



BRIDGE WARD CLUB

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Weekend Visit to Exeter 10,11,and 12 September 2010

The Club is organising a visit to Exeter over the weekend of Friday Saturday and Sunday 10-12 September. Exeter is a beautiful city, steeped in more than 2000 years of history. Its compact size makes it easy to explore. Exeter is the regional capital for culture, leisure and shopping. It has a magnificent cathedral, built in 1050, with the longest uninterrupted vaulted ceiling in England. The historic Quayside which was once an industrial landscape has evolved into a place for leisure and relaxation. We will be staying in the centrally situated Royal Clarence Hotel which overlooks the cathedral. The hotel is part of the Abode group with Michael Caine as executive chef. He continues to cook at Gidleigh Park where he was granted the coveted two Michelin Stars. The Hotel has arranged discounted parking in a nearby car park (not included in price) There is an excellent train service to Exeter.

The outline programme, which is still to be finalised, will be broadly as follows:

Friday Arrive at leisure. The evening begins in the hotel with a drinks reception, at 19.15. followed by dinner in a private room overlooking the floodlight cathedral.

Saturday: After a leisurely breakfast we will stroll over to the magnificent St Peter's Cathedral for a guided tour by Mr David Snell one of the most experienced cathedral guides. We will then have coffee in the refectory, time now for some retail therapy before we return to the Cathedral for a light lunch. The afternoon will be spent with a Red Coat guide. We will learn of Exeter from Roman times to the present day. In the evening we will dine at Exeter's renowned Sausage and Grill.

Sunday: After breakfast we will make our way to the Met Office for a guided tour. It is one of the worlds leading weather forecast centres. Founded in 1854 as part of the Board of Trade, it now operates within the Ministry of Defence. After the tour we will proceed to The Quay where will take a boat trip on the canal, to The Double Locks pub for a two course lunch.

The cost of the visit, including a two night stay in The Royal Clarence Hotel, Friday drinks reception, dinners on Friday and Saturday evenings. Coffee, lunch, guided walk and entries on Saturday. Sunday's canal trip and lunch will be £260. per person. Based on two people sharing a double room. The hotel do not offer a single room price. However we have reserved three twin bedded rooms and if anyone wishes to share please contact me.

Please return the slip below to [Jean Dixon, Manor Farm Cottage, Henton, Chinnor OX39 4AE](mailto:Jean.Dixon@manorfarmcottage.co.uk) with a deposit of £100.00 per person as soon as possible. Final payment of £160.00 to be paid by August 10. We have booked 15 rooms and this will limit the size of the group.

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Please reserve _____ places for the weekend visit at a cost of £260.00 each based on sharing a double room. (cheque payable to Bridge Ward Club). Please indicate if you have any dietary requirements.