



# Hartland Abbey & Gardens



## THINGS TO SEE AND DO

- House, built circa 1157, family home since 1539
- Mediaeval, Queen Anne, Georgian, Regency and Victorian decoration
- Pictures, furniture, porcelain and early photographs
- Museum, Dairy and Gift Shop
- Beautiful informal gardens
- Woodland Walk to Atlantic cove
- Children's Quiz
- Peacocks, Donkeys, Guinea Fowl and Black Welsh Mountain Sheep
- Hartland Quay, Shipwreck Museum and Docton Mill Gardens nearby



## FACILITIES

- Light Lunches & Cream Teas in Old Kitchens (on house open days)
- Guided tours for groups by prior arrangement
- Coaches welcome - large car and coach park next to house
- Partial wheelchair access (telephone for details)
- Large print for partially sighted
- Dogs welcome on leads in grounds
- Holiday Cottages available to rent
- Licensed for Civil Weddings
- Abbey available for functions

NOT TO BE MISSED!

## Snowdrop, Bluebell & Daffodil Sundays

For more information and dates visit [www.hartlandabbey.com](http://www.hartlandabbey.com)



## Opening times

### HOUSE & GARDENS OPENING TIMES:

11.30am to 5pm (House 2pm to 5pm last admission 4.30pm)

April 1st to May 22nd: Wednesday, Thursday, Sunday and Bank Holidays including Good Friday

May 23rd to Oct 2nd: Sun to Thurs (house only closed 7th July)

### GARDENS & GROUNDS ONLY OPENING TIMES:

11.30am to 5pm April 1st to October 3rd daily except Saturdays

## Special Events 2011

**DAFFODIL DAY** Sunday 20th March 11am to 4pm

**BLUEBELL DAYS** 22nd, 25th April; 1st, 2nd May 11am to 5pm

**LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS** Saturday 25th June

**COUNTRY FAYRE & FARMERS' MARKET** Sunday 26th June

**BBC ANTIQUES ROADSHOW** Thurs 7th July 9.30am to 4.30pm

## How to find us

The Abbey is situated 5 miles west of Clovelly, 15 miles west of Bideford and 15 miles north of Bude between Hartland village and Hartland Quay. Follow brown tourist signs off A39, M5 junction 27 follow A361.

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ANTIQUES ROADSHOW

7th July 2011 with Fiona Bruce



*much more than just an historic house...*



## Welcome



Hartland Abbey, with its beautiful gardens and parkland leading to the sea, is the historic home of the Stuclely family. Founded by Augustinian monks in 1157 in a wandering valley leading to the Atlantic Ocean, the Abbey was Dissolved in 1539, having survived longer than any monastery in the country. Henry VIII gifted it to the Sergeant of his Wine Cellar; the house has descended to the present owner via a series of marriages and remains a welcoming, lived-in family home.

It is both fascinating and fun for all ages. Whether you are interested in heritage and history, gardens, family memorabilia or lovely walks in the clean, invigorating Atlantic air, Hartland Abbey is not to be missed! Children love the Abbey Quiz, exploring the winding paths and meeting roaming peacocks and donkeys.

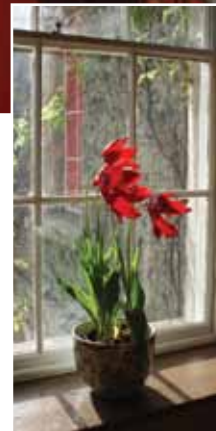


The Abbey estate has been used extensively as a film location, most recently for BBC's 'Sense and Sensibility'. Blackpool Mill cottage became 'Barton Cottage', home to the Dashwood family after they had fallen on hard times. Rosamunde Pilcher's 'The Shell Seekers' was also filmed here. In July 2011 Hartland Abbey will be the location for BBC Antiques Roadshow presented by Fiona Bruce.

## Our house

The Abbey contains important pictures, furniture and porcelain collected over generations including portraits by Reynolds, Gainsborough, Hudson, Ramsay and Kneller; the fabulous, circular expanding table by Jupe; furniture by Hepplewhite and Chippendale; embroidery; stunning

architecture including the magnificent Alhambra Corridor; murals depicting family involvement in mediaeval history; Victorian and Edwardian photographs from family albums of the Sudan campaign and social scenes of the time. The museum displays seals, documents from 1160AD and intriguing family possessions.



## Our gardens

Explore winding paths through woodland gardens of camellias, rhododendrons, azaleas and hydrangeas to the Gertrude Jekyll designed Bog Garden, Fernery and 18thC Walled Gardens. Recently restored after decades of neglect, visitors can once again experience these romantic gardens as they were a century ago; bulbs, mixed borders, roses, tender and rare plants, organically grown vegetables and fruit flourish within the shelter of the mellow stone walls and rebuilt glasshouses. Walk to the beach, the gazebo and the cottage; explore beautiful newly discovered paths, overgrown for a century, through bluebells, wildflowers and woodland. NEW for 2011 is the Summerhouse in the woods, hidden since 1950. Or just sit in the sun and enjoy the surroundings...

