

SHUTTLEWORTH
GROUP VISITS



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WELCOME

Shuttleworth is a day full of small pleasures and big discoveries. With so much to see you will want to visit again and again.

Explore over 60 acres of Shuttleworth attractions including the world-famous Shuttleworth Collection and 1930s grass airfield, 9 acre Regency Swiss Garden, and Shuttleworth House - a Grade II* Victorian mansion. Also on-site we have the Woodland and Shrubbery Walks, Summer House and Lakeside Parkland.

Visit us for either a self-guided or guided tour. Tours last from 1-1.5 hours and guests are encouraged to spend the day enjoying all areas of the site at their leisure.

To discuss a visit or book a bespoke visit please contact our dedicated group visitor coordinator.

Email: groups@shuttleworth.org

Call: **01767 627933** (Mon-Fri, 09.00-17.00)

Website: www.shuttleworth.org/groups

OPENING TIMES

Last admission is 30 minutes before closing.

- **WINTER: 10.00-16.00** (from October Half Term)
- **SUMMER: 10.00-17.00** (from February Half Term)

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SHUTTLEWORTH COLLECTION

Richard Ormonde Shuttleworth began the Shuttleworth Collection with his passion for restoring vintage aircraft and motor vehicles. Today it is a treasure trove of airworthy vintage aircraft from 1909-1950, agricultural and steam exhibits, veteran cars, classic motorcycles, bicycles and vintage buses.

This internationally significant collection is the most complete collection of airworthy vintage aircraft in Europe, including the largest selection of still flying WWI aircraft, and the delightful early 'Edwardians'.

View exhibits in six themed hangars, and aircraft maintenance in our engineering workshop where work is undertaken on a daily basis.

COLLECTION HIGHLIGHTS

- 1909 Blériot – the oldest aircraft flying in the world
- 1912 Blackburn Monoplane - oldest flying British aircraft
- Largest collection of London to Brighton run eligible vehicles
- Most complete Clayton & Shuttleworth collection in the UK
- **The friendliest vintage air show venue in the UK**

SHUTTLEWORTH SWISS GARDEN

Our Swiss Garden is an outstanding example of the late Regency fashion for creating landscapes in a picturesque alpine style. Designed as a pleasure garden, it invites you to enjoy charming buildings and tranquil landscapes with views at every turn. With thirteen listed features including a colourful Indian Kiosk, quirky Swiss Cottage and stunning Grotto and Fernery. Designed c1820 by Lord Ongley the third, the Shuttleworth family's own embellishments from the 1870s are still evident today.

Seasonal planting and resident peacocks make it a pleasure to visit all year round, with a peaceful woodland sculpture walk. Take advantage of seating throughout to enjoy the splendid vistas that have inspired photographers, artists, and poets!

SWISS GARDEN HIGHLIGHTS

- Peacocks & other wildlife
- Seasonal planting
- Thirteen listed structures
- Woodland walk sculpture trail
- Splendid vistas and unexpected views throughout the garden
- **A true 'pleasure garden' with memorable quirky features!**



SHUTTLEWORTH HOUSE

Built in 1872, the former Shuttleworth family home was designed by the prominent Victorian architect Henry Clutton, with many of the interior furnishings made by Gillows of Lancaster. Throughout there are magnificent examples of 19th century painting on the walls by artists prominent in the period. As you are welcomed through the grand entrance, step back in time as you explore seven period rooms on the ground floor, each with their own special features and character.

Open to the public on selected dates throughout the year. Just a short walk from the Swiss Garden, the Shuttleworth House is set in a magnificent Grade II registered parkland.

HOUSE & PARKLAND HIGHLIGHTS

- Gorgeous period rooms with elegant furnishings
- Beautiful stained glass
- Jacobean-inspired features
- Period charm
- Attractive parkland framed by hills and water features.

RUNWAY CAFÉ

Our Runway Café has three main dining areas plus a large outside terrace. We serve freshly prepared, delicious, seasonal and healthy meal and snack options from a list of local suppliers. Freshly ground coffee, a selection of teas, cold drinks, delicious cakes and ice creams are available to purchase all day long.

As well as the Runway Café, we have three mobile catering units around the site all offering a selection of drinks, snacks and ice creams. Visiting groups can pre-book their food from our set menus in advance with the group bookings coordinator. The Café is accessible for all, with wheelchairs available on request.

GIFT SHOP

The Shuttleworth Gift Shop has something to suit most budgets, whether it's a memento of a fun day out or a gift for someone special. We stock value for money items, with many products sourced from artisan and local suppliers, putting quality first.

Please note we accept card payments only.

GROUP BOOKING PACKAGES

Upon arrival, all guests will receive a virtual overview of The Shuttleworth Story, from here you will begin the self-guided or guided tour of your chosen location. Once the tour is complete visitors are encouraged to visit the Shop, the Runway Café and experience the other attractions on site.

Shuttleworth Explorer

£12 per person (minimum of 10 paying guests)

- . Meet and greet on arrival
- . Virtual overview of the Shuttleworth Story
- . Self-guided entry to all open areas of the Visitor Attraction
- . Lead booker goes free

Shuttleworth Explorer +

£25 per person (minimum of 10 paying guests)

- . Meet and greet on arrival
- . Virtual overview of the Shuttleworth Story with refreshments
- . Guided tour of your location of choice
- . Access to all open areas of the Visitor Attraction
- . Lead booker goes free

Shuttleworth Explorer + and Lunch

£35 per person (minimum of 10 paying guests)

- . Meet and greet on arrival
- . Virtual overview of the Shuttleworth Story with refreshments
- . Guided tour of your location of choice
- . Lunch at the Runway Café.
- . Access to all open areas of the Visitor Attraction
- . Lead booker goes free

ABOUT YOUR TOUR

The Shuttleworth Explorer+ packages allow you to choose from a tour of either the Shuttleworth Collection, Shuttleworth Swiss Garden or Shuttleworth House subject to availability. All tours last approximately 1-1.5 hours and accommodate up to 12 people. Multiple tour guides are available for larger groups.

ENTHUSIAST UPGRADES

Shuttleworth can offer a selection of enthusiast tours for those with specialised interests. You can add on the enthusiast tour to your package to enjoy a full day at Shuttleworth instead of the location tour. See below some examples of the enthusiast tours we offer, a full list can be provided on request.

- Richard Shuttleworth Tour at £10.00 per person
- Pioneers - Edwardian Cars and Planes Tour at £10.00 per person
- Special Horticultural Tour at £10.00 per person
- History of the Garden Tour at £10.00 per person

AIR SHOWS

If you are interested in a group visit to one of our famous air shows please contact your group booking coordinator.

For more details please visit: www.shuttleworth.org/airshows

ACCESSIBILITY

There is level access to the Discovery Hub, Runway Cafe, Shop and Collection Hangers. The outdoor pathways are firm and even, with minimal gradients. Visitors with additional access needs are very welcome at Shuttleworth, as are registered assistance dogs.

COACHES

Shuttleworth offers free coach parking with a large parking area on hard-standing. Coach drivers receive free entry to the Visitor Attraction and a £10 meal voucher to use in all our Shuttleworth catering outlets.

HOW TO FIND US

Address

Shuttleworth, Old Warden Park, Biggleswade, Bedfordshire, SG18 9EP

By Car

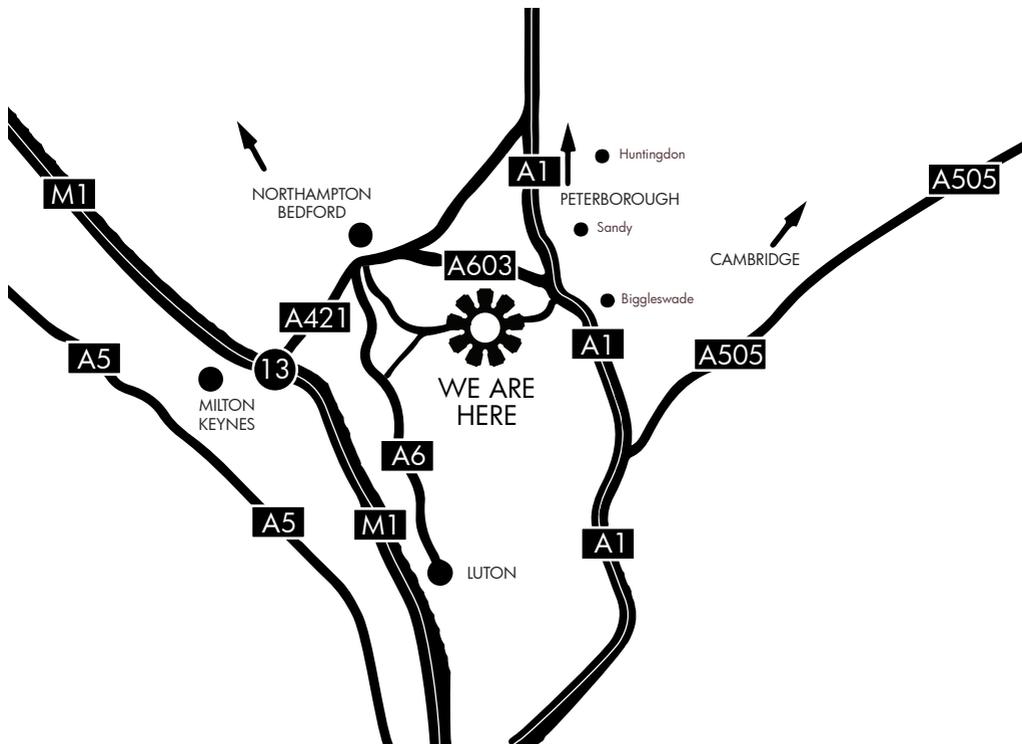
The estate is just 5 minutes from the A1(M) at Biggleswade and 20 miles from the M1 at Junction 13. There is unlimited parking on site.

By Train

Biggleswade Station: Direct Thameslink service from Peterborough, 35 minutes to Kings Cross St Pancras, 45 minutes to the City. A good taxi service will take 10 minutes to reach Shuttleworth.

By Air

Luton and Stansted - 60 minutes, Heathrow - 90 minutes, Gatwick direct train service to Biggleswade - 90 minutes. Helicopter landing site.



CONTACT DETAILS

To discuss a visit or to book please get in touch with us:

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