

# The Savill Garden

Windsor Great Park

## Group and Travel Trade Guide 2012

*"The rose garden at The Savill Garden, with its soaring viewpoint, is a triumph of design and fragrance."*

Stephen Lacey, The Telegraph



**Group prices held for 2012!**



The Royal Landscape

SAVILL GARDEN • VALLEY GARDENS • VIRGINIA WATER



# A warm welcome – all year round!

Welcome to The Savill Garden where you and your group are really important to us.

We pride ourselves on providing you with everything that you need for a memorable day out in The Royal Landscape of Windsor Great Park. From the early shows of vibrant spring colour, through to the autumn hues and crisp clear winter days, The Savill Garden really is a garden for all seasons.

Excellent catering facilities, with new revised group menus for lunch and afternoon tea are available, informative guided tours around the gardens for those who wish, and the ever popular self guiding Plants of Interest leaflet and garden map, to allow each visitor to enjoy the garden at their own pace.

The award winning Savill Building offers all of the facilities your group needs, including an extensive gift shop, an art gallery and coffee bar and restaurant managed by Leith's. Special events, many suited to the group and trade market, run throughout the year.

We recognise that it is a difficult economic climate for the travel trade and group market this year, which is why we are delighted to be able to hold our prices from last year.

I hope that we will be able to welcome you and your group to The Savill Garden this year.

**Katie Taylor**  
Group Bookings Co-ordinator  
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## 'Looking forward to meeting you!'

'Meet and Greet' service for every pre-registered and booked group. This warm and friendly welcome is an informative way to orientate you and your group around The Savill Garden and Building.



# Discover The Savill Garden

World-renowned 35 acres of ornamental gardens and woodland, including National Collections and rare international species, The Savill Garden provides a wealth of beauty and interest in all seasons.

**Spring** in The Savill Garden is heralded by hosts of daffodils, marvellous magnolias and the wonderful perfume of the varieties of rhododendrons and azaleas. Summer brings a contrast of colour, with the vibrancy of the grand, double Herbaceous Borders and the tranquil, pastel shades of the Golden Jubilee Garden. The glorious displays of autumn in the Garden are a joy to behold, before attention turns to the striking new additions to the Winter Garden.

**The Rose Garden (part of the Savill Garden)**  
The new Rose Garden is truly an amazing sight with roses specially chosen for their scent and repeat flowering. As you approach, a blanket of highly perfumed scent envelops you along with the sight of 2,500 roses planted in unusual, interlocking crescents of borders. As the deep aromas of these roses naturally rises, visitors can enjoy the perfume at its ultimate best through an intense sensory experience enjoyed from the walkway, which extends over the centre of the rose garden.

### The Queen Elizabeth Temperate House

A must-see, provides an ideal environment to grow particularly tender plants, including examples of rhododendrons and mahonias from the National Collections. The Temperate House also showcases original and unusual seasonal plant displays which offer continuous floral interest and vitality throughout the year.

## Also in The Royal Landscape

Whatever the weather and whatever the season come and discover the thousand acres of woodland, lakes and gardens at the south eastern end of Windsor Great Park. Explore how these landscapes have been shaped and cultivated, under the patronage of Kings and Queens for over 250 years.



### ▲ The Valley Gardens

A pleasant one mile walk or escorted coach trip from The Savill Garden brings visitors to The Valley Gardens. These world renowned gardens, also landscaped by Sir Eric Savill, are set in the deep lakeside valleys that give them their name.

They are a delight at any time of year, but reach the peak of perfection from March to June. Groups can enjoy the Azalea display from late April in the Punchbowl for which the Gardens are famous.



### ▲ Virginia Water

First dammed and flooded in 1753, Virginia Water was, until the creation of the great reservoirs, the largest man made body of water in the British Isles.

Visitors can admire the ornamental cascade from the 18th century, a 'Roman Temple' built from ruins from the ancient city of Leptis Magna in the early 19th century, and a towering 100 foot high Totem Pole.

## We offer your group...

- Delicious lunch and afternoon tea menus
- Guided tours bookable in advance
- Free Plants of Interest leaflet and map for all group members, perfect for self-guiding
- Great value combined visits to Windsor Castle or Frogmore House
- Combined Royal Garden and River Boat Cruise
- Valley Gardens coach escort service – a rare opportunity to have your coach guided through Windsor Great Park to the Valley Gardens



## Group catering options

The Savill Garden offers you a choice of delicious catering menus and a great number of flexible catering options for your group. Take a break and enjoy either a two course lunch menu and / or a classic cream tea. Menus can be served or self service in one of three dedicated dining areas. Alternatively, you can pre-purchase catering vouchers.

We offer competitive set menu prices for lunch and afternoon tea. Please call for details, available Monday to Friday only



## Unbeatable group and coach benefits

- **Discounted** group rates
- **FREE** familiarisation visit for the Group Organiser
- Dedicated **FREE** coach park (adjacent to The Savill Building)
- **FREE** coach driver admission and refreshment voucher worth £7.50 (only with paid Garden admission groups)
- **Specialist** Group and Travel Trade Team to support your visit

**Pre-Booking Essential Please Call 0845 603 6228**

# The Savill Garden and River Thames Tour

## A complete day out!

### The Royal Garden and River Boat Cruise

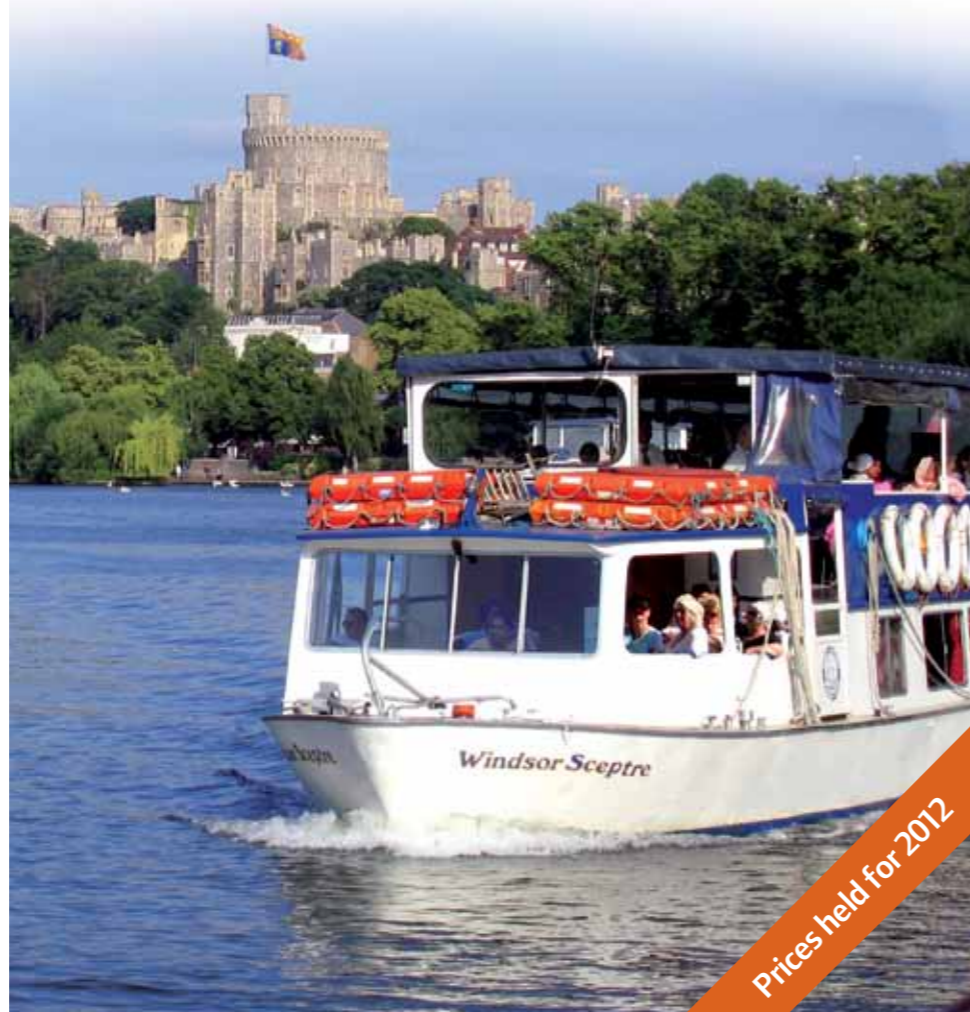
A full group day out combining a visit to The Savill Garden and a trip along the River Thames from Runnymede to Windsor and back again.

A perfect way to see the castle from the river, combined with a walk to ignite your senses around the beautiful Savill Garden. This day includes entrance to The Savill Garden, a return boat trip, lunch and afternoon tea. This excellent value package is £24.95pp for the cold lunch option to be served on the boat and just £27.95 for a hot lunch at The Savill Garden.

The Savill Garden hot lunch package includes a choice of meal from the hot counter and a cup of tea or coffee. Water is available free of charge.

The cold lunch is a ploughman's lunch served with a slice of cake and a hot drink on board the cruiser. Soft drinks are available to purchase and the boat is licensed too.

For more details please call 0845 603 6228



# The Savill Building

The Savill Building is a remarkable and iconic building, with its sweeping wooden roof hovering over the landscape like a giant leaf, home to a superb gift shop, art gallery and popular restaurant.

*"One of the best trips I have ever organised, everyone thought the garden was looking immaculate and the food was delicious."*

### The Restaurant

Managed by Leiths, the self service restaurant offers options to cater for all visitors.

- Special new groups catering packages are available upon request
- Hot lunches, available between 12pm – 2.30pm
- Light lunches available; with sandwiches, soups, jacket potatoes and salads
- A great selection of coffee, tea, cakes and pastries, ideal for either morning or afternoon tea. Plus, scrumptious cream teas available in the afternoon



### The Shop

The magnificent shop at The Savill Building takes gift shopping for groups to a new level.

- A wide range of tempting giftware, stationery and books
- Outdoor plant centre including plants grown in The Royal Garden
- Outdoor plant centre with knowledgeable staff on hand to help
- Unusual gift ideas from £5, especially for Christmas and Easter
- Windsor Great Park souvenir gifts and plants grown in The Royal Garden



### The Gallery Café

The stunning Gallery is set in a light and peaceful conservatory to the rear of the shop, incorporating a new, more intimate café serving hot drinks, sandwiches and home-made cakes.

- British-based artists with works referring to the natural beauty of the British countryside and our place within it
- Many diverse media, techniques and styles, from watercolours to sculptures
- All works in The Gallery are for sale with pieces to suit a range of budgets



# Windsor Castle or Frogmore House combined visit

We are pleased to continue to offer combined tickets with The Royal Collection.

### Windsor Castle

This is the largest and oldest occupied castle in the world and is one of the official residences of Her Majesty the Queen. Combined ticket price, adults £20.75, seniors £18.90.

These combined tickets are available from April – October through the Royal Collection on 020 7766 7321.

### Frogmore House

Set in the private Home Park and renowned for its beautiful landscaped garden and 18th century lake, Frogmore is a royal retreat and still used by the Royal Family for private entertaining. Frogmore House and Garden are only open to pre-booked groups on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday between 31/07/12 and 27/09/12.

Combined ticket price, adults /seniors £15 For further enquiries contact the Royal Collection on 020 7766 7321.



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*"To summarise a very enjoyable day, encompassing the lovely Savill Garden, good food and the interesting visit to Frogmore House and its grounds – perfect!"*

# Your own 'Royal Garden Party'

To help celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in 2012, we are delighted to offer a very special group package. This is a truly unique and unforgettable experience.

Enjoy a visit to the renowned Savill Garden, including the Queen Elizabeth Temperate House, and the splendid new rose garden opened by Her Majesty the Queen in 2010. Guests will be able to enjoy wandering through the gardens at their own pace with their complimentary guide book, 'Gardens in a Royal Landscape'.

Then return to The Lawns where you will find your own private tea tent, with tables set with crisp linen and fresh flowers, on which you will enjoy a magnificent Jubilee Tea especially created by Leith's executive head chef Paul Jennings.

### Your Diamond Jubilee Afternoon Tea includes:

- Full afternoon tea served on fine bone china
- Your own tea tent on a private lawn overlooking the garden
- Entrance to The Savill Garden
- 'Gardens in a Royal Landscape' souvenir guide book
- One of The Savill Garden gardening expert team to answer any garden questions you may have

Cost £22.50 per person, available April to September from Monday to Friday.

Min group size 30, max 60. Exact menu may vary on the day, subject to availability.

### Menu

Cucumber and smoked salmon sandwich

Coronation chicken sandwich

Vegetarian tartlet

Scone with clotted cream and jam

Victoria sponge cake

Shortbread

Fresh loose leaf tea



All served on fine bone china

To book, please call us on 0845 603 6228. We expect this unique package to be very popular and as it can only be booked in advance, we encourage you to please book your place early!

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# Seasonal Garden highlights and selected events

## January

- Witch Hazel in beautiful yellows, reds and oranges
- Textured Dogwoods with coloured branches
- National Collection of Mahonias throughout the Garden
- Winter Garden full of evolving aroma and colour

## February

- The Winter Garden continuing to delight
- The Queen Elizabeth Temperate House with strong perfumes from Cyclamen and Hyacinth

## March

- Spring Wood comes alive
- Discover the early Rhododendrons
- Early spring bulbs begin to bloom
- Azalea Walk begins to bloom with Camellias

## April

- **Easter Family trail**
- Carpets of Dwarf Daffodils flood through The Royal Landscape
- The Gardens awash with Magnolias and Rhododendrons
- Beautiful flowering Cherries

## May

- **Spring Gardens Week – The Savill and Valley Gardens at their glorious spring time best**
- **Rare and Unusual Plant Fair**
- Huge displays of colour in Spring Wood
- Amazing Azaleas throughout the Gardens
- The Punchbowl, at peak of perfection in The Valley Gardens

## June

- **Celebration of The Rose – A week of rose related events centred around the magnificent rose garden**
- Explore The Bog Garden, winding paths and scattered flowers
- Dogwoods reveal sprays of small white flowers
- June Borders come into their own
- The curious Dry Garden, unique textured plants and grasses

## July

- Tranquility in The Golden Jubilee Garden
- An abundance of blue and purple Agapanthus
- Overwhelming mix of summery scents in The Queen Elizabeth Temperate House

## August

- **Open Air Theatre evenings in The Savill Garden**
- **Sculpture exhibition**
- Herbaceous Borders, tiers of vibrant colour
- Lush and shady walks in The Hidden Garden
- The Savill Garden and Frogmore House combined visits open to pre booked groups

## September

- The Savill Garden and Frogmore House combined visits open to pre booked groups
- The New Zealand Garden, with long swaying grasses changing colour in the wind
- Strong colours and continued flowering in the Herbaceous Borders and The Summer Wood
- Autumn Crocuses, carpet the Garden in beautiful pastel colours

For details of seasonal horse and carriage rides through The Royal Landscape, please call 0845 603 6228.

## October

- **Pumpkins in the Park**
- The Autumn Wood blazes in glorious colours
- Fruiting Dogwoods, Maples and Acers covered with Vitus delivering strong red colour
- Seasonal display in The Queen Elizabeth Temperate House

## November

- **Christmas gift fair**
- **Christmas shop in The Savill Building**
- The elegant Silver Birches in The Winter Garden
- Dogwoods, beautiful textured bark and brilliant stem colour

## December

- **Christmas activities in The Savill Building**
- Scattered Mahonias provide drifts of strong scents throughout The Royal Landscape
- The Queen Elizabeth Temperate House, features seasonal colours of green, red and white

## Prices held for 2012/2013!

	SUMMER Mar – Oct 2012	WINTER Nov – Dec 2012 Jan – Feb 2013
Adults	£8.50	£6.25
Seniors	£7.95	£5.75
<b>Groups (10+)</b>	<b>£6.95</b>	<b>£4.95</b>
Children (6-16)	£3.75	£2.25
Carers	FREE	FREE
Blue Badge Guides	FREE	FREE
Group organiser/leader (1 per group)	FREE (Garden admission only)	FREE (Garden admission only)

## Opening times The Savill Garden

### Open Daily

Summer: 10am – 6pm  
Winter: 10am – 4.30pm

Last admission to The Savill Garden, restaurant, Gallery Café and shop is 30 minutes before closing

*Closed Christmas Eve and Christmas Day*



## How to book

### Choose from the following options:

- Complete the booking form and return freepost or fax to 01753 624 107
- Download the booking form from our website, [www.theroyallandscape.co.uk](http://www.theroyallandscape.co.uk)
- Discuss your group's schedule and book over the phone, please call 0845 603 6228
- Email [groups@theroyallandscape.co.uk](mailto:groups@theroyallandscape.co.uk) with your booking information

## Method of payment

Payment must be made on arrival either by cash, cheque or credit card. Payment needs to be in one transaction to qualify for the group rate. Alternatively it can be made in advance through invoiced accounts or in arrears by becoming a special Trade Credit Account Client.

## Trade Credit Account Client

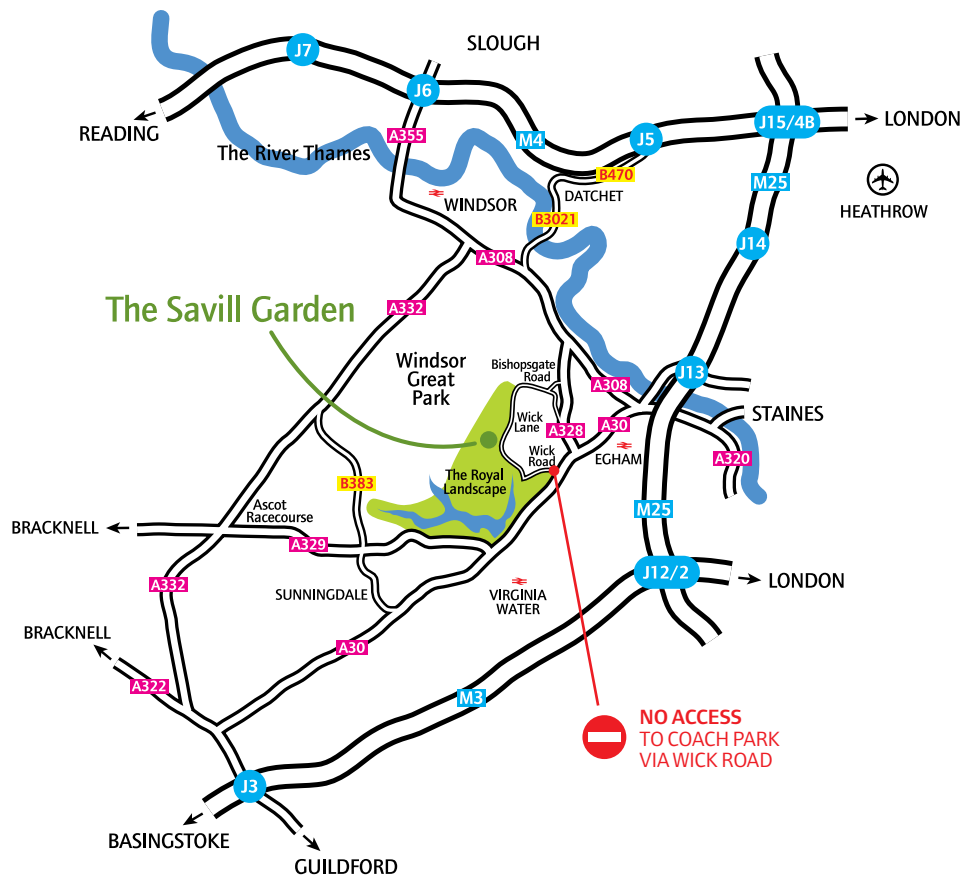
Why not enquire about becoming a Trade Credit Account Client and gain from the following benefits:

- Exclusive discounted rates for groups and FIT's
- Dedicated account management
- Specialist marketing support and promotional material
- Special events information and regular group and trade news updates
- Incentive and value added schemes

# Further information

## How to get to The Savill Garden

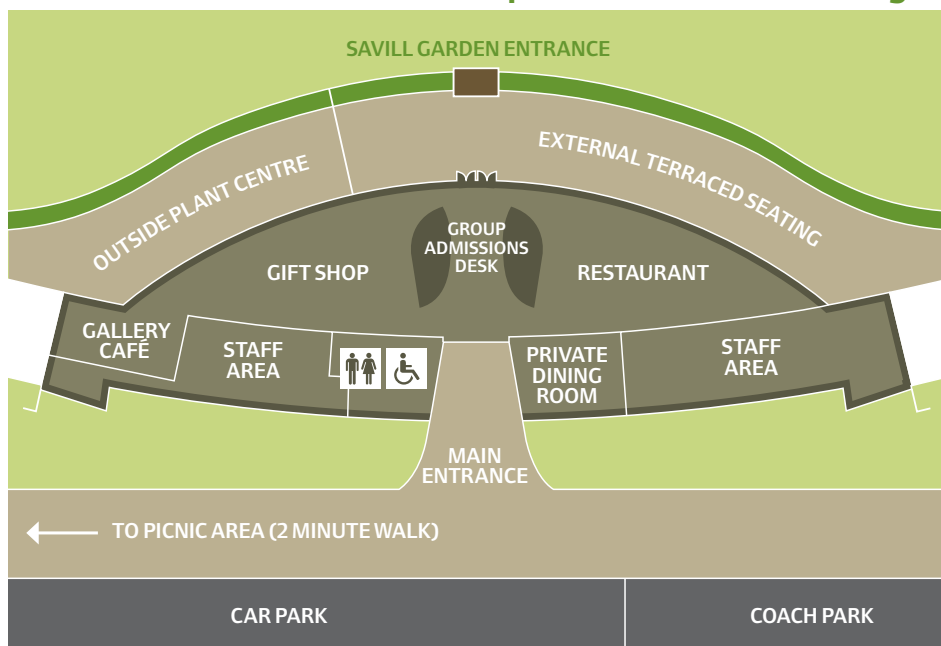
- The Savill Garden is a mile from Englefield Green and 4 miles from Windsor Castle. Approach via the A30 from the south and west, and by the A308 from the east and north. It is also close to the M25 (J13), M4 (J6) and M3
- The Savill Garden is less than 10 miles from Heathrow airport and an hour from Gatwick via the M23 and M25
- The Savill Garden coach park is ONLY accessible from Wick Lane, and visitors from all directions should follow the brown tourist signs saying 'The Royal Landscape', 'The Savill Garden' or depicting a flower symbol
- For sat navs, please use postcode TW20 OXD to guide you to Wick Lane and the coach entrance to The Savill Garden. Please be aware that some satellite navigation devices have misinformed visitors of the route to the garden and as such, should not be relied on to direct you to the coach park



## Accessibility for disabled visitors

- The Savill Building and The Savill Garden offer good accessibility for disabled visitors
- Non-motorised wheelchairs are available on a first come, first served basis
- Assistance dogs are welcome to all parts of The Royal Landscape
- There are good all weather paths around The Savill Garden, allowing access for wheelchair users
- Carers accompanying disabled visitors enjoy free entry into The Savill Garden
- The Valley Garden by its very nature, is less easily accessible for visitors with restricted mobility
- The garden has some slight inclines and dips, we therefore suggest that there are some sections of the garden that may require an able bodied carer to assist when using a non-motorised wheelchair

## A flat level walk from the coach park to the Savill Building



## Contact information

To book, please contact our Group Bookings Co-ordinator on **0845 603 6228** or **groups@theroyallandscape.co.uk**

Also check our website **www.theroyallandscape.co.uk** for up to date details of events around The Royal Landscape.

All information correct at time of print in October 2011 however, we would always recommend you please check before travelling for any date specific events.

*"The staff at The Savill Garden were most welcoming and helpful too. The cream tea was the icing on the cake!"*

