



What is Duchess podcast? A Podcast in which the Duchess of Rutland explores stories of country homes by interviewing the inspiring women who run them. Listen to the Podcast here: https://www.duchessthepodcast.com

In a partnership between Akorn and Duchess Podcast, we are delighted to offer special opportunities for guests to enjoy overnight stays at private heritage properties throughout the UK. With six stately homes offering a variety of one-of-a-kind behind the scenes visits, immerse yourself in aristocratic life and partake in a personal experience with the Duchess herself.







Discover the splendour of an esteemed estate in the East of England dating back to the 11th century. Steeped in history with royal connections, the Leicestershire grounds of this estate may be recognisable for its starring role in The Crown, where it stood in for Windsor Castle. Learn secrets of this stately home with a tour of the lavish State Dining Room & view priceless artworks, followed by champagne & canapes with the Duchess. Activities abound with afternoon tea, country pursuits on offer of clay pigeon shooting, horse riding & guided walks in the estate's grounds.









With a styled grandeur, this hidden gem within Northamptonshire allows for picturesque day experiences, which could be combined to create a stately home tour with our nearby estate in Leicestershire. With a legacy spanning 15 generations, this estate remains a family home as the Duchess herself provides tours with tales & stories of running a private heritage property (with insight into problems & delights in equal measure).







Nestled in the Cotswold hills, one of our stately home experiences is fully exclusive having never before opened their private living quarters to the public. Once the residence of King Henry VIII, the estate offers a private art & history tour and retains its Tudor roots with romantic ruins amidst the castle grounds. With only 4-6 groups being hosted per year, guests will have access to the head butler and the family billiards room. Springtime glory is recommended, indulging in a candlelit dinner with the Duchess and her guests.







Offering an array of entertainment, this Scottish Highland estate an hour's drive from Edinburgh is known for its beautiful gardens of the Murray Star Maze & renowned Pinetum. With their Duchess experience including afternoon tea on arrival, an exclusive use wing, a private tour of the Palace State Rooms and for food lovers the draw of a private chef. Its host of activities incorporating extras of mini highland games, a lone piper on arrival and an evening of fireworks to truly create a memorable stay.







Distinctly having its own vineyard within the grounds, sample this estate's own sparkling wine and create your accompanying dishes with the half-day 1-1 cookery school experience developed alongside one of the leading chefs in Yorkshire. Quintessentially English, take a woodland carriage ride alongside a lakeside picnic, admiring the glorious grounds and celebrate Yorkshire's produce with seasonal forging on the estate.







A warm welcome awaits as you step into the grounds of this quintessential walled estate located just outside of Liverpool, this splendid stately home offers access to its award-winning spa and uniquely has an on-site safari park. Indulge in private wine & gin tastings and take a tour of the curated private collection of artworks, as you tour the history of the estate.



Akorn Europe is here to support you and will be delighted to assist with any queries about the six exclusive heritage experiences as part of the Duchess Podcast in the UK.

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