Enchanting & glittering...

KEW AT CHRISTMAS

2 days -1 night. £269 per person*

Deposit per person: £100

Our Tour

What's Included

- Executive coach travel throughout
- * 1 night half board accommodation
- * Admission & guided tour at Chenies Manor, with refreshments
- * Admission to the Royal Botanical Gardens for Christmas at Kew
- * Visit to Polesden Lacey (NT)
- * 2 course lunch
- * Gratuities

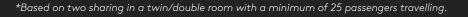
Extras

- Twin/double for sole use supplement £65 per person
- * Entry to NT properties for non-NT members

The Arts Society East Sussex 29-30 November 2024

This is the perfect way to get in the festive mood with spectacular lights sandwiched between a good dose of architectural treasures and some fine arts. First stop is the Chess Valley in Buckinghamshire where Chenies Manor sits resplendent in manicured gardens, where Tudor kings and queens once trod, before arriving at Kew Gardens as dusk is falling. Here an awakening of the senses is on the cards as the gardens are transformed into a stunning illuminated trail, complete with thousands of twinkling lights, lasers and colour. The final stop is the delightful Polesden Lacey with its impressive Gold Saloon and all round glitzy décor.





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Tour Highlights





Chenies Manor

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One of the UK's finest Tudor mansions, Chenies Manor is a Grade I Listed estate, tucked away in the village of the same name, in Buckinghamshire. This little known estate is steeped in history and boasts award-winning gardens as well as incredible original 13th century features; these include a dungeon, medieval well and what is thought to be a priest hole. Tudor royals were frequent visitors, although neither Henry VIII nor Elizabeth I lived here, it was once known as a palace. Originally owned by the Cheyne family in 1180, today the manor house is owned by the Macleod Matthews family and afford fine views of the Chess Valley.

Christmas at Kew

Where science and nature collide, Kew - a UNESCO World Heritage Site - is home to over 50,000 living plant species, including rare and threatened plants housed in the world's largest Victorian glasshouse. Kew plays host to many events throughout the year, from wellness and forest bathing to music and art sessions, but surely one of the most spectacular is 'Christmas at Kew'. This unmissable treat heralds the start of Christmas every year and has become one of the UK's most acclaimed illuminated trails. The gardens and Temperate



Gold Saloon, Polesden Lacey

house are ablaze with colour and sound, as thousands of twinkling lights, lasers and glittering tunnels turn Kew into a wonderland of sparkle and reflections. The trail takes in the fire garden, with its mesmerising flames, larger than life illuminations and the chance to spot Father Christmas if you're lucky. En route, there are street food and drink vendors with tempting treats and hot spice winter warmers; the perfect start to the festive season.

Polesden Lacey (NT)

Polesden Lacey is the perfect Edwardian retreat and at this time of year, will be dressed for Christmas, adding extra dazzle. With a glittering Gold Saloon designed to impress kings and maharajahs and an extensive collection of art and ceramics, the house is a treat to explore. The house was remodelled by architects responsible for the refurbishment of the Ritz and it isn't hard to see the parallels with the opulent designs. These are complemented by the varied collection of arts and objects that the one time owner Margaret Greville amassed, from British and Dutch Masters to French furniture. It also has a rural landscape that has barely changed since medieval times, with rolling parkland and lovely views of Ranmore Common.

The exact order of excursions will be included in your itinerary, which you should expect to receive approximately 2-3 weeks prior to departure.

Our Hotel

The **Holiday Inn London - Heathrow Bath Road** offers a convenient location and soundproofed rooms, mostly overlooking the interior of the hotel. All bedrooms have en-suite bathrooms with walk-in showers, air-conditioning, tea and coffee making facilities, TV and a seating area. Dinner will be served in the large contemporary dining area. Hotel facilities also include a bar and lifts.

How to book



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