

**MARSTON GREEN & DIST HORT. SOCIETY**  
**COACH TRIP TO**  
**ABBEY HOUSE GARDENS**  
**MALMESBURY**



**SATURDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY**  
**LEAVING PARISH HALL AT 9.00**  
**TICKETS £15.00 INC. ENTRANCE TO GARDENS**

Abbey House Gardens is an enchanting garden which has been lovingly restored by Barbara and Ian Pollard. On a visit to Abbey House, BBC gardening guru, Alan Titchmarsh says of the garden, "The WOW! factor is here in abundance".

Visitors can enjoy the experience, smells of the scented roses as their aroma fills the early summer air, marvel or relax and, if you're a gardener, to be inspired. In its creation at the end of the twentieth century and at start of the millennium over 2000 different roses were planted, the first of many thrilling surprises that the designers have created.



Largest private collection of 4000 herb and plant species, laid out by the owners and keeping within the bounds of the site's history, with Malmesbury Abbey, the stunning backdrop and the sixteenth century house surrounded by the gardens. The formal layout is designed with a "Celtic cross" knot garden, a 'mediaeval' herb garden encompassed by fruit cordons, herbaceous borders, foliage and bog gardens. The recently restored woodland walks with banks of heather and ferns, carpeted in the spring with bulbs lead down to the River Avon and the monastic fish ponds. Part of the gardens is on a sloping hillside leading to the river gardens.

Refreshments are available in the tea room. There are toilet facilities within the garden.

**FOR INFORMATION AND TICKETS RING**  
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