



# GROUP TRAVEL NEWS

*Destination news and ideas for Group Organisers*



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## Discover Bowood House & Gardens

A visit to Bowood House and gardens is a worth while trip at any time of the year but an absolute must during the month of May.

Bowood is the home of the Marquis and Marchioness of Landsdowne and has been in the Landsdowne family since 1754.

The Georgian country house with its Robert Adam interiors has a rich and fascinating history with stunning state rooms displaying unique art, antiques and historical treasures.

Situated the heart of beautiful Wiltshire countryside, Bowood is set within 100 acres of beautifully landscaped 'Capability' Brown parkland. Adjacent to the house is the Italian inspired terrace garden, private walled garden and the herbaceous border boasting magnificent colour throughout the seasons.

The Woodland gardens are a spectacular attraction covering 30 acres and only open for six weeks during the flowering season.

The reward for visiting at this time of year is an absolutely stunning display of bluebells, azaleas, magnolias and rhododendrons. Well worth a group visit!



## Three Great Ideas for your Group in 2021

With the vaccine rolling out and the prospect of restrictions being relaxed over the summer and autumn months, attractions and venues are getting ready to welcome group visits. It is likely that social distancing will remain in place for some time to come and with that in mind we have come up with three great places that you can visit with your group this year to get them out and about again.

**Windsor Great Park** has been named one of the best parks in the UK for social distancing with 4,800 acres of sweeping historical parklands, monuments and award winning gardens. Windsor is home to the world's oldest and largest inhabited castles in a glorious riverside location.

**Cromer, Norfolk Coast** if your group is looking forward to taking in some sea air this summer, then a day trip to Cromer with its lovely sandy beaches and space to social distance along the promenade and pier is a great choice.

**Harrogate** is the perfect location to visit this year, a classic Victorian English spa town with quaint streets, historic houses and glorious landscaped gardens. Famous for its tea shops and cake, Harrogate has a wealth of pavement cafes to choose from. Many businesses and attractions in the town have achieved Visit Britain's Good to Go Industry standard so that your group can enjoy a Covid-secure visit.

## Opening of RHS Bridgewater

This May sees the long awaited opening of the latest of the Royal Horticulture Society's gardens, a world-class magnificent garden in the heart of Salford. This brand new spectacular 154 acre site has transformed the grounds of the historic Worsley New Hall into a beautiful green space for visitors to enjoy all year round.

The masterplan was created by Landscape Architect, Tom Stuart-Smith alongside award winning garden designers creating 'gardens within a garden'. There is so much to see from the Welcome Garden, Weston Walled and Paradise Gardens to the Kitchen and Orchard Gardens with woodland walks, a lakeside and Chinese Streamside Garden. The brand new Welcome Building allows you and your group to browse the RHS shop and relax in the cafe after an enjoyable time spent exploring the grounds.

## Visit Britain

### 'We're Good to Go'



When planning your group visits this year look out for coach operators, destinations and attractions that have achieved, Visit Britain's, 'We're Good to Go' Industry mark.

This means that businesses that hold this award have implemented the Government's and Public Health England's COVID-19 guidance and should have Risk Assessments and procedures in place to keep you safe.

## Group Bookings 2021/2022

**Covid-19  
Flexible  
Booking for  
Groups**

In recent weeks, with the success of the vaccine, we have seen an increase in coach bookings. To give you peace of mind, when you book a coach for your next group visit, should your trip be cancelled due to

Government restrictions we will offer you a transfer to an alternative date free of charge. Our coaches will continue to operate socially distanced seating until such time that restrictions can be relaxed.

**Why not block book seats for your group on one of our 2021 day trips?**

**Give us a call to receive your brochure and to find out what discounts we can offer you.**

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