# Retford Park Estate

## Friday 7 October 2022

The European ownership of Retford Park dates from 1821 when Governor Macquarie granted Edward Riley two parcels of land. The property remained in the Riley family until the 1880s when it was acquired by Samuel Hordern of the respected Hordern family. He named the property Retford Park in recognition of his family links to the town of Retford in England. Retford Park House was completed in 1887. Keen cattle and horse breeders, Samuel Hordern and his son, Sir Samuel Hordern, equipped the home with complete horse and cattle facilities. Following the death of Samuel Hordern III in 1960, the American Company, King Ranch, purchased the property. Over the years the architect Espie Dods added architecturally sympathetic extensions to the home and Melbourne landscape architect David Wilkinson contributed the Knot Garden, the Green Room, and the Millennium Canal to Retford Park's tranquil gardens. In April 2016 John Fairfax gifted this historic home to the National Trust of Australia.



#### **PICK UPS:**

**7:10am** Crawford Street, Queanbeyan **7:30am** Bay 1, Woden Interchange

7:50am 8:00am West Row Bus Stop, City Riggall Place, Lyneham



We depart Queanbeyan and Canberra traveling on the Federal and Hume Highways we break en-route for a comfort stop and morning tea off the coach, before continuing to Bowral, arriving at Retford Park Estate. A guide will take us on a tour through both the house and the gardens.

\*Please note that there is no undercover walkway and pathways can be uneven. Within the house, there are two flights of stairs to access the first floor.

After our tour, we enjoy a unique light lunch at Hearth Café by Moonacres. Housed in what was once the Retford Park Dairy and Vet Clinic, a short walk (approx. 100 metres) from Retford Park. The menu is guided by the Moonacres philosophy of farm-to-table fresh seasonal produce, a less traditional venue that works to change expectations about what is thrown away in commercial cookery. We travel back home after an enjoyable day out, commencing drop-offs at approximately 5.30 pm.



TRAVEL CLUB MEMBERS: \$150 pp NON-MEMBERS: \$170 pp

Cost includes Morning Tea from the coach (weather permitting), house and garden tour at Retford Park estate, lunch, luxury coach travel and GST.

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