

## **Tetbury and Chavenage House**

Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> September 2020

By coach departing 8.30 am

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Chavenage is an Elizabethan manor house which is almost unchanged since its construction in 1576. It is still very much a family house and the Lowsley-Williams family have been there since 1891 being only the second family to live in the house. The family themselves show visitors around the house and organise the catering. The property contains many interesting items from the Elizabethan period and also from the English Civil War when the owner of the house was a Parliamentarian. Because of its unchanged character the house has been used as a location for many film and television programmes. In particular fans of the very popular TV series Poldark may recognise some interiors as the Poldarks' home Trenwith.



We leave from St. Mark's car park and travel to Tetbury which is the quintessential Cotswold town with its honey coloured buildings. There is the Market House (1655) and St Mary's Church (1781) and many small shops, cafes and restaurants. We hope to have about 1 ½ hours there to have a look round and perhaps have a coffee. We then travel on to Chavenage House to have a two course lunch (included).

Details of the menu will be enclosed when booking forms are returned.

After lunch we will be split into groups and taken on a guided tour of the house. There will be time to look around the gardens and perhaps to have a cup of tea (not included) before we leave. We hope to be back in Rugby about 6.30 pm.