

THACS - TEWIN HORTICULTURAL ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY

Visit to Cliveden on Thursday 11th July

Book your place by 26th June to avoid disappointment.

Cliveden is a National Trust estate in Buckinghamshire. High above the Thames with far-reaching views, impressive gardens and majestic woodlands capture the grandeur of a bygone age. From the formality of the Parterre with its vibrant floral displays to the quirky statuary and topiary in the Long Garden, the gardens will delight you. Formal gardens give way to secluded glades, tree-lined avenues and picturesque riverside with miles of woodland walks. It has something for everyone, so come along for a great day out on Thursday 11th July.

The stunning Italianate mansion is leased as a private hotel but you will be able to take a tour of some of the public rooms on the ground floor, including the impressive Great Hall and famous French Dining Room. These tours take about 30 minutes and the maximum number per tour is 18 people. We have booked two consecutive tours at 11:30 and 11:40. These tours are free if you are a NT member, £2 otherwise. However, they do need to be booked (and paid for) in advance.

The estate has hard gravel paths, some steep slopes, undulating terrain and steps. If you are no longer as mobile as you used to be, you can use the shuttle bus which takes you to most places around the estate. Unfortunately, there are no powered mobility scooters but there are some manual wheelchairs (that need to be booked in advance).

If you would like to find out more about the garden and the facilities before you visit, please look at the web site <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/cliveden>.

National Trust members get free entry to the estate but they must bring their membership cards with them on the day. The prices for this visit are:-

	With National Trust membership	Without National Trust membership
THACS members	£15	£25
Non-members	£20	£30

The coach will leave Tewin from the bus stop opposite the Rose & Crown at 9:00am, and will leave Cliveden for the return journey at 3:30pm.

Please complete a booking form and send it with a cheque (payable to THACS) to Ray Keppler, 15 Upper Green Road, Tewin AL6 0LE **by 26th June**. Booking forms are available from the Tewin web site www.tewinvillage.co.uk/clubs/thacs/, from Ray Keppler (email raykeppler@btinternet.com or telephone 01438 717545), or after 1st May from Tewin Stores.

Ray Keppler (Event Organiser)