

Blacksmithing Experience



Looking for an experience with a difference? Need an unusual gift? Why not try your hand at being a blacksmith?

A Blacksmithing Experience voucher entitles the holder to a half-day at Combe Mill with one of our blacksmiths. The recipient will get a personally guided tour of the Mill and will have time under instruction to make a poker and perhaps a toasting fork.

A warm welcome awaits and refreshments will be provided.

The booking must be arranged in advance to suit the availability of a blacksmith but can usually be fixed for any half-day.

The cost is an affordable £50 and vouchers can be purchased from the treasurer of the Combe Mill Society. An order form can be downloaded from our website page www.combemill.org

What's included in your 3-hour experience

- Free car parking and light refreshments
- Guided tour of Combe Mill – 45 min
- Safety briefing – 10 min
- Instruction in Forge by Blacksmith – 2.5 hr
- Certificate and photograph
- Take-away poker and/or toasting fork

What happens on the day

On arrival at Combe Mill you will be shown around the Mill by a volunteer before joining your blacksmith for a safety briefing and a two and a half hour session making an iron poker and/or a toasting fork. You will be provided with personal protective gear – eye protection, leather apron and gloves but should wear sturdy shoes and clothes. Once finished and refreshed, you will be presented with a certificate of completion and may have your photograph taken at the Forge.

Points to Note

- You must be strong enough to wield a large hammer and therefore probably more than 10 years old
- If you are under 15 you must be accompanied by an adult who is responsible for you
- Payment must be made in advance by cash, cheque or electronic means (we cannot take credit or debit cards)
- The experience is available on selected days between February and November
- Your voucher is valid for 12 months from the date of issue
- A cancellation fee of £20 is payable if less than 48hr notice of cancellation is received
- We can arrange to post the voucher to the recipient directly if instructed.

Order form

I wish to purchase the Blacksmithing Experience for myself* or as a gift for someone else*. (* Strike out as applicable)

I enclose payment of £50 made payable to *Combe Mill Society*.

Name to appear on certificate: _____

Please send the voucher to:

Name _____

Address Line 1 _____

Address Line 2 _____

Town _____

County _____

Post code _____

Send form to events@combemill.org or post to Combe Mill, Blenheim Palace Sawmills, Long Hanborough, Oxfordshire, OX29 8ET