

England and Its Gardens July 18- July 30, 2018

A 13-day study and travel abroad experience for Extension Master Gardeners and their guests **“More Great Garden History”**

This class will expand Master Gardeners' knowledge in ornamental horticulture, landscape, and garden design in a historical context. We'll visit and study eighteenth century garden/landscape sites such as Lord Burlington's garden at Chiswick, Stowe - perhaps the most famous English landscape garden of its day, Rousham, and Blenheim Palace. Also, we'll see "over-the-top" Victorian era display plantings at Waddesdon Manor, Gertrude Jekyll's work at Upton Grey, and contemporary garden excellence at the Beth Chatto Garden, Woolbeding, Savill Garden and the Valley Garden, East Ruston Old Vicarage Garden, Blooms of Bressingham, the Lynn Garden at Ascott, and the Cotswold gardens Kiftsgate and Mill Deen.

Program Policies:

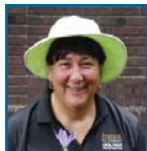
Registration is only open to participants in a Cooperative Extension Service Master Gardener Program (one guest permitted). Enrollment will be limited to 25 total (Master Gardeners and guests), available on a first come basis with a \$500 deposit required, beginning November 13, 2017. Advanced Master Gardener Training hours will be credited to those Purdue University Master Gardeners who complete the required reading assignments and quizzes. Master Gardener participants may also earn volunteer service hours upon their return by sharing what they've learned with others.

Instructors from the
Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture:

Dr. Michael N. Dana
Professor of Horticulture and Landscape Architect.
Mike developed and co-teaches an undergrad summer course on History, Horticulture and Landscape Architecture in England.



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and former State Master Gardener Coordinator.
Rosie has led several gardening-related tours to Europe.



The Palladian Bridge and Gothic Temple at Stowe

Required Reading (distributed to participants just prior to commencement of course):

England and its Gardens “More Great Garden History”- Study Guide

Additional Recommended Reading (available at local or on-line bookstores):

Hibbert, Christopher. 1992. *The Story of England*. Phaidon Press, London.

What's Included:

- Two full-time Purdue instructors
- Transport in England via motor coach
- 3/4 star accommodations in Lavenham, Banbury, at Heathrow Int'l. Airport (double occupancy, single supplement at additional cost)
- Breakfast daily, 5 lunches, and 6 dinners
- Admission to 15 gardens, sites
- Coach and group meal gratuities
- Lectures, study guide, group discussions
- Travel health and accident insurance (*this is not trip cancellation insurance*)

What's Not Included:

- Airfare
- Airport - hotel transfers
- Personal items (passport fees, laundry, alcoholic beverages)
- Hotel gratuities
- Most lunches, some dinners and other incidental expenses.
- Trip cancellation insurance is recommended and should be available through your local travel agent

NOTE:

1) Due to the historical nature of the sites visited, full accessibility at these sites cannot be guaranteed. Each day, there will be substantial walking and occasionally, some climbing of steep stairs and/or slopes without handrail.

2) Participants must be able to function independently on free days and at public events. (see itinerary).

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Itinerary:

(*Meals Provided B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)

Wednesday, July 18 – Travel to London

Thursday, July 19 - Arrival at London's Heathrow International Airport, shuttle to Sheraton Hotel. Independent flexible time. Meet & greet, course introduction with light dinner in the early evening. We'll call the Sheraton home for our first 3 nights. (D)

Friday, July 20 - Morning visit to Gertrude Jekyll's Upton Grey Manor Garden, followed by a visit to the 26 acres of garden rooms at Woolbeding, a late 20th C. garden by Sir Simon Sainsbury and Stewart Grimshaw. (B,L)

Saturday, July 21 - Morning visit to Chiswick House & Gardens - Lord Burlington's trend-setting 18th century Palladian showplace inspired by his Grand Tours to Italy. Then on to Windsor Great Park to see hydrangeas on Breakheart Hill in The Valley Gardens and contemporary horticultural displays of Savill Gardens. (B,L)

Sunday, July 22 – We head to East Anglia to spend the afternoon at the fabulous Beth Chatto Gardens, known for both the unique dry gravel gardens as well as woodland, water, and residential landscape gardens. We'll end the day with dinner at the Swan Hotel in Lavenham where will be staying for three nights. (B,D)

Monday, July 23 – Our destination today is the East Ruston Old Vicarage Garden near the North Sea coast. From traditional borders, exotic garden, topiary, water features, Mediterranean gardens, wild flower meadows, vegetable, and cutting gardens, it's a horticultural wonderland. (B,L,D)

Tuesday, July 24 – We'll spend the day in awe at the spectacular Blooms of Bressingham, 4th generation nursery and 17 acres of display gardens. You'll have plenty of free time to visit the café and adjacent garden center. (B)

Wednesday, July 25 – We depart Lavenham for Oxfordshire, where we'll spend the afternoon exploring Blenheim Palace - masterpiece of Baroque architecture and birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill. It's 'Capability' Brown landscape compliments the formal and pleasure gardens. We'll enjoy afternoon tea in the Orangery before heading to Banbury, our home for the next four nights. (B,D)

Thursday, July 26 – Morning visit to Rousham House & Garden whose landscape largely remains as designed by William Kent in the 18th century! We'll tour the 17th century house followed by time to enjoy the gardens. The afternoon is free leisure time in Banbury. (B)

Friday, July 27 – We'll spend the morning at Stowe, perhaps the most famous landscape garden in England. Its temples, lakes and landforms feature the work of Charles Bridgeman, John VanBrugh, William Kent, and 'Capability' Brown. Later, Ascott juxtaposes a 17th and 18th century Tudor/Edwardian house with 19th century gardens and the ultra-modern 21st century Lynn's Garden. (B,D)

Saturday, July 28 – We're off to the picturesque Cotswold Hills to visit the contemporary, intimate Mill Dene Garden,

where we'll be welcomed by the charming owner and gardener Wendy Dare. Though small, Mill Dene is packed with pond, grotto, bog and stream, fruit, vegetable and herb gardens, sculpture, and more. Then its off to Kiftsgate Court Gardens, whose design has evolved from arts and crafts to contemporary under the direction of three successive women – Heather Muir, Diany Biny, and Anne Chambers. (B,L)

Sunday, July 29 – We head to Waddesdon Manor and Gardens, a 19th century de Rothschild showplace for entertaining the rich and famous. Lunch will be followed by a self-guided tour of the French Renaissance style château, filled with exceptional artwork and treasures. The extensive Victorian carpet bedding, sculptures and fountains will dazzle! We'll end the day with our wrap-up dinner back at the Sheraton near Heathrow to facilitate travel home. (B,L,D)

Monday, July 30 - Transport on your own to return home or continue your travels. (B)



Accommodations:

Sheraton Hotel, Heathrow Int'l. Airport

A convenient location to gather and to explore sites in the west of London area. This hotel is only a short shuttle ride from the terminals.

The Swan at Lavenham, Hotel and Spa

The Swan is a charming Tudor period half-timber structure with an elegant interior nestled in a small East Anglian village.

Mercure Whaely Hall Hotel, Banbury

Located away from the tourist crowds of Oxford, this hotel offers us a pleasant setting in a market town, and ready access to some of the grandest historic landscapes in all of England! We're also on the doorstep of the Cotswolds.

Program Costs:

- Program fee (dbl. occ.) for England Land Package only, \$3850
- Single Room Supplement, \$600, total \$4450

Single Travelers:

We strongly encourage participants to travel with a companion. If you are a single traveler and want to share a room, at your request we will share your contact information with others looking for a roommate. We cannot guarantee availability of a roommate; single supplement will apply if a roommate is not available.

Payment Schedule:

A \$500 per person deposit is required to reserve space in the class. The final balance will be due in full on March 1, 2018.

Refund Policy:

Once the course has reached the enrollment limit of 25 participants, a waiting list will be maintained. Although fees are generally nonrefundable after January 15, a refund MAY be issued IF a replacement from the waiting list is available to take your spot.

How to Register For This Course:

Reservations will be accepted on a first come/first served basis on-line or by telephone. Registration is open only to Master Gardeners or MG interns (one guest permitted, MG and guest registration must be coordinated.) A \$500 per person deposit is required to complete each registration. Registration will begin at 1:30 pm EST on November 13, 2017.

Here's how:

1. On-line, go to <https://www.purdue.edu/hla/sites/MGStudyAbroad> and click on the link to complete the registration form. A "time stamp" will be affixed when you hit the "submit" button to indicate your registration priority. *Do not submit the on-line form until 1:30 pm on November 6. Any entries before that time will be lost.*
2. By phone, call toll-free **1-888-EXT-INFO (398-4636)** and ask to be transferred to 41293 in Horticulture & Landscape Architecture or dial direct (toll call) to **1-765-494-1293**. Your registration priority will be time-stamped once you have completed providing your registration details. If leaving a message, indicate you're calling about the 2018 England and its Gardens Study Course (EaiG18) and provide a phone number and time when you can be reached.
3. Be prepared to provide the following information for both primary and guest registrant:
 - a. name, address, phone, email
 - b. state & county of MG training
 - c. hotel occupancy (single or double)
 - d. roommate preference (if applicable)
4. Following registration, you will be billed for the deposit (and later, the remaining fee) by the Purdue Division of Conferences. You may pay by credit card or personal check (payable to Purdue University). Registration is not complete until your payment is received.

Questions?

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