



# ORLETON AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

## OUTING TO

### Hergest Croft Gardens

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019 at 2.30 pm**

Below are details on the arranged visit to Hergest Croft Gardens, Kington, HR5 3EG, with a guided tour around the gardens with Rowan Griffiths one of the gardeners, followed by afternoon cream tea.

Hergest Croft Gardens lies in the heart of the Welsh Marches with stunning views towards the Black Mountains. The gardens contain a unique collection of rare plants, trees and shrubs and over 90 "Champion" Trees. There are gorgeous flower borders, an old fashioned Kitchen Garden, Azalea Garden, Maple Grove, and Park Wood, all to discover. There is also a Gift Shop located in the Hall and Plant Sales outside the Conservatory.

When we visit in September the dazzling autumn colour of the collections of maples and birches is breathtaking. Red, yellow, purple and gold leaves glisten throughout the Azalea Garden, Maple Grove and Park Wood. The trees in the Park have glowing autumn colours.

The Tearoom is in the old Dining Room at Hergest Croft and offer delicious home-made cream tea. The tearoom has received the 'Flavours of Herefordshire' Award Scheme.

**Directions:-** Sat Nav (HR5 3EG) From Orleton take the B4361 to Leominster, then follow the A44 toward Rhayader. At Floodgates, turn off the A44 (signed Kington/Huntington) onto Montfort Road. After approximately 400 metres turn right into Ridgebourne Road. This route will take approx. 35 to 40 minutes and is 39 miles.

The car park for Hergest Croft Gardens is approximately 450 metres up Ridgebourne Road on the right hand side. If you have a blue badge or need to drop off someone with limited mobility then continue past the car park and take the first turning on the left.

**Garden entry to include a guided talk which will commence at 2.30 pm**

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VISIT TO - **Hergest Croft Gardens** (please print your name/s)

I / we ..... would like to visit Hergest Croft Gardens

I / we can offer ..... spaces in my / our car to offer a lift to members

I / we enclose our cheque for £..... made payable to **Orleton and District Gardening Club** or **ODGC for £13.00** per person and send to Gill Macefield, Tipperwhig, 4 Glover Road, Leominster HR6 8SW or bring to a club meeting with this part of the form. Please retain the top half of the form for your information regarding times and directions.

Please advise any medical dietary requirements for the cream tea.....

Closing date July 30<sup>th</sup> 2019.