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DAY ONE

- Arrival
- Dorothy Clive Garden
- Cholmondeley Castle
- 1 Standard Room in a 4 star hotel including Dinner, Bed & Breakfast*

DAY TWO

- Cheshire Falconry
- Bluebell Cottage and Nurseries
- Combermere Abbey
- 1 Standard Room in a 4 star hotel including Dinner, Bed & Breakfast*

DAY THREE

- Tatton Park
- Arley Hall and Gardens
- Norton Priory Museum and Gardens
- Departure

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DAY ONE

Welcome to Cheshire - The Shire of the City of Legions!

This morning take delight in exploring surprises and delights of the Dorothy Clive with 12 acres of garden including a new winter garden, edible woodland, woodland quarry with waterfall, alpine scree with pool, rose walk and an amazing seasonal border. The garden has notable plant collections including: rhododendrons, azaleas, camellias, sarcococca and hydrangeas. You will enjoy taking in the garden themes then end with a refreshment break or lunch at the delightful Dorothy Clive Tearoom with a wonderful outdoor terrace.

The afternoon will be enjoying the exquisite and peaceful surroundings of Cholmondeley Castle Gardens, the Cholmondeley family have lived on the lands since Norman times with the castle being built in the early 19th Century by the first Marquess. Take delight in exploring 70 acres of gardens including the Romantic Temple, Folly Water Gardens, Rose Garden, Glade, Arboretum, ornamental woodlands and the new Lavinia Walk, a 100m long double herbaceous border dedicated to the legacy of the late Lady Lavinia Cholmondeley.

DAY TWO

Today the morning will start with an opportunity to get close to nature with a chance to fly magnificent birds of prey at Cheshire Falconry as you will enjoy a one to one meet the birds experience. This will be a highlight of your journey as you come face to face with eagles, owls, buzzards, hawks and take to the gauntlet to fly birds with your expert guide.

In the early afternoon you will enjoy visiting Bluebell Cottage and Nurseries, a delightful hidden gem in one of Cheshire's best kept secrets tucked away down a quiet country lane and the creation of former BBC Television Gardener of The Year Sue Beesley. Enjoy your introductory talk led by Sue or a senior member of staff followed by tea, coffee and cake.

Discover an amazing restoration project former abbey, wedding venue and family home in Combermere Abbey as you see sites of former grand ball within a thousand years of English history on your invitation to view group tour. Take in acres of rolling park land, walled gardens, and woodland along with breathtaking white stucco Gothic architecture.



DAY THREE

The final day starts with a visit to Tatton Park as you enjoy a private tour to delve into the history of productive gardening, providing an insight into continental influences on UK diet during the Edwardian and Victorian period. Take in orchards, walled kitchen gardens as well as the glass cases to reveal Tatton Park as a historical reference for food production, growing techniques and storage through the centuries from food to fork.

After a delicious lunch at Tatton Park it's time to take in Arley Hall and Gardens, also known as Tommy's Mansion from season 5 Peaky Blinders. Take delight in the magical atmosphere in this wonderful garden before Norton Priory Museum and Gardens as you discover the history similar to Combermere Abbey visited on day two of this tour.

PRICE FROM*

GBP (POA) PER PERSON

(sharing standard Double/Twin room)

Price does not include:

- Lunches and beverages.
- Service charges unless specified.
- Room upgrades and room service.
- Transport or any items not listed.
- Personal travel insurance.

Price Includes:

- 2 nights accommodation at the Grosvenor Pulford Hotel & Spa Chester or similar.
- *DBB basis unless otherwise stated.
- Dorothy Clive Garden entrance.
- Cholmondeley Castle Entrance.
- Cheshire Falconry bird experience.
- Bluebell Cottage & Nurseries entrance.
- Combermere Abbey entrance.
- Tatton Park entrance.
- Arley Hall entrance.
- Norton Priory entrance.

*Terms and Conditions:

This is a group package based on a group size of 15-30 people. Rates are based on 2 adults sharing 1 standard room; Rates are subject to availability, should suggested hotel not be available one of a similar category will be offered; Rates are not valid on bank holidays and during special events; All bespoke services on request; Transport is not included; Alternative hotels or transport available on request.