



Suzuki Recorder

Kent Summer Camp 2025

Friday 25th July - Monday 28th July 2025

MALTMANS HILL FARMHOUSE • SMARDEN • KENT • ENGLAND



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We are delighted to invite teachers, children and parents to attend the 2025 Suzuki Recorder Summer Camp, being held at Maltman's Hill Farmhouse, Smarden, in Kent, UK.

Maltman's Hill Farmhouse is a delightful and characterful 15th century building set in the Kent countryside, long famous as 'the garden of England'. It will be home to our Suzuki Recorder Summer Camp, where teachers and students can meet to broaden their experience of the Suzuki repertoire and share opportunities for great music-making.

THE STUDENT COURSE

Suzuki Students are invited to join us for three fun-filled days of masterclasses, group lessons, repertoire classes, consort/ensemble playing and daily concerts. The course begins on Friday 25th July with a play-together at 5pm, and finishes with an evening barbecue on Monday 28th July.

For this year's Summer Camp we are delighted to be welcoming Piers Adams and Lindy Mayle, who perform as Baroque Alchemy. Piers is one of the most acclaimed recorder players of our time. He will be leading workshops with the students on the Saturday afternoon, followed by an evening concert of baroque music 'as never heard before' (piersadams.com/baroque-alchemy).



ACCOMMODATION

A **camping facility** is available at Summer Camp, with two options:

- Bring your own tent - cost £15 per tent per night
- Site tent for up to 4 people - cost £25 per tent per night

Camping facilities include showers and toilets. Site tents and beds are available, but check availability as it is limited.

If you are camping then you can arrange to stay some extra days if you wish. A limited number of campers can opt for self-catering.

Arrival and departure. Participants may arrive from 2pm on Friday 25th July and must leave by midday on Tuesday 29th July.

Other accommodation is available, but you will need to book this yourself. Apart from local B&Bs, there is a hotel a 10 minute drive away from the event (early booking advised):

Holiday Inn, Ashford TN26 1AR

Email: reception.ashford@hiashford.com

Booking: 00800 8080 0800

MEALS

Special diets - we will make every effort to accommodate dietary needs, but please be sure to speak to us well in advance if you do have any.

Three meals will be available to book – whatever accommodation you choose – on the Saturday, Sunday and Monday of the camp. In addition there will be a supper available

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on the Friday you arrive. You will be sent a link to a booking form for the meals in due course, once you have registered.

Meal costs (including tea, coffee etc) will be:

- Breakfast - cost £6 per person per day
- Lunch - cost £13 per person per day
- Supper - cost £19 per person per day

NB: These prices are based on last year's costs, but we do hope to be able to offer you a reduction this year.

RECREATION

Maltmans Hill Farmhouse has many enclosed lawns and fields for children to play in. There is a woodland activity area, a trampoline and outdoor games.

ADVANCE INFORMATION

The Course Timetable will be available at the beginning of the course and will list the events that are arranged for each day.

Piers Adams and Lindy Mayle, Baroque Alchemy, will be giving an afternoon workshop followed by an evening concert on Saturday 26th July.

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence, enquiries and payments for this camp should go to Nancy Daly, contact details:

- Tel: +44 (0)7976 741207
- Email: nancy@recorderie.co.uk

TEACHING FACULTY

The Camp's invited tutors are: Nancy Daly (UK), Jaap Delver (Netherlands), Marian Robertson (UK), Elspeth Robertson (US) and Karen Gibbard (UK).

Accompanist: Iain Laks.

COURSE FEES

This year's camp is a full day longer than in 2024, offering considerably more scope for all activities from individual tuition to groupwork, and of course building friendships.

Course fees for Suzuki recorder students: £325 per student.
Siblings £300.

REGISTRATION

All registrations must be received by Friday 28th March 2025.
You will find the registration form at:

<https://forms.office.com/e/1Vzi6au40w>

UK applicants, an invoice for your fees will be sent by Friday 11th April 2025. Full payment of all Camp fees, food and accommodation costs is due by Friday 25th April 2025. Please pay by Bank Transfer using the account details given in the online registration form.

International families, when you apply, an invoice will be sent for the full Camp and accommodation fees, with payment details. Full payment is due on receipt.

CANCELLATIONS

If for any reason the Camp is cancelled, all fees will be refunded.

Student cancellations must be made in writing. For cancellations before 27th June 2025, fees will be refunded, less £70. Thereafter, all fees are non-refundable.

Food and accommodation costs are fully refundable up until 27th June 2025. Thereafter, all costs are non-refundable.

Participants are strongly advised to take out cancellation or holiday insurance.

HOW TO GET TO MALTMANS HILL FARMHOUSE

The full address of the venue is:

Maltmans Hill Farmhouse, Smarden, Ashford, Kent TN27 8RD

BY AIR:

London Gatwick – take train to Pluckley via Redhill and Tonbridge, or via London Bridge (more expensive), or via St Pancras International to Ashford International (most expensive, but slightly faster).

London Heathrow – take the Heathrow Express or the Underground into London, and then follow the train instructions below.

Train bookings at www.thetrainline.com.

For collection from Pluckley or Ashford International, you must let us know your arrival details.

BY TRAIN:

Trains go direct to Pluckley from Charing Cross Station. Alternatively you can travel from St Pancras to Ashford International, but it is more expensive.

Train bookings at www.thetrainline.com.

For collection from Pluckley or Ashford International, you must let us know your arrival details.



BY CAR:

- From the direction of London, head for Charing on the A20
- Turn right onto the B2077 to Pluckley
- Go through Pluckley (about 5m)
- Continue for about 2m
- Maltmans Hill Farmhouse is the first house on the left after you cross the railway