



## Pre-Opening Brochure

Ellenborough Park is currently in pre-opening operation, with discounted introductory rates.  
Full opening - 20th May 2011



## Introduction to Ellenborough Park

Located just ten minutes drive from Cheltenham and set in ninety acres of parkland adjacent to the world famous Cheltenham racecourse, the hotel has a rich history which dates back to the 15th century.

After extensive restoration Ellenborough Park is currently in pre-opening operation while the staff are in final training and the few remaining snagging issues are being completed with the contractors.

The hotel will be fully opened in mid-May but meanwhile room rates are being discounted by 50% for this introductory period, during which time I should be very grateful for any comments on the rooms, staff, facilities and services provided by the hotel, including its conference, wedding, exhibition, treatment and spa facilities.

With many hotels of this calibre the staff are presented before the guests only when they have trained for a year behind the scenes. Having only just opened the hotel following the refurbishment it is not possible to adopt this policy, but I am confident that everything will be fully and satisfactorily operational by mid-May.

Graham Vass - General Manager



Reception



The Atrium



## A Brief History

The original Southam House was built in the early 1500s by Thomas Goodman and completed around 1520 by Sir John Huddleston. In 1554 Sir John's granddaughter married Kinnard de la Bere, whose coat of arms can be seen above the fireplace in what was The Parlour. The house descended to their son Richard in 1609, who made major changes including the magnificent staircase, the oak panelling and the addition of the De la Bere coat of arms above the fireplace in the library.

The house was sold in 1833 to Edward Law, who became 1st Earl of Ellenborough and was Governor General of India. The estate was broken up in 1927 and in 1947 The Oriel Private School for Girls was opened. The house was sold 25 years later and became the Hotel De la Bere until this closed in 2008 - the next chapter in the life of this stunning historic building is now unfolding...



The Gazebo



### Quintessentially English

Ellenborough Park offers 62 beautifully designed bedrooms, including four magnificent suites of up to 700 square feet. Guest rooms can be found in the main house, including two in the tower which are complemented by Ellenborough Gate, The Mews and the pool-side Woodland Court, offering a superb mix of original and new. There is one master suite which also offers an elegant private dining room for 12, where our Head Chef David Kelman will be pleased to develop speciality menus to meet individual requirements.

All interiors are designed in a traditional country house style by internationally acclaimed interior designer Nina Campbell to create a luxurious and welcoming environment.





The Tudor Club Bar

### Fine Dining at its Best

The oak panelled Beaufort Dining Room provides the highest quality cuisine in truly beautiful surroundings, complemented by The Tudor Club's relaxed and informal atmosphere. Head Chef David Kelman has developed a number of signature dishes based around the best local ingredients from the Cotswolds, together with traditional country house English cooking.

The hotel sommelier has a comprehensive wine list of many well-known wines, together with vintages created by unique family and boutique wineries from all over the world.





### Exceptional Events

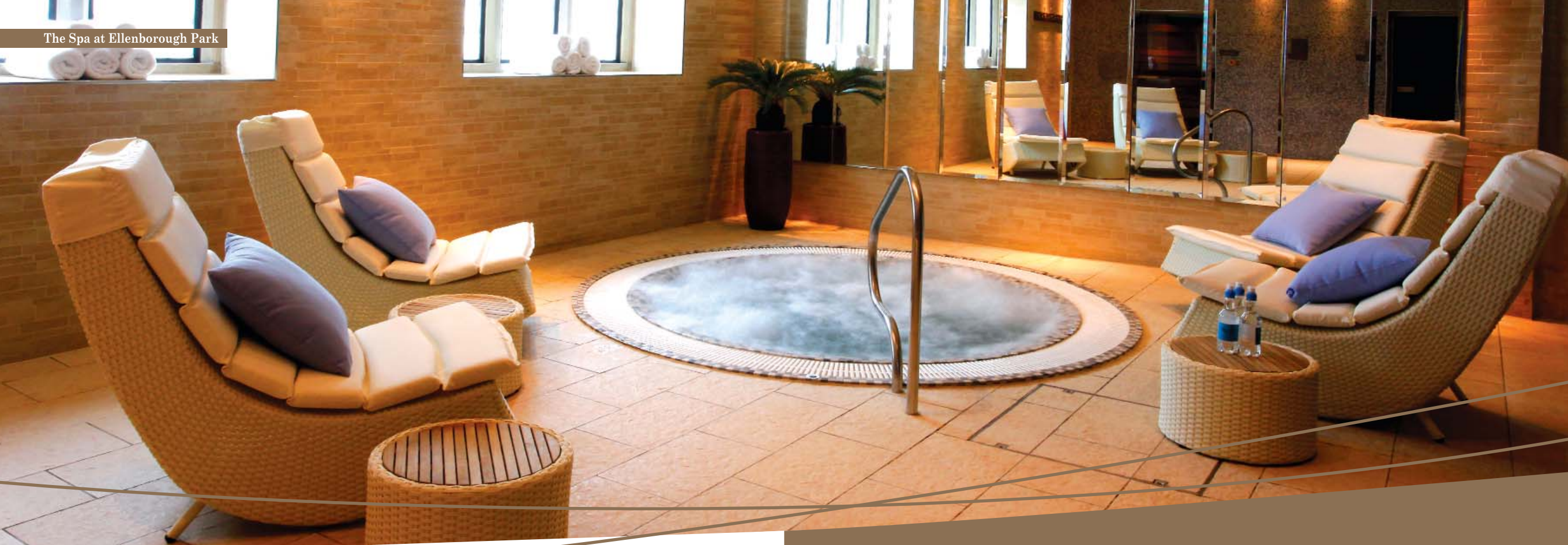
The Gallery at Ellenborough Park provides a spectacular venue for hosting a wide range of events including weddings, christenings, book signings, chamber music, presentations, lectures, cocktail parties, art exhibitions and even small theatrical productions.

### Around the Hotel

Ellenborough Park is perfectly positioned within close proximity to a wide range of activities, from leading golf courses and top quality restaurants to numerous theatres, museums and stately homes. Even closer is the world famous Cheltenham racecourse, which was at one time part of the estate. In addition to the racing, there is the 2,500 capacity Centaur Conference Centre, which is perfect for larger corporate events.

There are numerous other activities available in the area around the hotel, including archery, cycling, fishing, hiking, helicopter tours, riding and even hot air ballooning. There is also a wide range of facilities for shooting parties, both private and corporate, in association with a number of local landowners and shooting experts.





### Indulgent Journeys

The Spa at Ellenborough Park provides a tranquil and welcoming space in which to relax and unwind in the fully staffed treatment rooms, plus the spa pool, sauna, steam room and tropical mood experience showers. There is also an outdoor heated swimming pool.



The Spa has an extensive range of luxury treatments in the seven beautifully spacious treatment rooms, including a couples' treatment suite.

The special range of BABOR products provide the best treatments available anywhere, including the Four Hands Massage, a unique treatment that gives a most indulgent deep relaxation massage which has been designed especially for The Spa. Likewise, the Journey Rituals from Africa, India and Asia offer the ultimate in relaxation.

## The Great Hall



**ELLENBOROUGH PARK**  
Cheltenham Spa

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### Reservations

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