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## MEMORIES OF THE MUSICALS AT KILWORTH AND LA TRAVIATA AT NEVILL HOLT CHANGE OF DATES & ARRANGEMENTS TO INCLUDE COMEDY OF ERRORS AT THE RSC AND A BEAUTIFUL HOTEL FOR YOU TO ENJOY!

We hope you are each keeping safe and well as we continue our journey through the covid situation.....

Out of the blue, the **Royal Shakespeare Company** have launched a summer season in their newly created outdoor theatre and will present **The Comedy of Errors** on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August. Given that we are all starved of culture it seems to me that, if we're going, we should go for three nights and include Stratford which will, no doubt, be marvelous. The new dates are therefore:

## Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August - 3 nights - return Friday 6<sup>th</sup> August

In order to make this all possible we needed to move our hotel base closer to Stratford and, as stars sometime align, **Coombe Abbey** (just north of Warwick) have agreed to have us stay. Apart from the fact that the entire estate is beautiful, I think having the wonderful grounds and gardens will be very attractive to your all in your free time. Take a look at the link below and the second link to the map of the facilities.

https://www.coombeabbey.com/

https://www.coombeabbey.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/coombe-abbey-map.pdf

## The schedule will therefore be:

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August** – Coach travel from the northwest to Coombe Abbey and check in for three nights. Late afternoon transfer (40 minutes) to Stratford for two course pre-performance meal with wine. Performance at 630pm – 30-minute interval and ending at 9pm with a transfer back to hotel. All seating at Stratford is open air but we are sure the great British summer will prevail for us (and, if not, we will provide Maestro ponchos!).

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August** – Breakfast at the hotel and morning free. Transfer around 130pm to the historic estate at **Nevill Holt** and, again, a newly created outdoor performance stage (our seating is premium covered grandstand (£175 per person).

https://www.nevillholtopera.co.uk/news/nho-summer-opera-festival-2021

We will be present for the opening night of this year's production of **La Traviata** with our friends from the **Manchester Camerata** providing the orchestra.

The performance starts at 330pm and there is a 90-minute dinner interval from 430 – 6pm. We have arranged dinner with wines in the **Kitchen Garden**. The performance is expected to end around 730pm and we will then be transferred back to Coombe Abbey for our second night. https://www.nevillholtopera.co.uk/visit-us/dining

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> August** – Breakfast at the hotel and most of the day free to enjoy the facilities. At the moment, because of existing Social Distancing rules, Kilworth are not able to accommodate a group to dine but we expect that to change as we get closer. If not, we will have an early dinner with wines at Coombe Abbey and transfer (35 minutes) to Kilworth for their evening performance of **Memories of the Musicals**. Transfer back after the performances.

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> August** - After breakfast we will leave the hotel around 11am and pay a visit to the beautiful Edwardian *Arts & Crafts Movement* house and gardens at **Winterbourne** before heading back to the northwest.

The revised costs for the three-night stay with all the inclusions is £865 sharing a twin or double room and £975 double, sole use.

Please see the next page for details of financial security, how to confirm your place and some images of the venues and hotel.

We really hope you will be pleased with this new extended arrangement and the included performances.

If you are happy to go ahead and confirm please complete the Booking Form online (now available on the tour page of the website) and we will email you a payment link (with deduction of any credits that we are holding for you).

Just also to reassure you re covid related issues - If we are prevented from travelling due to Government imposed Covid-19 restrictions you will be refunded in full. You must however ensure that your insurance policy provides you with personal Covid-19 cover in the unlikely event that you were forced to cancel or self-isolate.

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If you have any questions please email <u>tours@maestrotouring.com</u> or call me directly on 0797 456 6006.

I really hope that you can join me in early August for a three night stay full of wonderful cultural experiences.

Warmest wishes

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Coombe Abbey Hotel



Coombe Abbey Bedroom



Coombe Abbey Gardens







RSC Garden Theatre impression



Nevill Holt outdoor Theatre image



Kilworth House Theatre

