

Austro-British Society Tyrol

Summer weekend cultural excursion: ***With D.H. Lawrence on Lake Garda***

“The lake is dark blue, purple, and clear as a jewel, with swarms of fishes.” Join us in tracing the steps of Lawrence and his lover Frieda Weekly soon after their elopement. See the lake as Lawrence and Frieda saw it for the first time at Riva, then follow them along the west bank down to Limone, Gargnano and Salo. Hear extracts from his writing inspired by his travels.

The coach trip takes place on Saturday and Sunday, 2nd and 3rd July, leaving Innsbruck early on the Saturday morning and returning on the Sunday evening. Overnight accommodation will be in a three-star hotel in Salo on a bed and breakfast basis. Your guide for the trip will be Society President Andrew Milne-Skinner of Innsbruck University, who has had a life-long interest in the travel literature of Lawrence.

The cost will be €195.00 based on two sharing a twin or double room. There will be a €12 surcharge for single rooms.

A detailed programme for the weekend is attached. Places on this excursion are limited, so to secure your place please contact (Andrew.Milne-Skinner@uibk.ac.at) as soon as possible, and no later than June 4 2011. A non-returnable deposit of €40 will be required to confirm your booking.

Programme

Saturday 2nd July

- 07:45 Assemble and board coach
- 08:00 Coach departs
- 10:00 Stop at Trento to view statue of Dante (links with Lawrence). Coffee break.
- 10:45 Leave Trento
- 11.15 Arrive Riva del Garda – walk and lunch
- 13:00 Leave Riva for Gargnano
- 14:00 Arrive Gargnano and view (possibly visit) Villa Igea, Lawrence and Frieda’s base on Lake Garda
- 17:00 Leave Gargnano for Salo
- 17:30 Arrive Salo. Evening free, participants arrange their own evening meal.

Sunday 3rd

Sunday morning after breakfast: Free to explore Salo

10:45 Assemble at coach and board coach

11:00 Coach leaves for San Gaudenzio, Mulsone, above Gargnano

12:00 Arrive Trattoria Il Paradiso, San Gaudenzio, which Lawrence and Frieda visited on several occasions. Lunch

13:30 Depart San Gaudenzio

14:00 Participants have the option of taking a sail on Lake Garda or visiting Gabriele D'Annunzio's villa

16:45 Assemble at coach

17:00 Depart for Innsbruck (Arrangements can be made to pick up those who opt for the sail at Riva)

19:30 Optional supper stop at Sterzing, which Lawrence and Frieda reached after their walk from the Zillertal over the Pfitscher Joch.

21:30 Latest arrival time at Innsbruck.