

KENSINGTON GARDENERS' CLUB

VISIT to SHREWSBURY and GARDENS of the WEST MIDLANDS

Tuesday 9th to Thursday 11th June 2026

DAY 1

9.00 Depart by coach from Notting Hill Gate (usual pick up spot, which is bus stop M, opposite the Czech Embassy, on the north side of Notting Hill Gate by the 94/148 bus stop).

11.00 Arrive at **UPTON HOUSE AND GARDENS**

Visit this National Trust property on the Warwickshire/Oxfordshire border. Lord and Lady Bearsted acquired Upton House in 1927 and hired Kitty Lloyd-Jones, one of the first professional female garden designers, to transform the gardens. The Wild Garden, Herbaceous Borders, Mirror Pool and South Lawn beneath spectacular cedars are delightful! Lunch available at Upton before continuing our journey.



4.30 Arrive at **PREMIER INN, SHREWSBURY**.
Free time to enjoy Shrewsbury town centre.

7.30 Dinner (venue to be confirmed)

DAY 2

9.30 Depart for **WOLLERTON OLD HALL**

This is an inspirational 3 acre English country garden full of vibrant colourful planting combinations. You may recall that Andy McIndoe highly recommended this garden when he came to talk to us in January. Lunch available.



2.30 Arrive at **DOROTHY CLIVE GARDEN**

Located in the woodland quarter of Shropshire. This spectacular 12 acre garden is renowned for the David Austin rose walk and lovely seasonal borders.



6.00 Arrive back at our hotel in Shrewsbury. Evening free.

DAY 3

9.30 Depart hotel and travel to **TRENTHAM GARDENS**, Stoke on Trent

Home to Trentham Lake, designed by Capability Brown, glorious ancient woodland and the famous Italian Gardens with long borders. Award winning garden designers Tom Stuart-Smith, Piet Oudolf and Nigel Dunnett have all had a hand in creating this magical garden. Trentham offers several options for lunch before we make our way back to London.



3.00 Depart Trentham. We will visit Hatton Garden Centre en route for refreshments, rest facilities and plant shopping opportunities.

7.30 Arrive Notting Hill Gate.

Cost is £540 and includes bed and breakfast accommodation for two nights, dinner on the first night, transport by coach, admission to all gardens. National Trust members please bring your membership cards.

BOOK BY MAY 1st to secure your place.

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