



Friday 1st August - Yorkshire Day ? Jazz Garden Party at Middlethorpe Hall

Celebrate God's Own County with an afternoon in the very heart of it! Listen to jazz on the terrace and enjoy afternoon tea delights designed by the chefs at Middlethorpe Hall. This event will take place in the Drawing Room should the weather be inclement.

Middlethorpe Hall is a William and Mary country house, built in 1699 of mellow red brick with limestone dressings, for Thomas Barlow, a master cutler from Sheffield. It was bought in the 1980s and reopened as a luxury hotel, Restaurant and Spa in 1984, rescued from decay, caringly and lovingly restored by Historic House Hotels. In September 2008, Middlethorpe Hall and the other two Historic House Hotels became the inalienable property of the National Trust by donation, with all profits benefiting the houses and the charity.

The restoration, conservation and conversion into a country house hotel has been carried out to exacting and historically accurate standards. It has been elegantly decorated in the manner of the 18th Century and furnished with antiques and fine paintings, so that its look and ambiance is that of a well-kept, well-furnished private manor house rather than a 29 bedroom Hotel (ten rooms and suites in the house, and nineteen in the adjacent 18th Century courtyard).

The 20 acres of manicured gardens and parkland which surround Middlethorpe Hall are also the result of a transformation - from a rose bed and nettles to a parterre that now includes a fragrant rose garden, intriguing walled garden and romantic meadow which leads to a lake surrounded by beautiful specimen trees. There is also a ha'ha.

Middlethorpe Hall is renowned for its imaginative cuisine and its panelled dining rooms which overlook the manicured gardens. It also boasts a Health and Fitness Spa built behind the handsome façade of two listed Edwardian cottages. This offers guests a range of facilities from Decléor, ESPA and Jessica treatments with trained therapists to a splendid swimming pool, sauna and gymnasium.

Middlethorpe Hall, like its sister hotels Hartwell House in Aylesbury and Bodysgallen Hall near Llandudno, has achieved a graceful transition from country house to first-class hotel without losing its character. Indeed, Historic House Hotels are now the yardstick by which others must be judged.

More details can be [found here](#)

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