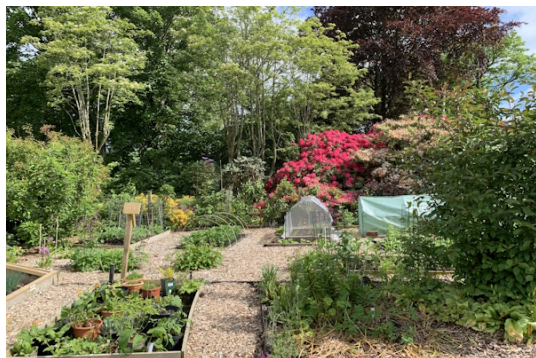




Tour Information



Gardens of The Scottish Borders Gardeners World Exclusive





The tour commences and concludes at **Peebles Hydro Hotel, Peebles**

Innerleithen Road,
Peebles
EH45 8LX
Tel: 01764 651 846

Transport

Please note that transport to the hotel is not included in the price of the tour.



If you are travelling by car:

From the North: From the City of Edinburgh Bypass, exit the A720 at the Lothianburn Junction (signposted A702 / Biggar / Carlops). After around 2 miles, turn left onto the A703 (signposted Peebles), and continue on the A703 for approximately 18 miles passing through Penicuik and Eddleston. At the T-junction near Peebles, turn left onto the A72 and follow this road into Peebles town centre. Turn left onto Innerleithen Road and after around 1 mile you will see the Peebles Hydro Hotel on your right.

From the South East: From the A1, head north past Berwick. Near Dunbar or Haddington, take an exit westward to connect with the A199 or A198, then join the A68 heading south toward Jedburgh. Follow the A68 through Lauder and continue until you reach Innerleithen. At Innerleithen, turn right onto the B7062, a scenic road that runs alongside the River Tweed. Continue on this road for approximately 6.5 miles. As you approach the town of Peebles, Peebles Hydro Hotel will be clearly signposted and located on your left-hand side along Innerleithen Road.

From the South West: Take the M74 northbound and exit at Junction 13 (Abington Services). From there, follow the A702 heading northeast toward Biggar. Once you pass through Biggar, look for signs directing you to the A72 toward Peebles. Continue along the A72, which meanders through the scenic Tweed Valley for about 20 miles. As you enter Peebles town centre, stay on the A72 and then turn right onto Innerleithen Road (B7062). After approximately one mile, Peebles Hydro Hotel will appear on your right.

If you are travelling by train: The nearest train station is Edinburgh Waverly Station (23 miles) – approx. 1 hour by car.

If you are travelling by air: The nearest airport is Edinburgh Airport (28 miles)



Accommodation

Peebles Hydro Hotel

Situated in beautiful Scottish Borders countryside with lovely views, this four-star hotel is ideally located for this tour and has a restaurant, lounge, cocktail bar, spa, fitness centre with pool and golf course as well as very comfortable bedrooms with all modern amenities including ensuite bathroom, hairdryer, and tea and coffee making facilities.

More information can be found via the hotel's website:

<https://www.peebleshydro.co.uk/>

Check-in and departure from the hotel

On the day of arrival you will be able to check-in at the hotel from 15:00, and the tour manager will meet you in the evening at the welcome reception.

On the last day of the tour, the tour will not finish until approximately 17:00 so you should check with your tour manager, or the hotel reception, where luggage should be stored until your departure

Extra nights

If you have booked to stay an extra night at the hotel, this is on a bed and breakfast basis and check out from the hotel is at 11:00.

Dining

A welcome reception and three-course dinner with wine are included on the first evening. Each evening thereafter, a three-course dinner is provided at the hotel restaurant. Breakfast is also included on all days of your stay. Meals other than those stated are not included.

Special requests

If you haven't already done so, please notify Travel Editions of any special requests as soon as possible to allow sufficient time to make the necessary arrangements.

Places Visited

Amisfield Walled Garden

This restored kitchen garden offers fruit and vegetable beds, herbaceous borders, woodlands, sensory areas, wildflower meadows, and a community learning hub. The garden hosts regular seasonal events and educational workshops for visitors of all ages. Its community-focused approach fosters a deep connection between people and nature.

<https://www.amisfield.org.uk/>

Carolside House & Gardens

Carolside is renowned for its National Collection of Gallica roses and a series of intimate “garden rooms,” including secret white rose enclaves and vibrant winter and herb gardens. Visitors can explore meandering paths framed by ancient trees and sweeping views of the surrounding hills. The garden’s thoughtful design creates a variety of moods and textures that change with the seasons.

<https://www.carolside.com/>

Dawyck Gardens

Dawyck is a stunning arboretum showcasing an impressive collection of rare trees and spectacular seasonal displays in a tranquil glen setting. It is also celebrated for its dedication to plant conservation, especially hosting species from North America, Chile, and the Himalayas. Visitors often enjoy peaceful woodland walks that highlight the garden’s rich biodiversity throughout the year.

<https://www.rbge.org.uk/visit/dawyck-botanic-garden/>

Floors Castle

Floors Castle is the majestic seat of the Duke of Roxburghe, with Victorian walled gardens featuring vibrant herbaceous borders, glasshouses, and a formal Millennium Garden. The estate offers river and woodland walks, and the castle houses a rich collection of tapestries, artwork, and family heirlooms. The grounds combine historical elegance with natural beauty, creating a truly memorable experience.

<https://www.floorscastle.com/>

Humbie Dean Gardens

Humbie Dean Garden is an ornamental and woodland garden featuring year-round plant interest, including hostas, hellebores, primulas, martagon lilies, azaleas, rhododendrons, and seasonal bulbs. The garden’s layered planting design ensures beauty and interest in every season.

<https://scotlandsgardens.org/humbie-dean/>

Kailzie Gardens

Kailzie Gardens features elegant rose displays, a historic glasshouse, riverside walks, and trails. It also includes a charming café, a working trout pond, and resident peacocks.

<https://kailziegardens.com/>

Monteviot Gardens

Monteviot Gardens offers diverse garden experiences with rose gardens, water gardens, an arboretum, and peaceful riverside walks. As a private estate, it shares its stunning landscapes and historic charm seasonally with visitors. Its serene setting provides a wonderful retreat for garden enthusiasts and nature lovers alike.

<https://www.monteviot.com/>

Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh

This world-renowned garden showcases over 13,000 plant species across themed landscapes, glasshouses, and an arboretum. Its historic glasshouses, rock garden, and Chinese hillside offer diverse environments for all-season enjoyment. The garden also plays a vital role in global plant research and conservation efforts.

<https://www.rbge.org.uk/visit/royal-botanic-garden-edinburgh/>

Your Guide

Your host, **David Hurrion**, started gardening as a young child and has been growing plants for more than 40 years. He has worked in gardens and nurseries, growing on a range of different soils and in different types of microclimate. His extensive knowledge and practical experience of plants, crops and growing techniques is founded on a thorough botanical and scientific training, complemented by an in depth understanding of garden design, wildlife, geology and climatology. He also trained as a teacher and has taught a huge diversity of subjects from botany, soil science and plant identification, to propagation, garden design and crop production, and from City & Guilds through to Degree level. He is also a popular speaker with local gardening groups.

As a journalist, David has spent more than 20 years writing for and editing the nation's crop of garden magazines, currently as Associate Editor for BBC Gardeners' World Magazine. He has also written for a number of websites and appeared both as a regular contributor and an expert commentator on TV and radio. David is a popular figure in the horticultural world, well liked and respected for his knowledge by nurserymen, professional gardeners, journalists and the gardening public. He has designed, built and planted show gardens and display stands at most of the major garden shows in the UK, including the world-famous Chelsea Flower Show, and is now a Designate Judge for the Royal Horticultural Society.

He has also travelled to every continent, with the exception of Antarctica, to discover plants and gardens, both independently and on more than 50 trips accompanying groups of gardeners

Practical Information

Tour manager - Your tour manager will be on hand throughout the tour to ensure that everything operates according to plan. If you have any problems or questions please see him or her immediately – it is often possible to resolve complaints or problems very quickly on the spot, and do everything to help you enjoy your holiday.

Tipping –To keep our tours affordable, we do not increase the tour price by adding in tips. However, in the tourism industry, there is a certain level of expectation that when receiving a good service, one does award with a tip. Tour Managers, Representatives, Guides and Drivers appreciate a tip at the end of their involvement with the tour, but this is entirely at your discretion. We believe in allowing you to tip according to your level of satisfaction with their services.

Walking Content – This tour has been graded as moderate due to time spent walking around the gardens and standing time on tours. Pathways may be gravel, paved, or grass and will be uneven in places. After rainfall some paths may be muddy and slippery. Some gardens contain steps and terraces, without handrails. There will be some places to sit at each garden to enjoy the beautiful landscapes.



Insurance

Although this is a UK holiday please note that, should you cancel your holiday, the amount paid is non-refundable. For this reason you may wish to take out insurance just in case an unforeseen event caused you to have to cancel the tour. As well as covering cancellations, your travel insurance will also cover your baggage and personal belongings in case they are lost or stolen.



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