

Christmas Lunch and Lights at Hever Castle

Wednesday 1st December 2021

Price £49.00 to include coach, entrance and three-course Christmas lunch



The history of Hever Castle spans more than 700 years - from a medieval defensive castle, it became the childhood home of Anne Boleyn, and then passed on to Anne of Cleves. After falling into decline it was purchased in the early 20th century by the Astors who invested time, money and imagination to restore the castle, and especially the magnificent gardens.

On our visit we have a timed entry slot into the castle at 12.00noon, where we will see some of the rooms beautifully decorated and with twinkling Christmas trees. Then at 1.30pm we will have a three-course Christmas lunch in their Pavilion restaurant (see menu choices below).

After lunch there will be time to explore the grounds, including the maze, lake, etc. plus the miniature model houses, some traditional fairground rides and gift shop. There is a Christmas Trail with Pinocchio being the theme for this year, and displays will follow his story, including Geppetto's Workshop, a puppet show, a whale and shipwreck, and of course Jiminy Cricket and a fairy.

As dusk falls, you can follow the Christmas Light Trail through the grounds, which will be illuminated with up-lighting and colour washes. We aim to leave at 6pm.

Note that due to the age of the property there are some uneven steps in the castle.

Deadline for receipt of application forms - 15th November 2021

Instructions – please read carefully

To join this trip please complete the form below and send with your cheque payable to 'Guildford Area U3A' (and a SAE ONLY if you do not have an email address) to **Jackie Ring, 14 Manston Road, Guildford, GU4 7YE. Email: ring_jackie@yahoo.co.uk Tel: 01483 824450 or mob: (on the day only please) 07544 907 098.** Confirmation of your place will be given by email, telephone or SAE. Please take great care to complete your pickup point and the names of all other parties booked by you. All trips are only available to fully paid-up Guildford U3A members (for insurance purposes) and membership numbers must be given. Refunds cannot be given unless a replacement can be found.

Pick up points: A Artington Park and Ride 9.30am, B Nightingale Rd/London Rd bus shelter (High School) 9.40am, C Elgin Gardens bus shelter (near Burchatts Farm) 9.45am, D Bus shelter opposite BP Garage, Burpham 9.50am.

All menu options are accompanied by:

mulled wine or hot spiced apple juice on arrival,
bread, jugs of water on the table,
and tea and coffee after the meal.

The bar will be open on the day so you can buy your own drinks.

Starter

- A - Seasonal Soup
- B - Smoked Salmon with Capers

Main Course

- C - Roast Turkey with the usual trimmings (carvery)
 - D - Beetroot, red onion and chestnut tarte tatin (suitable for vegans) (served to the table)
- Both served with roast potatoes, honey roasted parsnips, glazed carrots, Brussel sprouts and red cabbage

Dessert

- E - Homemade Pops' Christmas pudding with double cream
- F – Vegan Christmas Pudding
- G - Baked vanilla cheesecake with mulled berries

(All items are subject to availability and Hever Castle reserve the right to short notice alteration.)

Name		Home No.		Your Guildford U3A Membership No.	
		Mob No.			
Others booked by you on the visit				Their Guildford U3A Membership No.	
Tick here to confirm that everyone being booked by you has read and understood the attached risk assessment relating to Covid-19 measures.				<input type="checkbox"/>	
Email address					
Postal address					
Details of any food allergies or dietary requirements					
Menu – please circle your choices					
Name:		A or B,		C or D, E F or G	
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Date	Outing	Cost	No. of places	Cheque total	Coach pickup times
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