

Group Visits: An Introduction to William Morris

We are open to visitors throughout the year, and, subject to availability, our Introduction for groups is available to book on any weekday, other than Thursday afternoons.



The Introduction lasts around an hour: the William Morris Society's premises are situated in the basement and Coach House of Kelmscott House; the upper floors are in private ownership and so are not open to the public.

The Coach House hosted many distinguished Socialist League speakers and the Collection includes furniture, Morris & Co. wallpapers, textiles and also the Albion press used to print the Kelmscott Chaucer. In addition to looking at the Society's premises, a talk with one of our experienced guides involves bringing out items which are not usually on display, including original wallpaper, watercolour designs, textiles and other items from our collection.

The cost of the Introduction is £10 per person, and the minimum group size is eight people.

You may also wish to consider a tour on the same day of the nearby Emery Walker's House at 7 Hammersmith Terrace (open from March-November inclusive). Owing to the size and fragile nature of the house, the maximum number is eight, and if you have larger numbers we can split the group and swap the two groups over. The two houses are just a few minutes' walk away and so this works well for two groups of eight. We would liaise with the Emery Walker Trust over the timings. The cost there is £120 for a group tour of eight people, and you would be invoiced separately. The cost of a combined tour of both Houses would therefore be £200 for one group of eight; or £400 for two groups swapping over.

We ask for at least one month's notice for group tours, and for payment to be made in advance. If you are interested in booking a tour, please email admin@williammorrissociety.org with a selection of possible dates.

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