

HARTWELL HOUSE & SPA

VALE OF AYLESBURY



PROPOSED ITINERARY

DAY 1 – Explore Hartwell’s gardens and visit nearby National Trust properties

Arrive at the hotel, take a Trees Map from reception and follow the walking trail around the 90 acres of Capability-inspired gardens and parkland, identifying historical temples, columns, an obelisk and an amazing selection of trees.

Take a short drive to Hartwell’s closest National Trust neighbour, Waddesdon Manor. Built by Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild in the 1870’s to display his collections and entertain fashionable guests. Waddesdon Manor has been open to the public since 1957, and home to the Rothschild collection of paintings, sculpture and decorative arts. Other National Trust properties nearby to visit include Hughenden Manor, Nuffield Place and Stowe House and Gardens

DAY 2 – Visit Bletchley Park, home of British code-breaking

Spend some time in the Hartwell Spa. Set in a former orangery, it offers an indoor swimming pool, spa bath, steam room, saunas and treatment rooms.

Visit Bletchley Park, a place of exceptional historical importance. Home of British code-breaking and the birthplace of modern information technology. Bletchley Park was the main location for this country's code-breaking establishment during World War II, producing secret intelligence, which had a direct and profound influence on the outcome of the conflict. Today the site is home to a fascinating heritage attraction telling the story of how boffins such as Alan Turing broke the codes created by German Enigma machines and are credited with saving many thousands of lives and shortening the war by up to two years.

DAY 3 – Take a tour of the Harry Potter Studios and explore the Chiltern Hills

Visit the Harry Potter Studios - the Harry Potter film series made Leavesden its home for more than ten years. Once filming wrapped on the last film, the production crew were left with a treasure trove of thousands of intricate and beautifully-made artefacts, many of which wouldn't have been saved on a typical production. Set adjacent to the working film studios where all eight Harry Potter films were made, the Studio Tour offers visitors the unique opportunity to explore two soundstages and a backlot filled with original sets, animatronic creatures and breath-taking special effects.

Hartwell is situated on the edge of the Chiltern Hills, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The Chiltern Hills stretch from the River Thames in Oxfordshire and to Hitchin in Hertfordshire, and are nationally-protected as some of the finest countryside in the UK. Made up of uncrowded, rolling green English countryside, they offer year round interest.



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