This year we’re celebrating what would have been the 150th birthday of this fascinating author, illustrator, businesswoman and farmer. She left an amazing legacy in her beloved Lake District. Make your own discoveries by visiting some of the places that inspired her and you’ll begin to understand her love for the Lakes.

#thanksBeatrix  #Beatrix150

So you think you know Beatrix Potter?

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Derwent Water

Walk the lakeshore where cheeky squirrel ‘Nutkin’ threw acorns at Beatrix. Climb Cat Bells where Lucie tracked Mrs Tiggy-Winkle, and visit the island that was the home of Old Brown, the fierce owl with a taste for mischievous squirrels.

Beatrix spent nine summers sketching the landscape of Derwent Water. You can walk in her footsteps and visit Brandelhow, St Herbert’s Island and Cat Bells. They’re all free to visit, so come and be inspired.

Start your journey of discovery

Two great ways to explore, are by Boat and ‘Goat’ sit back and enjoy the views she loved, on an iconic steamer, traditional launch on Windermere, or from one of the many Mountain Goat minibus tours.

Try the short boat ride from bustling Bowness to Ferry House, where you can connect up to Hill Top by Goat or a 20 minute walk. Plan your whole visit on Go Lakes.co.uk.

www.mountain-goat.co.uk  
www.windermere-lakecruises.co.uk  
www.golakes.co.uk  
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/borrowdale

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Hill Top

Hill Top was Beatrix Potter's most beloved place... her spiritual home and where she found inspiration for some of her most iconic tales. What better year to visit as than in 2023... this year you can take a guided tour on the Hill Top tour, join a birthday party or let the real Mr McGregor show you around the pretty country garden. The July also marks 100 years since the National Trust opened Hill Top to visitors so there’s double celebrations that month!

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/hill-top

The Armitt Library & Museum

Beatrix Potter was a member of the Armitt almost from its founding in 1912. A major benefaction she donated her books, paintings, and personal first edition copies of the little books that she had written and illustrated. In 1943 she also bequeathed her portfolios of over 410 exquisite botanical drawings and watercolours. No other collection, private or public, holds anything like it in quality or numbers. The Armitt is proud to be the custodian of her scientific legacy.

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www.armitt.com

Wray Castle

Wray Castle was the first place Beatrix Potter stayed in the Lake District, where she was just sixteen. It was here she discovered the Lakes countryside and cruically where she met Canon Hardwicke Rawnsley, her lifelong mentor and friend. Today the castle is the perfect place for family fun indoors and out. Special guided tours uncover the hidden mysteries of the landscaped grounds and the picturesque tradition the Lake District is so famous for.

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/wray-castle

Lindeth Howe

Lindeth Howe was built as a summer holiday home for a wealthy mill owner in 1879 in a 28 acre estate commanding fine views over Lake Windermere.

The mill owner rented the house out to friends for holidays, amongst them was the Potter family from 1912 to 1931. Beatrix Potter wrote her famous children’s stories and for two of these stories; “Timmy Tiptoes and Pigling Bland”, she illustrated them whilst staying at Lindeth Howe. We have copies of some correspondence from this period. We also have some original photographic plates of pictures & prints of the house taken by her father.

www.lindeth-howe.co.uk

Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway and Dalegarth for Boot Station

Enjoy a seven mile steam railway journey from the coast to the mountains on board Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway. This award winning narrow gauge heritage railway traverses the coastal estuaries, through ancient woodlands to the foothills of England’s highest mountains, the Scafell (3,209ft). Keep an eye out for estuaries, through ancient woodlands to the foothills of England’s highest mountains, the Scafell (3,209ft). Keep an eye out for

www.ravenglass-railway.co.uk

Sawrey House

Sawrey House is set in the picturesque landscape of Near Sawrey, the once home of Beatrix Potter. Sawrey House is found next door to Hill Top and is an ideal place to start your Beatrix Potter journey.

Stay in comfortable and relaxing bedrooms and dine with delicious local food on our lunchtime and evening menus. Be inspired by the stunning views that Beatrix loved.

www.sawreyhouse.com

The World of Beatrix Potter

The World of Beatrix Potter is a vibrant family attraction in Bowness-on-Windermere. Visitors can explore the enchanting world that Beatrix Potter created in her books as all 23 of the characters can be found here. Explore ‘Herdwicks and their Y ew Tree landscape’. Tina Balmer in an exhibition professional artists Jo McGrath, and a tasty hogget BBQ. Guided demonstrations and cooking tips we continue today. There are many fascinating items from our extensive archive to explore the life and legacy of this remarkable woman.

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Allan Bank

Make yourself comfortable in the former home of National Trust co-founder Canon Rawnsley.

This year we’re looking beyond Beatrix Potter’s work as a children’s author and exploring the inspiration she took from her enduring friendship with Rawnsley. Discover how his views on preserving the natural beauty of Lake District had a lasting effect on Potter, inspiring her to go on and preserve special places in Lakes from being irreparably ruined by development.

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/allan-bank-and-grasmere

Yew Tree Farm

Come and have a look around Yew Tree Farm cottage, which Beatrix Potter owned, and have a look around at some of her furnishings and letters.

Beatrix was a champion of the Herdwick sheep breed a tradition we continue today. There are demonstrations and cooking tips and a tasty hogget BBQ. Guided farm tours offer a chance to find out more, and of course join in with the feeling of the Herdwick lambs.

Our beautiful barn will host professional artists Jo McGrath, David Sims, Sally Bambee and Tina Boland in an exhibition exploring ‘Herdwicks and their Yew Tree landscape’.

There’ll be themed gifts,homeware and accessories and of course our Herdwick meat for sale. Every day from 1-10 July Light refreshments by Jumping Jenny.

Open Day dates for the Farm: 2 and 9 July.

www.yewtree-farm.com

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Beatrix Potter Gallery

This year’s exhibition ‘Realism and Romance’ explores Beatrix’s love of nature and her lifelong inspiration from the natural world. Highlights of the exhibition includes original illustrations from ‘The Tale of Jemima Puddleduck’ and ‘The Tale of Peter Rabbit’; some of Beatrix’s sketchbooks and excerpts from her coded journal.

Book onto a special Curator Tour for a closer look.

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/beatrix-potter-gallery-and-hawkshead

Belmont Hall

Belmont Hall is a fine Georgian House in the Lake District with superb views of Esthwaite Water, with Guarantee New how in the far distance and the Troutbeck Valley. Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband acquired the Belmont estate in 1938 from her friend Beatrix Potter and her husband

www.belmonthall.com

Beatrix Potter at Lingholm

The Lingholm Estate centres around a magnificent Victorian mansion on the western shore of Derwentwater and was a Lakeland holiday home of the Potter family who rented the house for many holidays between 1885 and 1907. During her time there, Beatrix sketched and painted the grounds, woods and animal life, and most famously, wrote Squirrel Nutkin here. She also credited the Lingholm kitchen gardens as her original inspiration for Mr McGregor’s Garden in ‘The Tale of Peter Rabbit’.

In June 2020 we will open a new café, and walled garden reinstated on the site of the old kitchen gardens. Entry is free and allows public access onto the estate for the first time in many years. We also operate holiday lets and private weddings.

www.thelingholmestate.co.uk

Wordsworth House & Garden

Two Bad Mice: Mischief in Beatrix Potter’s Tales is a major exhibition of original illustrations showing until the end of June.

Beatrix Potter and a Love of the Northern Lakes runs from Saturday 16 July to Sunday 30 October. Original photographs and drawings tell the story of Beatrix’s love of this beautiful landscape. Find out about the places that inspired the tales of Squirrel Nutkin, Mrs Tiggy-Winkle, Benjamin Bunny and Peter Rabbit.

Admission to both exhibitions is included with your ticket to the house and garden.

On Wednesdays and Saturdays in term time, talk by the costumed servants reveal how William and Beatrix’s early life in the Lakes helped turn them into world-famous literary figures. Budding artists can join our artists-in-residence for a friendly art class sketching the sort of domestic and garden objects that inspired Beatrix. Classes run from May to October, lunch included.

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/wordsworth-house