



Bringing a Group to Brantwood

We are now operating visits to the house on a timed-ticket basis. Time slots are available at : **10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm, 2.00pm, 3.00pm and 4.00pm.**

Times need to be pre-booked so please allow extra time (at least 15 minutes) for booking in at the car park where you will receive your site map, instructions and house guide if visiting the house. Visitors will then make their way up to the main house in time for their allocated slot. If arriving by boat, please check timetables for arrival times at Brantwood to ensure they will fit in with your chosen house slot and again, departure times.

Arrive by coach, car or boat: Free parking. The road to Brantwood is quite narrow and not suitable for very large coaches (see coach restrictions attached). Discounted house ticket with either Steam Yacht Gondola or Coniston Launch.

Group admission prices for pre booked groups of 10 or more

House and gardens	Adult: £9.00 Student: £7.20
Gardens only	Adult: £6.50 Student: £5.00

The gardens can be visited at any time during opening hours and, if your visit is gardens only, site maps will be handed out from the ticket booth in the car park on arrival. Please note that the gardens are quite steep with uneven paths so may not be suitable for the infirm or disabled.

The Terrace Café

Refreshments or lunch are to be pre-booked prior to your visit. We offer three packages listed below:

- 1. Homemade Soup** with Lovingly Artisan Bread, a selection of homemade cake bites and tea/coffee. **£11pp**
 - 2. Cream Tea**—Homemade Scone, Jam & Cream, Tea/Coffee **£7.50pp**
 - 3. Takeaway Picnic***—Sausage Roll or Falafel, Crisps, Cake, Fruit, Cold Drink **£10pp**
- Groups larger than 24 require two sittings at **11.45am and 12.30pm** or **1.30pm and 2.15pm**. We will endeavour to cater for any particular dietary requirements - please let us know when booking.

We are unable to mix the 3 packages in high season and therefore all customers will have to select either option 1,2 or 3.

* **Takeaway Picnics are not to be eaten in the café or terrace, but can be enjoyed anywhere on site. Please bin any rubbish.**

FACILITIES AT BRANTWOOD

BRANTWOOD BOOKSHOP– Come and browse in our interesting and carefully stocked bookshop, which has many specialist books on Ruskin as well as a range of gifts and souvenirs.

DISABLED VISITORS-The majority of the house at Brantwood is accessible to disabled visitors. There is no wheelchair access to two small bedrooms on the first floor. Braille guides are available upon request. Guide dogs are permitted into the house. Disabled toilets are on site and access is available to the restaurant. 'Brant' means steep in Old Norse. The nature of the site means that not all the gardens and estate are accessible.

DIRECTIONS

BY CAR– Exit the M6 at junction 36. Join the A590 in the direction of Kendal. Exit at the Brettargh Holt junction. At the roundabout take the 1st exit signposted for Barrow-in-Furness. Continue to follow the signs for Barrow-in-Furness. At the Meathop roundabout (junction with A592) take the first exit continuing on the A590. Turn right onto the A5902 signposted for Workington, Whitehaven. Turn right onto the A5084 signposted for Coniston. Turn right onto the A593 in Torver. Follow the signs for Brantwood from the village of Coniston.

BY BOAT

Coniston Launch boats are available for pre-booked groups during the day and evening. Tel. 017687 75753 e-mail: info@conferry.co.uk web: www.conistonlaunch.co.uk

S.Y. GONDOLA

The elegantly restored Victorian steam yacht operated by The National Trust calls at Brantwood during the summer season. Tel 015394 63856 e-mail: gondola@nationaltrust.org.uk web: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/gondola

BY COACH

Confident, experienced drivers do not find it too challenging, however, the approach road is narrow and the following guidance will help drivers plan their route. Brantwood is located on the east side of Coniston Water, on the C5018. The only approach by coach is from the north end of the lake, as the road south of Brantwood is not passable in a coach.

From the head of Lake Coniston the road is twisty, and narrows to 3.5m in places (the average width of a coach is 2.55m). The road is unsuitable for articulated coaches. We therefore advise the length of coaches to be a maximum of 12 meters (61 seaters). Coach parking can be reserved at Brantwood.

The driver must enter the car park and then turn north facing toward the house, this will allow the coach to be reversed to the South end of the carpark to wait and park. This is the best way to handle our space. We try to guide drivers in if we can, but following these instructions should help on the day.

There is short walk including the main driveway, on a steady gradient, from the car park to the house. Small coaches are welcome to pull off close to the main driveway to the house to allow elderly and disabled passengers to disembark.

There is access to clean water in the car park for drivers to service their coaches should they need to top up windscreen washer reservoir, radiator, or clean windows. Brantwood staff will always be happy to provide refreshments for drivers on arrival and while they wait.

Please do contact Brantwood if you have any queries or require further information.



John Ruskin's home 1872 - 1900