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The Arts Society West Wales

Special Interest Tour to Blenheim Palace & Oxford
Wednesday 29th April to Friday 1st May 2020



Wednesday

Travel to Oxford visiting Dyrham Park.

Thursday

Visit Blenheim Palace

Friday

Visit Oxford and return to West Wales



£205.00* / Hotel single occupancy supplement = £60.00

*This price is based on a minimum of 35 paying passengers. (30 = £217.00 / 40 = £196.00)

Included

Coach Travel

2 Nights Dinner, Bed & Breakfast at The Best Western Linton Lodge Hotel, Oxford

Excluded

Lunches, Entry fees to National Trust Dyrham Park (£12.70 / Free for NT members) & Blenheim Palace (Adult: £18.50 / Senior: £16.50)

The entry fees quoted here are 2019. 2020 to be confirmed.

Personal Holiday Insurance: Available @ £14.00 (See page 29/ 2020 Jones Login brochure)

Please complete, detach & return booking form and deposit(s) to Jones Login at the above address, or call 01437 563277 to make your booking.

A £50.00 per person deposit is payable. The balance is required by 4th March 2020

The balance amount will be confirmed once the final number of bookings is known.

Cheques payable to:- **Jones Motors (Login) Ltd. (Credit Card facilities also available)**



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Please make a booking for ___ people on the above tour. I enclose a deposit of £50.00 per person.

Name(s): _____

Address for correspondence: _____

Post Code: _____ Telephone No: _____

Type of room required (**please delete as appropriate**): Twin / Double / Single Occupancy

Sharing with: _____ Please note: If person sharing is resident at a different address, please write the address on the reverse of this booking form. See our current brochure for Booking Conditions

National Trust Member? Yes / No - Please delete as appropriate

Dyrham Park is a baroque country house in an ancient deer park near the village of Dyrham in South Gloucestershire, England. The house, attached orangery, stable block and accompanying parish church are Grade I listed buildings, while the park is Grade II* listed on the National Register of Historic Parks and Gardens.

The current house was built for William Blathwayt in stages during the 17th and early 18th centuries on the site of a previous manor house, with the final facade being designed by William Talman. It contains art works and furniture from around the world, particularly Holland, and includes a collection of Dutch Masters. The house is linked to the 13th-century church of St Peter, where many of the Blathwayt family are buried. The house is surrounded by 274 acres (111 ha) of formal gardens, and parkland which supports a herd of fallow deer. The grounds, which were originally laid out by George London and later developed by Charles Harcourt Masters, include water features and statuary.

The house and estate are now owned by the National Trust and underwent extensive renovation in 2014 and 2015. They are open to the public on some days and host events and attractions, including open-air concerts. They have also been used as a location for film and television productions.

Blenheim Palace is a monumental country house in Woodstock, Oxfordshire, England. It is the principal residence of the Dukes of Marlborough, and the only non-royal, non-episcopal country house in England to hold the title of palace. The palace, one of England's largest houses, was built between 1705 and 1722, and designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1987.[

The palace is named for the 1704 Battle of Blenheim, and thus ultimately after Blindheim (also known as Blenheim) in Bavaria. It was originally intended to be a reward to John Churchill, 1st Duke of Marlborough for his military triumphs against the French and Bavarians in the War of the Spanish Succession, culminating in the Battle of Blenheim. The land was given as a gift, and construction began in 1705, with some financial support from Queen Anne. The project soon became the subject of political infighting, with the Crown cancelling further financial support in 1712, Marlborough's three-year voluntary exile to the Continent, the fall from influence of his duchy and lasting damage to the reputation of the architect Sir John Vanbrugh.

Designed in the rare, and short-lived, English Baroque style, architectural appreciation of the palace is as divided today as it was in the 1720s.[3] It is unique in its combined use as a family home, mausoleum and national monument. The palace is notable as the birthplace and ancestral home of Sir Winston Churchill.

Oxford is a university city in Oxfordshire, England, with a population of 155,000. The city is home to the University of Oxford, the oldest in the English-speaking world, and has buildings in every style of English architecture from late Anglo-Saxon. Oxford's industries include motor manufacturing, education, publishing, information technology and science. There are a number options for Friday morning visits; the Ashmolean Museum, the Pitt Rivers Museum, Botanical Gardens, Bodleian Library, Radcliffe Camera as well as the Covered Market.