

# 2016 with The Fareham Gallery

France and Italy

Elaine Reed Shelagh Ashley Beverley Daniels



Le Pradet  
June 4th to 11th  
With  
Elaine Reed



Lake Como  
July 20th to 27th  
with  
Shelagh Ashley



Le Puits  
Sept 4th to 13th  
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Shelagh Ashley &  
Beverley Daniels

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Dear All

I have some good news and some Bad! Firstly the bad news....after 17 years of working together with Phil and Sue they have decided to retire, how dare they!! But myself and Ian are still very keen to carry on so I have found a new venue in Le Pradet and we are re-visiting Lake Como along with our favourite fabulous house in Le Puits all for 2016.

We have 3 venues and 3 tutors to keep you busy every day either in the grounds of the house or on the days out on location.

The format remains the same.....all inclusive holidays.....so you know exactly what you are paying for. The only extras you will be expected to pay for is the transport to the UK airport and your drinks on location which means all the arrangements and planning have been taken care off by myself leaving you to make sure you have a current passport, travel and medical insurance and arrive at the departure airport in plenty of time to catch your flight.!

This year 2016 will be our 18th year planning and creating the painting holidays for you to enjoy. We work with qualified helpful and friendly tutors who are always on hand for that extra tip! The group consists of a maximum of 12 painters but of course non-painting partners are just as welcome.

The accommodation we choose is of a very high standard and we personally inspect it to make sure you our guests will be very pleased when you book your holiday with us. The food is freshly prepared by myself using very fresh daily ingredients and if you have a special dietary need then just let us know on the booking form it will not be a problem.

So take a look through the brochure and if you have any questions please give me a call.

Looking forward to meeting you in either France or Italy.

Regards

Kathy and Ian



## What Is Included

- \* Meet and greet at your arrival airport
- \* A welcome meal on the day of your arrival
- \* Tuition in English by professional artists
- \* Maximum of 12 students
- \* Painting in the grounds and on location on day trips
- \* Transportation on arranged field trips to local venues
- \* Breakfast lunch and dinner everyday
- \* Tea, coffee, snacks and non-alcoholic beverages available all day
- \* Wine with meals
- \* Internet and email access point for laptops, tablets etc
- \* Transport to and from the overseas airport

## Why people return to us

- \* A good selection of expert tutors
- \* Small and friendly groups of up to 12 painting guests
- \* No single supplements
- \* Beginners welcome
- \* Non painters welcome
- \* Beautiful unspoilt Villas all with en-suite bathrooms
- \* Delicious food and wine served with local ingredients
- \* Almost two thirds of our guests return every year
- \* Monthly payment plan interest free available for 6 months

## What Is Not Included

- \* Your travel arrangements to your departure airport in UK
- \* Personal and medical travel Insurance.
- \* Insurance is a compulsory condition on booking any of the holidays in this brochure.  
You will be required to enter your insurance details on the booking form. If the details have not been provided before departure then you will not be allowed to travel with the group and may forfeit your holiday.
- \* Your own personal spending money

## The Tutors

ELAINE REED specialises in watercolours, both painting them and teaching others how to. She loves other media too especially chalk pastels, pen and wash. Her formal training was a Foundation year leading to a diploma in Graphic Design and Illustration at Southampton Faculty of Art and Design and then a year studying fine art at L'Ecole des Beaux Arts, Le Havre, France. Elaine naturally leans towards representational and illustrative work but her favourite subject is the sea, perhaps not surprising as Elaine lives on the South Coast.



SHELAGH ASHLEY is a largely self-taught artist who began teaching Local Authority Adult Education classes in watercolours and portraiture in 1990. In 2010 she branched out and set up her own painting school in the village where she lives; this has gone from strength to strength and she currently has seven full classes each week. Shelagh began tutoring for the Fareham Gallery in 2001.



BEVERLEY DANIELS is a professional fine artist, a 1995 graduate of Winchester School of Art. Working from her Fareham studio she has exhibited widely in the UK and sold paintings around the world. She began teaching art to adults in 2008 and currently runs four weekly classes as well as offering individual tutoring, painting days and art holidays. The classes cover all subjects and are carefully structured to lead you through the core skills of: drawing and observation, colour mixing, composition and perspective. She also runs our in store Acrylic class on Friday mornings which again is a great success everyone having fun.



## La Pradet with Elaine Reed June 4th ~ 11th 2016

This is a one week holiday flying from Bournemouth to Toulon or Stansted to Marseille. It is a new venue for us but a great one as it is on the coast and a short distance from Toulon airport, Marseille is around 35 miles so a bit further.

Le Pradet is a commune in the Var department in the Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur region in southeastern France. Olive oil, vegetables and wine grapes are produced in the local farms.



All the bedrooms are en-suite with either single or double beds, towels will be provided but please bring your own hairdryers. There is ample kitchens for you to make your own tea and coffee throughout the day and night!

La Pradet is set in its own grounds and has recently been completely renovated to a very high standard with wifi and Television available for you. Outside there is a terrace, swimming pool and sun roof with fantastic views across towards the Islands of Hyeres. There is plenty to do for non-painters here as everything is with-in walking distance and for the painters the grounds offer some good views for painting, enough to keep you busy.

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## Itinerary for La Pradet

**Saturday June 4th** when you arrive at the airport of Toulon or Marseille we will be there to greet you and transfer you in our waiting vehicles to La Pradet. Once there you will be allocated your room where you can unpack and relax until the evening meal at 7.00 We will meet on the terrace for drinks and nibbles at 6.30.

**Sunday 5th June** will be a day at home. We will serve a buffet style continental breakfast from 8.30. Daily instruction will commence from 10.00 with a break for coffee then a light lunch from 12.30 ready to resume at 2.00 for afternoon instruction. The evening meal will be as above.

**Monday 6th June** Sanary-sur-Mer which will take 20 minutes to reach. We will leave after breakfast with a packed lunch at 9.45 and return at 3.30. The evening meal will be as usual from 6.30. Please bring a pen to dinner tonight for a quiz! The port has a large collection of traditional wooden fishing boats (known as "pointus") and the local fishermen sell their catch at the harbour side every morning.



Sanary is considered the birthplace of modern scuba diving and several underwater movie sequences have been filmed in the bay and beyond. A visit to the town will start in the pretty harbour, lined with palm trees and pastel coloured houses, and a stroll along the sea front. In the centre of the houses that line the port you can see the square 13th century tower that was once part of an important defensive system for the town - it was around this tower that the village originally developed in the middle ages. The tower now contains a Diving Museum, and you can climb to the top of the tower for lovely views. Jacques Cousteau developed the diving equipment that is still crucial to deep-sea diving (hence the Diving Museum in the 'roman tower').

**Tuesday 7th June** will be a day at home and will follow the timetable of Sunday.

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**Wednesday 8th June** is a day trip to Bormes-Les-Mimosas we will leave with a packed lunch at 9.45 and return at 3.30. All meals will be as above. The journey will take approximately 40 minutes.

The romantic sounding 'les Mimosas' part of the name was added in 1968, to celebrate the fact that there are so many flowers, trees and bushes in the town - in particular mimosas of course! The historic village is on a hill, with a castle at the top and a myriad of narrow streets winding down the hill below and occasionally opening into small open squares, lined with pretty houses, lots of flowers, and boutiques and posh shops. There are two noteworthy religious monuments in



Bormes-les-Mimosas: the Church of Saint-Trophyme (18th century, but gives a good impression of a much older church) and the Chapel of Saint-Francois-de-Paule (built in the 16th century in tribute to Saint Francois-de-Paule, who a century earlier had saved the village from the 'black death').

The flowers, gardens and fountains - there are at least 12 fountains in the village - see how many you can find are all worth a look.

**Thursday 9th June** will be a day at home and will follow the timetable of Sunday.

**Friday 10th June** is a day trip to our home town of La Pradet, where there will be a morning market. We will leave at 9.45 with a packed lunch and return at 3.30. Tonight we will have our exhibition so bring your work to the lounge at 6.00 where we will display it for you. Dinner will be as usual 6.30 for 7.



**Saturday 11th June** is the day we have to go home! All departure times will be confirmed during your stay. We will have breakfast and leave shortly afterwards for coffee along the coast then make our way to the airport..

## **Lake Como with Shelagh Ashley July 20th ~ 27th 2016**

This is a one week holiday from Wednesday to Wednesday with Shelagh, flying from Gatwick or Luton to Milan Malpensa airport.

The Britannia Excelsior sits opposite Lake Como in the resort of Cadenabbia, a prestigious and romantic lake, ideal for relaxation and indulgence with its attractive lakeside villages and beautiful waters surrounded by traditional Venetian villas. Like its name, the Britannia Excelsior has always been popular with British customers and it can get busy, with lots of fellow travellers and some coach groups, but it's more than large enough, with over 280 rooms, varying in size and style, and restaurants in the main building and out on the lakefront. The lido pool is just a few metres from the hotel, on the lakeside itself, and directly in front of the hotel is the stunning floating pool, where you can take in the sunshine while enjoying your wonderful views.



The rooms are all en-suite. Pool towels are not provided. Most rooms are with a balcony and lake view, some are internal and look over the hotel's atrium. All rooms have hairdryer, safe, flat screen satellite TV, ceiling fans and air conditioning. We are on a Platinum all inclusive package which entitles us to eat in any of the hotel's restaurants, it also includes all Italian drinks, soft and otherwise.

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## Itinerary For Lake Como

**Wednesday 20th July** today is your travelling day so you will be met at Malpensa airport and transferred to the hotel which will take 1 hour. Once there you will be shown to your room where you can settle in. Tea and coffee is available in the downstairs bar at all times. We will have dinner in the Lido which is across the road at 7pm. The meal here is a la carte but if you would prefer the buffet then you can eat in the hotel's dining room.

**Thursday 21st July** will be a day in and around the hotel. A buffet breakfast is from 8am ~ 9.30am in the main restaurant in the hotel. Lessons will begin at 10am and we will meet in the lobby at the far end of reception. The restaurant is open for lunch again a buffet from 12 to 2 and we will go in at 12.30 ready to begin again at 2. Our evening meal will be in the lido from 7 unless anyone would prefer to eat in the main hotel.

**Friday 22nd July** will be a day trip to Bellagio. We will leave at 10 with a packed lunch and return at 3.30. The evening will be as above. Bellagio is a small village at the tip of a long hilly promontory between the two southern branches of Lake Como. It is an elegant and long-established resort, which still retains considerable charm. The tiny town is an excellent place to while away an afternoon, with lovely views, two gardens to visit and picturesque lanes. From the central waterfront, stepped and cobbled lanes rise up the hill in a tight little network separating the lakeshore from the town's main street. This is a pretty lane where you'll find Bellagio's main town square, Piazza San Giacomo, or Piazza della Chiesa. The square is dominated by the town church, the Romanesque Basilica di San Giacomo, which is worth a visit for its frescoes and statues. Externally you can admire the attractive bell-tower and elegant apse. On the opposite side of the square is a medieval tower, once part of Bellagio's now-disappeared defences.

**Saturday 23rd July** will be a day at the hotel, the program will be as on Thursday.



**Sunday 24th July** will be a day trip to Menaggio so we will leave at 9.45 and return at 3.30 with a packed lunch. The town offers a pretty lakeshore lined with trees and flowers, some attractive old buildings and dramatic mountain views. The town itself has a pretty harbour to sit around, and a town square with some cafes. The historic town, sloping up the lakeshore, is appealing if not extraordinarily interesting, but its very attractive setting and status as a communications centre make it an excellent place to visit.



**Monday 25th July** is a day at the hotel and will be the same as Thursday.

**Tuesday 26th July** is a day trip to Villa Carlotta. We will leave at 9.45 with a packed lunch and return at 3.30. The beautiful villa was built at the end of XVII century by the Milanese marquis Giorgio Clerici. The architect created for the Clericis an important but sober building, with an Italian garden decorated with sculptures, stairs and Fountains. Villa Carlotta welcomes you with its magnificent botanic garden and art masterpieces in over 70.000 square metres of gardens and museum. The garden-park of Villa Carlotta is a very fascinating place, its favourable position and the variety of plant species, make it worthy a visit, the Italian garden that dates back to the XVII Century with its stair and terraces, statues and fountains and views of great charm the monumental azaleas and rhododendrons and the unending richness of rare plants.



Tonight will be the exhibition of your work which we will display in the atrium, where previous guests have sold many of their masterpieces! Dinner will be at 7 in the Lido.

**Wednesday 27th July** is the end of your holiday. Departure times will be confirmed at a later date.



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## **Le Puits with Shelagh Ashley & Beverley Daniels Sept 4th ~ 13th 2016**

Le Puits de l'Eouvé is a fantastic villa of exceptional quality and beauty. The villa can accommodate up to 20 persons. It is a spacious and comfortable holiday home and offers a habitable space of 730m<sup>2</sup>. There are two kitchens on the property. The first kitchen (25m<sup>2</sup>) is on the first floor next to the living room and the other kitchen (65m<sup>2</sup>) is on the ground floor with French doors leading onto the terrace. The dining room has plenty of space for 20 persons and is situated next to the kitchen. This room can also be used for seminars. The living room has a fire place and a cosy sitting area and is situated on the first floor.



There are 10 very spacious bedrooms, each with their own private bathroom. Every room provides single beds that can be combined to double beds if you wish. Seven of the bathrooms have an Italian shower and 3 of them are fitted with a bathtub. One room on the ground floor is suitable for handicapped people. This room offers a private entrance, reachable from the garden. There are 12 toilets in the villa. Le Puits de l'Eouvé is a magnificently renovated bastide dating from 1800s set in 170.000m<sup>2</sup> grounds with almond- and olive trees surrounding the house. The beautifully designed garden is ideal for nice walks. The pool is 16x7m and has solar panels, so the temperature of the water is always pleasant. There are sufficient sun loungers and parasols at the poolside.

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## Itinerary for Le Puits d`L`Eouve

**Sunday Sept. 4th** is the day of your arrival where you will be greeted at the airport, then transferred to Le Puits in our air conditioned vehicles. Once we arrive you will be allocated your room where you can settle in. The kitchen upstairs is for your use only and there will be tea and coffee cake and biscuits for you. The evening meal will be from 6.30. We will take drinks and nibbles on the terrace from 6.30 to sit down at 7 for our 3 course meal. Shelagh will be your tutor for the first half, 4th to the morning of the 8th when Beverley will take over.

**Monday Sept 5th** will be a day at home with a buffet breakfast from 8am. Lunch will be at 12.30 and the evening meal will be as on Sunday. Lessons will be from 10am until lunch then resume again at 1.45pm.

**Tuesday Sept 6th** is a day trip to Lorgues taking the market in. This market is one of the best in France so



really worth a visit, but when the stalls are all packed away you will see the beautiful town of Lorgues. Lorgues is a small fortified provencal town, and much of the ancient wall, defensive "portes" and other old buildings remain beautifully intact. The old narrow streets have vaulted passages, ancient

stairs, and many buildings and doorways contain lovely stone carvings. Many of the old "portes" allowing entrance into the walled central village, such as the 11th-century Porte

Sarrasin and the 12th-century Porte Trébarry, still have the look of antiquity with their weathered grey stones. Breakfast will be from 8am, we will leave with a packed lunch at 9.30, returning at 3.30. The evening meal will be as above.

**Wednesday Sept 7th** will be a day at home with all times as on Monday.

**Thursday Sept 8th** is a day trip to Flayosc, we will leave after breakfast at 9.30, with a packed lunch. Returning at 3.30. Breakfast will be from 8am. The evening meal will be as above. Shelagh will tutor until lunch time then Beverley will take over!



Flayosc is a medieval village perched on a low, conical hill a few km west of Draguignan. The village was defended by its circular wall of houses, much still visible today. A lovely old fountain at the centre squares has water going out over a mossy stone. There's another old fountain at the Place Cresson at the northern part of the old village, and one at the Place Reinesse, a quiet old square with two giant plane trees at the east end of the village. There's a very pretty old "lavoir" on the Bvd Jean Moulin, past the wine co-op. The stream is channeled around a central area, covered by wooden-beamed roof with symmetrical steel-rod supports.



**Friday Sept 9th** is a day at home. All times will be as above.

**Saturday Sept 10th** will be a day trip to Seillans, we will leave after breakfast with a packed lunch and return at 3.30. Dinner will be as above. Seillans is labeled One of the most beautiful villages in France by the "Reader's Digest" and "the Association of the Most Beautiful Villages of France". Old houses are grouped around the castle and the Romanesque church of the eleventh century. Turn into the lanes you will discover archways, green houses, numerous fountains and inviting squares.



**Sunday Sept 11th** is a day at home all times as above.

**Monday Sept 12th** will be a day trip to Port Grimaud, so we will leave at 9.30 with a packed lunch, returning at 3.30. Meals will be as above. Port Grimaud is the sea-facing part of Grimaud, in a natural bay to the west of Saint-Tropez on the French riviera. It is a water based village designed by the famous 20th century architect Francois Spoerry in 1966 in which the streets almost seem to emerge from the water. The houses in Port Grimaud are built in a very simple style, with the height and colour of the buildings being the main difference between them. The colours used are all terracottas, creams and dusky pinks. Lots of Venetian-style bridges cross the waterways, linking the different 'streets'. The overall effect is very simple but quite beautiful and after the bustle of the rest of the Cote d'Azur it is extraordinarily quiet and peaceful here.



**Tuesday Sept 13th** is time to fly home! All times will be confirmed at a later date. confirmed.

## **Terms & conditions**

You must book in accordance with our booking form.

The information contained in our brochure forms part of the contract. You must have travel insurance.

## **Travel insurance & Events Beyond Our Control**

**It is a condition of your booking with us that you are adequately insured on holiday.**

Events beyond our control include: war, threat of war, riots, civil disturbances, terrorist activity and its consequences, industrial disputes, natural and nuclear disasters, fire, epidemics, health risks and pandemics, unavoidable and unforeseeable technical problems with transport for reasons beyond our control or that of our suppliers; closed or congested airports or ports, hurricanes and other actual or potential severe weather conditions, and any other similar events. In February 2005 a new Europe-wide law relating to denied boarding, delays and cancellation of flights came into force. This law granted rights to passengers including in certain circumstances the right to cancel their flight and receive reimbursement of the cost of the flight from their airline. Full details of these rights is publicised at EU airports and is also available from affected airlines. However, you should note that reimbursement of the cost of a flight that forms part of your holiday is the responsibility of your holiday airline and will not automatically entitle you to reimbursement of the cost of your holiday from us.

It is also a good idea to have the EHIC card from the post office.

### **If you cancel your holiday**

Should you be forced to cancel your holiday, then cancellation charges will come into effect. The cancellation can only be accepted in writing and sent by recorded delivery to ourselves. The charge is calculated from the date we receive notification. The charges are as follows;

Cancellation charges as % of total costs

20%	more than 90 days
50%	90-57 days
100%	56 days or less

### **If we cancel your holiday**

If we need to cancel your holiday, we will refund the amount you have paid.

### **Travel documents**

You are responsible for checking your passport is valid. Anyone who is not a British citizen holding a British passport may require a visa. For British citizens, a full ten-year passport is required. The name on your passport must match your booking form and air ticket.

### **Payment plan**

If you choose this option then payment must be completed before travel begins

### **Flights**

Sometimes it may be necessary to substitute one flight for another due to unforeseen circumstances.

### **The Itinerary**

The daily itinerary is for guidance only and maybe subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.

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