

# BOMBAY SAPPHIRE GIN DISTILLERY AND SILK MILL

**TUESDAY 9TH APRIL 2019**

**DEPART THE HUB, VERWOOD - 9.15 am**

**(Please do not park at the Hub)**

**COST: £36 50 per person (cheques payable to Verwood U3A)**

The Self-Discovery Experience showcases the very best of Bombay Sapphire Gin at the iconic, historic distillery. Walk along the crystal clear River Test and take in the beautiful natural area. Step back in time to uncover the fascinating history behind Laverstoke Mill in the Heritage room. Discover the 10 exotic botanicals in the glasshouses and Botanical Dry Room. You will be taken behind the scenes to see the process which makes the Gin.

You will receive a drink suited to your personal taste profile in The Mill Bar. This can be non-alcoholic.

**IMPORTANT** - This is a working distillery. Please wear suitable footwear - NO open-toed shoes or high heels.

**Accessibility:** a) The Distillery is fully DDA compliant. Please let me know if you need to use a wheelchair or walking aid.

b) The Mill has a lift to all 3 floors. Only one confined wheelchair user can be in the building at any one time.

**We shall leave the Distillery at 12.45 pm** and the coach will take us to the Whitchurch Silk Mill (a very short journey). Light lunches (buffet) are available - please let me know if you would like to eat at the Mill as I need to book. Also, I need to know any dietary requirements.

If you would like to explore Whitchurch - feel free to wander before the tour. You will need to be in the Mill by 1.55 pm

After lunch we shall be taken on a guided tour of the Victorian winding and warping machinery and water wheel. (approx. 1 hour). See the looms, the beautiful gardens on the banks of the River Test and the shop selling scarves, ties and giftware made from the Mill's exclusive silks.

After the tour you will have free time to visit the shop/tearoom/garden at your own pace.

**NOTE:** As part of the tour is outside, be prepared for inclement weather.

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**Closing Date: 8th March 2019**