

## **Value-for-money British Tourism Week launch for Burghley House's 2011 season**

England's greatest Elizabethan house is marking British Tourism Week and welcoming 2011 by offering a special discount during its opening weekend this month.

Visitors heading to the Lincolnshire historic home on the 19th and 20th March can take advantage of a 10% discount on all adult House and Garden tickets. And that offers visitors a chance to tour the sumptuous staterooms, see some of Europe's most important ceramics, tuck in to tasty food at the new-look restaurant and enjoy Burghley's two very distinct gardens at an even more value-for-money price.

Marking British Tourism Week (12th-20th March) – an annual promotion to raise awareness of tourism in Britain – Burghley opens for its new season on Saturday 19th March.

Still lived in by descendants of the original Lord Burghley and Elizabeth I's trusted advisor, William Cecil, it still packs that 'wow' factor four centuries on – providing a packed family day out with a combined ticket giving access to the House plus two gardens, including the Tudor-inspired "trick" Garden of Surprises.

For 2011 Burghley House, nestling on the edge of the Georgian stone town of Stamford, will combine the best of old and new to provide tasty homemade treats in the refurbished Orangery Restaurant plus a chance to see part of the acclaimed Burghley Collection in the stunning Treasury gallery.

For full details visit [www.burghley.co.uk](http://www.burghley.co.uk) or telephone 01780 752451.

### **EDITOR'S NOTES:**

Burghley, near Stamford in Lincolnshire, has been the home of the Cecil Family for over 400 years and is England's greatest Elizabethan House. Burghley is owned and maintained by Burghley House Preservation Trust, which looks after a huge collection of great works of art, including one of the most important private collections of 17th century Italian paintings, the earliest inventoried collection of Japanese ceramics in the West, exceptional 18th century furniture and wood carvings by Grinling Gibbons and his followers. The Trust also maintains a 13,000-acre estate including residential, commercial and agricultural lettings, woodland and Burghley Park, which is open daily at no charge.

The House is open Saturday 19th March to Sunday 30th October 2011 daily (except Fridays) from 11am to 4.30pm. Normal admission: House and The Gardens of Surprise - adults £12.20; children (3–15 years) £6; seniors/students £10.80; family (2 adults & 2 children) £31.50.

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