



## Lorton House's Chocolatier



Claire Burnett

### *Evening workshop*

Claire her husband Andy founded Chococo in Swanage in 2002 and together they have built a premium artisan chocolate company renowned for creating award-winning fine chocolates all handcrafted by their team here in Dorset using the finest ethically sourced single origin chocolate produced exclusively for them by their local chocolate company partners in Ecuador, Colombia & Madagascar.

They were the first chocolatiers in the UK to focus on making truly fresh chocolates and to work with local ingredients, including fresh Dorset cream supplied by Craig's Farm Dairy, very close to Lorton House. Other ingredients they work with include local gin, locally sourced jams and curds, locally grown fresh watercress, Dorset honey and Dorset sea salt from Portland. To date they have won over 120 national and international fine food awards for their fine fresh creations and now also craft gelato, brownies and hot chocolates for their customers to enjoy fine chocolate in all its

forms at their four Chocolate Houses across the South.

Claire is available to visit Lorton House on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday evenings for chocolate tastings or truffle making workshops. In her tutored chocolate tasting she will take you on a voyage of discovery into the world of fine chocolate - find out about where cocoa grows, how it is harvested and processed into chocolate, hear insights from her visits to cocoa plantations and take your palette on a unique journey tasting many different chocolates from sweet white all the way to 100% dark!

In the truffle making workshops you will make a simple fresh cream and chocolate ganache, form the ganache into balls, learn how to temper chocolate by hand and then dip the truffles and roll them in the various toppings Claire will supply. Please be aware this activity will be slightly weather dependant – it is not possible to run workshops on very hot evenings.

For further details on availability and costs for Claire Burnett, please email:  
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