

PRESS RELEASE

Nostalgic return to outdoor family fun for Summer Days at Pensthorpe

Enjoy hands-on nature activities and outdoor play in the hazy summer sunshine at Pensthorpe Natural Park's '**Summer Days**' event running from 25 July to 5 September 2018.

Inspired by the heady, rose-tinted memories made outside with friends and family in summertime, the event promises a return to the old-fashioned values of traditional outdoor play. Den building, summer craft activities and the brand new Hootz and Friends Discovery Trail will weave visitors through the 700 acres of woodlands, wetlands and gardens of the reserve.

Opening 20th July 2018: Head to the impressive new Wetland Discovery Area to explore one of Norfolk's most impressive pond-dipping facilities and see Pensthorpe's glorious resident flock of 29 bright and beautiful flamingos in their exotic new enclosure.

Nature talks taking place across the reserve give visitors the chance to find out more about some of Pensthorpe's cutest residents! Join the squirrel talk at 12pm, the nest box talk at 2.30pm and the guided bird feed at 4pm, all led by expert wardens able to answer questions and reveal more about life on the reserve (*included in admission price*).

For the best way to explore the far reaches of the reserve (not accessible by foot) book a place on the Pensthorpe Explorer* tour. Hop into the Land Rover and Trailer for a 'off road' adventure to discover key habitats, learn about the estate's history and go wildlife spotting!

After discovering what nature has to offer out on the reserve, head over to the epic award-winning, eco-play areas WildRootz and Hootz House, which have been designed taking inspiration from features of the natural world. Dens, tunnels, streams, towers and zip wires will delight and at 7,000 square-metres in size these play areas are some of the largest and most exciting in the country!

Situated 11 miles inland from the north Norfolk coast and with the beautiful River Wensum winding through it, Pensthorpe Natural Park encourages visitors to explore its diverse habitats and get acquainted with the thousands of bird, plant and wildlife species that call it home. Muddy wellies are encouraged and a sense of adventure is a must!

Entry to Summer Days is included in the admission price. For more information about Pensthorpe visit pensthorpe.com or call 01328 851465.

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Editors Notes

*The Pensthorpe Explorer is a seasonal attraction and carries an additional charge to the entry fee. Adults & Seniors: £5.00, Children: £4.00, Annual Members: £4.50. The Pensthorpe Explorer starts 30th March until 28th October . Limited capacity. Unsuitable for wheelchair users.

Pensthorpe Natural Park is on the A1067, one mile from Fakenham and just over 20 miles from the city of Norwich. Open all year (closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and Boxing Day):-

1st January – 28th February, 10am – 4pm

1st March – 24th July, 10am – 5pm

25th July – 5th September, 10am – 6pm

6th September – 31st December, 10am – 5pm

Entry prices: Adults £11.95, Seniors £10.95, Children £10.95, Under 3's free. Annual Members are free. Parking is free.

Online booking discount of £1 per person applies to tickets booked in advance.

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