

Appendix 1 Social Media Feedback

Facebook feedback and comments from December 2013

Currently 4401 likes.

Charly Bellis Saw a 400 yr old elf today. And Father Christmas and Mrs Claus. Was amazing. Highly recommended. My daughter has now been told she's on the good girls list so let's hope she stays there!! Thank u Staunton!

Sadie Marshall We truly love it here and go so often were pass holders and it's worth every penny :-)

Caz Harms Awesome place to go we went back in the summer great day out for all the family :)

Melanie Vanstone We visited We visited yesterday and my lb had the most fun jumping up and down in all the muddy puddles !

Jackie Martin-Corben We had a lovely day.

Michelle Light Brilliant Santa :)

Ria-Louise Bamborough We saw Santa this morning. He is brilliant and great with my daughter who was petrified of him

Jenny Jones Hamblin According to my girls he is DEFINITELY the real Santa!

Lea Wilkinson We had a fantastic day Sunday and our children loved Father Christmas. Thank you all for a great time. Xx

Samantha Young We also had a fantastic time last Saturday. The kids loved the making workshop with the elves and brilliant gifts from a very convincing Santa!:)

Jackie Martin-Corben The weather was like this when we came to visit Father Christmas on 23rd, but we had wellies and waterproofs, and we triumphantly handed in our very soggy trail questionnaires. Soggy sheep and goats need love too! Lol.

Lisa Coles Love your 4 pigs in Hammonds Land enclosure - so friendly !

Karen Robinson And A massive Thank You to all the staff for a wonderful year. Xxx

Trip Advisor Reviews

Ranked #16 of 44 attractions in Portsmouth

Chevvy E Winchester, United Kingdom Senior Reviewer
"Fab Fun @ Staunton"
Reviewed 22 November 2013

We have a Culture Pass and take 6 little ones and us two adults here for the day. Sometimes we splash out on lunch - other times we take our own picnic. There are plenty of places to enjoy your picnic - either tables provided or lay your rug on the grass some where nice :)

The animals are fabulous - food is sometimes available to be purchased (for a small fee) and given to some animals. Peacocks walk all about the Farm area and leap up to the top of high walls to watch visitors :) and pose for photos.

Feeding the Deer ; Baby Alpaca or Llama ; miniature or larger Goats is a great soft experience for little ones (and adults too) as their soft noses and lips nuzzle over a hand full of food, hoovering it all up :)

Seeing Piglets, quite often is lots of fun - we cannot feed them but just enjoy them pushing each other over to get to mums milk first - a few breeds here Kuni Kuni and Hampshire I think.

The Victorian Glass houses are also very interesting, one part is a "jungle" of triffid like flowers and greenery and in the circle area are Giant Lily Pads:). The Victorian walled Gardens are ablaze of colour in spring and summer and the trees stunning their green or autumn coats.

The Staff are FAB too - we have never experienced anyone other than happy smiling people working here, keen to help us all enjoy our day out :) THANK YOU TO YOU ALL :)

We visit every month and sometimes twice in a month when there are lots of little animals :)

Great Hand Washing facilities for Hygiene ; lots of loos and Bens Barn of indoor climbing and soft play for little ones - what ever the weather :)

the lake in the massive 1,000 acres has Dragonflys in summer :) Ducks and Geese all year and there is a "Victorian Shell house" to view and wonder at :)

Lots to photograph; sketch and even paint too :)

MilluniumBev Top Contributor

"Lovely place to visit" Reviewed 10 November 2013

Took a school trip here in August, I used to take my children here when they were small and it still has all the charm it had then. Plenty of animals to feed and see, the gardens are lovely and conservatory is wonderful but a bit hot in august. Make sure you take a visit across the road to Leigh park gardens one of my favourite places in this area, lovely walks, play area and lake. Walked my daughters dog here on a summer evening and it was so peaceful and magical. It is a really beautiful place and on the door step of leigh park which quite often gets such bad press.

HellsKitchen777 Surrey

"Great Day Out" Reviewed 10 October 2013

Went here off the cuff for something to do. Was actually a really nice day out, seeing all the various animals, the old library building and the walled gardens and the greenhouse.

Well worth a visit.

SouthseaMush Southsea Top Contributor

"A great place for a leisurely a sunny lunchtime" Reviewed 2 October 2013

The genteel Victorian conservatory restaurant is a great favorite with the 'Ladies Who Lunch', serving a nice selection of pretty, well-presented healthy salads, followed by superb high-calorie cakes with cream! Not so good for the men folk who might want something more substantial than a salad or quiche.

The conservatory can become unbearably hot in the summer, but there is plenty of outside seating in the beautiful gardens.