



THE TRENTHAM ESTATE 2008

ONE OF BRITAIN'S FINEST HERITAGE ATTRACTIONS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Once home to the Dukes of Sutherland, the majestic Trentham Estate in North Staffordshire is one of the Midlands most picturesque and exciting attractions. Combining stunning gardens and woodlands with a diverse range of leisure activities and an eclectic shopping experience plus a dynamic programme of special events, Trentham is a truly unique and memorable destination.

Trentham Gardens provides breathtaking displays throughout the year and with formal gardens and fountains, colourful prairies, show gardens, discovery trails and a great children's adventure playground with JCB little drivers track there's something to please everyone.

Trentham Italian Gardens

England's largest garden restoration project has seen the rejuvenation of Trentham's celebrated 19th Century Italian Gardens and the creation of seven acres of intimate and relaxed perennial gardens. Working in collaboration with internationally renowned landscape designers, Tom Stuart-Smith and Piet Oudolf, historic beds and borders have been brought back to life with contemporary planting schemes. Guests can immerse themselves in swathes of colour and explore the changing tapestry of one of Britain's most important gardens all year round except Christmas Day.

The UK's Only Barefoot Walk

The Gardens are also home to the UK's first and only Barefoot walk; a wonderful sensory trail through some of Trentham's magnificent woodlands. Quite simply, guests get back to nature on a sensory walk of discovery, enjoying the pure delight of the earth beneath their bare feet.

Woodland Walks, Wildlife and Water

There are over 400 acres of woodland to discover at The Trentham Estate with walks to challenge the biggest walking enthusiast or those who just want to take it easy and enjoy the views, the myriad of wildlife – including a herd of black fallow deer - and an abundance of wildflowers. A picturesque mile-long lake designed by Capability Brown is home to herons, kingfishers and otters and visitors can enjoy its calm tranquillity with a trip on Miss Elizabeth - a 42-seat, electrically driven ecologically friendly catamaran – or by more intimate rowing boat.

The Monkey Forest

A unique and exciting walk through wild life experience, Monkey Forest at The Trentham Estate takes guests on an unforgettable journey to meet 140 Barbary Macaques living in total freedom in 60 acres of forest. Walking along pathways right through the monkeys' natural habitat, guests are transported into the heart of this fascinating animal society. Monkey Forest provides a safe place for this successful group of highly endangered primates to live and breed, with plenty of space to develop in a habitat closely resembling their natural home in the mountains of Morocco. Knowledgeable guides are positioned throughout the forest to talk to guests about the monkeys and answer any questions.

Trentham Active and Aerial Extreme

Swing, climb and slide your way from tree to tree up to 40ft above the forest floor on a tree-top adventure course with over 20 different obstacles including monster spider webs, bobbing boxing bags and islands in the sky and 100 metre high speed zip wire. A state of the art, unique safety system removes the need to clip and unclip safety lines at every point, meaning thrill seekers can take to the trees with unhampered ease. Children under 16 require a consenting signature from parent, guardian or party leader.

Trentham Shopping Village & Trentham Garden Centre

The Shopping Village boasts over 60 eclectic shops ranging from luxury homeware to distinctive arts and crafts. Not only that, but the award-winning Trentham Garden Centre is an award winning centre of horticultural excellence, with a massive range of indoor and outdoor living plants and everything any gardener could ever need – from seeds and bulbs to furniture, equipment, pots and containers.

Special Events and Activities

A full programme of diverse special events and activities can be enjoyed at Trentham throughout the year. From guided Garden Tours to outdoor concerts, children's trails, interactive workshops and a magical outdoor winter ice rink, there's always something going on all-year-round. Innovative and unique, Trentham Estate offers 750 acres of diversity and flexibility with a range of corporate and private event facilities and an enthusiastic team to help create memorable occasions.

Food, Drink & Accommodation

There's a wide choice of places to eat and drink at Trentham. The Garden Tea Room in the Italian Garden is the perfect place to relax and enjoy a drink, light lunch or afternoon tea or the Lakeside Café provides a superb and varied menu of hot and cold food. The shopping village offers a wide range of choice from quality snack outlets to an Italian restaurant. There are some great hotels in North Staffordshire and from Easter 2008 visitors to Trentham will be able to enjoy an overnight stay at a three star hotel located just outside the Shopping Village. Guests should check the website for updates on opening.

Prices and Opening Times

The Trentham Estate and Gardens are open all year round except Christmas Day. The Monkey Forest and Aerial Extreme are open from February to October. Up-to-date information and pricing can be found at www.trenthamgardens.co.uk.

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