



Gardens & Gourmet, Peak District and Derbyshire Itinerary

Day one - Chatsworth

Morning

Marvel at the colours of the impressive rhododendron collection at Lea Gardens near Matlock then head for one of the highlights of many visits to this region – the magnificent Chatsworth Estate, home to the Duke of Devonshire.

Head first to Pilsley, a village within the estate, for lunch and perhaps a locally-made treat to take home from the Chatsworth Farm Shop. Alternatively enjoy a traditional pub lunch and a pint of local ale at traditional pub, The Devonshire Arms at Pilsley.

Afternoon

After your lunch enjoy the short drive in to the grounds of the house and take your time to explore the 105-acres of beautiful gardens surrounding this impressive historic house.

Dine and stay in the luxurious surroundings of The Cavendish Hotel or return to stay in the charming rooms at The Devonshire Arms at Pilsley.

Day two – The Monsal Trail

Morning

Start day two with a walk around the 12-acres of quintessentially English formal gardens at Thornbridge Hall.

Next head for a former station on the now disused rural Monsal Railway which passes through this area. The route of the railway has now been developed into a traffic-free route through stunning countryside for cyclists, walkers and horseriders.

Afternoon

A great place to join it is at the nearby Hassop Station Cafe where you might like to stop for lunch before heading out for an afternoon's walk or bike ride. Bicycles are available to hire from Hassop Station.

Alternatively, head to the Thornbridge Riverside Brewery in the attractive market town of Bakewell (tours available at 3pm Wednesdays and Fridays) to see where their popular and award-winning craft beers are made.

Stay overnight in Bakewell or head to The Peacock at Rowsley, just three miles (six kilometres), away for dinner and a night in a 17th-century former manor house.

Day three – Bakewell to Buxton and Beyond

Morning

Explore the gardens at medieval Haddon Hall in the morning, which is just a short drive from your hotel and has been used as a location for many films. Then pass back through Bakewell making sure you stop to try the famous Bakewell pudding at The Old Original Bakewell Pudding Shop where this local specialty was invented. Continue your journey through miles of beautiful countryside on your way to Buxton.

Afternoon

Enjoy looking around the independent shops of this historic market town and perhaps enjoy an afternoon tea of local-made produce at No 6 The Square Tearooms, overlooking Buxton Opera House and the Pavilion Gardens.

Those wanting to stay longer in Buxton might like to book in to The Old Hall Hotel for dinner and an overnight stay.

Alternatively, continue your scenic drive. You might like to call in at the David Mellor Design Café for a bite to eat and a look at some British design classics on your way to Losehill House Hotel and Spa in the heart of the national park for dinner with a view and a relaxing overnight stay.



This is a sample itinerary. Take a look at the full list of Gardens & Gourmet venues in the Peak District and Derbyshire for more inspiration. The more you see, the more you save!

Savings and special offers included...

Gardens & Gourmet attractions

Lea Gardens - £5
Chatsworth – £12.90
Thornbridge Hall – £6
Thornbridge Riverside Brewery - £7.50
Haddon Hall – £13.50

Total: £44.90

Gourmet special offers

Devonshire Arms at Pilsley – 10% off food
The Cavendish Hotel – Free glass of Laurent Perrier Champagne with every main course
Hassop Station - Free glass of wine, beer or soft drink with main meal
The Peacock at Rowsley – 10% discount on food or accommodation
The Old Original Bakewell Pudding Shop – 10% discount in the shop & 20% discount in the restaurant
No 6 The Square Tearooms – 10% discount on food
The Old Hall Hotel – Free glass of sparkling wine when you order two courses at dinner
David Mellor Design Cafe – 20% discount
Losehill House Hotel and Spa – 20% discount on food and accommodation