

The Arts Society Granta



Kingston Lacy

Home of the Bankes family for more than 300 years and gifted to the National Trust by Ralph Banks in 1981, Kingston Lacy was designed as an Italian Palazzo to house the many artefacts collected by William Bankes on his Grand Tour

Guided Walking Tour of Salisbury

Among the numerous elegant buildings are the Matrons College, built in 1682 as a home for clergy widows, the 13th century Malmesbury House with its lovely Queen Anne façade, the 13th century Dean and the 15th century Wardrobe

Salisbury Cathedral

Built in the main between 1220 and 1258 Salisbury Cathedral is a fine example of the Early English style of Gothic architecture, with striking features such as sharply pointed lancet windows and boasting the tallest spire in England, a landmark that can be seen for miles around

Mompesson House

Built for Charles Mompesson in 1701 and known for its spacious interior, magnificent plasterwork and fine oak staircase. It is also the home of the Turnbull collection of 18th century drinking glasses which are of national importance

Wilton House

Home to the 17th Earl of Pembroke and his family, the house has been their ancestral home for 450 years. The house was largely rebuilt by Indigo Jones in the 17th century and includes one of the original Tudor towers. The art collection is one of the finest in Europe with over 230 original paintings on display

Athelhampton House

Originally built for a wealthy merchant, Sir William Martyn in the late 1400s, Athelhampton House has remained in the family for four generations. The estate was left to four daughters who were each told to occupy exactly a quarter of the house!

A Visit to Wiltshire and Dorset

Monday 06 - Thursday 09 May 2019

Highlights will include:

Tolpuddle

Home to the story of the Tolpuddle Martyrs. In 1831, six hard working farm labourers, led by Methodist lay preacher George Loveless, met under the sycamore tree to form a union in an effort to resist further reductions in wages. The old sycamore tree still stands and is now owned by the National Trust. We will enjoy a guided visit of the village followed by a visit to the Museum

Sherborne Castle

Built by Sir Walter Raleigh in 1594, Sherborne Castle has been the home of the Digby family since 1617. The interior reflects a variety of decorative styles and has a wonderful collection of art, furniture and porcelain together with Raleigh's original kitchen and family artefacts

Sandford Orcas Manor House

This enchanting manor house, built of local honey-coloured Ham Hill stone, is a fine example of the small manor houses that belonged to Tudor England. The house dates back to the 1550s and has remained largely unaltered over the centuries. *Please note that this visit is subject to availability as it is a private family home*

TOUR PRICE

£590 per person sharing a twin/double room
£150 single room supplement

The tour price includes 3 nights' dinner, bed and breakfast accommodation at the 3 star Best Western Red Lion Hotel in Salisbury, executive coach travel throughout, walking tour of Salisbury with a local guide, guided visits of Salisbury Cathedral, Wilton House, Athelhampton House, Sherborne Castle and Sandford Orcas Manor House (subject to availability), a full programme of visits and all entrance charges

A full brochure and booking form will be available in September

