

# Abbots Langley Gardening Society

## Travel Club

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### Proposed Events 2011:

- Barcelona
- Cottesbrooke Hall Plant Finders Fair
- The Lady Gardeners of Northumberland

# 6-9 May 2011: Barcelona



A long weekend in Barcelona , including private guided tour of Park Güell - a garden complex, designed and built in the years 1900 to 1914. It is part of the UNESCO. It has since been converted into a municipal garden. The focal point of the park is the main terrace, surrounded by a long bench in the form of a sea serpent. The park is right near La Sagrada Familia and Gaudí's house, which is located in the park.



# Saturday 25 June 2011:

## Cottesbrooke Hall Plant Finders' Fair



The Cottesbrooke Hall Plant Finders Fair is *"shaping up to be the English equivalent of Courson outside Paris and Bingerden in Holland. In other words it is charming, in a beautiful setting and focuses on providing a showcase for dozens of respected specialist nurseries and outstanding garden accessories not generally available at other shows."* (Stephanie Donaldson, Gardening Editor, Country Living Magazine)

All in one place and for your convenience we have handpicked a wide selection of the very best specialist, respected and dedicated nurseries from all over the UK and Europe and they can, not only sell you wonderful and unusual plants, but also impart extensive plant knowledge and growing tips. M. Alexander - a previous visitor substantiates this by saying *"The thing we liked best is that most of the exhibitors appeared to be 'growers' rather than 'exhibitors'. Everybody was very helpful, and of course the location was perfect!"*

We will be going by coach

Bring your unwanted  
plants to the plant swap  
stand

# 23-26 September 2011: The Lady Gardeners of Northumberland



A long weekend, travelling by train to our hotel in Durham, and going by minibus to visit a number of famous gardens in Northumberland, including a private guided tour of Alnwick Gardens.



The Alnwick Tree House

“Ten years ago, The Alnwick Garden site was derelict and forgotten. Then the Duchess of Northumberland imagined creating a beautiful public garden for families to enjoy, and from her bold vision, The Alnwick Garden project began. The Alnwick Garden is now a vibrant place, with beautifully landscaped gardens, magnificent architecture and unique features, all brought to life with water.

It's **a garden for gardeners**, with a design that looks to the future. From the country's largest collection of European plants in the Ornamental Garden to the very unusual plants found in the Poison Garden, there's an enormous variety of plants and trees. Many interesting planting styles can be seen during a walk around the landscape, and the gardeners are always happy to chat and answer questions.”



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