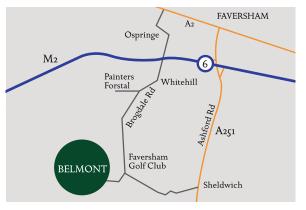


### HOW TO FIND BELMONT

Belmont is situated 4 miles South West of Faversham. From the M2 take exit 6.



## THE GARDENS

Are open daily all year round from 10am-6pm (dusk if earlier) Admission fee: Adult: £8.00 / Child (12-16yrs): £4.00

## THE HOUSE

For more information about the house, please visit our website.

#### MEET THE HEAD GARDENER TOURS

Third Tuesday of the month from May to September. £13.00 per person. Booking online required.

### **CLOCK TOURS**

Last Saturday of every month from April to September. £30.00 per person. Booking online required.

### MID-WEEK GROUP BOOKINGS

If you would like to organise a group visit, please visit our website or contact administrator@belmont-house.org for more information.

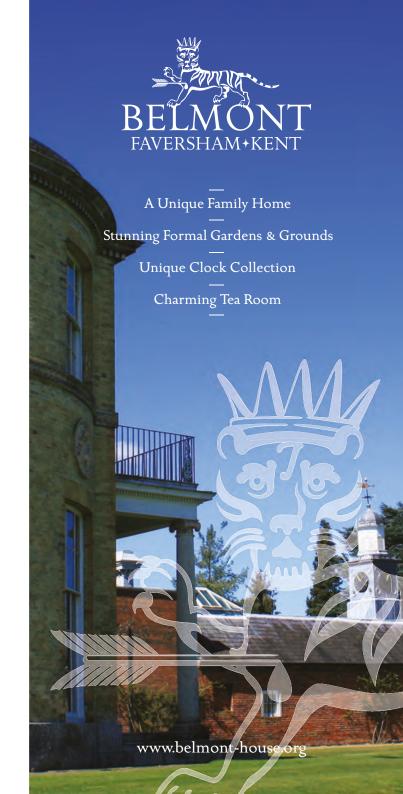
Belmont House & Gardens, Throwley, Faversham, Kent ME13 oHH Tel: 01795 890 228 or events@belmont-house.org www.belmont-house.org



#### SAFETY INFORMATION

Children should be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Please be aware that both the kitchen and walled garden contain an ornamental pond. The drive is in constant use by cars and agricultural vehicles. Please do not climb the trees and be aware of the Ha-Ha.













"One of many fine Indian silver table pieces; an Indian elephant wearing ceremonial decoration."



"Belmont houses one of the finest private collections of clocks and watches in Europe".

Pictured: Lyre Clock by Lepaute Paris c. 1820















## **BRIEF HISTORY**

General George Harris bought the House in 1801 using money from his successful military career in India. Later, in 1815, he was created Lord Harris in recognition of his participation in the campaign against Tipu Sultan at the Battle of Seringapatam. Successive Lords Harris played a prominent role in British expansion overseas throughout the 19th century.

## **TODAY**

The House and its surrounding estate are part of the Harris Belmont Charity; a private trust created by the 5th Lord Harris with the aim of preserving the Estate, the House, and its contents for future generations to learn about the Family's role in 200 years of British History.

In support of this aim, the Trustees are actively involved in a wide range of projects that include the restoration of the parkland, the re-establishment of chalk downland and traditional forms of woodland management.

# A HIDDEN GEM

Belmont contains fabulous mementos of the family's history and travels. There are some fine paintings, including a unique collection of watercolours of the West Indies by Trinidadian artist Michel Jean Cazabon (1813 - 1888), furniture, Indian silverware and one of the finest and most extensive range of clocks in private hands in the country - a collection assembled by the 5th Lord. The Gardens surrounding the House are a charming mix of formal and informal planting, herbaceous, woodland, fruit and vegetable that have evolved over the years since the gardens were first laid out in the late 18th century.