

**Visit to the Penpont, Brecon, Powys, LD3 8EU
at 2.30pm on Wednesday afternoon, 13th September 2017.**

This privately owned Grade I listed house has been home to the same family since it was first built in about 1666. In 1992 Gavin and Davina Hogg, with their two sons, moved in and opened up the house and grounds for the first time in its history.

Magnificent in its grounds and on the banks of the River Usk, Penpont lies in the middle of a 2000 acre working rural estate. The house is the centre piece of a remarkable group of buildings spanning various periods, including a church, Dower house, stables, workshops, a dovecote on stilts and a 19 century conservatory.



The gardens are not open to the general public so we are privileged in being able to visit them. They lie in the heart of the Brecon Beacons and are extensive, 45 acres, and include a wide range of habitats, from lawns to woodlands, ornamental to wild areas. The adjacent landscape and garden is listed as Grade 2*. The gardens are bisected by the River Usk which forms a natural divide from the south and north garden, and as it flows through it creates its own habitats of natural beauty. They include the wonderful Green Man Maze and the Elephants Hedge. The walled gardens are interesting, especially as they are well known for being a very 'green' destination

The visit includes a tour and afternoon tea

For more information see: http://www.penpont.com/page/gardens_and_grounds/

Directions over the page.

Date for your Diary

- **Talk by Marion on Jane Austen and the landscape gardens mentioned in her books.**
The talk will take place in the panelled room in Insole Court, Cardiff (as seen on TV!) on Tuesday 26th September at 6.00 pm for 6.30 pm. The charge will be £10 for talk and glass of wine with the profit going to the Despenser Gardens Summerhouse restoration fund
- **Talk by Rosie James on the Pettigrews** – This will take place on a morning in November, date and venue to be confirmed

**Booking form for the visit to Penpont, Brecon, Powys, LD3 8EU
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No at £15 each, including tour and afternoon tea _____. Total cost £_____

I enclose a cheque for £ made payable to WHGT

Membership No. (if appropriate):

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

This visit is by private car. Please let me know if you would like a lift. Y/N

Please return this booking form and cheque to: Val Caple, Milestone, Penllyn, Cowbridge CF71 7RQ

Directions

From the M4 junction 32

EXIT Take the 2nd exit from roundabout onto A470 toward Merthyr Tydfil/Merthyr Tudful
5.6 mi

Pass 4 roundabouts and continue on A470
18.0 mi

Turn left
0.3 mi

Turn right
288 ft

Turn left toward A40
0.5 mi

Turn left onto A40
3.2 mi

Arrive at A40. Your destination is on the right

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Map labels: Cynog, Llandeilo'r Fan, Llanfihangel-Nant-Bran, Pontfaen, Garthbrenny, Felinfach, Llanfawr, Pentre Bach, Soar, Battle, Llandefaelog Fach, Llanddew, Tre, Castle, Sennybridge, Pen-y-bont, Fennifach, Brecon, Groesfford, Llanfihangel, Talyll, Cwmcamlais, Llanfrynach, Pencil, Libanus, Cwmgwdi, Cantref, Llanhamlach, Cray, Brecon Beacons National Park, Torpantau, Dol-y-Gaer, Ystradfellte, 5km, 3mi, here, © OGL, Terms & Privacy