

SIMPLE PLEASURES

Take time out to round off your day with a mouth-watering cream tea or a glass of wine or locally brewed ale.

Shopping & Eating

Plant Centre, Gift and Bookshop

Welcome summer's arrival and choose from a wide range of plants to add instant colour and interest to your garden. The Hyde Hall Plant Centre has everything you need to get growing. For more advice on summer planting just ask our friendly staff and don't forget to check the website for seasonal offers.

Summer Sale Preview Evening

Thu 14 August, 6pm – 9pm

Enjoy the buzzy atmosphere of the sale preview with discounts up to 50% off*. There's also a BBQ, Pimms & Lemonade and entertainment.

Barn Restaurant and Field Café

Choose from either our thatched barn restaurant which is full of rural charm, or our light and airy café with a modern touch. Either way, there's plenty of local food and drink to delight the taste buds.

Throughout the school summer holiday don't forget that there are children's meals and lunch boxes available.

*conditions apply and sale items not available in conjunction with any other offer

Afternoon Tea

(Women's Institute Members only)

Fri 20 June, 3pm – 4.30pm

Take in the sights and smells of the garden while enjoying a delicious afternoon tea in the Event Barn. Exclusive to Women's Institute members. Booking essential on 01245 402 024. RHS members £9.95, non-members £16.90

Flower Show Breakfast

(exclusive to RHS Members)

Thu 31 July & Fri 1 August, 8am – 9.30am

Make your visit to the Flower Show extra special. With premium parking, a guided garden tour and a full English breakfast you can start the flower show off in style. You also have the added advantage of early bird entry to the show, so time to pick up something special before anyone else does.

Booking essential on 0845 612 1253.

Cost: £20.95 per head.

Please let us know of any special dietary requirements when booking.

AUTUMN HIGHLIGHTS

Textile Exhibition, 1 – 14 September

Autumn Plant Fair, 20 – 21 September

Chilli Peppers, 27 – 28 September

Autumn Festival, 18 – 19 October

Children's Pumpkin Carving, 25 October

Children's Half Term Fun, 28 – 31 October

FREE Day Friday, 7 November

Christmas Shopping Evening,
20 November

Essex Craft & Design Show,
22 – 23 November

Children's Magic of Christmas,
6 – 7 December

Enjoy the three other RHS Gardens this summer



HARLOW CARR
Harrogate, North Yorkshire



WISLEY
Wisley, Surrey



ROSEMOOR
Great Torrington, North Devon

**RHS Garden Hyde Hall, Creep hedge Lane, Rettendon,
Chelmsford, Essex CM3 8ET (Sat. Nav. CM3 8RA), tel: 0845 265 8071.**

**Just 10 miles south of Chelmsford. From the A130 head towards South Woodham Ferrers.
Produce a valid ticket for the No.3 Southend to Chelmsford bus and receive a 25% discount.**

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SUMMER 2014

Craft & Design Fair Flower Show

Great Garden Quest



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RURAL ESCAPE

Let the pressures of daily life slip away; admire gorgeous summer blooms, rolling meadows, and ponds reflecting big skies.

Summer Highlights

Real Ale & Cider Weekend

Sat 7 to Sun 8 June, 10am – 5pm

Sample a range of local ales and ciders and treat yourself to some tasty local foods.

Summer Solstice

Sat 21 June, 9am until 9pm

Why not join us for a leisurely breakfast and a morning stroll? At the end of the day you can then spoil yourself with a Mediterranean themed supper, just £17.95 per head.

Garden Party

Sat 28 to Sun 29 June, 10am – 5pm

Gather friends and family for a celebration of the great British summer! Enjoy stories, garden games and a teddy bear's picnic.

Late Night Opening (exclusive to RHS members)

Thu 3, 10, 13 & 24 July, until 9pm

Enjoy a summer's evening at Hyde Hall. Spoil yourself with Pimms and strawberries, and enjoy 20% off shop purchases.

Cactus & Succulent Display

Saturday 26 & Sunday 27 July, 10am – 5pm

Join members from the Chelmsford branch of the British Cactus & Succulent Society for advice and help on how to grow these wonderful plants.

RHS Hyde Hall Flower Show

**Thu 31 July to Sun 3 August,
10am – 5pm**

This four-day flagship event gives you the chance to combine a great day out along with the opportunity to buy a fantastic range of plants, garden sundries and ornaments. All exhibiting nurseries will have floral displays to excite and inspire you. A fantastic day out for garden lovers of all ages and abilities.

Chelmsford Art Society

Fri 8 to Sun 10 August, 10am – 5pm

Enjoy a collection of works by Society members. All items available to purchase.

Association of Essex Photographers Exhibition

Sat 16 to Mon 25 August, 10am – 5pm

Browse and buy a wonderful selection of framed photographs depicting landscapes, flora, fauna and still life.

Contemporary Craft & Design Fair

Fri 22 to Mon 25 August, 10am – 5pm

Brought to you by Craft in Focus, all exhibitors have been specially selected for their individuality and innovation in contemporary design, as well as outstanding technical ability. Anyone seeking something unusual and original will not be disappointed.

SPREAD YOUR WINGS

Whether you're looking for an entertaining evening with friends or to acquire a new skill, Hyde Hall provides the perfect setting for fun and learning.

Evening Events & Workshops

Ticketed Evening Events

Garden Opera Evening, Sat 14 June

The New Garden Opera Company brings you Carmen; a sizzling show with passion, humour, colour and famous tunes. Tickets £40 per head.

Jazz Evening, Sat 5 July

Spend an evening listening to the distinctive sound of traditional jazz music in the inspirational setting of the garden. Tickets: Adults £12, Children £6.

Theatre Evening – The Tempest, Sat 19 July

The Pantaloons put their own unique and hilarious twist on Shakespeare's tale of shipwrecks, sorcerers and silly servants. Tickets: Adults £12, Children £6.

Bring your own picnic (although food and drink will be available to purchase) and come prepared for all weathers. Gates opens from 6.15pm. Booking essential on 0845 612 1253.

Gardening Workshops

Be inspired by our diverse range of short workshops. Whether you are just starting out, or already a confident grower, our workshops will help to broaden your skills and knowledge.

Grow Your Own Vegetables, 5 June

Summer Rose Walk, 11 June

Gardening for Wildlife, 18 June

Creating a Dry Garden, 26 June

What Now – Your Garden in July/Aug, 12 July

Gardening with Bats in Mind, 8 August

Summer Propagation, 29 August

Creative Workshops

This year we have extended our range of creative workshops to include for the first time papermaking. Students will learn how to use plant materials to make decorative and colourful papers employing a variety of techniques.

Vintage Flower Arrangements, 14 June

Summer Hat Box, 4 July

Papermaking with Plants, 18 July

Booking is essential for all workshops. For prices and further information either pick up a brochure or visit the website.

LET'S GO FLY A KITE

Fun, fresh air and freedom. Hyde Hall offers a clean, safe environment for families to spend quality time together.

Family Fun

Little Acorns Pre-School Gardening Club

Wed 4 June, 10.30am – midday

This fun and informal club will provide a wealth of ideas to help stimulate an interest in gardening. Additional cash payment of £2 per child applies.

Challenge Dad - Father's Day Fun

Sun 15 June

sessions at 10.15am, 11.45am & 1.15pm

An action-packed, fun-filled session of survival skills and bush craft activities for Dad and the family! Cost: £5 per person, plus normal garden admission. Booking essential on 0845 612 1253

Family Watercolour Sessions with John Harrison

Sat 28 to Sun 29 June,

sessions at 11.30am, 1.30pm & 3.30pm

John will show you all the tips, tricks and techniques to get your children using and enjoying watercolours. RHS members £30 per family, non-members £38 per family (based on 2 adults & 2 children). Booking essential on 0845 612 1253.

Normal garden admission applies on all event days unless otherwise stated. Please check full event details online: rhs.org.uk/hydehall

Summer Holidays – Children's Great Garden Quest

sponsored by Witan Investment Trust

Wed 23 July to Sun 31 August

Every day you can enjoy the 'Quest' garden trail, a range of garden games, the bird hide, and the fabulous 'Higgledy Hyde' play tower.

Special Activity Days

Wk 1 – Wed 23 to Fri 25 July, 10am – 3pm

Create a mini-woodland home, go bug-hunting and do some sow & grow activities.

Wk 2 – Mon 28 to Wed 30 July, 10am – 3pm

Make magical clay faces and dragon poo seed dumplings!

Wk 3 – Tue 5 to Fri 8 August, 10am – 3pm

Have fun making lolly-stick people, elf and wizard masks and sow & grow activities.

Wk 4 – Tue 12 to Fri 15 August, 10am – 3pm

Create baby dragon puppets, badges based on book characters and sow & grow activities.

Wk 5 – Tue 19 to Fri 22 August, 10am – 3pm

Go hunting for bugs, make a map and do sow and grow activities. There's also storytelling on 19-20th.

Wk 6 – Tue 26 to Fri 29 August, 10am – 3pm

Make wizard hats and wands, willow head bands and mini-origami swords.