



WOBURN

Abbey and Gardens

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Immerse yourself in the life and work of the last great landscape designer of the 18th century. Join our Humphry Repton Study Day and celebrate Repton's bicentennial in our garden - his most complete landscape in the UK.

When the 6th Duke of Bedford inherited Woburn in 1802, he commissioned Humphry Repton to create designs to enhance the gardens and parkland. Repton's ideas were written and illustrated in his 'Red Book' of 1805. With the Duke being Repton's most important client, the Woburn Red Book is one of his largest, most elaborate works. It contains Repton's most ambitious and detailed designs.

Discover Repton's work in person - with a private tour of the Gardens with Award-Winning Custodian Martin Towsey, Estates Gardens Manager.

Appreciate Repton's designs in the deer park from our covered tractor-trailer and finally join in our celebratory toast to the great man himself, on Repton's actual birthday (21st April). The Champagne reception will be held in the unique Chinese Dairy (usually closed to the public) with the kind permission of the Duke and Duchess of Bedford.

The day is presented by Keir Davison, landscape historian, writer and author of 'Woburn Abbey, The Park and Gardens'.



STUDY DAY ITINERARY - 10.00AM-6.30PM

- Tea and coffee on arrival at 10.00am, start 10.30am
- Morning lecture: Landscapes of the Imagination; the art and gardens of Humphry Repton
- Viewing of The Red Book (on display for the first time) as part of the Repton Bicentenary Exhibition
- 2-course lunch at The Woburn Hotel
- Guided walk through Woburn Abbey Gardens followed by a tractor-trailer ride through the deer park
- Keir Davidson book signing of 'Woburn Abbey, The Park and Gardens'
- Champagne reception in the gardens
- Departure 6.30pm

£85.00 per person including lunch and champagne reception

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