



EASTCOTE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

PLEASE REPLY TO: 10 CRESCENT GARDENS, EASTCOTE, RUISLIP, HA4 8TA

Dear Member,

RHS HYDE HALL COACH TRIP – SATURDAY 22nd APRIL

We are arranging a coach trip to RHS Hyde Hall on **Saturday 22nd April** and very much hope you'd like to join us.

The gardens are set in a landscape of rolling hills with panoramic views over the countryside. One of Hyde Hall's crowning achievements is the Dry Garden, a showcase of drought-tolerant plants that thrive in regions of very low rainfall. There are plenty of seating areas across the gardens, which have a mix of styles – from the pond area, vegetable gardens and glasshouse, courtyard garden, Australia & New Zealand garden, and many others. For those who fancy a longer walk there is a reservoir with a bird hide and a woodland walk.

In addition to the usual RHS Garden Centre, Hyde Hall is hosting a Spring Plant Fair on the weekend we're visiting so plenty more choice of plants to buy! You will be able to bring as much as you can carry back onto the coach.

If the weather is not kind to us, there are several places to shelter – the Hyde Hall Reading Room, the Gardeners' Rest restaurant, the Clover café, the gift shop and garden centre.

Wheelchair users are welcome and the less steep paths are marked. You can bring your own chair on the coach or hire one from Hyde Hall, although they cannot be reserved in advance. There are two mobility scooters available which must be booked in advance direct with Hyde Hall - call them as soon as you can on 01245 402019.

The coach pick-up will be from the car park in Oak Grove, behind the Trading Hut. The coach will leave at **9.00 a.m.** so please arrive for 8.45 a.m. We will be returning to Eastcote by 6.00 p.m.

Costs to cover the coach travel will be **£29** each person. The trip is open to members, their families, friends, neighbours and other local society members. Please share this opportunity with people you know. We're keen to fill the coach!

If you are not an RHS member, the usual admission charge is £12.95 but, as an affiliated society, we have an allocation of free places. This makes the trip a good price as you only have to pay for the coach – no admission charge!

To join the trip please complete the slip and send it to me with a cheque (payable to E.H.S.) for **£29** per person. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. I would appreciate replies as soon as possible but by **31 March** at the latest. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on 020 8866 1339.

Yours sincerely,

Sue Alexander

Name:

Address:

Tel no:

Email

Number of people in your party

Are you an RHS member and therefore have free entry?

If you are able to bring your RHS membership card we can save the Society's allocation of free entry places to the gardens for non-RHS members.

I enclose a cheque payable to E.H.S. for £ (£29 per person)

Please return to Sue Alexander, 10 Crescent Gardens, Eastcote, Ruislip HA4 8TA

as soon as possible but by 31 March

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