Coming up

Welcome to our summer events calendar. We're excited to offer a great diversity of events across a wide range of activities and interests.

Guided walks

Our guided walk program for 2018 is now up and running. With at least one guided walk each day, these are a fabulous way to learn more about Westonbirt and its unique collection.

Flora guided walks

Explore the flora of Westonbirt Arboretum on a guided walk.

Tuesday 5 June, Tuesday 3 July, Tuesday 7 August, 10:30am Leave from the Welcome Building





Behind the scenes tours

Discover what goes on behind the scenes of the propagation and tree management centre on a guided tour.

Saturday 2 June, Sunday 3 June, Saturday 7 July, Sunday 8 July, Saturday 4 August, Sunday 5 August,11:30am Leave from the Great Oak Hall

Secrets of Silk Wood guided walk

Take in the stunning seasonal sights of the ancient Silk Wood.

Every Saturday and Sunday, 2pm Leave from the Welcome Building

Wonders of Westonbirt guided walk

Explore the seasonal highlights of Westonbirt's Old Arboretum on a guided walk.

Every day, 11am Leave from the Welcome Building

Find out more

Visit our website www.forestry.gov.uk/westonbirt or call our team on 0300 067 4890 to find out more information about any of our events.

For children and young people

Wild Westonbirt

Aged between 14–18? Love the great outdoors? Join a youth club with a difference and learn a range of practical conservation, traditional bushcraft and outdoor survival skills.

Saturday 23 June, Saturday 21 July, 10am - 4pm

Meet our Machines

Find out more about the work of our Tree Team, meet their machines and have a go at our throwing line challenge.

Saturday 7 July and Sunday 8 July, 11am - 4pm Tree Management Centre

Chewing on Trees

Find out more about the wonderful range of food and drink our trees can provide.

Monday 30 July – Friday 3 August, 11am – 4pm Learning Centre

Fantastic Fibres and Fabrics

Discover the plants that provide us with the fibres and fabrics that help us make up our world.

Monday 6 August -Friday 10 August, 11am - 4pm Learning Centre

Wood Wonders

Celebrate one of the most remarkable materials on the planet and some amazing ways we use it! Take part in our crafts using Westonbirt wood.

Monday 13 August – Friday 17 August, 11am – 4pm Silk Wood Barn

Resins and Oils

Explore the amazing properties of resins and oils and use them in our crafts.

Monday 20 August – Friday 24 August, 11am – 4pm Silk Wood Barn

Tree Games

Come and play some games inspired by trees and create a game to take home.

Monday 27 August – Friday 31 August, 11am – 4pm Silk Wood Barn



📥 Credit: Paul Groom

Courses and workshops

Bee Keeping for Beginners Learn the basics of bee keeping on this one day course.

Saturday 9 June, Sunday 17 June, Saturday 23 June, 10am – 5pm

Forest School Course

Develop hands-on learning experiences in a woodland or natural environment with trees.

Monday 30 July - Friday 3 August, 9am - 5pm

Mindfulness Photography Workshop Half day photography workshop with Ruth Davey.

Saturday 14 July, Wednesday 3 October 10am - 12.30 or 1:30pm - 4pm

Impressions of Westonbirt Photography Course

Develop your creative photography skills on this one day course.

Tuesday 26 June – Thursday 19 July , 9:15am – 5pm

Sketching in Oils

Come and see how painting outside in oil paint is clean, quick and fun!

Wednesday 15 August, 10am – 4pm

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Every Saturday, 9am – 12pm





Forest Live: The Script Thursday 14 June

Forest Live: Paul Heaton and Jacqui Abbott Friday 15 June

Forest Live: Paloma Faith – SOLD OUT Saturday 16 June

Forest Live: George Ezra – SOLD OUT Sunday 17 June



Coming up in the Great Oak Hall...

Exhibitions

10am to 4pm daily (3pm on the final day) Artists donate 30 per cent of sales to the Friends Charity.

Carole Ingram 'A Wash With Colour'

We are delighted to welcome back an exciting exhibition of watercolour portraits, architecture, nature and wildlife by Wiltshirebased artist Carole, who also undertakes commissioned work.

Saturday 26 - Thursday 31 May www.caroleingram.wixsite.com/artist

Creative Coterie '2018 Collection'

Creative Coterie return to Westonbirt with a colourful collection of new work including

glass art, reflecting their love of nature, the countryside and their lives, which visitors are sure to enjoy.

Friday 3 - Monday 13 August

West Country Artists and Makers 'Diverse Expressions'

Five artists come together to express their art in ceramics, glass, paint and wool. Their diversity promises to provide a stimulating display.

Thursday 16 - Thursday 23 August

British Woodcarvers' Association 'Out Of The Woods'

The Gloucestershire branch showcases their members' work, featuring a mix of carvings by both professional and amateur carvers.

Saturday 25 August -

Monday 3 September

Events

Songways Singing Workshop

We are pleased to have Jane Harris back for another popular singing day – no experience necessary, just a desire to sing! Members can enjoy a discounted price of £20.

Saturday 22 September

www.songways.co.uk/product/singing-daygreat-oak-hall-westonbirt-arboretum

