# **Waddesdon Manor**



Waddesdon Manor was built (1874-89) by Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild to display his outstanding collection of art treasures and to entertain the fashionable world. The 45 rooms on view combine the highest quality French furniture and decorative arts from the 18th century.

Waddesdon has one of the finest Victorian gardens in Britain, famous for its Parterre, seasonal displays, shady walks and views, fountains and statuary. At its heart lies the Aviary, stocked with species that were once part of Baron Ferdinand's collection. The Wine Cellars, modelled on the private cellars at Château Lafite Rothschild contain thousands of bottles of Rothschild wines dating back to 1868.

The Stables Coach House has been transformed into a contemporary art space which allows us to host touring exhibitions as well as to explore contemporary art. For children too, there is much to do, with an exciting woodland playground, explorer trail outdoors and inside the House, and special guided tours. Top quality food and wines are served throughout the day in the restaurants, and the shops offer a superb range of gifts and wines, many of which are unique to Waddesdon.





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### **Opening Times:**

Gardens, Aviary, Woodland Playground, Shops & Restaurants 10.00 - 5.00

House & Wine Cellars Weds-Fri 12.00-4.00 & Sat & Sun 11.00—4.00

### **Key Themes:**

Rothschild family connection

Finest Victorian Garden

Wine Tasting

Lecture Days

Garden Workshops

**Evening Openings** 

#### **Annual Special Events:**

Carols & Decorations

Floodlit Evening Openings

Fairs & Food Markets

# Directions and distance from central London:

By Rail: Regular train services run from London Marylebone to Aylesbury Vale Parkway and Aylesbury stations. I hour train ride. For information on times and fares please visit chilternrailways.co.uk or tel: 08456 005 165 Mon to Fri 8.30 to 5.30.

By Car: From London about I hour (allow I.5 hours from central London). Take M40 to Junction 7. Turn right to-wards Thame. At first roundabout, take second exit to-wards Aylesbury. At next roundabout, take first exit to-wards Long Crendon. In Long Crendon turn right towards Chearsley and Waddesdon. In Chearsley, as the road swings to the right, go straight ahead into Winchendon Road towards Waddesdon. Continue until T-junction with A41. Turn left into Waddesdon village.



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