

## Painshill routes

Use this map to explore the Historic Route created by the Honourable Charles Hamilton in the 1700s. Discover a restored landscape of changing moods and magical follies.

## The history of Painshill



The Honourable Charles Hamilton

Painshill was created in the naturalistic style between 1738 and 1773 by the Hon. Charles Hamilton, 9th son and 14th child of the 6th Earl of Abercorn. A painter, plantsman and brilliantly imaginative designer, he used contrasts in architectural style, landform and planting to great effect.

Hamilton wanted to create a romantic landscape to stimulate the senses and emotions of the visitor.

**Painshill Park Trust**, a registered charity, was formed to restore the 18th century landscape garden. Painshill is Grade I listed and has been awarded the rare Europa Nostra Medal for its exemplary restoration.

Painshill has been awarded full collection status for the John Bartram Heritage Collection of North American trees and shrubs by Plant Heritage (NCCPG). The story of the collection is told in the beautiful Walled Garden.



## Historic Route

(approximately 2.5 miles long)

The Historic Route will take you through the beautiful landscape to discover a series of scenes with views that continually change and surprise you.

Please be aware this route has some areas of uneven surfaces, unmade paths and steep inclines.

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## Accessible Route

(approximately 1.5 miles long)

This route avoids the paths with steep slopes, however there may be uneven surfaces. Please be aware the entrance to the Grotto (restricted opening times) is narrow and may not accommodate large electric wheelchairs. Service dogs are admitted to all facilities.

Painshill offers pre-booked wheelchair loan and pre-booked guided buggy tours for disabled persons.

**Picnics:** We ask you politely not to picnic within the follies. Please do not leave litter, use BBQs or light fires.

**Bicycles** or children's scooters are not permitted in Painshill (Except those with stabilisers for children under the age of five).

**Dogs** on a short lead are welcome but not in the buildings unless it is a service dog.

**Children** must be supervised at all times.

Approximate scale

0 metres 100 200 300 400 500

