

# The Savill Garden



## Group and Travel Trade Guide 2013



*"The Savill Garden offers the visitor an overall excellent quality experience."*

Senior assessor, Visit England



The Royal Landscape  
SAVILL GARDEN • VALLEY GARDENS • VIRGINIA WATER



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# Welcome from us...

As a team, we pride ourselves on providing you with everything you and your group need for a memorable visit.

The Savill Garden is internationally recognised as one of the finest examples of an English woodland garden, planted for year round colour and interest. There is always something to see, whatever time of year you choose to visit. This brochure includes a seasonal highlights guide or visit [www.theroyallandscape.co.uk](http://www.theroyallandscape.co.uk) to view films of spring and summer in The Savill Garden.

We also understand that you need more than just a stunning garden to complete your ideal group day out. Our caterers, Leith's, offer a delicious selection of hot and cold meals, as well as freshly-made sandwiches, a wide range of drinks, and of course, the superb Royal Garden Party Afternoon Tea package.

Our extensive gift shop has gifts carefully chosen to appeal to all tastes and budgets. The plant terrace is always popular with a fantastic selection of plants, including examples from the Garden.

We look forward to welcoming you and your group this coming year. You are really important to us and we hope you enjoy a very special day at The Savill Garden.

**Helen Buckham**  
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.

*'Reception were expecting us so all the tickets were ready for collection. They were so helpful'*



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## 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

## We offer your group...

- Guided tours bookable in advance
- Free map for all group members
- Exclusive Royal Garden Party Afternoon Tea package
- 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.

We offer competitive set menu prices for lunch and afternoon tea. Available Monday to Friday only. Please call for details or visit the groups and travel trade section of our website.



# 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.



*'Guides were delightful and really informative'*



*'The work you do at the gardens reflects great credit to you and your gardeners for maintaining them in such pristine condition'*

## More reasons to visit The Savill Garden...

### Our Royal History

The Savill Garden was created by Sir Eric Savill, grand master of the woodland garden, in the 1930s with the support of King George V and Queen Mary. Since that time, the Garden has continued to develop under Royal Patronage, with most recently HM The Queen opening the Rose Garden.

### Our Plant Hunting Heritage

Great Britain has a strong tradition of plant hunting. This practice began in Victorian times with intrepid plant hunters carefully choosing plants from all over the world to introduce into their own country. Our Keeper of the Gardens, Mark Flanagan, follows in the footsteps of plant hunters like Ernest Wilson as he continues the search for interesting new additions to bring to The Savill Garden.

### Our National Collections

Eight National Collections are represented in the Garden including Magnolia, Rhododendron Species and Mahonia. Affiliation to this scheme has had the dual benefit of not only protecting important garden plants against the dangers of extinction but has also meant that we are able to showcase these plants for our visitors to enjoy throughout the year.

### Our Champion Trees

A Champion Tree is the nationally recognised accreditation for the tallest tree or example with the largest girth within each type of tree in the UK. We have more than twenty Champion Trees in The Savill Garden.

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# The Royal Garden and River Boat Cruise

## A complete day out!

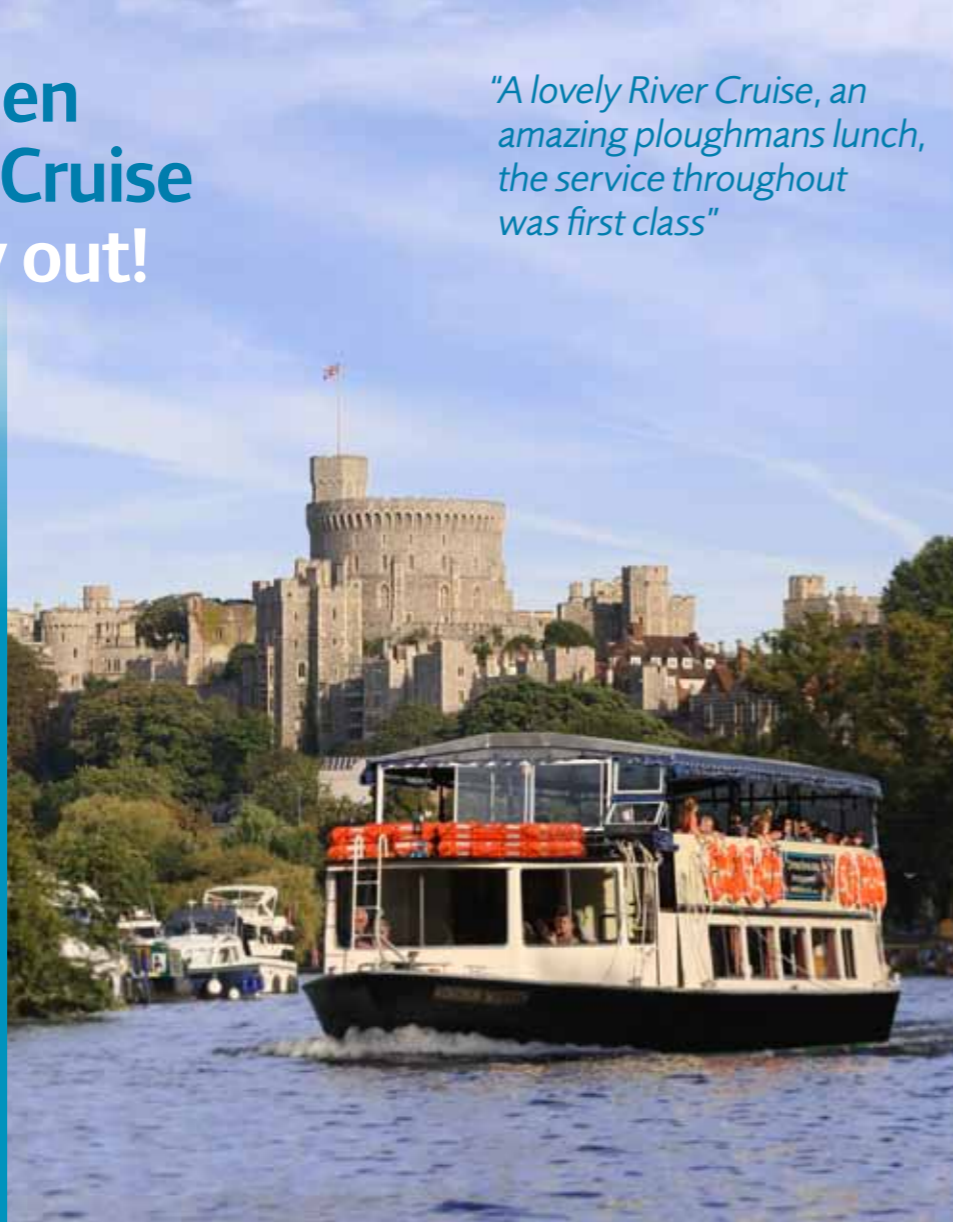
A full group day out combining a visit to The Savill Garden and a trip along the River Thames from Runnymede to Windsor and back again.

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 £26.50pp for the cold lunch option to be served on the boat and just £29.50 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.

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. Minimum group size 30, maximum 50.

For more details please call 0845 603 6228



*"A lovely River Cruise, an amazing ploughmans lunch, the service throughout was first class"*

# 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, it is home to a superb gift shop and popular restaurant.

## The Restaurant

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

- Special 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 Gardens, with knowledgeable staff on hand to help
- Unusual gift ideas from £5, especially for Christmas and Easter
- Windsor Great Park souvenir gifts



*"Thank you for giving our members a beautiful well organised afternoon at The Savill Garden"*

## The Gallery Café

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



# 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 £21.40, seniors £19.25.

These combined tickets are available from April – October through the Royal Collection on 020 7766 7333.

## 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 30/07/13 and 26/09/13.

Combined ticket price, adults /seniors £16 For further enquiries contact the Royal Collection on 020 7766 7322.



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# Your own 'Royal Garden Party'

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 rose garden opened by Her Majesty the Queen. Guests will be able to enjoy wandering through the gardens at their own pace with their complimentary new Savill Garden guide book.

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 traditional afternoon tea especially created by Leith's executive head chef Paul Jennings.

## Your Royal Garden Party 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
- New Savill Garden souvenir guide book

**Cost £24.50 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.*

**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!**

## Menu

*Collection of fine finger sandwiches – cucumber, smoked salmon, coronation chicken and egg & cress*

*Scone with clotted cream and jam*

*Lemon drizzle slice*

*Traditional all butter flapjack*

*Fresh loose leaf tea*

*All served on fine bone china*



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# Seasonal Garden highlights and selected events

## January

- Witch Hazel in beautiful yellows, reds and oranges
- Winter Garden full of evolving scent and colour

## February

- The Winter Garden continuing to delight
- The Queen Elizabeth Temperate House seasonal display

## March

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



## April

- **The Savill Garden and Windsor Castle combined visits open to pre-booked groups**
- Carpets of Dwarf Daffodils flood through The Royal Landscape
- The Gardens awash with Magnolias and Rhododendrons
- Beautiful flowering Cherries

## May

- **The Savill and Valley Gardens at their glorious spring time best**
- **Plant Fair at The Savill Garden**
- 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 weekend of rose related events celebrating the magnificent colour and perfume of the Rose Garden**
- June Borders come into their own
- The curious Dry Garden, unique textured plants and grasses



## July

- **The Savill Garden and Frogmore House combined visits open to pre-booked groups**
- 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**
- Herbaceous Borders, tiers of vibrant colour
- Lush and shady walks in The Hidden Garden
- Over 500 hydrangeas in bloom in the newly revitalised Summer Wood

## September

- **“Sculpture for the garden” outdoor exhibition**
- 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



For details of seasonal horse and carriage rides through The Royal Landscape, please call Ascot Carriages on 07811 543 019.

## October

- **“Sculpture for the garden” outdoor exhibition continues**
- The Autumn Wood blazes in glorious colours
- Seasonal display in The Queen Elizabeth Temperate House

## November

- **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**
- The Queen Elizabeth Temperate House, features seasonal colours of green, red and white
- National Collection of Mahonias throughout the garden



# The Savill Garden Prices

	SUMMER Mar – Oct 2013	WINTER Nov – Dec 2013 Jan – Feb 2014
Adults	£9.00	£6.50
Seniors	£8.50	£6.00
<b>Groups (10+)</b>	<b>£7.35</b>	<b>£5.00</b>
Children (6-16)	£4.00	£2.50
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
- Visit [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

## 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
- Incentive and value added schemes

## 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.

## Also in The Royal Landscape

Whatever the weather and whatever the season, 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.

### 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.

### 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. Please call for details of escorted trips to The Valley Gardens.



For up to date seasonal garden highlights, please visit [www.theroyallandscape.co.uk](http://www.theroyallandscape.co.uk)

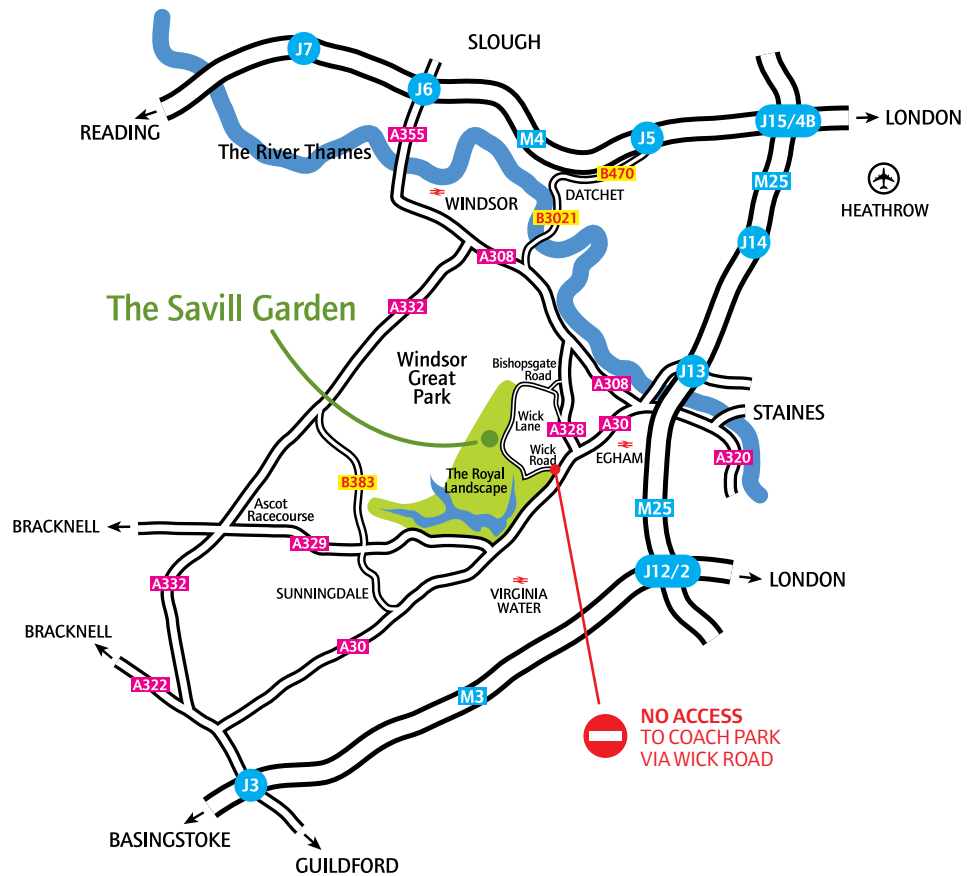
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## Further information

### How to get to The Savill Garden

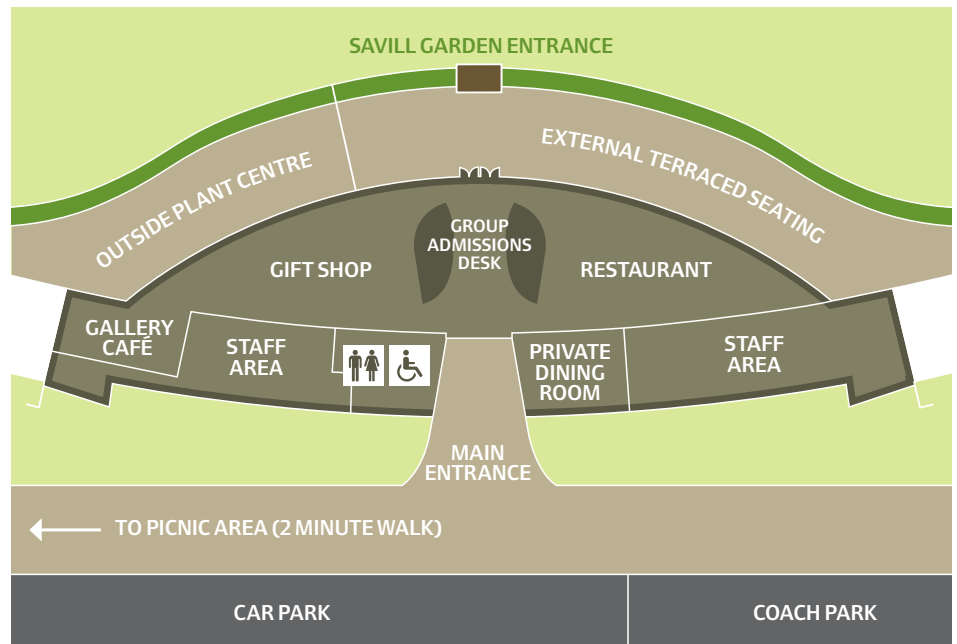
- The Savill Garden is a mile from Englefield Green and 4 miles from Windsor Castle. Approach via the A30 from the south and west, and by the A308 from the east and north. It is also close to the M25 (J13), M4 (J6) and M3
- The Savill Garden is less than 10 miles from Heathrow airport and an hour from 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 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
- The Valley Garden by its very nature, is less easily accessible for visitors with restricted mobility

### 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, seasonal highlights and to view films of Spring and Summer in The Savill Garden.

All information correct at time of print in November 2012 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!"*

