

Special Events and Bank Holiday opening times

Our programme varies from year to year - please see the website (www.littlehall.org.uk)

In the past we have welcomed craftspeople and artists for residencies, demonstrations and exhibitions. Little Hall also takes part in Lavenham Open Gardens, Christmas events and many other village celebrations.

Groups

We are delighted to welcome groups of 10 or more to Little Hall and its gardens at any time of the year at a concessionary rate (£4.50 and £1 per child for school groups). We can offer you a guided tour or you may wander freely through the house.

We are happy to offer illustrated talks about the house and its history at meetings of your group.

For more information and to book your tour, email bookings@littlehall.org.uk

And Not to be Missed ...

Walk round the beautiful grounds combining a knot garden planned along Tudor lines with a traditional English walled garden.



LITTLE HALL LAVENHAM



Open April to October

Please check our website for current opening times

Gift Aid Price: £5.50

Accompanied children free. Concessions for CPRE, SPS and Lavenham residents. Your donation through the Gift Aided entrance scheme makes a big difference - the money we reclaim from the tax man pays for our heating and lighting each year. But if you prefer not to make this contribution standard entry is £5.00 for adults.

Groups: Adults £4.50, Schools £1.00

Access: Wheelchair access is difficult but limited access for users with small or folding chairs is possible.

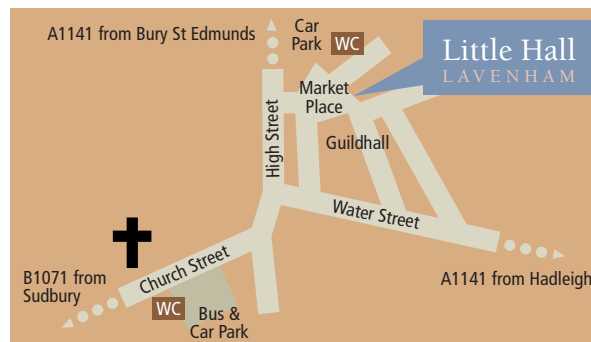
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THE HALL

Step inside Little Hall, one of the oldest timber-framed buildings in the best preserved of the Suffolk cloth towns. Its history mirrors the changing fortunes of Lavenham.



Built in the 14th century for a family of clothiers, enlarged and improved in the 15th century, it was then 'modernised' in Tudor times with fireplace, upper floor over the central hall and glazed windows

Picture the austerity of the house six hundred years ago and contrast the starkness of the Middle Ages with the beautiful furnishings and artefacts in the house today.



Wander through the seven rooms and discover the treasures of Little Hall including the study with exotic Persian panels and the spectacular upper chamber with its striking crown-post.

THE GAYER-ANDERSONS

The Gayer-Anderson twin brothers, soldiers with a shared interest in art and collecting, and themselves talented artists in drawing, painting and sculpture, rescued Little Hall in the 1920-30s.

They restored the house and made it their home, filling it with an eclectic mix of antiques, pictures, books, china and art.



The house retains the feel of a family home from the middle of the last century with many of their personal possessions remaining in Little Hall while their

antiquities were donated to museums worldwide.

Robert Gayer-Anderson became an Egyptologist of distinction and was given the honorary title of 'Pasha' by King Farouk for his service to Egypt. View his brother's bronze replica of the British Museum's famous Gayer-Anderson cat representing the goddess Bastet.



Hear from our friendly, informative guides how the brothers bought the house, what they found, what they resolved to do and how they did it.

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Little Hall is an independent, accredited museum, owned by the Suffolk Building Preservation Trust (Charity 265212). It has been open to the public for forty years and throughout that time it has been run, as it still is, entirely by volunteers. Offers to help, by donating time or money are much appreciated.

**VISIT our sister sites
also owned by the SBPT:**



Mill Road, Thelnetham, Suffolk, IP22 1JS
www.thelnethamwindmill.org.uk



Mill Road, Pakenham, Bury St Edmunds, IP31 2NB
www.pakenhamwatermill.org.uk