

Coming up

Welcome to our autumn events calendar. We're delighted to bring you some exciting events across a wide range of activities and interests.

Guided Walks and tours



Behind the Scenes Tours

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

Saturday 1 September and Sunday 2 September

Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 October, 11:30am

Free after admission

Meet at Great Oak Hall

Find out more

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



Secrets of Silkwood Guided Walk

Our volunteers will guide you round the ancient woodland, and reveal some of the hidden gems of the arboretum. Learn about the history and management of the breathtaking landscape as you explore the woodland, and ask questions of our experienced and knowledgeable guides.

Every Saturday and Sunday until 4 November, 2pm

Free after admission

Meet at Welcome Building

Wonders of Westonbirt Guided Walk

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

Every day until Saturday 3 November, 11am

Free after admission

Meet at Welcome Building

For children and families

Autumn's Bounty: Family Event

Come and discover the bounty of seeds and fungi in our woods at this time before creating your own art.

Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 September, 11am - 4pm

Silk Wood Barn

Free after admission

Fabulous Fungi: Discovery Session

Join our discovery team at Silk Wood Barn to find out more about the groups of fungi at Westonbirt. Look closely with hand lenses and identify a few species using spore prints.

Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 September, 1pm - 4pm

Silk Wood Barn

Free after admission

Autumn Kaleidoscope: Discovery Session

Explore the amazing colours of autumn leaves and seeds. Add your own natural colour treasure to our display, and find out about hidden colours through leaf chromatography.

Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 October, 1pm - 4pm

Silk Wood Barn

Free after admission

Nature's Fireworks: Family Event

Join us to discover why our trees change colour and create some autumn inspired art to take home.

Crafts:

Every day Leaf crowns

Mon Leaf hammering

Tues Leaf bookmarks

Wed Leaf confetti collages

Thurs Nature printing

Fri Leaf bunting

Monday 22 - Friday 26 October and (Silk Wood Barn),

Monday 29 - Friday 2 November (Learning Centre),

11am - 4pm

Free after admission



Workshops and Courses

Windsor Chair Making Course

Create your very own Windsor chair on this six day course.

You'll learn to select timber, to cleave it from the log, to shape it with side axes and with draw knives on a shaving horse and to turn it on a pole lathe.

Monday 3 September - Saturday 8 September,

Monday 10 September - Saturday 15 September,

Monday 1 October - Saturday 6 October,

Monday 8 October - Saturday 13 October,

9am - 5pm

Paul Hayden, email: paultfhayden@aol.com

Call: 01373 836051

Sketching

Wednesday 3rd October

Email: maxhaleart@gmail.com

Fungi Forays

Saturday 6th October, morning and afternoon

www.cotswoldfungusgroup.com/events

Beginners Photography Course

Learn the basics of photography and how to compose stunning shots in the beautiful setting of Westonbirt Arboretum.

This one day workshop will develop your skills both in camera technique and your understanding of digital technology.

Friday 5 October, Monday 8 October,

10:30am - 3:30pm

Price: £65

Call: 01793 752671 or

email: consult@abbey-studios.co.uk

Mindfulness Photography Workshop

Discover a mindful approach to the art of photography in this one day course, held in the stunning grounds of Westonbirt Arboretum. Use a camera or mobile phone. Learn to look and really see!

Saturday 13 October, 10:30am – 4pm

Price: £85

Call: 07789 958895 or email: ruth@look-again.org

To book: www.look-again.org/photography-workshops-nature/

Autumn Colours Photography Course

Be inspired to take your photography to the next level. This one day workshop is designed to guide you through the many considerations of composition, as well as exposure techniques and use of filters where necessary.



Tuesday 23 October, Thursday 25 October

£120 with £60 deposit

Call: 07760 498 112 or email: info@imageseen.co.uk

Advanced Photography Course

Develop your photographic skills and understanding with this one day course in the stunning setting of Westonbirt Arboretum.

Friday 26 October, 10:30am – 3:30pm

£120

Call: 01793 752671 or email: consult@abbey-studios.co.uk

Other

Firewood Sales

Buy firewood produced as part of Westonbirt's routine tree management from Westonbirt Woodworks.

Every Saturday (depending on availability), 9am – 12pm

Car boot: £15

Estate with seats down/small trailer: £30

Van/large trailer: £60

For advance sales or reservations call Paul Hayden: 07793 823093



Hot Air Balloon Flights

Soar over the treetops on a hot air balloon flight from Westonbirt Arboretum.

Saturday 22 September, Saturday 13 October

Call: 0117 947 1050

Coming up in the Great Oak Hall...

Exhibitions

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

Eeles, Ashley and Riley "Pots and Paintings 2018"

The Eeles family return with pots that are individually decorated with wonderful slips, glazes and colours. The pots are fired to create these well sought-after pieces.



Local artists Gill Ashley and Jenny Riley offer a wide-ranging variety of paintings.

29 September – 7 October

www.eelespottery.co.uk

www.artistsandillustrators.co.uk/gillashley



Foursight "Picturing Nature"

Four local artists working in different media have got together again this year to present an exciting exhibition depicting the beauty of the natural world. The inspiring environment of Westonbirt is reflected in their work.

10–14 October

www.drawingonreality.co.uk



Crawford Family "A Box of Delights"

Helen, Gil, Sean and Becky Crawford return with an exciting collection of new work, including inspiring textile and mixed media landscapes, stunning photography, joyful intricate wirework and beautiful furniture.

17–22 October

Cotswold Craftsmen "Catching the Fall"

A beautiful array of unique, high-quality, handmade arts and crafts by talented local artists living and working in the Cotswolds.



24 October – 4 November

www.cotswoldcraftsmengallery.co.uk

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 rate of £20.

Saturday 22 September 2018

For more information and to book, visit www.songways.co.uk/product/singing-day-great-oak-hall-westonbirt-arboretum

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