

# CHRISTMAS 2015 AT WADDES DON

**11 November – until 3 January 2016**

**A theme of ‘Lights and Legends’ in the house. New pieces of light art in the gardens by Bruce Munro, a beautiful son et lumière and a Christmas Fair await you at Waddesdon this Christmas!**

In the house, the theme is **Lights and Legends**, an evocation of stories, myths and rituals from around the world, some traditional, some exotic and some contemporary, which celebrate light at this festive time of year. Twenty rooms and interiors will be imaginatively decorated and for the first time the wine cellars will be decorated throughout the Christmas season.

For 2015 Waddesdon is continuing its magical **Winter Light at Waddesdon: Bruce Munro** theme that has been so popular with visitors over the last few years. Artist Munro will create new pieces of light art which will take you on a sensory journey through one of the most beautiful parts of the garden, beyond the Aviary. This is the final year of his residency at Waddesdon.

We are delighted to announce that there will be a light show, a dramatic **son et lumière**, bathing the façade of the house in rainbow colours from dusk and will run every thirty minutes (from 18 November). This has been created for Waddesdon by the renowned duo Woodroffe Bassett design.

Also new for this year two installations in front of the house entitled *Lafite* by Joanna Vasconcelos, the 10 metre high candlesticks are made of 574 wine bottles they will be illuminated from dusk.

There are a number of activities at the Stables for families including letter writing to Father Christmas, the Christmas Shop will be open on 11 November and from 21 November a chance to attend a personalising bauble making event!

## **Christmas Fair**

**Wednesday 18 November to Sunday 6 December 2015**

**10am to 5pm (7pm on Friday, Saturday and Sunday). Closed Monday and Tuesday**

In its second year the spectacular Christmas Fair will run across 15 days this year and will be offering gifts, decorations and festive foods. Held on the magnificent South Front of the Manor, overlooking the Parterre and Vale of Aylesbury. Our fifty five hand selected stall holders will be housed in charming wooden chalets and guarantee to bring you the best of local artisan producers as well as some of the nation's best loved independent traders from across the country. Normal admission charges apply.

Waddesdon Christmas season runs from Wednesday 11 November to Sunday 3 January (closed 24- 26 December) Please see [www.waddesdon.org.uk](http://www.waddesdon.org.uk) for more information.

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