



The best days out
are those shared
with friends

Group Visits

HOLKHAM

The warmest welcome awaits you at Holkham

We relish welcoming group visits to Holkham and pride ourselves on offering a truly memorable day out for everyone. Our teams enjoy sharing their passion and expertise with eager visitors keen to learn about this incredibly special place.

Visit Holkham and enjoy Holkham Hall and all its treasures, our tranquil Deer Park, the beautiful Walled Garden and the fascinating Holkham Stories Experience. We have a raft of itineraries to choose from, or we can create a tailor-made visit suited to particular interests and requirements.

Our Stables Courtyard is home to our Courtyard Café and Gift Shop, and offers a perfect spot to enjoy a bite to eat and a little retail therapy during a busy day. We also have The Victoria - our hotel and restaurant - where we can arrange lunch or dinner for your group.

We hope to welcome you to Holkham soon.

The Holkham Team

A potted history...

In 1712, a young Thomas Coke, who later became the 1st Earl of Leicester, set out on what was to become an incredible six year long Grand Tour. Spending much of this time in Italy, Thomas met William Kent and together they developed a passion for the architecture of Andrea Palladio, who championed a return to the building styles of Ancient Rome. Thomas collected paintings, sculptures, drawings, manuscripts and treasures galore on his travels. When he returned to England, he turned his dreams into reality by planning the building of a vast Palladian house on the North Norfolk coast, and created the magnificent Holkham Hall.

Create a day
full of wonder



A perfect day out

Holkham Hall

An unforgettable part of any visit with its incredible architecture, stunning art, original furniture and classical statuary. This 18th century masterpiece is an amazing treasure trove and, above all, still very much a lived-in family home. Let our Hall Guides share with you the secrets and stories of Holkham's residents past and present.

Walled Garden

Step through the ornate Venetian gates and enjoy the Walled Garden's tranquil atmosphere, stunning array of flowers, fruit and vegetables and riot of colour. An impressive display of Georgian and Victorian greenhouses, our own vineyard and even chickens and bees make up the six acres. Plus, step inside the newly renovated Samuel Wyatt Vinery.

Holkham Stories Experience

Visit our interactive Experience as we tell the tales of the estate's 400-year heritage and current projects focusing on sustainability and conservation. Learn how Holkham has changed over the years, how the Hall was built and about the Coke family's historical past, from prosecuting Gunpowder Plotters to revolutionising agriculture.

"Our visitors are still talking about their time at Holkham and are thoroughly looking forward to coming again, which is something that we would love to do." – **Heritage House**



Create
memories
to cherish
forever

Specialist tours

Private guided tours of Holkham Hall

With its splendid Palladian architecture, William Kent designs, vast collection of paintings, sculptures, books and manuscripts, our private guided tours of Holkham Hall offer groups a unique experience.

Guided tour of the Walled Garden

Join one of our Landscape Team to explore the full six acres, learning about how the garden was used in the past, how it is diversifying today, the recent and ongoing restoration projects, and what our plans are for the future.

Guided tour of Holkham Stories Experience

Discover more about the wider estate with a guided tour, incorporating an introductory talk, handling and even smells and tastings.

Tractor trailer tour of Holkham Park

Hop on board our tractor trailer for a fascinating exploration of Holkham Park, discovering more about our wildlife, architecture, conservation and farming along the way. If you have a particular interest, do let us know as we can tailor tours to various particular subjects.

Guided tour of the Holkham National Nature Reserve

Walking from the sweet-smelling pine woods to the golden sands of the beach, let our wardens show you the incredible flora and fauna that can be found in this special place.

Bespoke visits

If there is something you're particularly interested in, contact us and we will endeavour to meet your needs. Our team have put together bespoke visits on many topics, ranging from a display and talk on rare manuscripts through to trailer tours of our arable farmland.

“A very big thank you for making yesterday such a memorable visit for my IW members. I have had some lovely messages from my members saying how much they enjoyed their day, but I just want to share with you they all thought the staff so helpful, cheerful and welcoming.”

– IW District 8



A hidden, historical
and horticultural delight

A Christmas to behold

Various dates in December

Here at Holkham we utterly adore Christmas! The team starts work in January, planning in earnest for when we adorn the Hall with creative masterpieces and greenery from the park, light the candles and open our doors in December.

Our magical candlelight tours are a wonderful way for groups to see Holkham Hall adorned with opulent decorations and flickering candlelight. Your tour starts with a glass of Prosecco and a mince pie before you are guided around the state rooms to view the decorations and discover the inspiration behind each room setting.

As seen on Channel Four's show **'Christmas at Holkham'**.

"WOW!! Thank you so much for organising the most amazing visit to Holkham Hall. We were looked after magnificently and had the most incredible guide. Her knowledge was truly amazing and she brought the history of Holkham to life for us on so many levels." – **Linda Cooper**

Events aplenty all year round

From Christmas markets to food festivals, or garden fairs to outdoor theatre productions, there are events at Holkham throughout the year which are just perfect for groups.

See holkham.co.uk/whats-on for details.



Deck the halls
with festive splendour

The details

Group benefits

For pre-booked groups of 20 or more people we can offer: A 10 per cent discount on admission prices, meet and greet on arrival, a free place for the group leader and coach driver, a refreshment voucher for the coach driver, free coach parking and special group menus. Group leaders are welcome to a complimentary familiarisation visit to see the attractions, meet our team and fine-tune itineraries. For those who may need some assistance with accessibility we have electric scooters and manual wheelchairs available to borrow. A stairclimbing machine can take most manual wheelchairs up to the state rooms in the hall.

Opening times

MAIN SEASON

Our opening times vary slightly each year, but the main season usually runs from April to October.

See holkham.co.uk for the most up-to-date information.

Holkham Hall
Sundays, Mondays and
Thursdays 11am-4pm

Holkham Stories, Walled Garden,
Courtyard Café and Gift Shop
Daily 10am-5pm

SPRING AND WINTER SEASON

You can now visit in November, December, February and March to enjoy the park, cafe and shop. Pre-booked groups can tour the fascinating Holkham Stories Experience and Holkham Hall is open in December for Christmas.

See holkham.co.uk for full details

Admission tickets

Groups are offered a 10 per cent discount on standard admission tickets, prices for guided tours vary according to what you choose.

See holkham.co.uk/group-visits for current prices.

To book or discuss a visit

Please contact us by telephone on 01328 713111
or email groups@holkham.co.uk

A suggested itinerary

We recommend allowing between three and five hours for your visit, and are always happy to advise on the best itinerary to suit your timings and interests. Here is a sample itinerary as a guide:

- 11am Arrive at Holkham, meet and greet on the coach by our Visitor Experience team. Visit our Holkham Stories Experience
- 12noon Visit Holkham Hall
- 1pm A leisurely lunch in the Courtyard Café and time to browse in the Courtyard Gift Shop
- 2.30pm Visit the Walled Garden
- 4pm Depart





How to find us

We are situated on the beautiful north Norfolk coast, just two miles west of Wells-next-the-Sea. We are within easy reach of Norwich, King's Lynn, Cambridge, London and the Midlands.

Holkham Hall is proud to be one of The Treasure Houses of England, ten of the most magnificent palaces, houses and castles in England today. Other members are Beaulieu, Blenheim Palace, Burghley, Castle Howard, Chatsworth, Harewood House, Hatfield House, Leeds Castle and Woburn Abbey.

Find out more at treasurehouses.co.uk

Holkham Hall is a lived in family home and a member of Historic Houses.

Visit historichouses.org

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