



Bowood House & Gardens releases 50th anniversary events programme

Bowood House & Gardens in Wiltshire has released its vibrant events programme ahead of the estate reopening to the public on Tuesday 1st April for the 2025 season.

From the quirky and unusual, to inspiring family fun, Bowood House & Gardens' events offer something for everyone in celebration of its 50th anniversary. All activities are held at Bowood and run through to autumn 2025.

Bowood welcomes [Giffords Circus](#) from **Thursday 1st May to Tuesday 6th May 2025**. Providing a traditional circus atmosphere for the whole family, thrilling guests with entertainment from acrobats, jugglers, horses, musicians, and dancers. Tickets start from £10 per child (aged three to 14) and from £20 per adult.

[Adventure Cinema](#), the outdoor cinema experience, returns to Bowood from **Friday 23rd to Sunday 25th May 2025**. A fantastic line-up of films is available to enjoy on the House's front lawn, with seven screenings across the three days. Tickets are launched at end of February.

Masters of Motoring hosts its [Classic & Sports Car Show](#) at Bowood on **Sunday 8th June 2025**. A range of concours supercars, classic cars, and sports cars will take centre stage on the lawn in front of Bowood House during the luxury event. Tickets start from £25 per adult.

[Bowood House Triathlon](#) returns on Saturday 21st June, offering athletes the opportunity to swim, bike and run in Bowood's 'Capability Brown' landscape. Tickets start from £65 per adult.

Celebrating its 10th year, [Classic Ibiza](#) is an open-air celebration of White Isle-inspired house music, reinvented by a 32-piece Urban Soul Orchestra, headline DJs and live vocalists. Designed for people of all ages, it's an opportunity for generations of all ages to come together and enjoy iconic music in Bowood's grounds. The event will run on **Friday 18th and Saturday 19th July 2025**. Tickets are £25 per child (aged five to 12), £35 per teen (aged 13 to 17), and £49.50 per adult. Children under five are free.

Bowood's grounds transform into a magical outdoor theatre during the summer holidays. Productions include [Emma by Jane Austen](#) on **Saturday 2nd August 2025**, [Alice's Adventures](#)

[in Wonderland](#) on **Friday 8th August 2025**, and [Shakespeare's Macbeth](#) on **Friday 15th August 2025**. See the website for the ticket prices.

The Wiltshire Game & Country Fair returns to Bowood for its 18th year on **Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th August 2025**, offering the whole family a day of entertainment. From falconry and jousting displays, craft, food and drink stalls, to chainsaw and dog shows, the fair has something for everyone.

Fancy getting creative or learning a new skill? Bowood holds a range of workshops, including floristry, copper foil glass and silver jewellery making. [An introduction to Candle Making Workshop](#) is on **Saturday 11th October 2025**, with two sessions at 10am and 2pm. Attendees have the opportunity to take home their own piece of Bowood with soy scented candles infused with dried flowers from the Walled Garden. Tickets start from £65 per person.

Bowood opens its Walled Garden to the public for the first time on **Tuesday 1st April 2025**. The Walled Garden has remained private to the Lansdowne family for the past 270 years. Guests are also invited to explore the 50th anniversary exhibition located inside Bowood House. General admission includes entry to the Walled Garden and the 50th anniversary exhibition.

Visit www.bowood.org/whats-on to see the full list of 2025 events.

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About Bowood House & Gardens

Bowood House & Gardens is a much-loved destination for culture, heritage, and nature.

There is something new to discover on every visit, with outdoor activities in the woods, climbing trees, and hands-on experiences with creepy critters. Mud & Guts, the Big Tree Climb, and Creepy Critters workshops will entertain the kids on selected dates across the season. Visit www.bowood.org/whats-on for more information.

The estate is owned and managed by Lord Kerry and his father (Lord Lansdowne) - the 9th and 10th generation custodians of Bowood in Wiltshire, and features a beautiful historic house, gardens, Capability Brown parkland, golf course, hotel, spa, and renowned adventure playground.

2025 marks the 50th anniversary of a major milestone in the Bowood's 250 plus year history – the House & Gardens opening to the public in 1975. In the 1980s, the Woodland Garden (containing a nationally important plant collection) opened to the public and an adventure

playground was built (inspired by Lord Lansdowne's own memories of playing on an old pirate ship as a child). The 1990s and beyond saw the phased creation of a Hotel, Spa & Golf Resort.

Bowood House & Gardens is also an ACS National Historic Chemical Landmark for Joseph Priestley's discovery of oxygen in Bowood House in 1774. It is also Grade I listed on the Register of Historic Parks and Gardens.

Today, the House & Gardens including the Woodland Garden, attract more than 120,000 visitors every year, alongside many more attending events.

Visit <https://bowood.org/> for more information.

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