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Candyfloss scents, big skies and golden tints...autumn at Trentham Gardens

It's not simply about leaf-peeping at Staffordshire's Trentham Gardens. Thanks to some innovative planting, this is one of *the* places to experience all the sights, sounds and smells of autumn. From the unusual candyfloss scent from arguably the UK's largest grove of the Katsura Tree, to the sounds of huge flocks of finches drawn to the woodland and pictorial meadows, the Trentham Estate is a visitor favourite during the autumn months. <https://bit.ly/2kqMr0l>

Bridlington Holiday Park's extension opens

South Cliff Holiday Park's new development has opened on the East Yorkshire coast. Set in countryside, but metres from an award-winning beach and a short walk to the resort of Bridlington, new lodges and holiday homes plus touring pitches and Shepherd Huts on the edge of a wildlife area are now welcoming guests. <https://bit.ly/2J6Kwsc>

Make Derby your cup of tea in October

Derby hosts the Great British Tea Festival on October 13, offering a chance to celebrate all things tea - whether your cuppa of choice is a delicate Japanese white tea or a builders-brew. Featuring independent tea brands from across the country, it's a chance for visitors to discover more about the world of tea, from tasting some of the world's top brews, to listening to presentations from leading tea experts. <http://bit.ly/2kd0siJ>

Love clay...love Stoke

LoveClay, the ceramics centre at the heart of The Potteries, is offering a Ladies Evening with a difference on October 18. Enjoy gin, chocolate and pot throwing all in one fabulous evening. Teaming up with winning local companies Nelsons Gin & Seed Chocolate, LoveClay's event features three sessions to choose from, Gin Tasting, Throw A Pot and Chocolate Tasting. The cost per person is £30; and booking is essential. <http://bit.ly/2PmEzfv>

Iconic portraits from some of Britain's most famous photographers

An exhibition running to November 10 at the National Trust's Mottisfont, in Hampshire, showcases the work of some of Britain's most famous photographers. Over fifty iconic photographs will evoke the spirit of the Sixties, with famous faces and flawless fashion sense. Mostly black-and-white, those featured include models and musicians, film stars and politicians. <https://bit.ly/2lv6A64>

Isle of Wight 2020 Walking Festival

Being crowned a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve in 2019 should be enough to convince anyone that the Isle of Wight is a superb destination for walking. Add to this an annual walking festival with at least 100 great walks enabling you to get up-close-and-personal with the best of the Island's stunning scenery and you'll wonder why you waited so long to lace up your boots and set sail to the Isle of Wight. Dates for 2020 are May 2 to 17. <https://bit.ly/2GS0jXr>

Trentham Estate hosts inaugural Woodgate Music Festival

Having established itself as one of the Midlands' favourite summer concert venues, The Trentham Estate is now moving swiftly up the charts by hosting its very own two-day music festival on September 28/29. Tickets for the Woodgate Festival start from £30 and are available online, and a special 24-hour hotline (0871 220 0260). <https://bit.ly/2lQavdN>

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