



Merriments Gardens 2018 Group Bookings

Thank you for your interest in bringing your group to visit Merriments. Under new ownership, we are delighted to continue to present our stunning RHS Partner Garden to visitors, as well as offering refreshments and lunch packages in our Terrace Restaurant and a great range of gifts and plants to browse in our Shop and Plant Centre to take a Merriments moment home.

Our 2018 Season Runs from 25th March – 14th October

Opening Hours: Monday-Saturday from 9am-5pm, with the Garden gates opening at 9.30am, and Sundays 10am-5pm, Garden from 10.30am.

Your Visit:

Our 4 acre, RHS Partner Show Garden is a compactly planted and beautifully designed space, and we recommend you allow 1½ hours to fully explore all it has to offer. Wander our meandering paths, find inspiration in our innovative planting and make sure you have a few minutes to browse the Gift Shop and take home a souvenir. We stock a beautiful garden accessories, gifts, cards and speciality food, as well as our extensive Plant Centre, where you can purchase many of the plants seen in the garden.

Our Terrace Restaurant is known locally for its fresh, seasonal fare, local ingredients and for offering table service in a bright, friendly environment. Our comprehensive menu, caters to all dietary requirements, with group packages designed to suit your party's needs. If you would like to eat with us, we suggest at least a further 30 minutes for morning coffee or afternoon tea, or a minimum of an hour for lunch.

If you would like to combine your visit with another local garden we are pleased to recommend Pashley Manor, which lies only 2 miles from Merriments and with whom we are proud to offer a joint package. Pashley's historic setting and formal gardens provide a perfect contrast to Merriments classic, contemporary plantings.

Accessibility

We welcome disabled visitors and all areas of our site are accessible. We have a wheelchair for loan at no extra charge, but this does need to be pre-booked. Our garden is planted on a gently sloping site, with many seats throughout to enable those with limited mobility to enjoy the garden. Our paths have various surfaces but most are suitable for scooters and wheelchairs. Please call if you have further questions relating to accessibility and we will be pleased to advise.

Merriments 2018 Group Packages (15+ Visitors)

Garden & Morning Coffee	Garden & Lunch	Garden & Afternoon Tea
Visits between 9-11am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garden Entry • Filter Coffee or Tea • Cake, Scone or Teacake 	Visits between 11.30am – 2.30pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garden Entry • Set Menu luncheon including tea/coffee 	Visits between 3-5pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garden Entry • Cream Tea (Tea/Coffee, Fruit Scones, Cream & Jam)
£11 per person	1 course £16.50 per person 2 courses (Main + Dessert) £21	£12.00 per person
Merriments Gardens & Pashley Manor Joint Booking + £10 to any package for Pashley Manor Entry		

Garden only entries to Merriments available at £7 per person for groups.
Please contact us for more information.

Booking Procedure & Payment

If you have not already discussed a provisional date with us, please call us ASAP to check availability on your desired date. Once a date has been agreed, we will send you a booking form and an invoice for a £50 deposit to secure your booking before confirming your visit in writing. Please note: We can be extremely busy during the summer, so to avoid any disappointment, we cannot confirm your group booking without a booking form and deposit.

All restaurant packages must have visitor numbers confirmed, dining options selected from the provided menus and balances paid 14 days before your visit date. This is to insure us against cancellations and ensure that we have all dietary needs catered to, an area reserved etc prior to your arrival.

The £50 deposit will be deducted from the entrance fee to the garden, the balance of which should be paid by your group organiser upon arrival, where you will be greeted by a member of staff who can facilitate. Cash, cheque or credit card are all acceptable. The deposit is refundable in the event that you cancel in writing, at least 14 days prior to your visit. Coach drivers receive free entrance to the garden and a voucher to use in the restaurant. This will be sent with your booking confirmation.

Picnics:

We regret that picnics cannot be taken into the garden and we respectfully ask that you do not consume your own food in the restaurant or on the terrace. You may use the grass area adjacent to the car park for picnics but we do not have picnic tables available.

Parking:

Whether you decide to visit us by car or coach, there is ample free parking available.

If there is anything that we haven't covered in this letter, or you would like further information, please telephone 01580 860666 or email taryn@merriments.co.uk