

Songwriting Retreat

with Pete Atkin

Mon 14th to Sat 19th March 2022

At Lime House in Pembrokeshire

Songwriting

Everyone has their own reason for writing a song – or wanting to – but how do you get started? And once you've started, how can you tell if what you've come up with is any good? How can you improve it?

One of the best ways of finding new ways forward is to share your problems, find out how others have solved them, and learn from the ideas and experience of someone who listens with fresh, non-judgemental ears.

The course will include individual attention to your particular aims and ambitions, in whatever style you have chosen to work, as well as setting you tasks that maybe you hadn't even thought of. There'll be a chance to record the songs as part of the writing process and to work collaboratively. Being able to read and write music isn't necessary. Come and spend time finding the fulfilment that's possible when you put words and music together.

Pete Atkin has been writing songs all his life, sometimes on his own, and sometimes in collaboration (perhaps most famously with Clive James as lyricist) – songs for others and for himself to sing and record, songs for kids (*Play Away*) and songs for the theatre, for television and radio.

He is well-used to finding his own answers to all those awkward questions; answers which he is happy to share and explore.



Stephen Fry wrote of Pete's musical writing: *'... at first blush appears precise, neat, fitting, natural, wonderfully patterned, charming and tuneful, wraps around the words, just as the words wrap around the music, like Escher's drawing hands ... And, when he wants to, he can rock the casbah, too.'*

Prices and Booking Information

- £550 per person for a single room / £500 per person for a shared room
- The price includes accommodation, vegetarian meals and all tuition
- Money back if Covid restrictions prevent attendance

TO BOOK OR FOR MORE INFO:

Email Helen at info@helen-wood.co.uk or call 07811 427462

Testimonials from previous Lime House participants

'A wonderful retreat that stretched my intellect, filled my belly and really warmed my heart and soul. I would love to come again.' LJ

'Everything was done to make us feel welcome, supported and pampered. Can't stop telling everyone about it and can't wait to come back.' CH



Lime House, in beautiful West Wales, is just over a mile from the stunning coastline. It sits surrounded by fields and trees, on the edge of the charming village of Manorbier, and five miles west of Tenby.