

# **2024 HPS Shropshire Summer Garden Visits**

## **1) Tuesday 7th of May at 2pm**

The Old Rectory at Hearne Lane, Hodnet TF93NG

Our host is Sarah Riley.

3 ½ acres of gardens, that were created over 45yrs by John and Elizabeth Ravenscroft. These include formal gardens, a walled garden, a large pool with stepping stones as well as lawns and wooded areas. Points of interest are the collections of azaleas, magnolias and peonies. After several years of neglect, the present owners are working to restore the gardens.

Maximum of 25 people no minimum.

N.B. There is only parking for 8 cars so we might need to car share.

Cost £8.50 per head to include tea/coffee and cake

## **2) Tuesday the 11th of June at 2pm**

Ruthall Manor at Ditton Priors WV166TN

Our host is Linda Clarke who has explained that as she is approaching 90, she is unsure how much longer the garden will be opening.

Offset by a mature collection of specimen trees, the garden is divided into intimate sections, carefully linked by winding paths. Highlights include the front lawn that is flanked by borders, a gravelled art garden and a ha-ha. Clematis and roses scramble through an eclectic collection of wrought-iron work, unique pottery and secluded seating. A large horse pond features Candelabra Primulas, Iris Siberica and bog plants.

Minimum 15 people no maximum

Cost £7 entry and £6 tea/coffee and homemade cakes

## **3) Tuesday the 6th of August at 2pm**

Wildegoose Nursery Walled Garden at Lower Millichope SY79HE

Our host is Laura Willgoss.

Featured last year on Gardeners' World when Carol Klein visited, the garden paths in this beautiful walled garden allow easy access all around many island beds that are filled with a wide range of herbaceous perennials and grasses. Many of the plants will be available to purchase on our visit. The garden is not normally open on a Tuesday so we will have the site to ourselves.

Minimum 12 people no maximum

Cost £6 entry and £7 tea/coffee and homemade cakes

To book the trip please email me [suenapper@talktalk.net](mailto:suenapper@talktalk.net)

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