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Jan - Apr 2019

Don't miss The Temperate House at Kew Gardens!



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DAYS OUT TRIPS ARE FOR <u>ALL</u> AGES

National Space Centre a day out for all the Family!



- Car Parking. First pickup will always be from the Old Gasworks Car Park (Brook Street). This pickup is set at 25 minutes before the scheduled trip departure time shown in the brochure. The driver will wait a maximum of 5 minutes. This allows us to get to New Street around 15 minutes before departure, giving time for the remaining passengers to arrive and board the bus. <u>Before</u> departing the venue for your return to Daventry, please discuss with your driver where you require dropping off i.e. Bus Station (especially if you have bus connections to get back for), Old Gasworks Car Park, or near to where you live if in Daventry. Please don't assume the driver will know.
- Accessibility: For those passengers that use wheelchairs or have mobility issues If you have any concerns regarding accessibility we would request that you contact the
 venue and talk to them directly, or access their website. We can assist in providing contact numbers if necessary.
- If you want a travel scooter for a trip you can always hire one from DACT Mobility. We do ask you to talk to the office first, to make sure we have the right type of bus available. (N.B. Some venues do provide Scooters making it unnecessary to take your own. Ask the DACT Office if you need more details)
- Cancellations: These can affect a lot of people. Eg: They may result in trips being cancelled due to insufficient numbers, members losing the opportunity to get group rate entry or trips run at a loss to DACT. Please understand that to be fair to all our members we have to be consistent in applying our cancellation policy.(see back page)
- Any feedback on our trips, positive or negative, is very important to us. We do make changes based on feedback, so please telephone or call in to the office.
- PLEASE DO NOT ASK YOUR VOLUNTEER DRIVER TO MAKE ANY DROP-OFFS TO ANY VILLAGES OUTSIDE OF DAVENTRY ON RETURN FROM THE TRIP. DRIVERS OFTEN HAVE OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES FOLLOWING RETURN FROM THE TRIP AND DACT HAVE NOT ACCOUNTED FOR ANY ADDITIONAL MILES IN THE COSTING OF THE TRIP.

Return time is the anticipated time of departure from the venue visited unless otherwise stated

Jan 19	Destination	Type of Trip	Depart	<u>Return</u>	<u>Cost</u>	Information
Wed 23 rd	Blooms Garden Centre, Dunchurch	Garden Centre	11.30am	3pm	£8	Popular garden centre near to Dunchurch. Part of the Gardening Club chain, offering a wide range of goods and plants. Has a large restaurant. Outlets include Bonmarche, Edinburgh Woollen Mill, Mountain Warehouse, Hotter Shoes & The Works
Thur 31 st	Fosse Park, Leics	Shopping	11.30am	3.15pm	£11	One of the biggest shopping precincts in the area with over 30 stores and a number of places to eat or grab a coffee. The venue is accessible and has a number of wheechairs for hire on a first come first served basis.
Feb 19						
Tues 5 th	Dobbies Garden Centre, Atherstone	Garden Centres	10.30am	2.30pm	£11	Popular garden centre just past Hinckley. A typical large garden centre that also includes a clothing outlet and food hall. Also has a large restaurant.
Fri 8 th	Navigation Inn, Stoke Bruerne	Pub Lunch	11.30am	2.30pm	£9	A picturesque canal side setting, stunning period features located in the charming old village of Stoke Bruerne, which lies on the Grand Union Canal, near the Blisworth Tunnel. Eat indoors amidst wooden beams and exposed stone walls. Step outside and dine right by the water; they have a beer garden and a patio. The menu includes comforting British dishes and global cuisine and they also have great vegetarian and vegan choices.
Tues 12 th	Milton Keynes Shopping Central	Shopping	10.30am	3.30pm	£11	Milton Keynes The Centre:MK – a shopping centre with over 200 shops and restaurants.
Thur 14 th	Kew Gardens, London	Gardens	9am	3pm	£21	The Princess of Wales Conservatory is turned into a tropical paradise with the annual Orchid Festival. In addition there is Kew's 325 acres to explore that includes lakes, extensive walkways, themed areas and a number of greenhouses housing a wide array of plants and trees, possibly including alpines and orchids. Mobility scooters available (book in advance). There is a land train (approx £5 for the day) that stops at various points around Kew. With our excellent agreement with Kew we are able to offer this trip at a total cost of £21 (Bus and entry combined).
Fri 15 th	Welford Park, Oxfordshire	Gardens	10.30am	3.30pm	£16	First stop is for lunch, then on to Welford Park where Great British Bake Off is filmed, to see the snowdrop walk around the Beech Woods can take a fast walker 30 minutes but at a more sedate pace, enjoying the amazing spread and scent of the flowers and the formal garden, can take up to an hour or so. There are also paths along the River Lambourn for you to enjoy. Entry: £6 Seniors & £8 Adults
Tues 19 th	National Space Centre, Leicester	Place of interest	10.15am	Зрт	£14	The National Space Centre is a museum and an educational resource covering the fields of space science and astronomy, along with a space research programme in partnership with the University of Leicester. It is located on the north side of the city of Leicester, England, next to the River Soar. Many of the exhibits are interactive, including an opportunity to experience a look through our solar system, a mock up of the Columbus Module and free standing rockets. Entry: £15 Adults & £12 Concessions
Thurs 21 st	Nottingham/City of Caves	Shopping/Place of interest	10.15am	3.30pm	£15	As well as a large shopping area and attractive City Centre, there is the City of Caves - part of a hidden maze made up of over 500 original sandstone caves underneath the streets of Nottingham dating back to the dark ages. Investigate the social history of the caves and learn more about the events that once happened inside these fascinating underground dwellings. There is also Ye Olde Trip To Jerusalem Inn for a bite to eat, the oldest Inn in England. Entry for Caves: £8 Adults & £7 Concessions
Sat 23 rd	Nene Valley Railway, Cambs	Railway	10am	3.30pm	£14	Nene Valley Railway is a leading international steam attraction, based at Wansford Station, and covering the stations of Overton (for Ferry Meadows), Orton Mere, Yarwell Junction, and Peterborough. Nene Valley Railway offers the chance to experience the thrill of riding a steam engine; learn about the railway's history; and explore the picturesque surroundings of the Nene Valley area. Entry: £16 Adults, £13 Seniors & £8 Child (2018 prices)
Wed 27 th	Swindon Designer Outlet	Shopping	9.30am	3pm	£15	McArthur Glen's Swindon Designer Outlet is housed in the beautifully renovated Grade II listed buildings of the Great Western Railway Works and is one of the largest covered designer outlets in Europe. There are over 80 leading brands including outlets for M&S, Next, John Lewis along with a wide range of designer brands. Situated right opposite the Swindon Designer Outlet, the museum tells the story of the men and women who built, operated and travelled on the Great Western Railway, often referred to by historians and railway fans as 'God's Wonderful Railway'.
March 19						
Thurs 7 th	Guide Dogs Training Centre, Leamington Spa	Special Interest	12.30pm	4pm	£10	This is an opportunity to take a tour to see how the dogs are trained at the National Guide Dog Training School in Learnington Spa. Here you can see how the dogs are trained, meet the dogs and their handlers (and take pictures), learn more about sight loss, being partially sighted or blind and browse the gift shop. Some refreshments will be provided. Entry plus the tour (approx 2 hours) , is free.
Sat 9 th	Sharpe's Pottery, Swadlincote.	Museum	11am	3.30pm	£13	First established by local farmer Thomas Sharpe in 1821, the site on which the museum stands is believed to be the only surviving sanitary ware works site in the country. Originally the site manufactured domestic pottery, much of which was exported to America in the late 19th century. During the 1850's, for public health reasons there was a huge demand in the sanitary ware market and the local clay was ideal for the production of such products. The factory closed in 1967, but has now been fully restored. There will be a number of exhibitions and collections on display. Entry: FREE

Tues 12 th	Webbs Garden Centre, Wychbold	Garden Centre	10.45am	3.30pm	£13	Webbs of Wychbold (near Bromsgrove) claims to be one of the biggest garden centres in the UK and has been awarded Garden Centre of the Year by the Gardening Association 3 times. It has the typical range of garden centre products plus a large food hall and a fully licenced restaurant. Concessions on-site include Lakeland, Cotswold and Hobbycraft.
Fri 15 th	Imperial War Museum, Duxford	Museum	9.30am	3.15pm	£17	Duxford has a large collection of civil and military aircraft through the ages. This includes Concorde (you can walk through), Spitfires & Hurricanes, Flying Fortress, Lancaster, Vulcan. They are spread across a number of hangars, including a Battle of Britain hangar and the impressive and newly renovated American hangar. In addition the Land Warfare hangar houses one of the finest exhibitions of tanks, military vehicles and artillery in the country. For those that need it a mobility vehicle should be operating to move people around the site. Entry: Adult £13 (Assuming we have a minimum of 10 people)
Wed 20 th	BBC Tour, Birmingham	Tour	10.45am	3.30pm	£13	Step inside the world of broadcasting at BBC Birmingham. An entertaining and informative guided tour explains how scripts get to the screen, how production teams work, the technology and how BBC Drama is made. The tour lasts approx 1.5hours and does involve a lot of walking and standing. Visitors can also look in at the Visitor Centre and the interactive BBC Blue Room. Note: For this trip we can only take 15 people maximum so it is advisable to book early, & all passengers MUST have photo ID. Entry: Adult £12 & Concession £10
Thurs 21 st	Kedleston Hall, Derbys	House and Gardens	10.30am	3.30pm	£15	Take a trip back in time to the 1760s at this spectacular Neo-classical mansion framed by historic parkland. Designed for lavish entertaining and displaying an extensive collection of paintings, sculpture and original furnishings, Kedleston is a stunning example of the work of architect Robert Adam. The Curzon family have lived here since the 12th-century and continue to live at the Hall. Lord Curzon's Eastern Museum is a treasure trove of fascinating objects acquired on his travels in Asia and while Viceroy of India (1899 to 1905). The Hall was used as a key location for 'The Duchess', the Hollywood blockbuster starring Keira Knightley. Entry Cost: Adults £7, with our National Trust special rate.
Tues 26 th	Boundary Mills, Grantham	Shopping	10.30am	3pm	£14	Boundary Mills Grantham offers a a large choice and discounted prices against leading names in ladies and men's leisure, outdoor and occasion wear, footwear, lingerie etc. In the same building there is a large Downtown Department Store selling a wide range of home, garden, electrical, fashions, toys and much more. Opposite there is also a Downtown Garden Centre. Boundary Mills and Downtown both have restaurants.
Thur 28 th	Stratford-on-Avon	Historic Town	10.30am	3.15pm	£11	A very popular tourist attraction on the banks of the River Avon. Visitors can enjoy the park area either side of the river, take a river cruise, wander around the shops or visit one or more of the historic attractions such as Shakespeare's House. There is also the Butterfly Farm to visit less than a mile away from the drop off point, at an additional cost.
April 19						
Tues 2 nd	Mystery Tour	Tour	10am	At Dav approx 5.30 pm	£14	Mystery tour with approx 2 or 3 stops for refreshments and browsing. At least one stop will be long enough for lunch and a look round – different route to previous mystery tours.
Thurs 4 th	Avoncroft Museum, Bromsgrove	Museum	10.30am	2.30pm	£12	A unique collection of historic buildings rescued and rebuilt. The buildings range from a 1940s prefab to a medieval merchants house and a windmill – in all there are 25 historic buildings, a fascinating telephone box collection and an Edwardian Tearoom. Set in 15 acres with period gardens attached to some of the buildings, an orchard and wildlife pond. Entry: Adult £11, Seniors £10. (2018)
Fri 5 th	Rushden Lakes	Shopping	10.30am	2.30pm	£10	Rushden Lakes is a new lakeside retail park. There is a large House of Fraser and M&S together with Primark, Next, H&M, New Look, Fat Face and more. There are a number of food outlets where you can sit by the lake, including M&S Cafe and Bill's. For those that want to, you can walk alongside the lake and see the wildlife. Entry: FREE
Mon 8 th	Hanbury Hall, Worcs	House & Gardens	10.15am	3.30pm	£14	A country retreat in the heart of Worcestershire. The house and garden, originally a stage-set for summer parties, offer a glimpse into life at the turn of the 18th century. Don't miss the original wall-paintings by Sir James Thornhill. Full of drama and politics, they show the birth of Georgian society. The original formal gardens, designed by George London, have been faithfully re-created and complement the relaxed later gardens, with orangery, orchards and walled garden. If you venture further afield, our walks leaflet will help you find George London's visionary Semicircle in the parkland the beginning of the landscape movement. Entry Cost: Adults £6 House & Gardens & £4 Gardens & Park with our National Trust special rate.
Wed 10 th	Black Country Museum, Dudley	Museum	10am	3.30pm	£14	Described as a living open-air museum. The main area has 'streets' of factories and shops as they were in the early 1900s, with people in costume to tell you about what was sold and made in those days. There is much to do and see – take a tram ride, go down a coal mine, go to school!, take a canal trip into limestone caves for an additional cost, watch local craftsmen at work, view historic buildings & a vehicle collection. Used as a film location for a number of TV drama scenes. Entry: Group rate: Adults £14, Seniors £12.
Fri 12 th	London Museums	Museum	9.00am	4pm	£19	Drop off is outside the world famous Natural History Museum. Next door is the Science Museum and across the road is the V&A Museum, claimed to be the worlds greatest museum of art & design. All museums FREE to enter – special exhibitions, simulators etc may be chargeable. This is also a good base for onward travel to Oxford Street, Harrods and other parts of London.
Mon 15 th	Bourton-on-the-Water	Historic Town	10.30am	3.15pm	£14	A regular stop-off for us but today you get to spend a whole afternoon at this beautiful Cotswold town. This provides the opportunity to visit one or more of it's attractions – Birdland Park & Gardens, the Model Village, the Cotswold Motoring Museum and the Dragonfly Maze. Alternatively just enjoy a stroll along the riverside and browsing in the shops.
Wed 17 th	Doddington Hall, Lincs	House & Gardens	10am	3pm	£16	Built in 1595 by Robert Smythson, one of England's foremost Elizabethan Architects, Doddington Hall was completed in 1600 and has never been sold. Since 2006 Doddington has been the much-loved family home of James & Claire Birch. A visit to Doddington offers a unique insight into family life through the ages and the challenges of looking after such an estate in the 21st century. Entry: £11 Adult

Thurs 18 th	British Motor Museum, Gaydon	Museum	11am	3.15pm	£9	The Heritage Motor Centre is home to the world's largest collection of British Cars; it boasts nearly 300 cars in its collection which spans over 100 years and includes the classic, vintage and veteran eras. There is a restaurant. Entry: Adults £14, Over 60s £12. Child £9. (If we have 12 or more group rate of £11 applies.)
Tues 23 rd	Stratford Garden Centre, Birmingham	Garden Centre	11am	3.15pm	£12	The Garden Centre has a large selection of shrubs, bedding and trees for your garden along with all the tools, pots and equipment you'll need to get going, as well as stocking a large range of gifts, homewares, toys and garden furniture. Browse around The Shopping Courtyard, where you will find independent boutique shops including crafted jewellery, antiques, interior accessories, clothing, fancy dress and party wear, hair and a nail bar, complementary therapies, a florist, fitness studio, bridal wear, second hand books and a children's play centre. Visit the Oh So Scrumptious! Ice Cream Parlour and Pottery Painting Studio, as well as The Lime Tree Restaurant – it's perfect if you want a leisurely breakfast, lunch, snack or afternoon tea. ENTRY: FREE
Wed 24 th	Hughenden, High Wycombe	House & Gardens	10am	3.30pm	£15	Hughenden offers a vivid insight into the charismatic personality and colourful private life of the most unlikely Victorian Prime Minister, Benjamin Disraeli, who lived here from 1848 to 1881. You can browse among an extraordinary collection of personal memorabilia in rooms on the ground and first floor, and there's even a Victorian playroom for younger visitors. A secret wartime past is revealed in our Second World War rooms in the cellar, with interactive exhibits and eye-witness accounts. Experience the immersive wartime displays in our ice house bunker and find out why Hughenden was high on Hitler's hit list. The formal garden has been recreated based on the original designs of Mary Anne Disraeli and there are woodland walks surrounding this country home throughout the rolling parkland. Dizzy's Tearoom will offer a welcome break. Entry Cost: Adults £6, with our National Trust special rate.
Thur 25 th	Bath	Historic Town	9am	3.45pm Back in Dav late	£21	Bath is the largest city in the ceremonial county of Somerset, England, known for its Roman-built baths. There is the opportunity to visit the Roman Baths, Royal Crescent, 'The Circus' and Bath Abbey. The city became a World Heritage Site in 1987.
Tues 30 th	Peak District Tour	Scenic Tour	9.30am	At Dav approx 5.30 pm	£18	Peak District with its beautiful scenery and picturesque small towns is always an extremly popular trip, so book early to avoid disappointment. We normally have around 3 stops to allow people to explore various locations.

To register <u>FREE</u> for the DACT 'Days-Out' Scheme, simply telephone the number at the bottom of the page stating you wish to register as a new member. You will be asked for your full name, address, date of birth and contact details. If you have any kind of mobility difficulties which you think we should be advised of, please notify us. (e.g. you perhaps need to bring a tri-walker on a trip)

Points to note:

- Booking will be on a first-come first served basis. For trips that are fully booked we will run a reserve list and contact people on that list if seats become available through cancellations.
- There are NO age restrictions applicable to DACT Days Out, but unfortunately all seats are charged at the same rate. This also applies to carers of wheelchair passengers etc.
- Price quoted is for return travel only. Admission charges <u>are not</u> included, unless otherwise stated. Food, drink etc is excluded.
- Payment in cash should be made to the driver on the day of the trip unless stated otherwise.
- <u>Pick-ups</u> The bus will leave from the Old Gasworks Car Park/Daventry Bus Station at the time stated in trip details. <u>We will wait a maximum of 5 minutes only, in</u> <u>fairness to other passengers</u>.
- <u>Drop offs -</u> <u>Before</u> departing the venue for your return to Daventry, please discuss with your driver where you require to be dropped off i.e. Bus Station, Old Gasworks Car Park, or near to where you live if in Daventry. Please don't assume the driver will know.
- DACT will do their best to make sure every trip operates as advertised. However in circumstances beyond our control or minimum numbers not being met, we may have to change or cancel we cannot run these trips at a loss to DACT.
- Trip Information is obtained from a variety of sources. We try to give a fair summary of a destination but we cannot guarantee that all the content we may use is totally accurate.
- Trolleys. We can carry shopping trolleys but they must be booked in advance as there is only limited storage space on our buses.
- CANCELLATIONS. Please be aware that if you cancel your booking late, you may prevent others from travelling on the trip who would otherwise have been able to go, and also if buses then get insufficient numbers, they run the risk of being cancelled. Please only book if you definitely intend to travel. All bookings are taken on trust without a deposit and we do not want to change this procedure to avoid heavy administration. <u>Any trip cancelled at less</u> than 5 full working-days notice prior to the trip date (or a no-show on the trip day) will incur the full trip cost as it is unfair to other passengers to have their trip cancelled at short notice. Please pay to the DACT Office as soon as possible.

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