GARDEN OUTING GROUP

WEDNESDAY 7TH AUGUST 2024

VISIT TO WALLINGTON HALL AND GARDENS

The group outing in August will be to Wallington Hall, which is near Morpeth, Northumberland. Wallington Hall used to be home to the Trevelyan family and is now owned by the National Trust. You will be able to visit the impressive but friendly house and explore the history of Northumberland in the beautiful pre-Raphaelite paintings around the central hall. There is also some beautiful furniture in the house as well as other treasured collections.

Evidently the Trevelyan family used to love being outdoors and close to nature and the house is surrounded by an informal landscape of lawns, lakes, woodland, parkland and farmland. The jewel in the garden though must be the beautiful walled garden with its colourful themed borders, decorative shrubs and a charming Edwardian Conservatory.

During the visit you will be able to visit The Clocktower Cafe, overlooking the grassy courtyard at the heart of Wallington which serves a range of hot and cold drinks, seasonal hot food and snacks, savoury bites, sandwiches and home-made cakes and scones. The Wallington Hall shop sells garden accessories. tasty treats, books and toys.

Two mini buses will be going to Wallington Hall providing 32 places. They will leave Seaham Harbour (behind Costa Coffee) at 10 a.m. The total cost of the outing is £30 (£17.10 for admission and £12 transport) . National Trust members will be able to enter the property free of charge provided they show their membership card on entry. Deposits of £5 will be taken on Wednesday 26^{th} June with the remainder due at the monthly meeting on the 31^{st} July.

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Group Organisers