



INFORMATION FOR SCHOOLS & GROUPS

INFORMATION FOR SCHOOLS AND GROUPS

GETTING HERE AND ARRIVAL

The Sidney Nolan Trust is located a mile outside of the border town of Presteigne.

Find us **HERE**

Sidney Nolan Trust The Rodd Presteigne Herefordshire LD8 2LL

Please use the main entrance signed 'Sidney Nolan Trust'.

We ask all drivers to use extreme caution at all times when driving on Trust property as there may be pedestrians, wildlife, livestock and farm machinery using the driveways.

By car or minibus

Cars and minibuses can park in our car park which is situated at the top of the drive on the left.

By coach

Coaches will be greeted at the entrance and stewarded by a member of staff. The driver will need to reverse the coach into the driveway, as there is no available turning space on the property. We asked that you call the Trust office approximately 10 minutes before arrival so that a member of staff can meet the coach. 01544 260 149

We recommend that you arrive 15 - 20 minutes before the start of your session to use the toilets. There are a limited number of toilets, so it can take time for everyone to use these facilities. Please check your booking confirmation for your session start time.

FACILITIES AND ACCESSIBILITY

Toilets

The toilets are situated in the main courtyard near the Gallery and Office. There are two female cubicles (one accessible) and one male (accessible), plus one urinal. These toilets are also used by the public and in the interest of child protection and safety, pupils under 16 must be supervised by an adult when using the facilities.

Food

Staff and students will need to bring snacks and a packed lunch for your day at The Rodd. Packed lunches can be enjoyed in the gardens or if the weather is inclement, in one of our buildings. Staff will be offered a hot drink at lunchtime.

Accessibility

Due to the historic nature of our buildings and landscapes, some areas of The Rodd are difficult to access. Please let us know at the time of booking about any access needs your group may have, and we will consider these and plan the session accordingly.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Rick Assessments

A risk assessment will be sent to you ahead of your visit. Our staff are all DBS checked and have up-to-date first aid and safeguarding training.

Public liability

Sidney Nolan Trust has public liability insurance up to £5m.

Fire

In the event of a fire, please make your way to the assembly point which is located in the field car park at the top of the drive.

Supervision

Teachers and leaders are responsible for their parties' supervision and behaviour and must always accompany their group.

We advise the following staff/student ratios:

Years Reception to 3: 1 adult to 8 pupils

Years 4 - 6: 1 adult to 10 pupils

Years 7 - 11: 1 adult per 10 pupils

What to wear

Outdoor learning is important to us and we aim to deliver a large part of our sessions outdoors whatever the weather. Visiting groups should dress appropriately. Please wear suitable outdoor footwear, and warm clothes and bring a waterproof coat. In the summer, please bring hats and sunscreen.

If the weather forecast presents a risk or might make a visit unduly difficult we will consult with you ahead of your visit.

Staying safe and being respectful

The Rodd is often open to the general public, part of a working farm, and also home to lots of wildlife. We ask that all visitors adhere to the following guidelines to stay safe and look after the environment:

- Please do not leave litter around the site put it in a bin or your bag
- Please do not approach or feed any farm animals
- Please do not pick any flowers or fungi unless directed by a leader
- Please close any gates behind you
- Please be mindful of traffic on the main driveway and in the car park
- Please make sure students are always supervised
- Please be extra vigilant when supervising students if we visit the riverside during your session.

The Sidney Nolan Trust at The Rodd is a beautiful, historic site that we are delighted to share as a place of inspiration and creativity. Please treat the site, artwork, leaders, and environment here with RESPECT.

To make a booking please contact a member of our Learning Team on learning@sidneynolantrust.org or 01544 260 149

Dates for booking are based on staff availability and any other exhibitions, events or workshops.

We look forward to welcoming you to The Rodd!