

The Arts Society Granta



HEREFORD CATHEDRAL

Dating back to the 8th century, although the oldest surviving building is that of the 11th century bishop's chapel, and home of the Mappa Mundi, a medieval map of the world created around 1300 by Richard of Holdingham. Our visit will include a guided tour of the cathedral complex followed by time at leisure to visit the Mappa Mundi and Chained Library Exhibition.

KILPECK CHURCH

An extraordinarily complete and decorative Norman church, adorned with many elaborate carvings of Celtic, Scandinavian, Anglo-Saxon and pagan influence, which are most unusual in buildings of this period.

HELLENS MANOR

This historic house is believed to be one of the oldest dwellings in England. Composed primarily of Tudor, Jacobean and Georgian architecture, the house contains numerous antiques as well as items associated with Anne Boleyn, Mary Tudor and Elizabeth I.

POWIS CASTLE AND GARDENS

Perched on a rock above the late 17th century garden terraces, this medieval castle contains the finest country house collections in Wales. It was built at the beginning of the 13th century by Welsh princes and has been owned and altered by successive generations of Herberts and Clives for 400 years. The castle is furnished with a wealth of fine paintings and furniture, and the Clive Museum displays a beautiful collection of treasures from India.

A Visit to Ludlow

Monday 04 - Thursday 07 May 2020

Tour highlights to include:

LORD LEYCESTER HOSPITAL

Lord Leycester Hospital today operates as a charity providing homes for ex-Servicemen and their wives. It has never been a medical institution and the term 'hospital' is applied in its ancient sense, meaning 'a charitable institution for the housing and maintenance of the needy, infirm or aged'. It occupies a prominent location on Warwick High Street near to the Norman gateway to the town and comprises a group of well preserved 14th century timber-framed buildings. For nearly 200 years the city's medieval guilds used it as their headquarters but under the patronage of Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester, it became a place of retirement for old soldiers.

BADDESLEY CLINTON

A moated manor house dating from the 15th century. The property has changed little since the death of Squire Henry Ferrers in 1633 and the interior reflects the heyday of the Elizabethan era when it was a place of refuge for persecuted Catholics who hid themselves in priest-holes! There is a walled garden and a lakeside nature walk.

TOUR PRICE

£715 per person sharing a twin/double room
£135 single room supplement

PRICE INCLUDES:

Executive coach travel throughout, 3 nights' dinner, bed and breakfast accommodation at the newly renovated 4* Feathers Hotel in Ludlow, guided tours of Hereford Cathedral, Kilpeck Church, Hellens Manor and Lord Leycester Hospital, guided walking tour of Ludlow with a Blue Badge Guide, sandwich lunch at Hereford Cathedral, refreshments on arrival at Lord Leycester Hospital and all entrance fees and charges (excluding National Trust properties).

A full brochure and booking form will be available at our October meeting.