



HOLIDAY COTTAGES

## Facilities

- Free car and coach park
- Light Lunches and Cream Teas
- Indoor exhibitions open from 11am
- Guided tours for groups by prior arrangement
- Coaches welcome
- Partial wheelchair access (call for details)
- Large print for partially sighted
- Dogs welcome on leads in grounds
- Holiday Cottages available to rent
- Licensed for Weddings
- Wedding receptions on the lawns
- Abbey available for functions



## Not to be Missed!

Daffodil Sunday, Mothering Sunday and Spring Flowers, Easter Fun Weekend, Bluebell Sunday, Hartland Hartbreaker Charity Run and our Summer Season of Outdoor Theatre and Family Arts Days.

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

BLUEBELL DAYS



DOGS ON LEADS WELCOME



## Opening Times 2017

HOUSE, GARDENS, GROUNDS,  
BEACHWALK AND TEA ROOM:  
11am to 5pm (House 2pm to 5pm  
last admission 4.15pm)

26th March (Mothering Sunday) to  
1st October: Sunday to Thursday  
(inc. Good Friday 14th April)



## Special Events 2017

Sun 12th March, 11–4pm **DAFFODILS AND SPRING FLOWERS\***

Easter Sun 16th & Easter Mon 17th April, 11–5pm  
**EASTER EGG HUNTS AND FAMILY FUN**

Sun 23rd April 11–5pm **BLUEBELL SUNDAY\***

Sun 30th April 11am **HARTLAND HARTBREAKER CHARITY RUN**

[www.hartlandhartbreaker.com](http://www.hartlandhartbreaker.com) \*Reduced admission charges.

**Open Air Theatre Season in conjunction  
with The Plough Arts Centre**

Box Office 01805 624624 or online  
[www.theploughartscentre.org.uk](http://www.theploughartscentre.org.uk) Tickets: £9–£15

Sun 25th June 5pm – Hotbuckle Theatre

**'FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD'** by Thomas Hardy

Sat 8th July 7pm – Illyria Theatre

**'A COMEDY OF ERRORS'** by William Shakespeare

Wed 26th July 2–4.30pm – Plough Artists

**FAMILY ARTS AND FUN AFTERNOON** followed by:

Wed 26th July 5pm – Illyria Theatre

**'THE LOST WORLD'** by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Thurs 27th July 7pm – The Pantaloons

**'A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM'** by William Shakespeare

Wed 2nd August 2–4.30pm – Plough Artists

**FAMILY ARTS AND FUN AFTERNOON** followed by:

Wed 2nd August 5pm – Heartbreak Theatre

**'BILLIONAIRE BOY'** by David Walliams

Fri 11th August 5pm – Illyria Theatre

**'THE EMPEROR'S NEW CLOTHES'** by Hans Christian Andersen  
(3.00pm–4.30pm Drama Workshop for 5yrs+ £5)

Wed 23rd August 7pm – Illyria Theatre

**'THE MIKADO'** by Gilbert and Sullivan

Mon 28th August 5pm – The Festival Players

**'THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR'** by William Shakespeare

\*\*For further information on events please see our website\*\*

Grounds open free to those attending performances 2 hours before start.

Bring rugs/low backed seating/picnics. Bar, barbeque and refreshments are available.



## 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/A39.



Hartland Abbey and Gardens, Hartland, Near Bideford,  
North Devon EX39 6DT Tel: 01237 441496/234 or 01884 860225



2017  
Open Sunday to Thursday

# Hartland Abbey & Gardens



*Much more than just an historic house*

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## Welcome

Award-winning Hartland Abbey, with its beautiful gardens and parkland, has been in the same family for generations. Founded by Augustinian monks in 1157 in a wandering valley leading to the Atlantic Ocean, the Abbey was Dissolved in 1539, surviving longer than any monastery in England. Henry VIII gifted it to the Sergeant of his Wine Cellar whose descendants live here today in this welcoming, lived-in family home.



Experience the heritage, history and fascinating interiors, gardens, family memorabilia and beautiful walks in the clean Atlantic air. Children enjoy good, old fashioned fun - the Abbey Quiz, The Nature Trail and exploring winding paths around the woodland gardens and open spaces where friendly peacocks, black sheep and donkeys roam.

The Old Kitchen Tea Room serves delicious, homemade light lunches and cream teas. The Abbey Shop sells a range of gifts. The Abbey estate is frequently used as a film location. BBC's 'Sense and Sensibility', Rosamunde Pilcher's 'The Shell Seekers', BBC's 'Antiques Roadshow' and 'The Night Manager' by John Le Carré were all filmed recently. Hartland Abbey is not to be missed!

## Our House & Gardens

See 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 contemporary social scenes. The Museum displays seals, documents from 1160AD and intriguing family memorabilia; the 'William Stukeley - Saviour of Stonehenge' exhibition is a fascinating display.



Walk under a huge tree rhododendron to woodland gardens of camellias, azaleas and hydrangeas, the Gertrude Jekyll designed Bog Garden, Fernery and 18thC Walled Gardens. After decades of neglect visitors can now experience these romantic gardens as they were a century ago; massed tulips, spring 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 Summerhouse, the Gazebo, the beach and Blackpool Mill Cottage; explore newly discovered paths, overgrown for a century, through bluebells and wildflowers in spring. Or just sit in the sun and enjoy the surroundings...



### 2017 Exhibitions

Exhibition of 'Filming on the Hartland Abbey Estate since 1934' and 'History of the Hartland Abbey Estate'.

## Exhibitions

### William Stukeley - Saviour of Stonehenge

A fascinating insight into an eccentric 18th century ancestor best known for saving Stonehenge and Avebury. Many aspects of his extraordinary life are on show.



### Filming on the Hartland Abbey Estate since 1934

Many 'behind the scenes' images of filming are on show including 'Water', BBC's 'Top Gear', 'Sense and Sensibility', 'Antiques Roadshow' and 'The Night Manager'.

