

# SPRING OUTING

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022

The Haslemere Gardening Society will be visiting

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## The RHS Malvern Spring Festival at the 3 Counties Showground, Malvern, Worcestershire



Set against the backdrop of the beautiful Malvern Hills, RHS Malvern Spring Festival 5-8 May launches the summer gardening show calendar. Come and be inspired by award-winning show gardens and take-home new discoveries from amongst the exquisite plants and flowers displayed by top nurseries within the floral marquee and plant arcades. There is plenty of specialist advice on offer too from celebrity gardeners and experts and a treat for foodies around every corner, celebrating the best of local produce.

The floral marquee at RHS Malvern Spring Festival boasts spectacular displays brought to you by the finest specialist nurseries from across the country. Visitors to the festival can wander through the exhibits, buy the very best plants and seek expert RHS advice as well as getting their hands-on brand-new plant varieties launched exclusively at the show.



On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May members of Haslemere Gardening Society boarded a coach early in the morning to visit the first RHS Flower Show of the year at the 3 Counties Showground in Malvern. The journey went well until the last 7 miles where a new roundabout was being constructed and that took us an hour. Once we reached the showground, we were pleased to find that the weather was dry, if cloudy, and although there were so many cars parked there was no crush and it was pleasant to be able to wander around comfortably.

There weren't as many show gardens as usual at these events but this was compensated by the amazing displays in the floral marquee and the expert knowledge of the people selling the plants. There was also a large pavilion with beautiful handmade artefacts for sale - pottery, glass, woodwork and prints - all very tempting. We did make a few small purchases. At 4.30 we set off for home and sadly the homeward journey was a mirror image of the outward one and, although it was frustrating for the passengers after a great day out, it must have been so trying for poor Steve the driver who coped with it very well. A big "thankyou" to him and to Georgina for organising the outing so well as she always does.