

Art & heritage in...

SHROPSHIRE

4 days – 3 nights. £389 per person*

Our Tour

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What's included

- * Executive touring coach throughout
- * 3 nights half board accommodation
- * Porterage on arrival & departure
- * Glass of wine with dinner each evening
- * Excursions as per itinerary overleaf
- * Gratuities for the coach driver

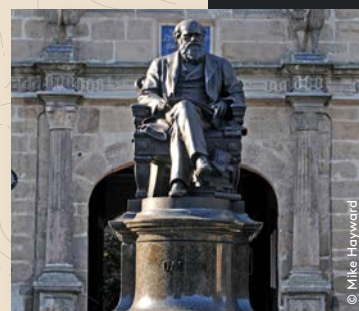
Extras

- * Single supplement – £75 per person
- * Travel insurance – £26 per person
- * Admission to National Trust properties

Radlett Art Society

6th – 9th September 2020

Nestled amongst the lush rolling hills and valleys of Shropshire are idyllic villages, timber-framed buildings, and historic properties teeming with treasures. The Saxon settlement of Shrewsbury is the county town, packed with Tudor architecture, fascinating churches and medieval remnants. The many manor houses found amidst the unspoilt landscape harbour fascinating collections of wonderful paintings, sculpture and furniture.



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**Based on two sharing in a twin/double room with a minimum of 30 members travelling. Should fewer than 30 travel, the price will increase.*

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Day 1 - We depart from Radlett in the morning for the journey to Shropshire. En route, we stop to visit the **Barber Institute of Fine Arts**. Housed in one of Birmingham's finest Art Deco buildings, the collections held here feature key pieces by many great artists including Monet, Botticelli, Renoir, Van Dyck, and Rossetti to name but a few. We continue our journey to the hotel for check in with time to relax before dinner. Dinner is included at the hotel each evening.



Shrewsbury

Day 2 - Today is spent in the charming town of **Shrewsbury**. In the morning, we walk the medieval streets lined with charming Tudor timber-framed buildings and learn about Shrewsbury's history on a tour with a local guide. The town is famous for being the birthplace of Charles Darwin, and as a result of its border location, it served as a vital front in the medieval conflict between England and Wales. We also visit the ancient **Shrewsbury**



Powis Castle

Abbey, a former Benedictine Monastery which became a parish church following the Dissolution of the Monasteries. Having witnessed almost 1,000 years of history, the Abbey is of great significance thanks to its art, architecture and ancient past. In the afternoon, we have time to enjoy the town of Shrewsbury at our leisure. Alternatively, there will be the opportunity to return to the hotel to enjoy the hotel's leisure facilities.

Day 3 - This morning we cross into Wales to visit **Powis Castle (NT)**. This 13th century redbrick fortress has a magnificent collection of artwork, tapestries and furniture. As well as hosting some of Wales' finest paintings, it is home to superb exotic treasures from India and the Far East. The beautiful Italian and French influenced garden is overflowing with rare plants and sculptures. This afternoon, we head back to England to visit **Attingham**

Park (NT) and its striking 18th century mansion. Rich with Regency splendour, the collections of Italian treasures at Attingham Hall put the family into financial ruin thanks to extravagant spending. Many items were sold following the family's bankruptcy in 1827, but fortunately a substantial number of pieces remain, and speak of Attingham's history.



Wightwick Manor

Day 4 - This morning we depart the hotel and commence our journey home. En route, we make a stop at **Wightwick Manor (NT)**. A family home and a beautiful art gallery, the hall's impressive collection of Pre-Raphaelite paintings (including pieces by Rossetti, Burne-Jones and their followers) is complemented by its immaculate Arts and Crafts interiors. Following our visit, we continue homeward.

The exact order of excursions is subject to change. Non-NT members must pay the relevant admission fee on the day.

Our Hotel

The 4-star **Mercure Shrewsbury Albrighton Hall Hotel** is located just outside of Shrewsbury. This elegant 18th century manor house is surrounded by 15 acres of beautiful grounds. The comfortable en-suite rooms are light, airy & equipped with modern facilities, including a TV, hairdryer & tea/coffee making facilities. The Oak Room Restaurant offers seasonal dishes & a relaxed atmosphere in a beautiful panelled dining room. Leisure facilities include a spa with a heated indoor pool.



How to book

Please complete a booking form and return to Success Tours along with your deposit of £50 per person.
Deposits are due by 30th April 2020.