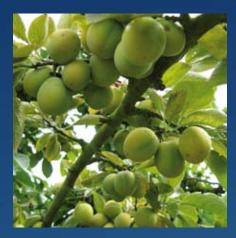


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# The Spring Blossom Trail

The Vale of Evesham and its surrounding area is some of the most productive horticultural land in the country, and is well known for its apples, pears and plums. For the few short weeks between mid March and mid May, the road sides are ablaze with colour - the soft pink tones of cherry and apple blossom contrast with the white of the pear and plum.



The Trail is a 40 mile AA sign posted route of natural beauty at its best. Explore and enjoy the open countryside and beautiful villages that the area has to offer.

The delights of the Vale of Evesham are sure to whet your appetite: sample delicious home cooked food at one of the many pubs, restaurants and cafes along the scenic route.

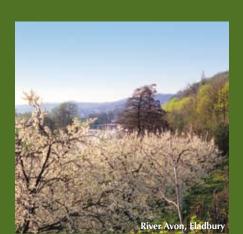
If you are still drawn to the outdoors, then why not pop in to one of the many local farm shops, road-side stalls, pick-your-own centres or Farmers' Markets for a truly horticultural experience. You can also enjoy a picnic on the banks of the River Avon or at one of the many designated picnic sites in the area.

Why not leave the car at home, and walk one of the Blossom Trail Walks, or you could try cycling along the sign posted route through the lanes and villages of this beautiful area. If you do cycle or walk then you will experience the sensual smell of the flourishing blossom, it is a smell that cannot be matched at any other time of year.

You don't have to travel along the roads to experience the splendour of spring blossom, the Evesham Country Park 1 which is situated in the heart of the Blossom Trail, has something for all the family, whatever your interests. Craycombe Farm Rural Business & Retail Park 2, has a unique fold of 90 Pedigree Highland cattle, refreshments, arts & crafts, antiques, furniture restoration, and many more attractions for all to enjoy.

If you are looking for a relaxing short break during blossom time in friendly, comfortable, quality accommodation, the area has a wealth of choice to suit all budgets.

We are sure that you will enjoy the journey along the Spring Blossom Trail, but please remember to keep your dogs under control and follow the country code as it is the season for lambing.



## Did you know...

- Around 150,000 to 200,000 tonnes of apples and 12,000 to 16,000 tonnes of plums will be produced in an average harvest in the UK.
- Each variety of plum stone has a distinct pattern of groove; because of this it was possible to identify the varieties of plums from the stones that were recovered from the wreck of the "Mary Rose"

# The Blossom on the Blossom Trail

Today plum and apple blossom is the most common sight along the Blossom Trail. The white plum and damson is the first to appear, followed by the pink apple and white pear around 10 - 14 days later depending on the weather. The blossom usually appears between the end of March and early May.

Plum blossom can be seen on the slopes of the Lenches, Harvington, Stoulton, Drakes Broughton, Childswickham and Broadway. The most common varieties of plum are Victoria and Marjorie Seedling. Older varieties, such as Heron and Monarch are still grown in small quantities. The Purple Pershore and Pershore Yellow Egg are most commonly found in hedgerows and older orchards.

Apple blossom can be seen around the Evesham bypass, Childswickham, Norton and Harvington.

The most popular varieties of apple are Bramley, Cox and Discovery. Newer varieties such as Gala and Jonagold are also locally grown.

The old orchards and hedgerows provide a haven for wildlife, and a number of them are being renovated with the aid of Government grants. Pershore College is growing traditional varieties of fruit trees from Worcestershire, Herefordshire and Gloucestershire to form new orchards. Newer planting of the cider apple orchards can be seen in the Lenches.

By studying the hedgerows a more traditional idea of blossom can be experienced as they play host to a number of older plants, such as the Hawthorn and wild cherry.

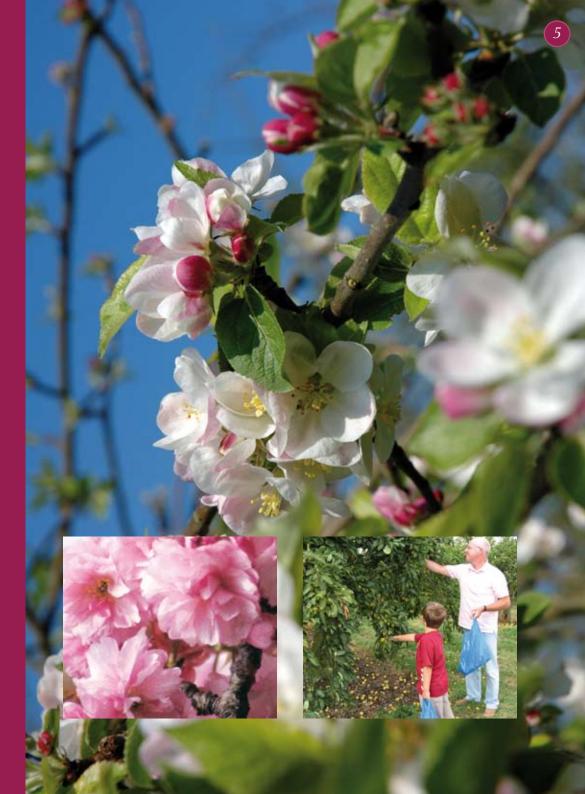
## **Blossom Trail History**

The region has been famous for its fruit growing since medieval times. For centuries mainly apples and pears were grown in the Vale, with most of the crop being used to make cider and perry.

By the 19th century fruit growing had become big business, and many new varieties were produced, including the famous Pershore plum which had been discovered growing wild in Tiddesley Wood in 1827. By the 1870's around 900 tons of the Pershore plum were sent to market at harvest time.

During the harvest, schools all over the district would close for a fortnight or so and farmers employed hundreds of children and their mothers to pick the fruit.





## **Walking the Blossom Trail**

Launched in 2006 - three walks compliment our existing tour routes in the Vale Blossom area.

Enjoy a leisurely 3 mile stroll, starting from All Saints in Church Lench. This walk, mainly through rolling countryside has open views of the surrounding area, including some of the Vales' orchards. The route takes in the hamlet of Atch Lench and a recently planted wood, with oak, ash and chestnut replacing the old fruit trees.

View to Bredon Hill, Eyeshan

Part of the pear orchard still remains as a bird sanctuary and cover for muntjac deer.

A  $4^{1/2}$  mile walk starts from the recreation ground in the attractive riverside village of Fladbury. There are extensive views of the Vale of Evesham and the distant Cotswolds from various vantage points on the route, and you will discover the site of a medieval village in the hamlet of Hill. The walk takes in many apple and pear orchards, and the final section is a stroll across the local golf course above the River Avon.

The Blossom Trail Bikeaway



Tiddesley Wood is a large area of woodland on the outskirts of Pershore and is now managed by the Worcestershire Wildlife Trust. It was here that the Pershore Yellow Egg Plum was discovered which made the town famous. A slightly more ambitious 6 mile walk starts from the Trust car park and includes the orchards around the edge of the wood before visiting the attractive areas of Besford and Birlingham, with the Court and St Peter's Church in Besford of particular interest. Leaving behind the panoramic views, the route returns to Tiddesley to follow paths and tracks through the main part of the wood, before emerging once more into open fields.





These walks have been devised with the springtime blossom in mind, but they can be appreciated at any time of year.

# **Cycling the Blossom Trail**



#### **The Blossom Trail Cycle Route** is

waymarked - so look out for the blue signs. We recommend that an ideal starting point for the cycle route is Evesham Railway Station. It has been designed with safety in mind - with fewer right hand turns required.

Don't Miss *The Blossom Trail Bikeaway,* this takes place on 22nd April 2007, and is a wonderful family day out.

## **Weekly Coach Tours**



Every Wednesday during April from various pick-up points throughout the area. For details call Dudleys Coaches on 01386 792206 or Evesham TIC on 01386 446944.

For further details on all Blossom Trail activities, or to purchase a Walks Pack, call 01386 565373.

## **Blossom Trail** 2007 Events

15th April - 10th Anniversary of Specialist Plant Fair. Spetchley Park Gardens. More than 25 specialist nurseries from England and Wales will be attending this 10th Plant Fair. Lectures and demonstrations throughout the day with Roy Lancaster the guest of honour and main speaker. RHS advice; Garden crafts and tours around this 30 acre plantsman's paradise; Tea rooms, pig roast and organic vegetarian catering available. 11am - 5pm. Tickets £3.50 - £9.50. RHS Ticket Hotline 08456 121253. Contact: Chris Pattison (01531) 650480. Email: cp@chrispattison.fsnet.co.uk Website: www.plantfair.co.uk

22nd April - Blossom Trail Bikeaway. Wood Norton Hall Hotel. Experience the famous spring blossom trail by bike. Join this popular bike ride and raise money for St John Ambulance. The route also includes a 'Marathon Route'. Registration from 8:45am. Contact: Angela Tidmarsh (01386) 565373. Email: angela.tidmarsh@wychavon.gov.uk

5th to 7th May - Eckington Flower Festival & Open Gardens. Flower Festival: at Holy Trinity Church, Eckington. Open Gardens: throughout the village. Special attractions include vintage & classic cars & live music. Refreshments daily and a free bus service around the village. Opening times: Saturday 5th 2pm - 6pm. Sunday 6th 11am - 6pm. Monday 7th 10am - 6pm. Contact: Mrs Joan Green (01386) 750396. Mrs Veronica Colling (01386) 750893. Email: veronica.colling@dsl.pipex.com Website: www.eckington.info

6th May - Tiddesley Wood Spring Open Day Tiddesley Wood Nature Reserve, Nr Pershore. Guided walks in beautiful woodland, children's activities, conservation. Arts & Craft stalls & demonstrations. Refreshments, live music, ample free parking. 10am-5pm. Contact: Robert J Gillmore (01386) 556685. Email: twod07@btinternet.com Website: www.worcswildlifetrust.co.uk

6th to 7th May - Cropthorne Walkabout Running for over 30 years, and offering something for all the family. Entertainers, stalls, exhibitions, flower festival in Norman church, maypole, bands, refreshments and many open gardens. Sunday 6th: 2pm - 6pm. Monday 7th: 11am - 6pm. Contact: Richard Mumford (01386) 860373. Email: richard.mumford@agmform.co.uk

7th May - NCCPG Plant Sale. Pershore College. Annual plant sale of the Worcestershire Group of the National Council for the Conservation of Plants and Gardens. Unusual plants grown by the group and specialist nurseries. Home made refreshments. 11am -3pm Contact: Margaret Stone (01905) 830370.

26th May - Little Comberton Street Market Fundraising event in aid of the church and village hall with many stalls, games, competitions, displays, photography exhibition and other attractions. Refreshments and parking. 2pm - 5pm. Contact: Mr R Leake (01386) 710382

27th May - Overbury Open Gardens Whitcombe House. This delightful 1 acre garden offers a wide range of plants and trees, and is open in aid of the National Gardens Scheme. Refreshments. Open 2pm - 5pm. Contact: Faith Hallett (01386) 725206 Fmail: faith@whitcombeassocs.co.uk

27th to 28th May - Pebworth & Broad **Marston Open Gardens - NGS** A hamlet & a village with open gardens. Various types of garden plants for sale,

refreshments available. 2pm - 6pm. Contact: Gillian Thomas (01789) 720263

2nd June - Pershore College Open Day Open event with displays, demonstrations and activities for those interested in all aspects of horticulture and related areas. Advice and guidance on careers and courses. Plant sales and refreshments available. 10am - 4:30pm Contact: Dave Feaver (01386) 552443 Email: dave-feaver@pershore.ac.uk Website: www.pershore.ac.uk

3rd June - **Bretforton Open Gardens** A number of private gardens open to the public. Plants for sale. Refreshments available 11am - 7pm. Contact: Mrs V Bills (01386) 830922

9th to 10th June - Ashton under Hill Open **Gardens.** (5 Miles south of Evesham on A46) Over 20 gardens open for viewing for our 30th Anniversary. Plant sales etc. Refreshments available throughout the day. Special FREE bus service around the village. Free parking. Contact: Malcolm Nelson (01386) 881778 Email: enquiries@ashtonopengardens.co.uk Website: www.ashtonopengardens.co.uk

10th June - Winchcombe Open Gardens A variety of gardens both large and small open in aid of historic St Peters Church. Teas and plants for sale. Free car parking at Winchcombe Library. 2pm - 6pm. Contact: Leo Doyle (01242) 602629. Email: opengardens@doylehome.org.uk

10th June - Pershore Open Gardens A variety of gardens tucked away behind the town houses of Pershore, elegant facades hiding horticultural treasures - tiny courtyards, walled gardens, formal gardens, some sweeping down to the river, and much in between. 2pm - 6pm. Contact: Janet Stott (01386) 555349. Email: janetmstott@aol.com

27th August - Pershore Plum Fayre & Farmers Market. In and around the town of Pershore. Enjoy a "fruity day out" for all the family celebrating the fruit for which Pershore is internationally renowned. Popular events include Gardeners Question Time, farmers market, boat trips, craft & arts exhibitions, brass band and many other attractions. Bus link to Evesham Angling Festival 10am - 4pm. Contact: Dave Shaw 07900 876025. Email: daveshawdrystonewalling@hotmail.com

Monthly meetings of the Worcestershire Group of the National Council for the conservation of plants and gardens will be held at Pershore College. Contact Pam Shaw (01386) 852059 for further details.

#### **FARMERS MARKETS** Pershore, Broad Street

9th April - Blossom Farmers Market 7th May - Spring Farmers Market 28th May - Asparagus Farmers Market 27th August - Plum Farmers Market Broadway, Village Green - 7th May

Many of these farmers markets are enhanced by a variety of additional entertainment and celebration throughout the day.

#### **VALE ASPARAGUS FESTIVAL** The Fleece Inn. Bretforton 27th May to 3rd June

Programme of Events:

27th May - Bretforton Silver Band & Asparagus Auction. Silver band concert including the renowned auction of the world famous Vale of Evesham Asparagus. 11am - 11pm. Auction 7pm

28th May - Vale Asparagus Festival Day A fun day out for all the family - attractions to include: Asparagus exhibition featuring horticultural artefacts from around the Vale. Cooking demonstrations with Celebrity "Flying Chef" Rachel Green; Asparagus meals and tasting; Asparagus farmers market; Vale of Evesham local arts and crafts; Asparagus art; Morris dancing. Numerous childrens activities, including art exhibition, bouncy castle & face painting; local ciders, wines and cask ales.

29th to 1st June - Asparagus Festival **Entertainment.** Storytelling, Folk Evening and open folk session, Asparagus Quiz, Cookery demonstration and tasting evening. New for this year! Kids half term Asparagus activity days filled with exciting hands on fun. Full details of all events to be confirmed.

2nd June - **Asparagus Ball.** Gala evening celebrating "probably" the best Asparagus in the World!!!.

3rd June - Bretforton Church Asparagus **Auction.** An auction of the famous Vale "gras", local produce and general items. 11am - 11pm. Auction at 7pm.

For further information on all Asparagus Festival events contact: Nigel Smith (01386) 831173 Email: nigel@thefleeceinn.co.uk Website: www.thefleeceinn.co.uk



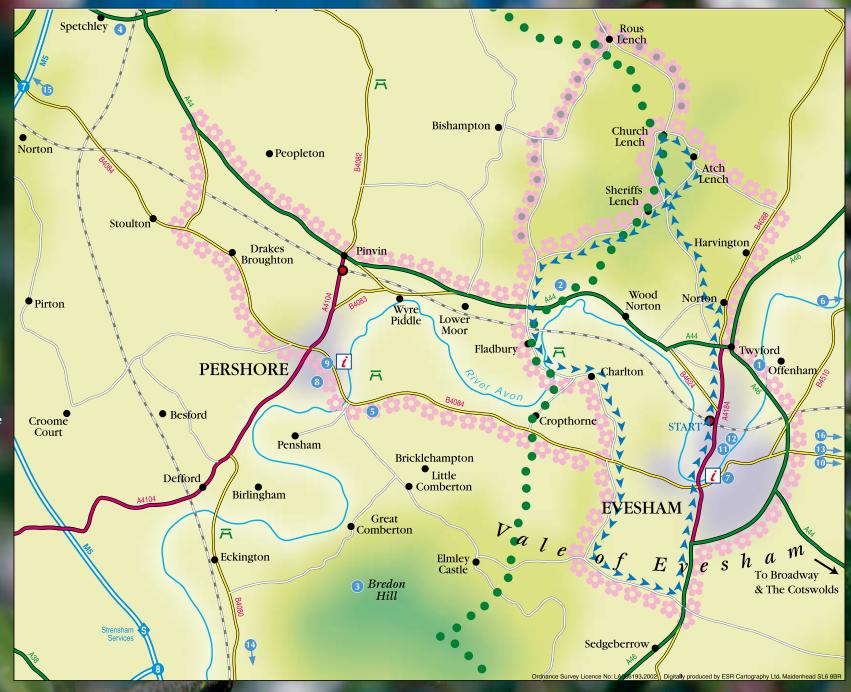
# Blossom Trail Map

#### KEY

- **1** Evesham Country Park
- 2 Craycombe Farm
- 3 Bredon Hill
- **4** Spetchley Park Garden
- **5** Pershore College
- **6** Middle Littleton Tithe Barn
- Almonry Heritage Centre
- **8** Pershore Abbey
- 9 Pershore Heritage Centre& Tourist Information Centre
- 10 Fleece Inn
- **11** Avon Leisure Cruises
- 12 Handsam Boat Company
- 13 Honeybourne Pottery
- **14** Bredon Hill Open Studios
- **15** Royal Worcester Porcelain
- 16 Round of Gras Inn
- \*\*\* Blossom Trail
- \*\*\* Diverted Coach Route
- >>> Cycle Route
- **OOOO** Wychavon Way
  - **Tourist Information**Centre
  - Railway Station
  - **Picnic Area**

## Did you know...

• In 1927 to commemorate the centenary of the discovery of the Pershore yellow egg plum, a locomotive was named "Pershore Plum". The steam train could be seen travelling between Worcester, Stratford and Birmingham.



# Places to visit along the Spring Blossom Trail

#### **BADSEY**

Home of the renowned 'Round of Gras' Inn 16 - the only "pub in the world" to be named after the famous Vale of Evesham delicacy - Asparagus.

#### **BRETFORTON & THE FLEECE INN 10**

An ageless village that was almost entirely built in the 17th Century. Members of the Ashwin family were Squires of Bretforton for over 500 years until 1983 - their home being The Manor House which stands opposite St. Leonards Church.

The Fleece Inn, owned by the National Trust since 1977 is home to the famous Asparagus Auctions and the week long Vale Asparagus Festival.

This unspoilt village inn, originally built in medieval times as a farm house was extensively damaged by fire in 2004 - now superbly restored to its former glory it has a varied events programme throughout the year and also provides a wide range of refreshments using local produce. Coach parties are welcome by arrangement.

The village of Bretforton and the historic Fleece Inn appeals to visitors from all over the world, and both have been used in the making of a number of films, including the TV version of Martin Chuzzlewit.

#### CROPTHORNE

Beautiful village that was included in the Doomsday book, with interesting Norman

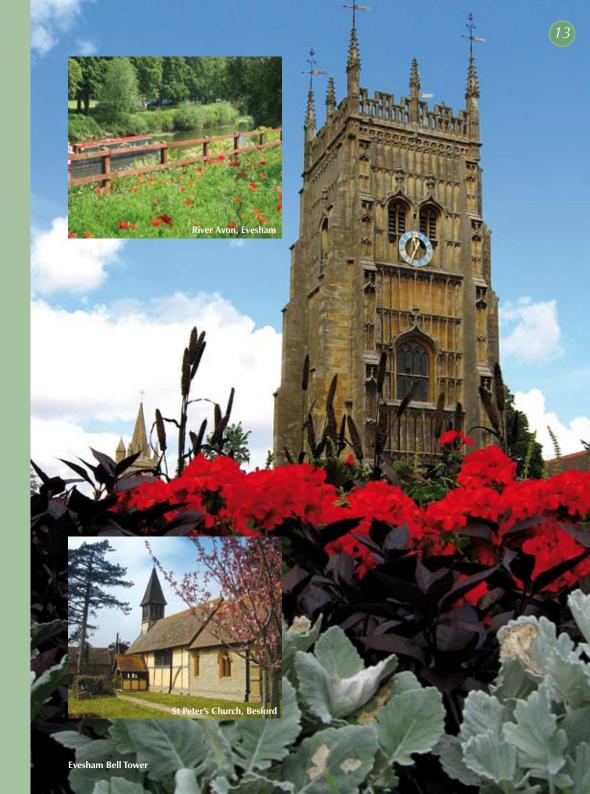


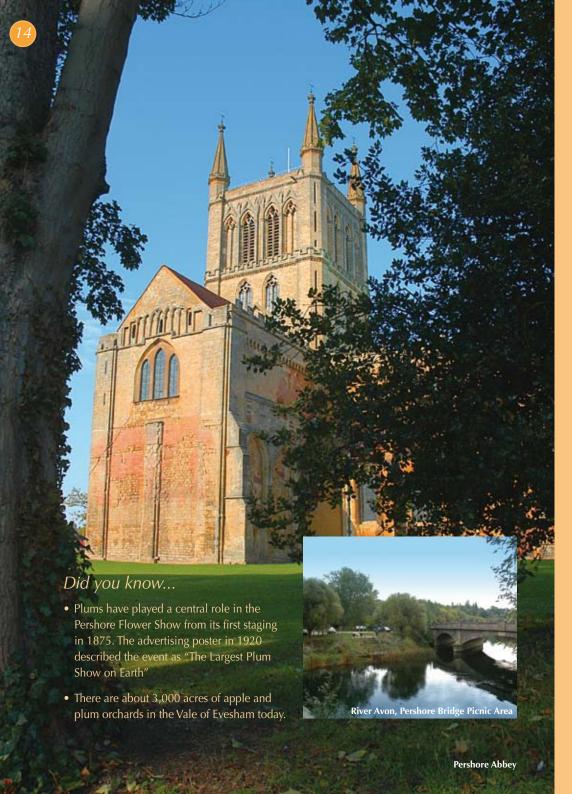
church. Half-timbered houses add to its appeal.

#### **FVFSHAM**

This historic town is the centre for fruit and vegetables and lies on the picturesque River Avon. Famous historic landmarks include the Abbey ruins and the 14th century Almonry Heritage Centre that houses an exhibition of local history and is also the town's tourist information centre. A Gold Britain in Bloom winner, and the holder of a National Market Towns Award plus the 2006 British Urban Regeneration Award for Leisure and Tourism means that there are many exceptional attractions in and around the town centre. The transformation of the riverside now includes a waterside terrace garden, public pentanque courts, a mile long circular walk and a lighting scheme that creates a stunning night feature.

Coupled with many new and exciting events including the Vale Asparagus Festival, Eastern, Medieval, Air Balloon and River Festivals; Rowing Regattas and National Angling Championships the market town of Evesham is definitely a place to visit!





#### **FLADBURY**

Mentioned in the Doomsday Book, this extensive village has revealed Roman and Bronze Age occupation. Full of historical buildings including a 16th century mill, a 12th and 14th century church, a manor house and a remnant of the ice age in the form of a stone outside the church.

#### THE LENCHES

Outstanding group of villages, the largest being Church Lench, which stands as the half way point of the Wychavon Way.

#### **OFFENHAM**

One of only five villages in the country with a maypole. This village was the scene of the massacre of Simon De Montfort's troops, following the Battle of Evesham in 1265. Delightful riverside pub serving local produce.

#### **PERSHORE**

The charming market town of Pershore is famed for its elegant Georgian architecture and impressive Norman Abbey. Boasting a wealth of quality shops, excellent parking facilities and a covered retail market (open Wednesday to Saturday) it is a haven for



"retail therapy". Combine shopping with numerous restaurants, cafes and tea rooms where you can sample delightful home cooked local produce and you have the perfect short break or day out. As well as winning the silver award in the Heart of England in Bloom Competition, Pershore has also won a National Market Towns Award for the Number 8 Community Arts Centre; situated in the town centre it is the hub for theatre, film, dance and much more.

With a thriving calendar of events throughout the year, including the infamous Pershore Plum Fayre on August Bank Holiday Monday, this historic town really does have something for everyone!

#### **ELMLEY CASTLE**

Picturesque village at the foot of Bredon Hill. Visited by Queen Elizabeth I in 1575. Fascinating church with superb alabaster figures and an intriguing carving of a rabbit in the church porch.

#### **BREDON HILL** 3

Encircled by several attractive villages, this 991ft hill stands majestically above the River Avon at the edge of the Cotswolds, and is an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

#### **BROADWAY**

Reputed to be one of the most beautiful villages in Britain. The houses of honey coloured stone have lured visitors for centuries. Broadway's unique geographical position makes it an ideal base from which to tour the Cotswolds.

#### **PICNIC AREAS**

Eckington, Pershore Bridge, Fladbury, Elmley Castle & Broadway.

#### SPETCHLEY PARK GARDEN 4

Created at the turn of the last century and covering approximately 30 acres, the gardens are renowned for their collection of rare plants. Although open throughout the year, of particular interest during the Spring time will be Magnolias, Rhodedendrons, Flowering Dogwoods, Trilliums and the wide range of Flowering Cherries. Also the home of many and varied events throughout the year, including open air concerts, battle re-enactments and an amazing Illuminated garden trail which is held throughout December.

#### PERSHORE COLLEGE (5)

Designated the Royal Horticultural Society's Centre for the West Midlands and the regional Centre of Excellence for the food and drink industry. Extensive ornamental and amenity grounds feature interesting and unusual trees, shrubs and other plants. The college has extensive commercial facilities including a plant centre, orchards and is open for pick-yourown in the season.

#### MIDDLE LITTLETON TITHE BARN 6

Evesham. 13th or 14th Century barn, 140ft long.

#### ALMONRY HERITAGE CENTRE (7)

Evesham. Comprehensive exhibits of local interest. Tourist Information Centre.

#### PERSHORE ABBEY (8)

Magnificent Norman Abbey with 13th Century features.

#### PERSHORE HERITAGE CENTRE (9)

Themed displays of the area's past.

## **EVESHAM COUNTRY PARK** 1

#### **Shopping & Garden Centre.**

(see back page advert). Enjoy shopping in a relaxed atmosphere. Experience the courtyard shopping area and extensive garden centre where you will find a bargain around every corner. If 'retail therapy' is not for you - why not visit the Ark Animal Sanctuary Visitor Centre or 'let the train take the strain' aboard the Evesham Vale Light Railway. The Apple Barn Restaurant (01386 761333) serves freshly prepared lunches and snacks, plus delicious Cotswold cream teas. (Coach parties welcome by prior arrangement). Free parking throughout the Park.

#### **HONEYBOURNE POTTERY (13)**



Honeybourne. Fun Workshops - creative fun for all the family, potters' wheel, clay modelling & ceramic painting. Spectacular range of handcrafted ceramics. Birthday and Hen Parties; corporate groups, school projects and adult classes catered for. Open: Mon - Sat, 9.00 - 5.00.

#### BREDON HILL OPEN STUDIOS 14



The countryside around Bredon Hill inspires some of the finest designers, artists and craftsmen in the Cotswolds. A picturesque drive takes you to four studios each with a shop guaranteed to thrill and inspire you. Beckford Silk, Samantha Dadd, Toff Milway and Bredon Pottery are all within four miles of each other on the road that skirts the South side of Bredon Hill. To start the trail, take the Beckford turn off the A46 and follow the signs to Beckford Silk. www.BredonHillOpenStudios.co.uk



#### ROYAL WORCESTER PORCELAIN 15

A world famous museum, guided tours, visitor centre, restaurant and hands-on activities - a perfect day out and something for everyone.

#### **RIVER TRIPS & BOAT HIRE**

Evesham. Enjoy the delightful River Avon by boat - with a variety of craft available for private hire or pleasure cruises, the riverside at Evesham has something for everyone. From Easter to Autumn the River and its' scenery are constantly changing. No two trips are ever the same! You may be fortunate enough to see a kingfisher flash past or a heron standing motionless on the bank - not only can you see wildlife but also many attractions which are not apparent by road; The unique triangular Evesham Lock house located in the heart of the town, the historic rope hauled Hampton Ferry - reputed to be the only one in the country and Dead Mans' Ait where many skeletons of men and horses are said to have been found from the bloody Battle of Evesham in 1265 - to name just a few.

#### **AVON LEISURE CRUISES** (1)

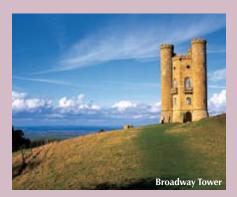
"Spirit of Freedom on Avon" - a 70 foot luxury steel cruiser, licensed to carry 53 passengers and operating throughout the year for business or pleasure. Gold, Silver and Bronze winners of the Heart of England Tourism for All Award during the past three years, the vessel has been modified to include two hydraulic wheelchair lifts enabling disabled passengers to board with ease - certainly making the cruise "Accessible for All". Centrally heated with on board toilet facilities, licensed bar galley



and low level viewing windows, Spirit of Freedom on Avon operates regular cruises and themed events with entertainment which include lunch, afternoon tea or wine and cheese. These take place throughout the year and are suitable for all ages and abilities. Corporate functions, private parties, heritage and ecology trips are also available upon request.

#### THE HANDSAM TOO (2)

Licensed to carry 60 passengers, this boat has a fixed roof and side screens that can be lowered if necessary. Operating 25 and 45 minute trips every day from Abbey Park from Easter to Autumn (weather permitting). Longer evening trips can be arranged for private parties upon request. Cream teas and discounts are available on certain group bookings. Motor or rowing boats are also available for hire from Abbey Park throughout the season.



### **Tourist Information**

## **8** Broadway

Tel: 01386 852937 Email: info@visitbroadway.co.uk

## **1** Droitwich Spa

Tel: 01905 774312 Fax: 01905 794226 Email: heritage@droitwichspa.gov.uk

## **?** Evesham

Tel: 01386 446944 Fax: 01386 442348 Email: tic@almonry.ndo.co.uk

### **?** Pershore

Tel: 01386 556591 Fax: 01386 561996 Email: tourism@pershore-tc.gov.uk

#### WORCESTERSHIRE'S HERITAGE GARDEN

Contact: **Angela Tidmarsh** Tel: **01386 565373** (24hrs)

Fax: **01386 561634** 

Email: angela.tidmarsh@wychavon.gov.uk



## How to get to the Spring Blossom Trail

The excellent central position of the Spring Blossom Trail makes it the ideal destination for a relaxing break, easily accessible from anywhere in the country or indeed the world. The M5, M4, M42 and M50 motorways are right on the doorstep and there are mainline rail links from Paddington and Birmingham. Overseas connections are catered for with ferry links all around the coast and at airports situated at Birmingham, East Midlands, Coventry, Bristol, Cardiff and Manchester as well as the two London terminals of Heathrow and Gatwick. If you are coming from overseas by car then Eurotunnel connects to our motorway network as soon as you reach our shores.

Visit our website for glorious pictures of blossom, details of the route and the best time to visit:-

## www.worcestershires-heritage-garden.org

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## Your place in the country























Visit Evesham Country Park and be pleasantly surprised by our courtyard shopping area and extensive garden centre. If you are entertaining the children why not visit the Ark Animal Sanctuary Visitor Centre or hop on the Evesham Vale Light Railway? Trains run every weekend throughout the year and daily during the school holidays.

Evesham Country Park • Evesham • Worcs • WRII 4TP (01386) 41661 www.eveshamcountrypark.co.uk

Opening times: Shopping and Garden Centre: Monday to Saturday 9am - 5.30pm, Sunday 10.30am - 4.30pm

Apple Barn Restaurant: Monday to Saturday: 9am - 5pm, Sunday 10.30am - 4pm