

Institute of Physics – London & South East Branch – Retired Members Section

Denbies Vineyard – Dorking Surrey on Thursday 11 April 2019

This visit has been organised by Hugh Deighton.



Picture: Denbies

Description

Summary: We will be given a guided indoor tour of the winery, followed by a leisurely lunch. In the afternoon we will have an outdoor tour of the vineyard by train. Denbies is easily reached from London by car or by train to Dorking (Main) Station from which a waiting minibus will take you to the winery.

Winery Tour

Seasonal Vineyard Tour: The tour starts in the brand new flat screen cinema. Learn about the geology and history of the estate and experience the changes in the vineyard through the seasons and appreciate the wine making process from vine to bottle.

Winery Walking Tour: Walking through the working winery with a full commentary from Denbies Wine Tour Guide you will see the equipment used in today's wine production, with particular emphasis on the sparkling wine disgorging line installed in 2013.

Cellar Tasting: The journey ends in the atmospheric Denbies cellars where you will be guided through three of Denbies' classic wines.

Lunch

Lunch will be self-service in the cafeteria. A voucher is included in the price.

Outdoor Vineyard Train Tour

A 45-minute vineyard tour takes visitors at a leisurely pace to some of the most beautiful viewing points in the vineyard. A recorded commentary enhances your trip making this an informative and comfortable way to experience the magnificent panoramic views of the Denbies Estate and the North Downs. Throughout the seasons the changing scenery captures the imagination, from the first bud burst of spring to the opulent vines of the autumn. Cameras recommended.

See Denbies website for further details: <https://www.denbies.co.uk/>

Where and when to meet

Meet at Dorking (Main) Station in Surrey at 10:00. A minibus will be provided to take us to the vineyard and to collect us after the post-lunch train tour. Alternatively meet at the vineyard – see the link above for further details. The tours start at 11:00.

Getting there

There are regular trains from Waterloo, Victoria and Blackfriars stations to Dorking (Main) station. The address is Denbies Wine Estate Ltd. London Road, Dorking, Surrey RH5 6AA. See the website above for advice on routes.

Timetable

10:00: Assemble at Dorking (Main) Station for minibus to the vineyard

11:00: Walking indoor tour of the winery

12:00: Lunch

14:00: Outdoor train tour of the vineyard

15:00: Minibus back to Dorking station

Size of party

Numbers are limited for the tour so places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Cost: £30.00 to include the winery and vineyard tours, a self-service lunch voucher and the minibus transfers.

Contacts

Hugh Deighton: Email: hugh@deighton.info, Mobile: 07712 563360 or Tony Colclough: 07930 171307.

Late arrivals

Taxis are available at Dorking station to take you to the vineyard. Please call Hugh Deighton or Tony Colclough as above to advise them of your late arrival.

PAYMENT

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