

## LONGSTOCK PARK & WATER GARDENS & SIR HAROLD HILLIER GARDENS

Thursday 13th June 2024

### ITINERARY:

09.00hrs	Depart Waitrose Yateley
09.02hrs	Depart Forge Court, Reading Road, Yateley.
09.05hrs	Depart Yateley Parade, Reading Road, Yateley
09.55hrs	Arrive at Longstock Park Farm Shop & Café
10.35hrs	Depart Longstock Park Farm Shop & Café
10.45hrs	Arrive at Longstock Park & Water Garden
12.15hrs	Depart for Sir Harold Hillier Gardens
12.40hrs	Arrive at Sir Harold Hillier Gardens
17.00hrs	Depart Sir Harold Hillier Gardens for Yateley.
17.55hrs	Arrive at Yateley.

### THE VENUES:

#### LONGSTOCK PARK & WATER GARDENS



The day starts with a brief visit and refreshment stop at the Longstock Farm Shop and café before transferring to the peaceful water garden set in the stunning Hampshire countryside, providing the perfect setting to relax, unwind and appreciate the most beautiful views of the season. Enjoy the outdoors and head to Longstock Park Water Garden in the Test Valley. Enjoy this beautiful and enchanting garden with its serene water landscape dotted with charming wooden bridges. Stroll along meandering paths and discover diverse flora while enjoying the soothing ambience of this stunning, intimate garden which was owned and loved by the founder of the John Lewis Partnership.

#### SIR HAROLD HILLIER GARDENS

Choices for lunch are at the Courtyard Café and Garden Restaurant & Tea Rooms where there's a fantastic range of great value home-cooked meals available, all made with fresh and locally sourced seasonal ingredients. The gardens are a world-renowned garden arboretum at the forefront of nurturing and sustaining national collections for the enjoyment and education of everyone, both now and in the future. Outstanding features include the splendour of the seasonal planting displays set in 180 acres, and home to the UK's largest collection of Champion Trees – the biggest, rarest, or oldest of their kind. Amongst the collection are Acer Valley - an atmospheric valley of Japanese and other maples and shaded by mature oaks. *Fagus sylvatica* - Dawyck Purple, is a stunning fastigate (upright growing) purple/red beech and is a champion tree in the Gardens. Many other attractions include *Picea abies* – Viminalis, a weeping form of a common large spruce species often used as a Christmas tree and the Gurkha Memorial Garden - a selection of Nepal's unique flora, situated between Himalayan Valley and Jermyn's House.



**COST:** To include return coach transfers as above, entry to Longstock Water Park, Sir Harold Hillier Gardens, and the services of an Event Manager throughout - £55.50. per guest.

**BOOK NOW – PAY BY 17th MAY 2024**

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