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Country Houses and Gardens

1. Blenheim Palace
2. Woodstock
3. Cotswold Wildlife Park and Gardens
4. Batsford Arboretum
5. Cogges Manor Farm
6. Waterperry Gardens

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What’s On in 2018

June

17 June Rare Plant Fair, Waterperry Gardens
17 June Father’s Day, Cogges Manor Farm
22 - 24 June Blenheim Palace Flower Show
25 June – 31 Oct The Artist Edward and Stephanie Scott-Seal at Kelmscott Manor 1940-48
26 June – 25 Oct Forest School for Tots, Batsford Arboretum

July

27 – 28 July Beer & Cider Festival, Cogges Manor Farm
30 July Family ‘Sharpshooter’ Photography Workshop, Batsford Arboretum

Aug

1 – 31 Aug Rhino Month at Cotswold Wildlife Park and Gardens
1 – 31 Aug The Big Batsford Bug Hunt!, Batsford Arboretum
7 & 29 Aug Family ‘Sharpshooter’ Photography Workshop, Batsford Arboretum
25 Aug Creative Jewellery, Kelmscott Manor
26 – 27 Aug Immersion Theatre: Peter Pan, Blenheim Palace

Sept

1st Sept – 31st Oct Cotswold Wildlife Park and Gardens
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22 – 23 Sept Michealmas Daisy Weekend, Waterperry Gardens
30 Sept British Heart Foundation Half Marathon, Blenheim Palace

Oct

6 Oct The Big Draw, Kelmscott Manor
20 Oct – 4 Nov Apple Weekend, Waterperry Gardens

Nov

15 – 18 Nov Living Crafts for Christmas, Blenheim Palace
8 – 9 Dec Christmas Market, Cogges Manor Farm

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1. Batsford Arboretum
Batsford, Moreton-in-Marsh, Gloucestershire, GL56 9AD
T: 01536 701441
E: arbor@batsfordfoundation.co.uk
www.batsarb.co.uk
Garden Type: 56 acre Arboretum/botanical tree garden
Soil Type: Lias clay
Batsford Arboretum is home to one of the country’s largest private tree collections with 56 acres of wild gardens, paths, streams and stunning views. Enjoy year-round colour from the early spring flowering bulbs through to the natural fireworks display in autumn!
Treat yourself to lunch or afternoon tea in the Garden Terrace Café; browse the gift shops and explore the beautiful walled garden plant centre. Dogs welcome!
Open: January-December (closed Christmas Day)
Opening times: 9:00-17:00 Monday-Saturday, 10:00-17:00 Sundays
Admission charge: Adult £6.75, Conc £5.75, Family £19.95
Accessibility notes (Transport/parking): Disabled parking. Mobility scooters available for hire

2. Blenheim Palace
Woodstock, Oxfordshire, OX20 1PS
T: 01993 810530 E: operations@blenheimpalace.com
www.blenheimpalace.com
Garden Type: Formal Gardens and Parkland
Soil Type: Alkali
Home to the 12th Duke of Marlborough and the birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill, Blenheim Palace boasts over 300 years of history to discover and more than 2000 acres of landscaped Parkland and Gardens to explore.
Enjoy events and exhibitions for everyone in our busy year-round calendar.
Open: January-December
Opening times: Park: 09:00-18.00, Gardens: 10:00-18:00, Palace: 10:30-17:50
Admission charge: Please visit our website for admission prices.
Accessibility notes (Transport/parking): Blue badge holder parking, carers go free, alternative routes through the gardens for wheelchair/buggy users. Mobility scooters available for hire

3. Cogges Manor Farm
Church Lane, Witney, OX28 3LA
T: 01993 772602 E: ops@Cogges.org.uk
www.cogges.org.uk
Garden Type: Walled kitchen garden
Cogges Manor Farm has over 1,000 years of history, with beautiful Cotswold stone manor house, farmyard and walled garden. The garden is rich in colour, fruit and vegetables, and has been producing seasonal food and flowers since the 17th century. Cogges is a joy to explore, including woodland walks, and farmyard animals to meet. Cogges was used as a filming location for ITV’s Downton Abbey.
Open: Mid March to early November
Opening times: 10:00-17:00 (last entry 16.30pm)
Admission charge: £6.50 adults, £4.50 children
Accessibility notes (Transport/parking): Disabled car park available, limited access to manor house for wheelchairs

4. Cotswold Wildlife Park and Gardens
Burford, Oxfordshire, OX18 4JL
T: 01993 829206 E: enquiries@cotswoldwildlifepark.co.uk
www.cotswoldwildlifepark.co.uk
Garden Type: Walled Garden, Tropical House, Winter Gardens, herbaceous borders and parkland
Stroll around the Park and watch the Rhinos graze on the lawns in front of the Gothic Manor House, get eye-to-eye with Giraffe or walk with Lemurs. Explore the Tropical House with a feel of the rainforest, gaze at the cacti beds and exotic planting in the summer months, admire the year-around containers and hanging basket displays.
The stunning gardens, landscaped Parkland and themed borders make a beautiful backdrop to the animals. With over 260 different animal species in over 120 acres, there’s plenty of space to relax and get closer to wildlife, especially in August which is Rhino Month.
Open: January - December (closed Christmas Day)
Opening times: Daily from 10:00
Admission charge: See website for details
Accessibility notes (Transport/parking): No public transport to the Park. Flat level wheelchair friendly site, with hoist room with shower, disabled toilets and wheelchair access to train

5. Kelmscott Manor
Kelmscott, Lechlade, GL7 3HJ
T: 01535 252486
www.kelmscottmanor.org.uk
Kelmscott Manor was the inspirational country home of William Morris – writer, designer, craftsman, socialist and father of the Arts and Crafts movement.
He called Kelmscott Manor “a heaven on earth” and lived with his family, through the summer months, from 1871. His delight can still be felt by visitors today in this survival of traditional craftsmanship in harmony with the surrounding landscape which inspired many of Morris’ designs and writings.
Open: April-October, Wednesday and Saturday
Opening times: 11:00-16:00
Admission charge: See website
Accessibility notes (Transport/parking): See website

6. Waterperry Gardens
Waterperry, Nr Wheatley, Oxford, OX33 1LA
T: 01844 339226 E: office@waterperrygardens.co.uk
www.waterperry.co.uk
Garden Type: Ornamental, Herbaceous and Formal
Waterperry Gardens have been delighting visitors for years with 8 acres of inspirational gardens featuring a spectacular 200th herbaceous border, rose garden and a riverside walk.
The Gallery and Gift Barn offer gifts and unique artwork by British artists, pick up a plant in the garden shop and visit the Rural Life Museum, packed with quirky ephemera. The Teashop serves lunches and some of the best cakes in the county.
Open: All Year
Opening times: April–October: 10:00-17:30
November–March: 10:00-17:00
Admission charge: From £19.50
Accessibility notes (Transport/parking): Disabled parking available

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