

# Waddesdon Manor



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Waddesdon Manor was built (1874-89) by Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild to display his outstanding collection of art treasures and to entertain the fashionable world. The 45 rooms on view combine the highest quality French furniture and decorative arts from the 18th century.



Waddesdon has one of the finest Victorian gardens in Britain, famous for its Parterre, seasonal displays, shady walks and views, fountains and statuary. At its heart lies the Aviary, stocked with species that were once part of Baron Ferdinand's collection. The Wine Cellars, modelled on the private cellars at Château Lafite Rothschild contain thousands of bottles of Rothschild wines dating back to 1868.

The Stables Coach House has been transformed into a contemporary art space which allows us to host touring exhibitions as well as to explore contemporary art. For children too, there is much to do, with an exciting woodland playground, explorer trail outdoors and inside the House, and special guided tours. Top quality food and wines are served throughout the day in the restaurants, and the shops offer a superb range of gifts and wines, many of which are unique to Waddesdon.

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**Waddesdon's Wine Cellars celebrate the family's famous wine-making tradition.**

The cellars were created during Waddesdon's Centenary restoration and opened in 1994 with a visit by Her Majesty The Queen. More than 10,000 bottles of wine, are stored in the vaults, documenting over 150 years of the Rothschild family's ownership of two of the most famous Bordeaux vineyards: Château Lafite Rothschild and Château Mouton Rothschild.



## Facilities :

Rothschild family connection  
Finest Victorian Garden  
Wine Tasting  
Lecture Days

## Opening Times:

Gardens, Aviary, Woodland Playground, Shops & Restaurants  
10.00 - 5.00  
House & Wine Cellars  
Weds-Fri 12.00-4.00 &  
Sat & Sun 11.00—4.00

## Annual Special Events:

Carols & Decorations  
Floodlit Evening Openings  
Fairs & Food Markets



## Contact details for trade enquiries:

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## Directions and distance from Central London:

**By Rail:** Regular train services run from London Marylebone to Aylesbury Vale Parkway and Aylesbury stations. 1 hour train ride. For information on times and fares please visit [chilternrailways.co.uk](http://chilternrailways.co.uk) or tel: 08456 005 165 Mon to Fri 8.30 to 5.30.

**By Car:** From London about 1 hour (allow 1.5 hours from central London). Take M40 to Junction 7. Turn right to-wards Thames. At first roundabout, take second exit to-wards Aylesbury. At next roundabout, take first exit to-wards Long Crendon. In Long Crendon turn right towards Chearsley and Waddesdon. In Chearsley, as the road swings to the right, go straight ahead into Winchendon Road towards Waddesdon. Continue until T-junction with A41. Turn left into Waddesdon village.