

# Regency Extravaganza

Activities Catalog

June 27-30, 2025





Every Evening (various times)

### After Dinner Diversions: Music, Coffee, and Parlour Games

After dinner, retire to the drawing room for a classic Regency evening of music, coffee, and light-hearted parlour games. Enjoy charming tunes, spirited conversation, and amusements that once filled the twilight hours in the finest households of Austen's era. A perfect close to a day of excitement.



Every Evening (various times)

### A Game of Charades

Continue the evening's merriment with a spirited game of charades—a beloved Regency pastime that brings wit, creativity, and theatrical flair to the drawing room. Popular among society's most charming circles (and often enjoyed by Austen's own characters), charades offered the perfect opportunity for light-hearted performance and clever guessing in good company. Guests will take turns acting and deciphering scenes, phrases, and titles drawn from literature, history, and imagination—all by candlelight and convivial laughter.



Fri June 27, 10pm

### Lady Whistledown's Quiz Night



Think you know your Featheringtons from your Bridgertons? Your Queen's diamond from your Duke of Hastings? Then prepare for an evening of sparkling repartee and cunning competition at our Bridgerton-themed trivia night.

Gather your sharpest minds and wittiest companions for a lively round of questions covering Regency society, scandalous secrets, period fashion, and of course, the world of Bridgerton. Hosted in true salon style—with candlelight, camaraderie, and perhaps a whisper of Lady Whistledown herself—this event promises clever challenges, collective gasps, and the occasional gasp-worthy revelation.

\*\*\*A (free) ticket must be purchased for this event so we can provide enough materials and a large enough space for everyone who wishes to join.



Fri June 27, 10pm & Sat June 28, 9:30pm

### An Assembly of Cards

Gather by candlelight for an evening of refined rivalry and Regency-era card play. Whether your talents lie in strategy or in charm, this lively gathering invites guests to take a seat at the table and enjoy period-appropriate games such as Speculation, Whist, or Commerce—favorites of Austen's characters and Bridgerton soirées alike. With gentle competition, spirited conversation, and the shuffle of well-worn decks, this is social amusement at its most genteel. No gaming experience necessary—just a taste for Regency revelry.



Fri June 27, 830pm & Sun June 29, 10pm

### An Evening of Letters and Verse: Readings, Recitations, and Organised Poetry

Retire to the library for an intimate gathering where the spoken word takes center stage. In the tradition of Regency salons and literary circles, guests are invited to read, recite, or simply listen as favorite passages, poems, and dramatic excerpts are shared aloud. From the stirring lines of Byron and Wordsworth to Austen's own wit and wisdom, this hour celebrates the art of language in its most elegant form. Whether performing or listening by lamplight, all will enjoy this time of reflection, and literary delight.



Fri June 27, 11pm

### Mallets & Mischief: Midnight Croquet

As the evening deepens and the estate grows quiet, the lawn comes alive for a most elegant diversion—croquet beneath the stars. Inspired by the Regency fondness for outdoor amusements—and not unlike the dusky interludes seen in Bridgerton—this after-hours gathering invites gentle flirtation, spirited play, and quiet laughter under the night sky. Whether seasoned with a mallet or simply in it for the stroll, guests will find the charm of twilight croquet as timeless as the game itself.



Sat June 28, 9am & Sun June 29, 3:30pm

### Beyond the Garden Wall: Guided Estate Exploration

Step off the main path and uncover the estate's hidden corners and quiet marvels. This guided exploration takes guests through gardens, groves, and historic features that reveal the rhythms of Regency life. From servant paths to scenic overlooks, each stop offers a glimpse into the estate's past —where nature, architecture, and story meet.

\*\*\*A (free) ticket must be purchased for this event so we can provide enough staff.



Sat June 28, 10am & 1:30pm

### Craft 1: The Silhouette Studio



Before photography, silhouette cutting was the fashionable way to capture a likeness—elegant, affordable, and often exchanged as tokens of affection. In this Regency-inspired workshop, guests will learn the delicate art of paper cutting to create their own profile portraits, just as society figures did in Austen's day. A keepsake of both craft and character, your finished silhouette offers a charming memento of the weekend.

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Sat June 28, 10am & 430pm

### Craft 2: Threads of Refinement, Parts 1 & 2



In the Regency era, embroidery was more than a pastime—it was a graceful expression of skill, patience, and artistry. In this hands-on workshop, guests will learn traditional techniques used to embellish garments, handkerchiefs, and household linens. Whether creating a delicate floral motif or a decorative monogram, each stitch connects you to the gentle rhythm of Regency domestic life. Leave with your own hand-stitched keepsake—a quiet triumph of elegance and craft.

\*\*Please note that this workshop is in two installments, so you must be available for both slots. To participate.

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Sat June 28, 11am & 3pm



### Footfalls & Flirtation- Dance Workshop

Learn the graceful movements of Regency-era dance in this lively workshop where elegance meets playful connection. Guided by a skilled caller, you'll explore the figures and footwork seen in Austen's assemblies and Bridgerton ballrooms—where every turn offered the chance for conversation, a smile, or something more. No experience needed—just a willing heart and quick feet.

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Sat June 28, 11am & and Sun June 28, 10am

### Match on the Lawn: Scheduled Croquet and Lawn Games

Take to the lawn for a spirited round of croquet—a favourite pastime among Regency society and a perfectly proper excuse for a little playful flirtation. Whether you're skilled with a mallet or simply in it for the company, croquet offers the ideal blend of gentle competition and charming conversation. But be warned, in true Bridgerton fashion, reputations may remain intact—but hearts? Perhaps not entirely untouched.

Sat June 28, 11:30am & 3pm

### Bonnets Off: A Traditional Regency Hair Demonstration

Observe the elegance and craftsmanship behind Regency-era hairstyling in this live demonstration. From soft curls and sweeping buns to the careful use of pins and pomade, guests will witness the transformation of hair into styles fit for the finest drawing rooms and assemblies. Learn about the fashion influences of the time, tools and materials used, and the social significance of dressing one's hair in an era where appearance spoke volumes.

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Sat June 28 & Sun June 29, 2pm

### In Step with Society: Scheduled Promenade

Take a turn about the grounds in true Regency style—a graceful stroll filled with conversation, scenery, and the occasional exchanged glance. Favoured by Austen's heroines and Bridgerton's finest, the promenade offers a perfect moment to see, be seen, and perhaps spark a quiet intrigue along the path.

Sat June 28, 4:30pm

### Craft 3: Tints of the Ton: Watercolor Workshop



Embrace the genteel art of watercolor painting in this relaxing Regency-style workshop. Guests will be guided in capturing estate-inspired scenes or botanical studies, just as accomplished ladies of the period once did in their leisure hours. Using soft palettes and period techniques, you'll create your own delicate work of art—whether inspired by gardens, landscapes, or still life. No formal training required —only a steady hand and a quiet eye for beauty.

\*\*\*A (free) ticket must be purchased for this event so we can provide enough materials and a large enough space for everyone who wishes to join.

Sat June 28, 9pm

### Truth: Universally Acknowledged - Jane Austen Trivia



Put your Austen acumen to the test in an evening of spirited competition and literary delight. From Emma's matchmaking mishaps to Pride and Prejudice's sharpest lines, this quiz night will challenge your memory, wit, and knowledge of the Regency world. Teams are welcome, bonnets are optional, and cleverness is highly encouraged. Enjoy a lively mix of questions, conversation, and perhaps a little friendly rivalry—Lady Catherine would most certainly approve. Whether you're a casual admirer or an Austen devotee, prepare for a most diverting night among good company.

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Sat June 28 & Sun June 29, 11pm

### Gothic After Dark: A Ghost Tour of Castle and Grounds

By the flicker of candlelight, venture into the darker corners of Regency life with a ghost tour that would make even Catherine Morland shiver. Inspired by the Gothic imagination of The Mysteries of Udolpho and the playful paranoia of Northanger Abbey, this guided walk weaves eerie legends, whispered histories, and just a hint of the inexplicable. Wander shadowed gardens and creaking halls where stories still linger—some fanciful, others unsettlingly true. Expect raised eyebrows, racing hearts, and perhaps... a presence not entirely accounted for.

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Sun June 29, 830am

### A Lady's Morning Extension: Bridgerton-Style Stretching/Calisthenics

Begin your day like a true member of the ton—with poise, posture, and a deep breath of fresh estate air. This graceful Pilates-inspired stretching session blends modern movement with Regency refinement, focusing on gentle lengthening, balance, and breath. Inspired by the composure of Bridgerton's finest and the elegance expected of Austen's heroines, it's the perfect way to feel aligned, enlivened, and ready for the day.

\*\*The session is designed to be done in your regular day dresses. Please don't wear workout clothes.

Sun June 29, 9am



### The Regency Kitchen: Planning a Table Worthy of Austen

Discover the culinary charm of the Regency era in this hands-on cooking and menu planning workshop. In a time when dinner parties showcased social grace and domestic accomplishment, crafting a well-balanced menu was an art form. From soups to syllabubs, each course reflected careful thought, seasonality, and status. Guided by an expert, guests will explore authentic period menus and prepare select dishes using historical techniques adapted for today. It's a flavorful journey through the etiquette and elegance of Jane Austen's table.

\*\*\*A (free) ticket must be purchased for this event so we can provide enough materials and a large enough space for everyone who wishes to join.

Sun June 29, 9:30am & 5pm



### Craft 4: Shellwork-Keepsake Boxes

In the Regency era, shellwork was a fashionable pastime for accomplished ladies—transforming seaside finds into ornate keepsake boxes and sentimental tokens. In this hands-on activity, guests will create their own shell-adorned box, inspired by period designs. These delicate pieces were often exchanged as gifts or used to hold letters, jewelry, or small treasures.

\*\*\*A (free) ticket must be purchased for this event so we can provide enough materials and a large enough space for everyone who wishes to join.

Sun June 29, 11am & 3:30pm



### Craft 5: Stitches & Satchels- Reticule Sewing Workshop

Join us in the drawing room for a charming sewing workshop where guests will craft their own Regency-style reticule—a lady's indispensable accessory. These petite purses were both fashionable and functional, and carried to balls, teas, and strolls alike. Under gentle guidance, you'll stitch a beautiful keepsake using period-inspired materials and techniques. No prior sewing experience needed—only a steady hand and a taste for refinement.

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Sun June 29, 2pm

### Craft 6 The Delicate Art of Quilling



Quilling—also known as paper filigree—was a favored decorative art among Regency ladies, admired for its elegance, intricacy, and suitability to the drawing room. Using fine strips of paper curled into delicate shapes, guests will craft ornamental designs for cards, keepsakes, or framed mementos. Once used to embellish tea caddies, cabinets, and love tokens, quilling combined creativity with patience—a hallmark of an accomplished woman. This activity invites you to slow the pace, steady the hand, and create a piece of beauty from the simplest of materials.

\*\*\*A (free) ticket must be purchased for this event so we can provide enough materials and a large enough space for everyone who wishes to join.

Sun Jun 29, 2:30pm

### The Regency Kitchen: Scotch Broth Workshop



Step into the Regency kitchen for a live demonstration of Scotch Broth—a hearty, time-honoured dish beloved in Scotland. Made with barley, root vegetables, and mutton or lamb, this warming recipe was a staple of domestic cookery, valued for its nourishment and economy. Learn about period cooking techniques, seasonal ingredients, and the rhythm of the Regency household from hearth to table. It's a delicious glimpse into the flavours that sustained both gentry and servant alike.

\*\*\*A (free) ticket must be purchased for this event so we can provide enough materials and a large enough space for everyone who wishes to join.

Sun June 29, 8:30pm

### Craft 7: In a Lather - Soap Workshop



Step into the fragrant world of Regency domestic arts with this hands-on soap-making workshop. In an era when scent and self-care signaled refinement, handcrafted soaps were both practical and luxurious. Guests will learn traditional methods using natural ingredients and botanicals inspired by the period. Each participant will create a beautifully molded bar to take home. A charming and aromatic keepsake from a weekend of diversion.

\*\*\*A (free) ticket must be purchased for this event so we can provide enough materials and a large enough space for everyone who wishes to join.

Sun June 29, 10pm

### Regency Book Club Led by Caroline Knight



Gather with fellow readers for a thoughtful Regency book club. In the cozy Birkhill Library, surrounded by shelves and candlelight, discuss themes of society, character, and decorum drawn from a specially selected title. The atmosphere invites quiet reflection, lively conversation, and connections both literary and social. Whether you're a devoted reader or simply wish to enjoy a moment of calm among kindred spirits, this gathering offers a welcome pause in the rhythm of the weekend.

\*\*The book will be announced by Thu 5/29.

\*\*\*A (free) ticket must be purchased for this event so we can provide enough materials and a large enough space for everyone who wishes to join.



### Surplus activities available for purchase:



Sat June 28, 11am

### The Regal Cheese Affair - £20

Savour a curated selection of fine cheeses enjoyed during the Regency era, paired with distintive Scottish favourites. From soft, matured rounds to sharp farmhouse wedges, each tasting is enriched with notes on historical origins and period traditions. A refined experience for the curious palate and the historically inclined.



Sat June 28, 1:30pm & Sun June 29, 10:30am

### The Chocolate Court - £25

Indulge in a curated tasting of Regency-inspired chocolates—rich, spiced, and delicately sweet. Discover how chocolate evolved from exotic luxury to fashionable indulgence, enjoyed in salons and parlours across high society. A refined and delicious glimpse into the tastes and temptations of the era.



### Regency Floral Workshop: Blooming Elegance of a Bygone Era - £30



Step into the fragrant world of Regency florals in this immersive workshop celebrating the artistry and meaning of flowers in early 19th-century homes. In the Regency era, arrangements were more than decorative—they reflected taste, refinement, and often carried symbolic meaning. Flowers graced parlours, ballrooms, and entryways, bringing natural beauty and quiet sentiment to daily life. Participants will create their own Regency-inspired arrangements using seasonal blooms and period styling. Each guest will also take home their arrangement—a fragrant, beautiful memento of a truly enchanting weekend.

\*For full-weekend guests, these elegant creations will also be displayed as centerpieces and add your personal style to the following afternoon's tea.



Sat June 28, 5pm

#### The Vintner's Court - £40

Raise a glass to Regency elegance with a curated tasting of distinguished wines once favoured by the gentry. Sample a selection of vintages—from bold clarets to delicate whites—while exploring the traditions and tastes that shaped the era's tables and toasts. Whether connoisseur or casual enthusiast, guests will enjoy a graceful interlude celebrating the timeless pleasures of good wine and good company.



## Surplus activities available for purchase:



Sun June 29, 10am & 2pm

### The Noble Archer's Challenge - £25

Step into the shoes of a Regency-era noble as you take aim at the target in this exciting archery session. Whether you're a seasoned archer or a beginner, you'll enjoy the thrill of the hunt while learning the techniques that were once favored by the aristocracy.

\*This activity is offered at two times. Please be sure to sign up for the correct session to prevent overbooking yourself.



Sun June 29, 4pm

### Gin Jubilee - £40

Transport yourself back to the early 1800s with a guided gin tasting, where you'll discover the classic botanicals and intricate distilling methods that made gin a fashionable drink among the elite. Savor this refined spirit as you learn the art of crafting the perfect gin cocktail.



Sun June 29, 5:30pm

### The Whiskey Gala - £46

Raise a glass to Scotland's heritage with a tasting of finely aged whiskies, each one telling a unique story of craftsmanship and tradition. Experience the depth and warmth of these prized spirits, perfectly paired with tales of the Regency-era whisky culture.



Sun June 29,8pm

#### The Artist Salon - £48

Unleash your inner artist as you enjoy a relaxing afternoon of life drawing with a nude model, guided by a professional instructor. Sip on your favorite drink as you capture the beauty and grace of the human form in this intimate and creative session. Naughty Ladies only!!

Friday June 27, 2025			
5pm			
6pm	Evening Guests Arrive		
7pm	Dinner		
8pm		After Dinner Diversions:  Music, Coffee, and Parlour Games	An Evening of Letters and Verse:
9pm	Masquerade Soirée	A Game of Charades	Readings, Recitations, and Organised Poetry
10pm		Lady Whistledown's Quiz Night	An Assembly of Cards
11pm			Mallets & Mischief: Midnight  Croquet
12am			

Key:	Main Events	Free (No Registration Needed)
		Free (Registration Needed)

		Saturday Jun	e 28, 2025	
7am 8am	Breakfast			
9am			Beyond the Garden Wall: Guided Estate Exploration	
10am	Craft 1: The Silhouette Studio (AM)		Craft 2: Threads of Refinement: Embroidery Workshop (Part 1 of 2)	
11am 12pm	Footfalls & Flirtation- Dance Workshop (AM)	The Regal Cheese Affair	Bonnets Off: A Traditional Regency Hair Demonstration (AM)	Match on the Lawn: Scheduled Croquet and Lawn Games
1pm 2pm	The Chocolate Court	Lunch In Step with Society: A Scheduled Promenade	Craft 1: The Silhouet	te Studio (PM)
3pm 4pm	Footfalls & Flirtation- Dance Workshop (PM)	Regency Floral Workshop: Blooming Elegance of a Bygone Era	Bonnets Off: A Traditional Regent	cy Hair Demonstration (PM)
5pm	Craft 2: Threads of Refinement (Part 2 of 2)	Craft 3: Tints of the Ton: Watercolor Workshop	The Vintner	's Court
6pm 7pm			Dinner	
8pm 9pm		After Dinner Diversions: Music, Coffee, and Parlour Games  Truth: Universally Acknowledged -		
10pm	Grand Regency Ball	An Assembly of Cards		Jane Austen Trivia-
11pm 12am		Gothic After Dark:A Ghost Tour of Castle and Grounds		

Key:	Main Events	Free (No Registration Needed)	2-Part Activity	
	Extra Cost	Free (Registration Needed )	(Must be available for both slots)	

		Sunday June 29, 20	)25	
7am				
8am 9am	Breakfast	A Lady's Morning Extension: Bridgerton Stretching/Calisthenics Craft 4: Shellwork- Keepsake		anning a Table Worthy of
10am		Boxes AM	Austen Organized Croquet	
11am	The Noble Archer's Challenge (AM)	The Chocolate Court	Craft 5: Stitches & Sa	tchels- Reticule Sewing
12pm 1pm	- Que	en's Tea with Silent Auction and Special G		·
2pm		In Step with Society:	Craft 6: The Delicate	
3pm	The Noble Archer's Challenge (PM)	A Scheduled Promenade	Art of Quilling	The Regency Kitchen: Scotch Broth
4pm	C: 113	Craft 5: Stitches & Satchels- Reticule Sewing Workshop PM		kshop PM
5pm	Gin Jubilee Craft 4: Shellwork- Keepsake	Guided Estate Walk: Explore the Grounds		
эр	Boxes PM			
6pm		The Whiskey Gala		
7pm		Formal Sit Down Dinner	r	
8pm	The Artist Salon	After Dinner Diversions: Music, Coffee, and Parlour Games	Craft 7: In a Lath	or Son Wadahan
9pm		A Game of Charades	Craft 7: In a Lather - Soap Workshop	
10pm	Casino Night	An Evening of Letters and Verse: Readings, Recitations, and Organised Poetry	Regency Book Club	Led by Caroline Knight
11pm		Gothic After Dark: A Ghost Tour of Castle and Grounds		
12pm				

Key:	Main Events	Free (No Registration Needed)	
	Extra Cost	Free (Registration Needed )	