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Coach trip to St.Fagans Museum, Cardiff. 27th May 2010. Cost to be advised

A walk around Wales – from Celtic times to the present day. St Fagans is one of Europe's leading open–air museums and Wales's most popular heritage attraction.

Open to the public since 1 November 1948, the museum stands in the 100 acre grounds of the magnificent <u>St Fagans Castle and gardens</u>, a late 16th-century manor house donated to the people of Wales by the Earl of Plymouth.

During the last fifty years over forty <u>original buildings</u> from different historical periods have been re-erected in the 100-acre parkland, among them houses, a farm, a school, a chapel and a splendid Workmen's Institute.

<u>Traditional crafts and activities</u> bring St Fagans alive, in workshops where craftsmen still demonstrate their traditional skills. Their produce is usually on sale.

Native breeds of livestock can be seen in the fields and farmyards, and demonstrations of farming tasks take place daily. Visitors gain an insight into the rich heritage and culture of Wales and the Welsh language can be heard in daily use amongst craftsmen and interpreters.

There are also galleries with exhibitions of costume, daily life and farming implements. Special exhibitions are also held regularly. The galleries now include the exciting and innovative <u>Oriel 1</u> space, with changing exhibitions exploring life and identity in today's Wales.

St Fagans explores all aspects of how people in Wales have lived, worked and spent their leisure time. Like generations of visitors, you will be inspired by its celebration of Welsh traditions and lifestyles.

A land train service is available, Easter to October. The vehicle has a ramp with space for one wheelchair. The train runs between Llwyn yr eos farm and the Castle Gardens with various stops en-route.