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Wednesday 27th February

Kew Gardens Orchids Festival

Colombia's landscape is as diverse as the flora and fauna that inhabit it, from tropical beaches to snow-capped mountains and everything in between. Home to more orchid species than anywhere else in the world, Colombia's unparalleled biodiversity and vibrant culture is the inspiration for Kew's 24th annual Orchids Festival.

Depart Oxted 9.00am (Route A) for the drive to Kew Gardens, where, in the Princess of Wales Conservatory, you will be transported to an entrancing paradise evoking the sights, smells and sounds of Colombia. The experience is an immersive journey through the different zones of the glasshouse where you will encounter staggeringly beautiful orchid displays which each represent aspects of Colombian wildlife and culture. Famed for its wildlife diversity, Colombia boasts the greatest number of bird species of any country in the world and to celebrate this, the central display of the festival will be a 'carnival of animals' depicting a toucan in flight, a hanging sloth and swimming turtle, all composed of stunning orchids, bromeliads and other tropical plants. The Caño Cristales, rainbow river, will be represented through a breath-taking cascade of hundreds of colourful hanging vandas; there will be an enchanting forest scene complete with life-sized jaguars, a dazzling display of hundreds of colourful butterflies suspended from the glasshouse ceiling and the legend of El Dorado will be depicted through an intricate golden floating display bursting with bright yellow orchids in the glasshouse pond. Take time too to wander through Kew's collection of over 35,000 different types of plants and discover inspiration in every corner, or take advantage of the 'Kew Explorer', (cost not included) a hop-on/hop-off "train" which circles the gardens all day. Refreshments available. Return leave 4.30pm. Arriving back at Godstone by approx 5.30pm.

Adult £36.25 Sen Cit £34.55

Child £25.25

(Inclusive of Coach/Entry to Gardens & Orchid Festival)

Saturday 2nd March

The Spring Knitting & Stitching Show, Olympia

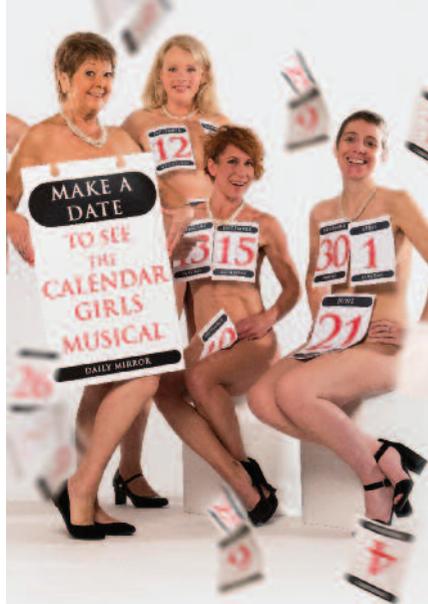
Depart Oxted 8.30am (Route C) for the drive to Olympia, London. The Spring Knitting & Stitching Show champions creativity with hundreds of workshops, demonstrations, interactive features on offer as well as 200 of our most loved exhibitors selling specialist craft supplies. Spend a day re-stocking your yarn stash, learning to knit, mastering the art of tailoring and more. There has never been a better excuse to get involved in craft! Return leave 4.30pm, arriving back at Sanderstead approx. 5.45pm

Adult £33.95 Child £22.35

(Inclusive of Coach/Entry to Show)



For bookings call (01883) 713633



Wednesday 6th March

Calendar Girls the Musical & Supper at the Orchard Theatre, Dartford

Depart Oxted 4.00pm (Route A) for the drive to the Orchard Theatre, Dartford, where we shall enjoy a two-course meal before taking our seats for the 7.30pm performance of Calendar Girls the Musical by Gary Barlow and Tim Firth. This award-winning production is based on the true story of the calendar girls - a group of ordinary ladies who achieved something extraordinary. This marvellous musical comedy, which received fantastic five star reviews in London's West End now comes to Dartford with an all star cast: Fern Britton, Karen Dunbar, Anna-Jane Casey, Sara Crowe, Ruth Madoc, Rebecca Storm and Denise Welch. Return after performance. Arriving back at Godstone approx. 11.00pm

Cost £73.50

*(Inclusive of Coach/2-Course Dinner/Show)
(Stalls Seats at Show)*

Sunday 10th March

Scenic Drive with Sunday Lunch at The Moorings, Pevensey

Depart Oxted 10.15am (Route B) for a scenic drive to The Moorings, a traditional English restaurant located on the beach in Pevensey, where we shall enjoy a three course Sunday lunch. After lunch we make our way home arriving back at Limpsfield Chart by approx. 4.45pm.

Cost £32.95

*(Inclusive of Coach/3-Course Lunch)
(Please advise at time of booking if you require a vegetarian meal)*



Thursday 14th March

Rye

Depart Oxted 9.15am (Route B) for enchanting Rye which, in Elizabethan times was a port, heavily armed with cannon, but such defences were useless against the town's ageless enemy, the sea. Silting was a constant problem, and as the sea receded it left the town high and dry. It is now some two miles inland. Here you will be at leisure to explore and find lunch. Wander the cobbled streets, admire the beautiful buildings, many of which are Elizabethan, some with Georgian frontages, and enjoy the superb range of shops and restaurants which characterise this famous Cinque Port whose buildings cluster around the top of a little sandstone hill watching over Romney Marsh and guarding the coastline. Return leave 5.00pm. Arriving back at Limpsfield Chart by approx. 6.15pm.

Adult £23.95 Child £21.95

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Tuesday 19th March Bletchley Park – WWII Codebreaking

Depart Oxted 8.30am (Route A) for the drive to Bletchley Park, nr. Milton Keynes. Once Britain's Best Kept Secret, today Bletchley Park, home of the Codebreakers, is a heritage site where you can explore and experience the top secret world of iconic WW2 Codebreaking Huts and Blocks set within the atmospheric Victorian estate. Discover the secret world! Take the Multimedia guided tour, see "Secrets Revealed" an exhibition introducing Bletchley Park, before continuing on to the various other exhibitions around the site, from information on keeping safe on-line to visiting codebreaking huts 3, 6, 8 (workplace of the famous code breaker, Alan Turing) and hut 11, all with different exhibitions. You may also wish to visit the mansion, which houses a number of temporary and permanent exhibitions, the Garages, which show wartime military transport, learn about radio in the National Radio Centre or visit the National Museum of Computing to see Colossus (entry not included). Refreshments available. Return leave approx. 4.30pm. Returning to Godstone approx. 6.30pm.

Adult £43.25 Child £32.45

(Inclusive of Coach/Entry to Bletchley Park/Multimedia Guide)



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Saturday 23rd March Discover Bruges for a day with Eurotunnel

Depart Oxted 6.00am (Route A) for Folkestone where we shall board the Eurotunnel for France, then onto Bruges, capital of Flanders. Take the time to see much of the remaining medieval architecture from Bruges' Golden Age between the 12th and 15th century, visit one of the many museums or walk along the network of canals which carve their way through rows of ancient buildings, churches, cobbled streets, gates and bridges. Visit the lace and chocolate shops (Easter's coming!) or simply unwind in one of the many pavement cafés before returning to Calais to board the Eurotunnel. Returning to Godstone approx. 11.00pm. (Passport required.)

Please note that the coach park is on the outskirts of Bruges with an approx. 20 minute walk alongside the Minnewater to reach the town centre.

Cost £59.95

(Inclusive of Coach/Eurotunnel)



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Sunday 24th March

Daffodil Weekend Thriplow

Depart Oxted 9.30am (route A) for the drive to Thriplow, a traditional village 8 miles south of Cambridge, where the annual 'Daffodil Weekend' celebration is held. The tradition began in 1969 when the church required major roof repairs and residents decided to raise funds by opening their gardens and making cups of tea for their visitors. Since then the event has become a staple part of the Thriplow calendar. Step back in time as you walk the beautiful traffic free lanes and connecting footpaths, visit residents 'Open Gardens', Craft Barns, Marquees, Stalls and Demonstrations, and experience the warm and friendly atmosphere. There are over 100 varieties of daffodils planted in the village including some heritage varieties newly planted for 2019. Refreshments available. Return leave 4.00pm. Arriving back in Godstone by approx. 5.30pm.

Adult £29.95 Child £22.95

(Inclusive of Coach/Entry)

Monday 1st April

Kent Mining Museum

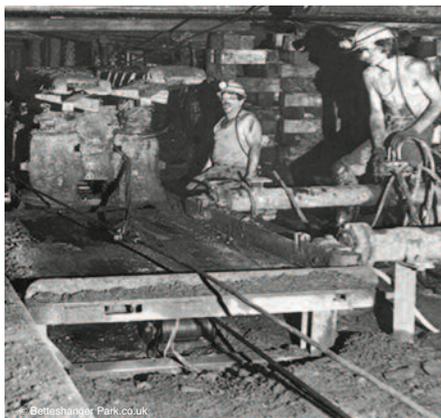
At last, the long awaited Kent Mining Museum has an opening date – 30th March – so we have booked to go down just 2 days later! Be one of the first to see this exciting new museum.

Depart Oxted 8.15am (Route A) for the drive to Betteshanger Park & the new Kent Mining Museum built on the site of Kent's last working coal mine. The museum will share and celebrate the story of energy in Kent – from coal mining through to sustainable energy, with exciting, interactive displays telling how coal was discovered, how it was mined and about the day-to-day lives of the miners who worked at the collieries and the communities that surrounded them. The unique collection includes captivating photographic records, fascinating personal stories and memories, formal records and documents plus remarkable artefacts. The Museum will also provide a focus for the four Kent collieries and their communities; Betteshanger, Snowdown, Tilmanstone, Chislet, Mill Hill, Aylesham, Elvington and Hersden. The Museum will take visitors on a journey through the Kent Coalfield from the first discovery of coal in 1890 to the last pit closing at Betteshanger in 1989. Highlights will include a 'journey' of mine cars from Tilmanstone Colliery especially for the Museum, DOSCO roadheader interactive, original tools and clothing, and most importantly, the history of the coalfield told through voices of the actual people who lived and worked here. In addition to the Museum, there will be the Royal Horticultural Society Gold Medal winning mining-themed garden 'Green Seam', that Hadlow College exhibited at the 2015 Hampton Court Show and an energy-themed heritage trail around the site of Betteshanger Colliery. Refreshments available. Return leave at 2.30pm, arriving back at Godstone approx. 4.15pm.

Adult £31.15 Child £22.95



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