun 🧸

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 10.30am-5pm

It's time to shake the winter cobwebs away. Pick up a free self-led outdoor nature trail, plant a sunflower seed, or learn a new skill with the ranger team in the woods (Wed 19 Feb).

£2 for the ranger day activities

Springtime nature discovery trail 🐞

Sat 4 - Sun 19 Apr, 10.30am-5pm

As spring emerges, discover what's happening to the plants, animals and creatures that live here and why some of them are so special to Barrington.

Wildlife days 🐞

Tue 26 - Thu 28 May, 11am-4pm

Three days dedicated to everything in the natural world, with exhibits and hands-on activities with friends from other wildlife charities. Get up close and learn about bugs, bees, moths, butterflies, pondlife, birdlife and more.

Falconry day 🦅

Fri 29 May, 11am-3.30pm

Watch the flying displays of working birds of prey on the south lawn. You can also see the birds up close on their static displays and talk to their handlers. Arrive early for this popular event.

Coleridge Cottage

Nether Stowey TAS 1NQ

Pop-up poetry

Thu 7, 14, 21 & 28 May, 12 noon-1pm

Sit back, relax, and listen to some poetry in the place where Samuel Taylor Coleridge wrote 'Kubla Khan' and 'Rime of the Ancient Mariner.'

Dunster Castle

Near Minehead TA24 6SL

Conservation at Dunster Castle

Sat 15 - Sat 29 Feb, 11am-4.15pm

Learn about conservation as the team carry out a deep clean of the Library. See what the conservation assistants are up to in the Drawing Room, as they use it as a temporary studio.

Dunster uncovered tours

Sat & Sun, 1 - 22 Mar, [tours running throughout the day](#)

From the imposing Estate Office and creepy corridors to rooms both furnished and bare, these tours give you an interesting insight into life behind the closed doors of Dunster Castle.

Ranger-led hike on Grabbist Hill

Sun 15 Mar, 11am-1.30pm

Join a ranger from the Holnicote Estate for a guided 3-mile seasonal walk on Grabbist hill and pick up some wildlife spotting tips along the way.

Booking essential 01643 821314

£7 (includes tea and cake)

Pistol shooting and archery on Green Court 🏹

Sun - Wed, 29 Mar - 19 Apr

& 21 - 31 May, 11-4pm

Try out your skills as a sharp shooter or hone your aim to hit the target. Friendly instructors will guide you every step of the way.

£4 (for eight arrows or 10 pistol shots)

Napoleonic living history weekend

Sat 16 & Sun 17 May, 10.30am-4pm

A lively living history event with cannon display and skirmishes. Different stories play out throughout the day both up on Green Court, and in the wider parkland.

Become a castle explorer at Dunster 🏰

Mon 25 - Fri 29 May, 11am-4pm

Keep your eyes peeled for a grand dinner setting, a man with red heeled boots and a secret passage fit for a king. All this and more is packed into a new family trail around the castle.

Fyne Court

Near Taunton TA5 2EQ

Mother's Day high tea 🌸

Sun 22 Mar, 12 noon-4pm

Enjoy a Mother's Day high tea in the beautiful surrounds of the music room, with the option of a glass of fizz.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

£18 - £24

Horner Wood

Near Minehead TA24 8HY

Bat walk

Sat 2 May, 8.15-9.45pm

Horner Wood is home to 16 different species of bat. On a guided walk with a ranger, learn how to use a bat detector and find out about the different species.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

Adult £4, child £3

Lytes Cary Manor

Near Somerton TA11 7HU

Looking out for nature

Sat 29 Feb, 11am-3pm

Join the ranger team in clearing scrub around ponds on the estate to improve the habitat for the endangered great crested newt. Make an eco-pledge while you're here.

Help a plant grow

Sat 14 & Sun 15 Mar, 11am-3pm

Make your own eco plant pot and fill with Lytes Cary compost before planting a sunflower seed to take home and nurture.

Nature trail 🐞

Fri 3 - Sun 19 Apr, 10.30am-5pm

Follow the woodland explorers' trail to discover the sights and sounds of nature that are waking up for spring.

Craft fair

Fri 15 - Sun 17 May, 10.30am-3pm

Browse the stalls filled with handmade products from local crafters, pick up a unique gift from the range of treats and traditional crafts.

Free entry to fair

Make a home for wildlife 🐞

Wed 27 May, 11am-3pm

Get hands-on learning some basic woodworking skills from the ranger team whilst making a home for wildlife to use in your own garden.

Booking advisable 01458 224471

£5

Montacute House

Montacute TA15 6XP

'Elizabeth of Bohemia: the Winter Queen' Daily, 11am-4pm

The National Portrait Gallery's special exhibition 'Elizabeth of Bohemia: the Winter Queen' will feature contemporary portraits of this fascinating woman and those connected to her.

Elizabethan welcome tours for Valentine's and Mother's Days 🌸

Fri 14 Feb & Sun 22 Mar, 11am-12 noon, 12.30-1.30pm & 2-3pm

Find out fascinating facts about love and marriage and the role of the mother throughout history on a 40 minute outside tour.

Levels' Best farmers' and craft market

Sat 28 Mar, 25 Apr & 30 May, 10am-2pm

Get all your fresh produce and great crafted products at this established market held in the old stable block.

Free entry to market

Spring trails featuring Shaun the Sheep

Daily from Wed 1 Apr, 11am-4pm

Montacute are teaming up with Aardman and their ever-popular character Shaun the Sheep for a fun spring trail. There'll be modelling workshops with Aardman model makers to create your own Shaun.

Charges apply for trails and workshops: [see web](#)

Tintinhull Garden

Tintinhull BA22 8PZ

Tintinhull House open days

Fri 24 - Sun 26 Apr, 11am-4pm

Take a look around the house the garden was designed around, normally rented out as a holiday let.

WILTSHIRE

Avebury

Near Marlborough SN8 1RF

Avebury sky tour

Thu 27 Feb 7pm-9pm

& Sat 21 Mar 7.30-9.30pm

Take a tour of the night sky around the ancient stone circle at Avebury and soak up its wonders from this perfect stargazing location.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

Adult £8, child £5

Landscape walks

Sun 29 Mar & 26 Apr

& Thu 14 May, 1.30-4pm

Unlock the past as you discover more about the history and archaeology of the Avebury landscape on one of these guided walks.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

£8

May Day celebrations

Sun 3 May, 11am-4pm

Celebrate the beginning of May with traditional festivities including Morris and Maypole dancing, plus family craft activities.

Some crafts have a small charge to cover material costs

Spring wreath making workshop

Sun 10 May, 10.30am-12.30pm

During this relaxed workshop with a local florist, learn to make a beautiful spring wreath using a willow hoop and seasonal flowers.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

£38 (includes materials and refreshments)

Spring foraging course

Sun 17 May, 10.30am-2.30pm

Discover some of nature's wild food secrets on this half-day foraging course with Fred Gillam. Learn to identify edible plants growing in hedgerows, fields and woods and taste some of nature's harvest.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

£50

May half-term activities 🧸

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 12 noon-4pm

Take part in daily '50 things to do before you're 11¾' activities from making a bird feeder to a blossom crown.

Some activities have a small charge to cover material costs

Lacock Abbey, Fox Talbot Museum and Village

Near Chippenham SN15 2LG

Spring flowers in the abbey grounds

Daily until Thu 30 Apr, 11am-4pm

Stretch your legs on a spring walk at Lacock and take in the sights of snowdrops and crocuses, and the sounds of birds singing.

Valentine's Day flower count

Fri 14 - Sun 23 Feb, 11am-4pm

Every year Lacock's gardeners count the flowers to find out how many beautiful blooms are growing in the abbey grounds. How many can you count?

Stories of sanctuary

Daily from Sat 15 Feb, 11am-4pm

Lacock been a place of sanctuary for 800 years. See the stories of some of the people who found peace here; from nuns and soldiers, to inventors and evacuees.

Mindful moments in the abbey grounds

Daily from Mon 2 Mar, 10.30am-5.30pm

Enjoy the peace and tranquillity of Lacock's garden. As you walk past flowerbeds and under the trees, take a moment to watch the clouds, smell the flowers, or listen to the birds.

Gong bath in the abbey cloister

Sat 25 Apr & Sat 16 May, 9am-10am

Start your weekend with positive personal intent; a meditative session in Lacock's medieval cloister to the otherworldly sounds of traditional gongs.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

£20

Family yoga in the abbey grounds 🧘

Tue 26 - Fri 29 May, 11.30am-12pm

& 1pm-1.30pm

Join a Lacock-inspired yoga adventure in the abbey grounds this May half term. Each 30-minute session includes some child (and adult) friendly stretches, poses and breathing exercises. Yoga mats provided.

Mompesson House

Salisbury SP1 2EL

'Inspired? Mompesson House and the Creative Arts'

Daily, Sat 7 Mar - Fri 31 May, 11am-4.30pm

Highlighting pieces from the collection, both familiar and unexpected, this year's presentation shows how Mompesson has inspired people over the years and continues to provide creative inspiration. How will it inspire you?

Family trail

Daily, Sat 7 Mar - Fri 31 May, 11am-4.30pm

Spot the hidden intricate details around the house and garden.

Stourhead

Near Warminster BA12 6QD

Winter warblers 🐞

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 10am-4pm

This half term, celebrate and support birdlife at Stourhead. Get to know different species by trying spotter challenges, testing out tunes and making a birdseed feast to hang in your garden.

£2

Walking for wellness

Fri 27 Mar, 24 Apr & 29 May, 11am-1pm

Get outside and breathe in the fresh air whilst learning a little about the Stourhead estate.

Join one of the volunteers on a monthly estate walk, each with its own focus.

Booking essential 01747 841152

Floralia

Fri 1 May - Tue 30 Jun, 10am-4pm
Celebrate the magnificent spring colour at Stourhead as the rhododendron burst into bloom around the lake path. Hear stories about the plant collection and explore the wellbeing benefits of gardening.

Tree climbing 🌳

Fri 8 - Sat 9 & Fri 29 - Sat 30 May, 10am-4pm

Explore Stourhead's world-famous landscape from up high with the Big Tree Climbing Company.

Booking essential via web

£20 (includes garden entry for one child (age 6+) and accompanying adult)

Ancient mythology flashmob

Sat 9 - Sun 10 May, see web for times

Learn some simple moves inspired by Stourhead's mythological stories and take part in this exciting mass dance event framed against the lake, trees and temples beyond. Drop-in workshops and performances throughout both days.

May half-term garden crafts 🌸

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 11am-4pm

Spring has sprung so celebrate at the Stableyard family activity area where you can choose from a range of garden crafts including flower crown-making and wildflower seed bombs.

£2 per craft or £5 for three

The Courts Garden

Near Bradford-on-Avon BA14 6RR

Signs of spring: snowdrops

Sat & Sun only, 1 - 23 Feb, then daily (except Wed) 24 Feb - 8 Mar, 11am-5.30pm
Welcome in the spring with a refreshing stroll around the garden and enjoy this season's early arrivals.

Spring flowers

Daily (except Wed), Sat 7 Mar - Sun 26 Apr, 11am-5.30pm

Crocuses, daffodils, snowdrops, primroses and hellebores burst into glorious life in the garden. Take in the colours and scents of the new season.

Rewilding your garden 🐝

Daily (except Wed), 4 - 19 Apr, 11am-5.30pm

Enjoy the Easter holidays while making your garden more wildlife-friendly, with tips on making bug shelters and growing plants to encourage bees and butterflies.

WILTSHIRE COUNTRYSIDE

Durrington Walls walk and spring archaeology walk

Sat 7, Wed 25 Mar & 6 May, 1.30-4pm
Wed 18 Mar, Sat 25 Apr & Wed 13 May, 2-5pm

Enjoyable and informative walks around the Stonehenge and Durrington Landscape. Expert guides will have you looking at this landscape with new eyes.

Booking essential 0844 249 1895

Adult £8, child free

Family woodland activity day

Sat 14 Mar, 10.30am-3pm

Try your hand at woodcrafting with the Stonehenge ranger. This family event involves cutting hazel coppice and ash and then using woodcraft tools to make things using the material you have cut.

Booking essential 0844 249 1895

£10

Dinton daffodil walk

Sat 28 Mar, 10am-12.30pm & 1.30-4pm

Join a ranger and horticulturalist to learn about the curious story of daffodil hybridiser George Engleheart and the spectacular displays he cultivated here.

Booking essential 0844 249 1895

Adult £8, child free

Dawn walks

Sun 19 & Sat 25 Apr, 6-9am

Dawn is a tranquil time of day to experience the Stonehenge Landscape and Dinton Park. The rangers will point out the wildlife at these special places.

Booking essential 0844 249 1895

Adult £8, child free

Pepperbox Hill wildlife walk

Sun 17 May, 11am-2pm

On this late spring walk with a ranger, discover some of the history and wildlife associated with this chalk grassland site overlooking Salisbury.

Booking essential 0844 249 1895

Adult £8, child free

Cherhill butterfly walk

Sat 30 May, 10.30am-1.30pm

The stunning chalk downland of Calstone and Cherhill Downs is packed with beautiful wildflowers and rare butterflies.

Booking essential 0844 249 1895

Adult £8, child free

Cadbury Easter Egg Hunts

Bring the whole family together for fun and nature-filled discoveries as you spot the first signs of spring at the places we care for. Follow bunny's clues and finish your adventure with a delicious, Cadbury chocolate treat.

Cadbury Easter Egg Hunts while stocks last.

BATH AND BRISTOL

Prior Park

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 10am-3.30pm

Become a nature detective to follow the clues around the garden.

£2.50

Dyrham Park

Sat 4 - Sun 19 Apr, 10am-3pm

A celebration of nature and the animals we care for: find out about animals that were around in the late 1600s but are now extinct.

£2.50

Tyntesfield

Sat 4 - Sun 19 Apr, 10am-5pm

The Easter bunny has visited Tyntesfield and left a stash of chocolate to be found.

£3

DORSET

Brownsea Island

Sat 4 - Mon 13 Apr, 10am-4pm

Follow the clues to reach the Cadbury prize. Drop into the field near the church for free Easter-themed crafts.

£2.50 (boat fares apply)

Burton Bradstock

Sat 4 - Sun 19 Apr, 11am-3pm

Bunny has gone to the seaside at Hive Beach. Follow the nature trail plus see views along the famous Jurassic Coast.

£2.50

Corfe Castle

Sat 4 - Mon 19 Apr, 10am-5pm

Seek and discover nature clues to claim your special chocolate treat.

£2.50

Golden Cap

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 11am-3pm

Follow the clues to complete the nature hunt around this old smuggler's haunt on the Jurassic Coast.

£2.50

Kingston Lacy

Sat 4 - Sun 19 Apr, 10am-4pm

Keep your eyes and ears open for the signs of spring as you follow the Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt through the woodland.

£2.50

Studland Bay

Sat 4 - Sun 19 Apr, 10am-4pm

Explore the dunes of Studland hunting for Bunny's clues and along the way take part in activities and crafts.

£2.50

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Chedworth Roman Villa

Fri 10 - Sun 12 Apr, 10am-5pm

Follow the clues to claim a Cadbury chocolate prize.

£2.50

Lodge Park and Sherborne Estate

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 11am-4pm

Join the Cadbury Bunny in a search for the signs of spring at Lodge Park.

£2.50

Newark Park

Fri 10 - Mon 13 April, 11am-4pm

Hop along this Easter for a nature-inspired Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt around the garden.

£2.50

Snowhill Manor and Garden

Sat 4 - Mon 13 April, 11am-5pm

Has spring really sprung at Snowhill? See whether you can spot the signs of spring.

£2

Westbury Court Garden

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 10am-4pm

Hunt around the garden now bursting forth with spring flowers to find the clues and solve the quiz.

£2.50

Woodchester Park

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 10.30am-3pm

Discover more about nature at Woodchester Park and explore this beautiful hidden valley on this year's Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt.

Solve the clues along the way to go home with a chocolate prize.

£2.50

SOMERSET

Barrington Court

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 11am-4pm

Follow the tracks and trails around the grounds and identify the creatures that made them.

£2.50

Coleridge Cottage

Sat 28 Mar - Sun 19 Apr, 11am-4.30pm

Mr Coleridge's goose is on the loose; she's laid eggs all over the garden. Count them up and decorate your own eggs.

£1.50

Dunster Castle

Sat 28 Mar - Sun 19 Apr, 10am-4pm

Uncover the traditions of spring on this Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt with flower crowns, painted eggs and wild art.

£3

Fyne Court

Mon 6 - Sun 19 Apr, 10.30am-3pm

Follow the route around Fyne Court and have a go at the nature quiz.

£2.50

Horner Wood

Fri 10 - Sat 11 Apr, 10am-2pm

Learn about the newborns on Horner Farm on the springtime nature trail.

£2.50

Lytes Cary Manor

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 10.30am-4pm

Keep your eyes and ears open to spot the signs of spring.

£2.50



Wellington Monument

Sun 12 - Mon 13 Apr, 11am-12 noon & 12.30-1.30pm

Follow the route up the avenue and have a go at the nature quiz.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895

£2.50

WILTSHIRE

Avebury

Sat 4 - Sun 19 Apr, 11am-4pm

Have you begun to see the first signs of spring? Have fun with a spring-themed Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt as well as nature activities on certain days.

£2.50

Lacock

Sat 4 - Sun 19 Apr, 11am-4pm

How many sounds, sights and smells can you find on this sensory spring hunt around the Lacock abbey grounds?

£2.50

Mompesson House

Fri 10 Apr - Mon 13 Apr, 11am-4.30pm

Complete the nature checklist around the garden to claim your delicious Cadbury chocolate treat.

£2

Stourhead

Sat 4 - Sun 19 April, 10am-4pm

Stourhead's golden eagle has hidden an egg in the garden. It's no ordinary egg and could be anywhere. Follow the clues to find it.

£2.50