

## Dorset Federation Course Summary \_\_\_\_\_ Friday 7<sup>th</sup>-Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2021 \_\_\_\_\_

### Silver Clay Jewellery - Louise Simmonds      £335 + materials      12 Places

This is a really exciting and creative form of jewellery making using silver clay which can be shaped like clay but, when fired, is transformed into stunning fine silver jewellery. You'll also learn some traditional techniques to finish your piece professionally.

You will make 4-7 pieces e.g; pendants, charms, cufflinks, brooches or earrings. Please note you cannot make rings on this course.

The material cost is £65 for all the silver clay, consumables, crystal beads and Freshwater pearls for decoration, and all the findings needed to turn your silver into pieces of jewellery. If you choose to further embellish your pieces with semi-precious stones or cubic zirconia's, they will be available at trade prices.



### Wet Felting: Make a Stunning Bag – Sue Pearl      £335 + materials      12 Places

Make a lovely sturdy felt bag using the wet felting method. Your bag will be made without using any sewing and can be as decorative as you like. You can personalize it by adding a funky cotton fabric lining with an inside pocket. You will learn how to design the shape and create your own unique decoration. Using the resist method, you will form your design into a strong seamless bag capable of containing all your usual handbag items. Felting is an addictive craft, fun and creative and will leave you wanting to explore further.



### Spring Meadows & Woodland Glades – Christopher Everett & Pam Hopwood      £395      14 Places

#### Up to 5 miles per day

- Remote dark woods & nature reserves in the Chilterns
- Rolling landscapes & meadows
- Exotic orchids, bluebell carpets & colourful butterflies
- Shimmering reeds, lakes & fens
- Oxfordshire's Jurassic marine landscape, curious Ice Age "Puddingstones"

Come along and discover the delights of the stunning countryside of the Chilterns and Oxfordshire.

We start our full day out walking to a special remote reserve, set deep in the unusual landscapes near Nettlebed. En route we descend into a lost world of the darkest, eerily-silent chestnut woods, and enjoy rolling hills and gentle meadows. Situated in a tranquil valley, Warburg reserve is a haven for exotic orchids and other special flowers, butterflies and birdlife. After a visit to the wildlife centre we continue to a rare fen, with expansive, shimmering beds of giant reeds in an abandoned limestone quarry, and encounter an ancient Jurassic sea-bed once alive with marine life.

On the final morning we walk along the local lanes, managed for conservation, and have a tour of Denman's beautiful gardens.

In the evenings there will be illustrated talks and discussions of the flowers and wildlife seen, and preparation for the next day's walks.

Please don't forget to bring a camera and binoculars as there will be ample opportunities to stop to observe and photograph along the way.

***Please note:***

- *routes walked are mostly flat, with only gentle gradients*
- *any ex-quarries visited are safe amenity areas and require no hard-hats no entrance charges anywhere*
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**History & Heritage: Bedrooms, Banquets & Balls - John Vigar      £410      15 Places**

Whatever our historical interest, the English country house provides us with a rich history into which we can dip. The architecture of these buildings is often well known but its detail can tell us so much more than a casual glance allows. This course will look at the development of country houses and the people who lived in them. Expect some gossip and intrigue with examples from all over the country. Includes visits to two historic houses.



**Ukulele: Kickstart Ukulele – Richard Partridge    £335    12 Places**

An introduction to playing the ukulele. Students will be shown all the rudiments of playing the instrument: how to tune it, the most common chords used to accompany a host of well-known songs, simple strumming patterns, basic fingerpicking, and how to read chord diagrams and tab. No previous musical experience is required.



**Viennoiserie: Breakfast Pastries – Linda Hewett    £370    12 Places**

Learn to make your own pain au chocolate, croissants, brioches and danishes from a true pastry master.



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### **Save a place**

1. Select first and second choice of course.
2. Indicate if you would like to travel on the Federation coach and your preferred pick up point.
3. Send this information with your name and WI to [Denmanambassador@dorsetwi.org](mailto:Denmanambassador@dorsetwi.org)

A dated record will be compiled by the Denman Ambassador. When booking information and form are available from Denman, a booking pack will be sent to you and you can confirm your participation in the weekend with a completed booking form and deposit.