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Abberley and Malvern Hills Geopark

Discover different landscapes, rocks, fossils, wildlife, archaeology and history. Here is a Geopark that can be enjoyed by everyone - an opportunity to experience and learn about its impressive natural and man-made landscapes. More information can be found in the visitor centres, museums and tourist information centres across the Geopark.

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- National Trust
- Major Road
- Motorway
- Railway
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- Severn Valley Railway
- River
- Hills
- Town/City
- Start of each section of the Geopark Way



The Geopark Way is a 109 mile walking trail, running from Bridgnorth to Gloucester. Divided into 17 easy to walk sections. Guide book and apps are available for the trail.



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GeoFest



Three months every summer, every year for everyone



What's on near you. Details available in May each year at www.geopark.org.uk

25th May to 1st September 2024

From Bridgnorth to Gloucester and Worcester to Hereford; natural and man-made landscapes and places to visit. Talks, guided walks, exhibitions, rock and fossil hunts, dinosaur trails, pond dipping, wildlife expeditions, craft days, heritage events, history tours and much more. Come and join in.

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Bewdley Museum ■■■



The museum is set in the heart of the beautiful riverside market town of Bewdley, rich in Georgian heritage. Visitors can enjoy visual craft demonstrations, audio histories, hands on activities and more. **Highlights at Bewdley Museum during Geofest:**

27 May to 31 May: **Children's craft activities**, £6 per child , drop in

15 June to 14 July: **Natural World Art exhibition**, free entry

20/21 July: **Cherry Fayre**, free family event

[Click for more details of all events](#)



Discover the historic palace that was home to the Bishop of Worcester for over 1000 years. Explore the fascinating history of the county and stroll around the beautiful grounds and natural trail. **Highlights at Hartlebury Castle during Geofest:**

25 May to 2 June: **Design and Patterns Search Challenge Trail**, (admission charges + 50p)

26 May/14 July/11 August: : **Antiques and Collectors Fair**, entry £2.50

20 July/ 30 August: **Beer and Bat Walk** , £14, booking essential

[Click for more details of all events](#)



Set in the peaceful, scenic valley of the River Severn, the Severn Valley Country Park provides 126 acres of beautiful countryside and wonderful views which span both sides of the longest river in the country. **Highlights at Severn Valley Country Park during Geofest:**

29 May: **Bird Box Building** £12 per child, booking essential

21 June: **Moth Morning** £10 each, price includes breakfast bap & drink, booking essential

Mon/Wed/Fri of summer holidays: **Children's activities** (prices range from free to £4.50

per child, booking essential) [Click for more details of all events](#)



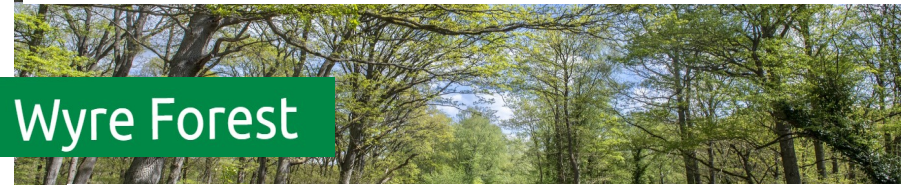
WORCESTER CATHEDRAL

Standing majestically overlooking the River Severn, Worcester Cathedral one of the loveliest in England. **Highlights at Worcester Cathedral during Geofest are:**

27 July to 3 August: **Three Choirs Festival 2024**, ticket charges apply and booking essential

23 August: **90s Silent Disco**, ticket charges apply and booking essential

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Wyre Forest

Whether you're looking to escape the hustle and bustle of everyday life, or you want something more adventurous, Wyre Forest (Forestry England) has something for everyone. **Highlights at Wyre Forest during Geofest are:**

25 May to 1 September: **The Gruffalo Party Trail** , £4 per trail pack

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Dudmaston

Enchanted wooded parkland, sweeping gardens and a house with a surprise, Dudmaston is something unexpected in the Shropshire countryside. **Highlights at Dudmaston during Geofest are:**

24 June/ 14 August: **Dudmaston: After Hours**, £6 or free to NT members,

booking essential [Click for more details of all events.](#)

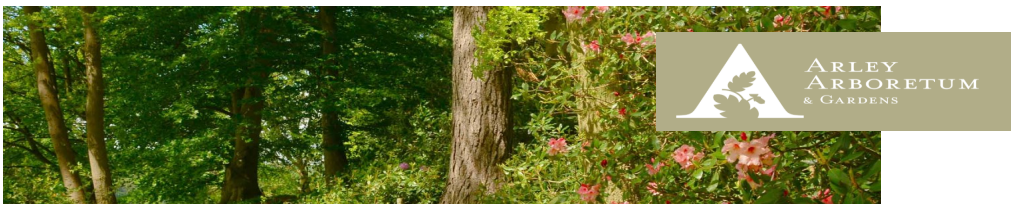
Croome



Expect the unexpected. Incredible innovation, devastating loss, remarkable survival and magnificent restoration all in one place. **Highlights at National Trust Croome for Geofest are:**

29 May/ 28 June/ 20 July/ 15 August: **Guided walk to Panorama Tower** (£7.50 per person. Booking essential)

29 May/ 28 June/ 20 July/ 15 August: **Panorama Tower open days** (Free to members) [Click for more details of all events.](#)



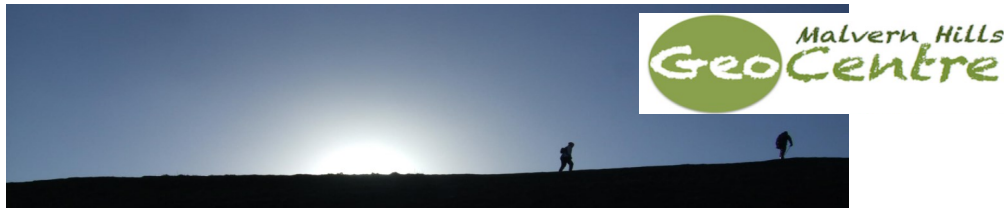
Popular with nature lovers, families and walkers, Arley Arboretum is a magical place to visit throughout the year, with every seas on bringing a different breath-taking vista.

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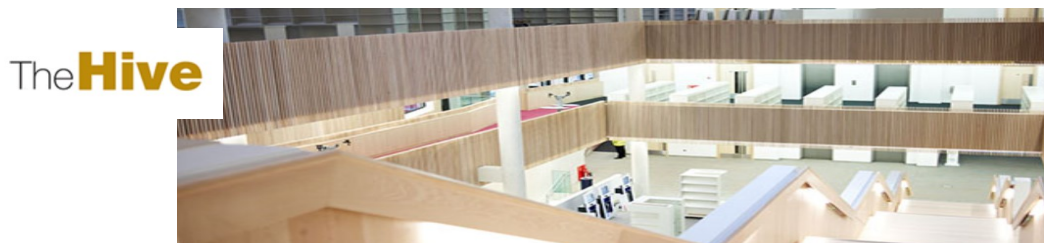


With free entry, delicious homestyle cooked food from the café, an outdoor play area and resident animals (reindeer, alpacas, goats, pigs and chickens), the park is a day out for all the family to enjoy.

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Situated on the western slopes of the Hills, the GeoCentre provides information about the Abberley and Malvern Hills Geopark, the Malvern Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, and the Malverns. [Click for details of events happening during Geofest.](#)



Explore the Past is home to the Worcestershire Archive and Archaeology Service . Thousands of archaeological sites, historic buildings and landscapes are recorded and 12 miles of original archives are collected and preserved. **Highlights at The Hive during Geofest are:**

25 May to 1 September: **Self-led Sustainability trail**, free

[Click for more detail of all events.](#)



Embark on an adventure at the Severn Valley Railway, an award-winning heritage railway visitor attraction, running through 16-miles of beautiful Worcestershire and Shropshire countryside. **Highlights at Severn Valley Railway during Geofest:**

29/30 June & 6/7 July: **Step Back To The 1940s**, charges apply, booking essential

28 July: **Steam Railway, Landscape & Location photography workshop**, £80, booking essential

10/11 August: **Vintage Transport Extravaganza**, charges apply, booking essential

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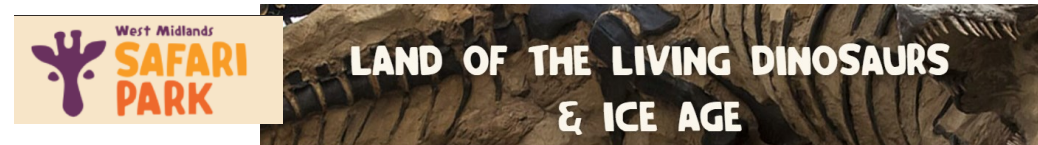


Housed in an elegant Victorian building in the heart of Worcester, the Art Gallery and Museum is a warm and friendly place with exhibitions, events and activities for all the family to enjoy throughout the year. **Highlights at Museums Worcestershire during Geofest:**

13 July to 8 September: **Dinosaurs on our Doorstep** free exhibition

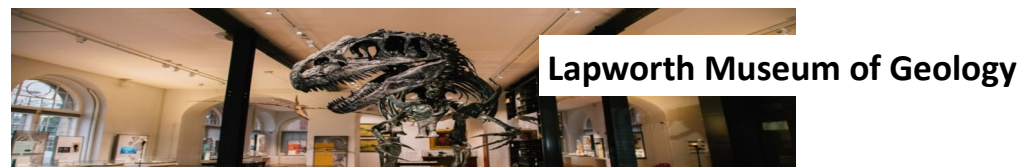
15 June to 3 November: **Walks Through Worcestershire: The Art of Harry Adams** free exhibition

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Get ready for an unforgettable day out that'll have the whole family roaring with excitement! Drive through awe-inspiring habitats; Explore walk-through areas; and don't miss close encounters with elephants, giraffes, and rhinos! **Highlight at West Midlands Safari Park during Geofest:**

25 May to 1 September: **Travel back through the history of the Earth and discover two exhibits showcasing the era of the Dinosaurs and the creatures of the Ice Age.** (Admission charges apply) [Click for more details of all events](#)



From rocks and fossils to volcanoes, earthquakes, and even dinosaurs, the Lapworth Museum captures the imagination of all visitors as they explore life over the past 3.5 billion years. **Highlights at Lapworth Museum during Geofest:**

3 June/ 1 July/ 5 August: **Museum tours** (free, donations welcome) [Click for more details](#)

Geologists in the Geopark @ Geofest

25 May to 1 September: Geology of Severn Valley Railway display at Kidderminster Station hosted by [Severn Valley Railway](#), free entry

25 May to 1 September: Dinosaur colouring sheets available at [Malvern Hills Geocentre](#), free entry

25 May to 10 June: Abberley and Malvern Hills Geopark display at The Hive hosted by [Worcester Archive and Archaeology Service](#), free entry

25 May to June: Hands-on Rock Specimen display hosted by [Severn Valley Country Park](#), free entry

29 May: Geo-craft activities hosted by [National Trust Croome](#), admission charges apply

3 June to 1 September: Geo-textile Art exhibition hosted by [Severn Valley Country Park](#), free entry

22 June: Geo-crafts activity morning including Dinosaur Detective Trail hosted by [Wyre Forest \(Forestry England\)](#), free

6 to 21 July: Abberley and Malvern Hills Geopark display hosted by [Bewdley Museum](#), free entry

13/14 July: Ask the Expert hosted by [Bewdley Museum](#), free entry

22 July to 16 September: Abberley and Malvern Hills Geopark Display hosted by [Severn Valley Railway Engine House](#), free entry

22 July/5 August: Make Your Own Geology collection hosted by [Severn Valley Country Park](#), £6 per child, booking essential

26 July/2 August: Geo-craft activities hosted by [Severn Valley Country Park](#), free drop in session

10 August: Geopark Textile Art Techniques workshop hosted by [Bewdley Museum](#), booking essential

17/18 August: Specimens and geo-craft event hosted by [Severn Valley Railway Engine House](#), free entry

Click links for more information



Outdoor Theatre & Concerts

1 June: Abba Tribute @ [Bewdley Museum](#)

9 June: Bewdley Band @ [Bewdley Museum](#)

21 June: The Music of Elton John by Candlelight @ [Worcester Cathedral](#)

7 July: The Tale of Jemima Puddle-duck @ [Bewdley Museum](#)

10 July :A Midsummer's Night Dream @ [National Trust Dudmaston](#)

19 July: Queen Experience @ [Hartlebury Castle](#)

26 July: Pride & Prejudice @ [Hartlebury Castle](#)

27 July: The Upbeat Beatles @ [Hartlebury Castle](#)

16 August: The Importance of Being Earnest @ [Severn Valley Country Park](#)

18 August: Peter Pan @ [National Trust Dudmaston](#)

22 August: As You Like It @ [Hartlebury Castle](#)

25 August: Motown by Moonlight @ [Hartlebury Castle](#)

Click links for prices and where to book tickets

