

AUTUMN WATERCOLOUR BREAK

Sunday 12th to Thursday 16th October

Working on a seasonal theme and taking inspiration from the beautiful colours and patterns that nature provides. Shari, a Cornwall based artist and tutor, will bring a wealth of visual references and we can also gather inspiration in the wonderful grounds of the Budock Vean estate and the Helford River.

SUNDAY 12TH OCTOBER

3.00pm Arrival - Rooms ready4:30pm Use of facilities

7.00pm Guests meet for a pre-dinner

welcome drink in the cocktail bar

MONDAY 13TH OCTOBER

8am Breakfast

9.30am First studio session and informal

introduction. Ideas, options and visual references discussed and an opportunity to gather

information in the grounds (weather permitting). Short tutor demo and

practical painting.

11.00am Coffee in studio

Studio session continues

1.00pm Lunch break (lunch not included)

2.30pm Studio session4.00pm Tea break in studio

Studio session continues

with possible tutor demo

5.30pm Finish session7.00pm Dinner in restaurant

TUESDAY 14TH OCTOBER

8am Breakfast9.30am Studio session11.00am Coffee in studio

Studio session continues

1.00pm Lunch break (lunch not included)

2.30pm Studio session4.00pm Tea break in studio

Studio session continues with possible tutor demo

5.30pm Finish session7.00pm Dinner in restaurant

WEDNESDAY 15TH OCTOBER

8.00am Breakfast9.30am Studio session11.00am Coffee in studio

Studio session continues

12.00pm Finish for the day. Free Afternoon for

exploring the area and enjoying the

hotel facilities

7.00pm Dinner in restaurant

THURSDAY 16TH OCTOBER

8.00am Breakfast

9.30am Sketchbook session down by the

Helford River gathering ideas and inspiration to take away with you

11.00am Coffee break (& check out if you

haven't already)

12.00pm Sketchbook session continues

1.00pm Finish

Programme subject to change



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MATERIALS LIST

Watercolour Paints

whichever you are used to using and feel comfortable with. (I favour Winsor and Newton artists quality tubes but there are lots of good makes available)

If you are happy with your usual palette of colours, work with those.

If you need guidance, I suggest W&N artists

French ultramarine, indigo, cobalt or cerulean, brown madder, raw sienna and transparent yellow (good for mixing greens) and perhaps a pinky red – alizarin crimson or rose madder.

Other colours that may be useful – naples yellow and a warm sunny yellow like Indian yellow.

A cadmium red and perhaps a small tube of white gouache.

Paper

We may be doing some sketchbook work so bring your usual size sketchbook if you have one. The sketchbook doesn't have to be watercolour paper – cartridge paper that can cope with a wash is fine. I like an A5 size one that I can fold back on itself. Its just for working out composition, colour mixes etc.

Bring your usual watercolour paper – I would suggest 140lb (or heavier) not surface.

Pre-stretch if preferred but I just tape mine down to a rigid board with masking tape.

Two water pots

Pencil or pen *for sketching with*

Brushes

Bring your usual watercolour brushes

I would suggest a **big wash brush** for working wet into wet, a **large round brush** with a good point on it, a **smaller round brush** for detail and perhaps a rigger brush. I also like a **swordliner** but it's not essential.

Optional - If you like to work from an easel please feel free to bring one along

An **old tooth brush** can be useful for spattering

A **cocktail stick or pointy twig** can be useful for scratching into a wet wash.

If you like to use **watersoluble pencils /crayons** with your watercolour please bring them along.

I like **graphitint pencils** and will bring some you can try.

Salt & compostable compost caddy bags but I will bring some you can use.

Please contact me directly if you have any questions or problems regarding materials shari.arnott@outlook.com Mawnan Smith, Falmouth, Cornwall TR11 5LG
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LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

Cornwall is packed to the rafters with beautiful, brilliant and breath-taking days out for all ages and interests. From world-class gardens to wonderful historic castles, mines and stately homes; while galleries such as Tate St Ives and the mighty Eden Project are real showstoppers.

Trebah Garden

Under 1 mile from Budock Vean.

Experience the magic of this sub-tropical Cornish garden, steeped in heritage, creativity and the spirit of innovation. Four miles of footpaths wind through dazzling exotic planting, transporting you from a little corner of England to sunnier climes. For opening times, please visit, Trebah's website.

Glendurgan Gardens

Approx 1 mile

Stroll down through the peaceful valley to a sheltered beach at the bottom. Three valleys join into one at Glendurgan, where a beautiful and intriguing blend of exotic and native plants thrive. For opening times please visit Glendurgan's website.

A little further afield, we also recommend The Seal Sanctuary (approx. 5.5 miles), National Maritime Museum Cornwall (approx. 6 miles), Eden Project (approx. 32 miles) and St Michael's Mount (approx. 20 miles) to name but a few! More local attractions can be found here: www.budockvean.co.uk/leisure/local-attractions

AT BUDOCK VEAN

Our wonderful leisure facilities include a 15m indoor swimming pool, sauna and outdoor hot tub, 9 hole/18 tee golf course, snooker room, croquet lawn and two all weather tennis courts. Our Natural Health Spa also offers a range of spa days and treatments. We do advise that you book at least a month in advance for these as we would hate to disappoint you on arrival if we are fully booked.

GREAT WALKS NEAR US

Rosemullion Head Circular Walk

Distance: 5.8 miles | Easy – moderate | Dog-friendly

This circular walk starts at the ever popular Maenporth beach and then follows the coast to the entrance to the Helford River. It is a peaceful route that traces the edge of Rosemullion Head, a stunning promontory jutting out into the bay offering expansive views.

Helford Passage Circular Walk

Distance: 6.3 miles | Moderate

This walk loops around the grounds of Budock Vean and takes you to some of the more hidden pathways and the lanes less travelled. You'll pass the farmstead of Bosveal to the oldieworldie creek-side hamlet of Durgan, Glendurgan, Trebah Garden and Port Navas Creek.

Discover Frenchman's Creek Circular Walk

Distance: 3.8 miles | Moderate

Helford village itself was once notorious for smuggling and piracy but today is a picture perfect place to explore.

After passing through the village the route follows the valley from Penarvon to a tiny chapel before descending to Frenchman's Creek, a peaceful finger of water made famous by Daphne du Maurier.

More walks can be found here: www.budockvean.co.uk/news/great-walks-near-budock-vean