SISLEY GARDEN TOURS

Glorious Castles and Gardens of Northumberland
Sunday 20th - Saturday 26th June 2027 (6 nights)

Tour Joining & Tour End Arrangements

TOUR START

Our tour starts on **Sunday 20th June 2027** at **12noon** at the **Radisson Blu Durham Hotel**, Frankland Lane, Durham DH1 5TA. Tel: + 44 (0) 191 372 7200.

TOUR JOINING

You can meet the tour at either of the following locations:

1. **Radisson Blu Durham Hotel,** Frankland Lane, Durham, DH1 5TA. Tel: + 44 (0) 191 372 7200. We will meet you in the 'Hub' event space on the ground floor of the Radisson Blu hotel. Your tour directors will be available from 11.30am and a light sandwich lunch (included) will be served at **12noon.** We will depart in our coach at **1pm.**
2. **The Bailiffgate Hotel,** 2-8 Bailiffgate, Alnwick, Northumberland, NE66 1LX. Tel: +44 (0) 1665 661500. If it is more convenient, you are welcome to make your own way to meet us at our first tour hotel (missing the garden visit to Belsay Hall). The group will arrive at around **6.00pm**.

TOUR END

On our last day, **Saturday 26th June 2027**, we visit Durham Cathedral before our final lunch together. Drop offs at the **Radisson Blue Durham Hotel** and **Durham Train Station** at **approx. 3pm**.

TRAVEL TO AND FROM DURHAM

By Air: There are two main ways of accessing the city of Durham via air travel. Firstly, British Airways run regular domestic flights from Heathrow Airport to **Newcastle Airport**. Newcastle Airport is a 25-mile taxi ride from the **Radisson Blu Durham Hotel.** Alternately, there are regular direct trains from Edinburgh City Centre to Durham so if you can easily fly into **Edinburgh Airport,** this may be an option.
By Train: Durham sits on the main East Coast train line between London Kings Cross Station and Edinburgh. Direct trains from London take around 2hrs 45min and direct trains from Edinburgh to Durham take around 1hr 50mins. You can find out about train times and purchase tickets at **www.thetrainline.com**. If you are planning on travelling by train and live outside the U.K., you may like to consider a **BritRail Pass** designed to offer discounted train travel to overseas visitors.

Additional nights at the Radisson Blu Durham Hotel: We have negotiated a discounted rate for **Saturday 19th June 2027** – please contact us on **tours@sisley.co.uk** for instructions on how to book. Durham University graduations mean that the city will be very busy at the end of our tour so if you are going to extend your stay in Durham, staying before the tour would be the better option.

Luggage: Luggage restrictions are: 1 x main suitcase size not to exceed dimensions 30 x 70 x 90cm (not to exceed 23kgs) plus 1 x item of hand luggage per person please. If you are travelling by train you should be aware that there are no porters at British Train stations so you will need to manage your own luggage.

Should you have any queries at all regarding tour joining or onward travel plans after the tour ends, please email us at **tours@sisley.co.uk** or call us on Tel: +44(0) 1423 396506.

We very much look forward to welcoming you.

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