



## 2024 Forward Planner

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Date	Event	Location	Description	Key Contact
<b>January</b>				
January	All About Plants line-up at RHS Chelsea Flower Show		An edible skate park, growing for gut health, and a tropical forest full of rare and unusual plants put a twist on gardening in the All About Plants category line-up at this year's RHS Chelsea Flower Show.	Becky Parrock <a href="mailto:beckyparrock@rhs.org.uk">beckyparrock@rhs.org.uk</a>
January	Britain in Bloom 60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary		2024 marks 60 years of RHS Britain in Bloom, Britain's nationwide community gardening campaign. The theme for this milestone year is 'friendship' and we'll be celebrating the friendships and social benefits forged through plants and gardening.	Liz Woznicki <a href="mailto:lizwoznicki@rhs.org.uk">lizwoznicki@rhs.org.uk</a>
<b>February</b>				
3 <sup>rd</sup> February – 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Houseplant Takeover – Plants Before Time	RHS Garden Wisley	This winter, the Glasshouse at RHS Garden Wisley has been transported back to long, long ago for the new Houseplant Takeover – Plants Before Time exhibition. Step inside to discover fascinating plants such as ferns and cycads, alongside fossils, footprints and more.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> February	BAMM North Exhibition and pop up shop	RHS Garden Harlow Carr	The British Association of Modern Mosaic (BAMM) is once again returning to the historic Bath House with their exquisite annual exhibition.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
8 <sup>th</sup> February	Spring Gardening Advice		RHS planet-friendly gardening advice to help gardeners boost wildlife and the environment in spring.	Gina Miller Guy Barter <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>

8 <sup>th</sup> February- 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Danger and Desire: The seductive power of orchids	RHS Garden Wisley	The exhibition will shed light on the ever-evolving perceptions of this mysterious plant, from sought after collector's item, to aphrodisiac, to impulse buy in today's supermarkets.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a> Sam Hawkins <a href="mailto:samhawkins@rhs.org.uk">samhawkins@rhs.org.uk</a>
10 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> February	February Half Term - World on your Windowsill	RHS Garden Rosemoor	Follow our garden trail and join in our drop-in family workshops to learn how to 'grow your own' at home.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
12 <sup>th</sup> February	Bumbles on Blooms		A nationwide initiative to monitor bumblebees on blooms and identify which plants are key to helping these vital pollinators to thrive in early spring.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
29 <sup>th</sup> February – 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Japanese Shop	RHS Garden Harlow Carr	Get ready to embark on a journey through the heart of Japan as the ever-popular Japanese Shop returns to RHS Garden Harlow Carr's Bath House for 2024. Join us for a delightful shopping experience, where the treasures of Japan await your discovery.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
20 <sup>th</sup> February	RHS Britain in Bloom – National Finalists		Cities, towns and villages all take centre stage to discover which of the 52 community gardening groups will make it to the national finals of the 2024 RHS Britain in Bloom.	Gina Miller or Liz Woznicki <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a> <a href="mailto:lizwoznicki@rhs.org.uk">lizwoznicki@rhs.org.uk</a>
<b>March</b>				
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Community Open Weekend	RHS Garden Rosemoor	Visit RHS Garden Rosemoor for just £1 and experience spring in this special place. At this time of year, our beautiful garden is literally bursting into life. Relax on a peaceful lakeside stroll, admire the swathes of daffodils and marvel at our magnificent magnolias.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
8 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> March	British Science Week		RHS research reveals the most prevalent plant problems for gardeners in 2023.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
9 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> March	International Women's Day Celebration	RHS Garden Bridgewater	Following International Women's Day on 8 <sup>th</sup> March, RHS Garden Bridgewater are celebrating women in horticulture. The event will include talks from women who have careers in horticulture.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>

9 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring Flower Show (The RHS Early Camellia Competition and RHS Daffodil Competition)	RHS Garden Rosemoor	Admire a host of beautiful spring blooms grown by competitors from the South West and beyond, focusing on daffodils, camellias, early magnolias and rhododendrons at RHS Rosemoor.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
10 <sup>th</sup> March	Mother's Day	All RHS Gardens	Take in the beautiful sights at one of the five RHS Gardens, enjoy a delicious afternoon tea, and browse for thoughtful Mother's Day gifts.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
12 <sup>th</sup> March	RHS annual plant disease rankings		RHS research reveals the most prevalent plant problems for gardeners in 2023.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Walkies at Harlow Carr	RHS Harlow Carr	This unique evening event is the perfect opportunity to create lasting memories with your dog while enjoying the natural beauty of RHS Harlow Carr.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
14 <sup>th</sup> March	RHS & The Wildlife Trusts – Wild about Gardens		Media photocall: Join RHS wildlife specialists on a night-time slug safari and learn to love all wildlife in your garden - especially slugs.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a> Sam Hawkins <a href="mailto:samahawkins@rhs.org.uk">samahawkins@rhs.org.uk</a>
20 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> March	The Daffodil Show Early Daffodil Competition and Hyacinth Competition	RHS Garden Hyde Hall, Hilltop Lodge	Visit our annual Daffodil Show this spring in the Hilltop Lodge at RHS Garden Hyde Hall. See hundreds of beautiful cut blooms on display before exploring the garden to take in the many shades of spring. There will be spectacular displays of daffodils and Hyacinths at the show.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Cyclamen Society Spring Show	RHS Garden Bridgewater	Come along to RHS Garden Bridgewater and see a colourful comprehensive display of spring flowering cyclamen species, shown for both their beautiful flowers and their delightfully patterned foliage.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
23 <sup>rd</sup> March – 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter holidays: The Giant Easter Egg Hunt	All gardens	Discover the enormous painted eggs, hidden around the gardens for families and children of all ages to discover, along with Easter themed planting and craft workshops.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
March	Hedge Survey Research		Explore our latest research into surveying hedgerows and wildlife with the school hedge survey.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>

March	Cherry blossom at RHS Gardens	All gardens	Share the beauty of blossom at RHS Gardens.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
March	RHS slug research revealed		RHS Wildlife specialists will reveal the new slug species arriving in our gardens!	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
<b>April</b>				
6 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Spring Ornamental Plant Competition	The Garden Room, RHS Hilltop, Wisley	Celebrate spring with these colourful competitions for Rhododendrons, Camellias, Magnolias and many more spring-flowering trees and shrubs.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
9 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup>	The Daffodil Show	The Garden Room, RHS Hilltop, Wisley	Bathe in the golden glow of the Daffodil Show at RHS Wisley. See hundreds of daffodils on display, along with the opportunity to learn more about daffodils and enjoy swathes of them across the gardens.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
12 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> April	Spring Garden Weekend at RHS Garden Harlow Carr	RHS Garden Harlow Carr	A must for garden lovers, with specialist growers, expert advice and fabulous products, all in the lush surroundings of our Yorkshire garden.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
18 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> April	RHS Urban Show	<a href="#">Depot Mayfield</a> , Manchester	RHS Urban Show, set in the heart of Manchester, celebrates your own oasis. Don't miss the chance be a part of this new immersive gardening experience.	Shows PR <a href="mailto:showspr@rhs.org.uk">showspr@rhs.org.uk</a>
April	RHS & BBC One Growing Together Competition		Launching the 2024 community gardening competition and inspiring everyone to garden for the first time with their local communities.	Laura Scruby <a href="mailto:laurascruby@rhs.org.uk">laurascruby@rhs.org.uk</a>
20 <sup>th</sup> April	The Art of Garden Photography	RHS Hyde Hall	Join professional photographer, Daniel Bridge, for an enlightening one-day workshop concentrating on garden and flower photography.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
20 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Main Rhododendron Competition	RHS Garden Rosemoor	Marvel at the remarkable variety and colour of these beautiful spring-flowering plants, with classes covering all types of rhododendrons, as well as trade and advice stands, plus magnificent displays of magnolias and camellias.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
22 <sup>nd</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup> April	RHS Big Seed Sow		Join community gardeners across the country planting to build connections in their local area.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>

29 <sup>th</sup> April	Spring Press Conference	RHS Lindley Hall, Vincent Square	Celebrate the joy of gardening and all the latest news as the gardening season officially begins. The RHS Spring press conference brings you the highlights of this year's gardens at RHS Chelsea Flower Show.	Press Office <a href="mailto:pressoffice@rhs.org.uk">pressoffice@rhs.org.uk</a>
29 <sup>th</sup> April – 7 <sup>th</sup> May	National Gardening Week		Knowledge is Flower: top tips and the secrets to success from horticultural experts.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
<b>May</b>				
3 <sup>rd</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> May	The RHS Tulip, Daffodil, and Rhododendron Competition	RHS Garden Harlow Carr	Prepare to be captivated by the vibrant hues and natural beauty of spring at our eagerly anticipated RHS Tulip, Daffodil, and Rhododendron Competition. Immerse yourself in a riot of colours and the mesmerizing diversity of these beloved spring favourites, all expertly judged by RHS judges.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> May	RHS Malvern Spring Festival	Three Counties Showground, Worcester	RHS Malvern Spring Festival returns with inspiring gardens, spectacular blooms and ideas to try at home.	Shows PR <a href="mailto:showspr@rhs.org.uk">showspr@rhs.org.uk</a>
21 <sup>st</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> May	RHS Chelsea Flower Show	London Gate, Royal Hospital Chelsea	The world's most famous gardening event – the RHS Chelsea Flower Show 2024 showcases the latest gardening trends and the very best design and practices in horticulture.	Shows PR <a href="mailto:showspr@rhs.org.uk">showspr@rhs.org.uk</a>
May	RHS Summer garden advice		Whether you need help indoors or out – follow RHS expert gardening advice this summer.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
<b>June</b>				
14 <sup>th</sup> June – 7 <sup>th</sup> July	RHS Botanical Art and Photography Show	Saatchi Gallery	World-class photography and art are brought together in one fabulous RHS Show at the Saatchi Gallery.	Sam Hawkins <a href="mailto:samhawkins@rhs.org.uk">samhawkins@rhs.org.uk</a>
21 <sup>st</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Summer Garden Weekend at RHS Garden Harlow Carr	RHS Garden Harlow Carr	A must for garden lovers, with specialist growers, expert advice and fabulous products, all in the lush surroundings of our Yorkshire garden.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
24 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> June	National Insect Week 2024		Beneficial garden wildlife – the RHS publishes its most-asked about beneficial garden biodiversity.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>

30 <sup>th</sup> June	Pride In Nature	RHS Garden Bridgewater	Taking place during Pride month, Pride In Nature 2024 looks to build on the success of previous events and celebrate all things LGBTQIA+ in our beautiful natural environment.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
June	Summer holiday fun and kids' activities at RHS Gardens	All gardens	Experience the joy of nature and gardens for children.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
June	Applications open for prestigious horticulture qualifications		Love plants and gardens? Develop your career in horticulture.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
<b>July</b>				
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> July	RHS Hampton Court Palace Garden Festival	Hampton Court Palace, Surrey	The largest annual flower show in the world, the RHS Hampton Court Palace Garden Festival is set to showcase glorious gardens, fabulous floral displays and much more.	Shows PR <a href="mailto:showspr@rhs.org.uk">showspr@rhs.org.uk</a>
17 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> July	RHS Flower Show Tatton Park	Tatton Park, Knutsford	RHS Flower Show Tatton Park is set to be a day out to remember with beautiful gardens and gorgeous blooms.	Shows PR <a href="mailto:showspr@rhs.org.uk">showspr@rhs.org.uk</a>
17 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Summer Fruit and Vegetable Competition	RHS Flower Show Tatton Park	Admire some of the finest examples of vegetables and fruit from regional and national growers. Gather first-hand some essential tips and hints to help you grow successfully.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer of growing fun		Explore your garden together. Ideas and tips to keep families and children growing over the summer.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
<b>August</b>				
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> August	Summer Bulb Competition	RHS Garden Bridgewater	Join us and enjoy spectacular displays, workshops, talks and speak to specialist nurseries.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
31 <sup>st</sup> July – 4 <sup>th</sup> August	RHS Garden Hyde Hall Flower Show	RHS Garden Hyde Hall	Specialist plant nurseries, expert tips and mouth-watering food all to be enjoyed in the stunning summer surroundings of our Essex garden.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
16 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> August	RHS Garden Rosemoor Flower Show	RHS Garden Rosemoor	Join us for fabulous floral displays, inspirational demonstrations, live music, the chance to buy from specialist nurseries and much more.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>

29 <sup>th</sup> August	RHS Peat free survey		The RHS annual report on peat free growers highlighting progress and new commercial peat free providers.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
<b>September</b>				
September	Windlesham Trophy		The RHS and prisons service unveils the winners in its prison gardening awards.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> September	RHS Wisley Flower Show	RHS Garden Wisley	Join us at our flagship garden for spectacular displays, specialist nurseries, inspirational expert talks and the chance to buy from a fantastic choice of exhibitors.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
22 <sup>nd</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> September	ISHS Green Cities Symposium	RHS Hilltop – The Home of Gardening Science, RHS Wisley	The RHS will bring together research scientists from across the world for this four-day forum on green infrastructure and nature-based solutions for cities.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a> Laura Scruby <a href="mailto:laurascruby@rhs.org.uk">laurascruby@rhs.org.uk</a>
27 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Malvern Autumn Show	Three Counties Showground, Malvern	Celebrate autumn with plants, celebrities, giant vegetables and cookery workshops.	Shows PR <a href="mailto:showspr@rhs.org.uk">showspr@rhs.org.uk</a>
September	Trials research		Autumn planting for maximum spring benefit	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
<b>October</b>				
October	Festival of Flavours	All Gardens	A celebration of the range of ingredients that can be grown in the garden. Top chefs will be cooking live at all 5 RHS Gardens using produce picked from the gardens.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
4 <sup>th</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Autumn Fruit and Vegetable Competition Autumn Ornamental Plant Competition	RHS Garden Hyde Hall, Festival of Flavours	Don't miss the Fruit and Vegetable Competition with more than 160 classes of mouthwatering fruit and veg on show.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
18 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Autumn Garden Weekend	RHS Harlow Carr	A must for garden lovers, with specialist growers, expert advice and fabulous products, all in the lush surroundings of our Yorkshire garden.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>

18 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Late Fruit and Vegetable Competition	RHS Garden Harlow Carr	Calling all aspiring fruit and vegetable growers! Join growers from across the region and discover the secrets of their success.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
21 <sup>st</sup> October	RHS Britain in Bloom Finals	Manchester	Celebrating the work of kind-hearted community volunteers across Britain the winning cities, towns and villages of RHS Britain in Bloom Finals competition will be announced.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
October	Autumn Gardening Advice		'Season of mist and mellow fruitfulness'. Discover how to re-create the beauty and bounty of autumn in your garden with the RHS's Chief Horticulturalist.	Gina Miller Guy Barter <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
October	Autumn Colours at RHS Gardens	RHS Gardens	Revel in the beautiful golden, russet and plum hues as this year's RHS garden trees reveal their leafy splendour.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
<b>November</b>				
November	John MacLeod Lecture	RHS Hilltop – The Home of Gardening Science, RHS Wisley	The RHS science team hosts an influential speaker to explore issues in horticultural science.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
<b>December</b>				
December	RHS Glow	All gardens	Spectacular light displays at every RHS Garden after hours.	Fariha Karim <a href="mailto:farihakarim@rhs.org.uk">farihakarim@rhs.org.uk</a>
December	Winter foliage for the holiday season		Follow RHS guidance and tips for gathering your winter garden foliage for display at Christmas.	Gina Miller Guy Barter <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>
21 <sup>st</sup> December	2024 RHS Gardening Predictions		The RHS looks ahead to 2025 in anticipation of the growing trends gardeners are likely to see.	Gina Miller <a href="mailto:ginamiller@rhs.org.uk">ginamiller@rhs.org.uk</a>