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# Courses and workshops 2019



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# RHS Garden Rosemoor

## Courses and workshops

### Welcome to our 2019 programme of courses and workshops, sharing the very best in horticulture to fill you with inspiration.

Our range of adult learning continues to grow for 2019, and several of them have been suggested by attendees, so thank you to them, and if you have an idea of a workshop, course or tutor you'd like to see at Rosemoor in the future, please just let me know:

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The practical gardening backbone of our programme continues to offer the beginner and more experienced gardener, excellent advice from our knowledgeable garden staff, and as always the pruning demonstrations sell out fast, as do polytunnels and beginner's garden design.

Our Garden Craft section has expanded to include a wider range of themes, with stunning Zarzo baskets and new sculptures, or perhaps you have never created your own conical plant support or low hurdle – both extremely useful and attractive features for your garden.

If you like to use plants and gardens for creative inspiration, you have plenty of choice, not only do our popular artists offer more themed courses on vegetables, leaves and flowers in watercolour and gouache, but you can also sign up for a series of drawing afternoons or try your hand at printmaking.

We have a wonderfully creative weekend in April, on which you can learn how to make stunning and colourful mosaics for your home, and two felting days – one making a needle-felted dog, and the other a felt hat. For the first time, we have a day devoted to making your own natural perfume and learning more about aromatherapy, or if you have been intrigued by the recent focus on the benefits of eating fermented vegetables, then turn to page 16.

In our Photography section, we have managed to secure Ross Hoddinott for two workshops, and at the suggestion of a previous attendee, Sue Bishop will be running a flower and landscape weekend course in June.

So plenty of choice for yourself, or unusual presents for loved ones, but do book early to avoid disappointment.

The RHS is the world's leading gardening charity. Our vision is to enrich everyone's life through plants, and make the UK a greener and more beautiful place. We are entirely funded by our members, visitors and supporters.

We hope you find a course to match your needs and we look forward to welcoming you to the garden in 2019.

**You can now book online at [rhs.org.uk/rosemoor-whats-on](https://rhs.org.uk/rosemoor-whats-on)**



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# Horticulture

## Rose Pruning

**Wednesday 9 January or**

**Thursday 7 February**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Philip Scott (RHS team)**

This comprehensive demonstration will cover the pruning and training of all roses, from climbers through to ramblers, shrubs and modern varieties. We will also look at nutrition and disease control, and offer some handy tips on establishing roses.

This demonstration will take place outside so please come prepared with boots and warm clothing.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15

Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25948 (9 January) **or**  
25949 (7 February)

Maximum 12 places per session

## What Now?

### Your Garden in Winter

**Wednesday 16 January**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Patrick Ollington-Browne**

Are you new to gardening and unsure exactly what you should be doing when, or are you a keen gardener wanting tips on your timings? Let the RHS experts help you through the gardening year providing a whistle-stop tour of techniques, tips, tricks and advice on seasonal tasks so that you know what you could be doing when. Sessions will vary in format including talks, practical demonstrations and walks around the garden at Rosemoor.

Winter topics covered – mulching, preparing for the year ahead, renovation pruning of shrubs, rose pruning, plus other topics of seasonal interest.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15

Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 24950

Maximum 15 places



## Apple Pruning

**Thursday 17 January or  
Tuesday 22 January**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Peter Earl**

Come and unravel the mysteries of apple pruning at this practical demonstration. We will be looking at the formative pruning of young apple trees as well as pruning established trees. We will also discuss summer pruning, and see how it is used to maintain our trained apples, (i.e. cordons, espaliers and fans), and compare it to the winter pruning of our traditional orchard, which is what we will be concentrating on during this demonstration. This event will take place outside so please come prepared with boots and warm clothing.

**Fee:** RHS Members £21

Non-RHS Members £33

**Skill level:** General/ Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25951 (17 January) **or**  
25952 (22 January)

Maximum 15 places per session

## Healthy Hedges: selection, planting, care and pruning

**Friday 25 January**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: David Perry (RHS Team)**

Learn everything you need to know about hedges, including which species to choose for specific sites and purposes, how to maintain them in peak condition, and the best tools to use to achieve this.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15

Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General/ Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25953

Maximum 15 places



## Pruning and Training of Climbers / Wall Shrubs

(to include Wisteria and Clematis)

**Thursday 31 January**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Jonathan Hutchinson (RHS Team)**

These plants are an essential part of our garden but do need some regular, or occasional maintenance to get them to grow and flower at their best. You will see a wide range on this walk which may give you some ideas for enhancing your own garden. Wisteria and Clematis are great garden favourites but are often pruned incorrectly, so find out how the experts do it to ensure your arches and pergolas are filled with blossom. Roses will **not** be covered.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15

Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General/ Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25954

Maximum 12 places



## Beginner's Gardening: Basic Skills

**Saturday 2 February**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Ian Smith (Bicton College tutor)**

The fundamentals of gardening with the opportunity to ask as many questions as you need. A seasonal look around the garden learning what needs to be done at this time of year and how you can apply this to your own garden at home. Covering plant identification, pruning and seed sowing. The first of three day courses following the seasonal changes at Rosemoor and how to make the most of your own garden throughout the year. Pick and choose which season interests you the most, or attend them all.

**Fee:** RHS Members £41  
Non-RHS Members £53

**Skill level:** Beginner

**Venue:** Learning Centre and Garden

**Event code:** 24456

Maximum 12 places



## Brilliant Winter Colours and Scent for your Garden

**Tuesday 5 February**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: James Shepherd (RHS Team)**

Winter is often considered to be a closed season in the garden, but this definitely need not be the case. Colourful and fragrant flowers, striking barks and stems and a wide variety of evergreen plants all help to brighten up the garden and provide a wealth of interest throughout the winter. On this walk we will look at a good selection of plants, all of which are star performers during the winter months, and also discuss how to care for them.

A comprehensive plant list will be provided for participants.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** Beginner / General

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25955

Maximum 15 places



## Basic Vegetable Growing for Complete Beginners

**Monday 25 February or Friday 1 March**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Edibles Team**

This session will introduce beginners to vegetable growing and the exciting world of grow your own, looking at basic planning and needs for a successful vegetable garden. The introduction will cover how to propagate your own vegetable plants, how to grow an easy range of crops, and give you plenty of top tips for success along the way.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25956 (25 February) **or**  
25957 (1 March)

Maximum 15 places

## Beginner's Gardening: Basic soil science, pruning and seed-sowing

**Saturday 2 March**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Ian Smith (Bicton College tutor)**

A seasonal look around the garden learning what needs to be done at this time of year and how you can apply this to your own garden at home. Covering basic soil science, pruning and seed sowing. The second of three day courses following the seasonal changes at Rosemoor and how to make the most of your own garden throughout the year. Pick and choose which season interests you the most, or attend them all.

**Fee:** RHS Members £41  
Non-RHS Members £53

**Skill level:** Beginner

**Venue:** Learning Centre and Garden

**Event code:** 24457

Maximum 12 places

## Shrub Pruning

**Monday 4 March**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Jonathan Hutchinson (RHS Team)**

Pruning is for many a complicated subject, not knowing when or why you are meant to be carrying out the task. This demonstration will look at a wide variety of plants, outlining the different reasons for pruning, how we can trick nature to get better displays within our garden and look at annual and rejuvenation pruning techniques, and the best tools for the job. At the end, you will feel more confident to go home and tame your 'jungle' and get the best display possible from your plants.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15

Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25958

Maximum 15 places

## What Now? Your Garden in Spring

**Thursday 7 March**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Dylan Welsby**

Are you new to gardening and unsure exactly what you should be doing when, or are you a keen gardener wanting tips on your timings? Let the RHS experts help you through the gardening year providing a whistle-stop tour of techniques, tips, tricks and advice on seasonal tasks so that you know what you could be doing when. Sessions will vary in format including talks, practical demonstrations and walks around the garden.

Spring topics covered – dividing and planting herbaceous perennials, spring shrub pruning, cutting back of ornamental grasses, and de-thatching of lawns, plus other topics of seasonal interest.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15

Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25959

Maximum 15 places

## Grafting for Beginners

**Tuesday 19 March**

2pm to 4pm

**Tutor: Jim Arbury  
(RHS Wisley Fruit and Trials Specialist)**

Learn the art of grafting from RHS Wisley's Fruit Garden expert. Jim will explain the theory behind the skill and demonstrate each stage before you try the technique yourself. Each attendee will be able to graft two apple varieties onto dwarfing rootstocks and take them away to grow at home. This method can be used to produce fruit trees and many ornamentals. The after-care needed to grow the tree on will also be explained.

**Fee:** RHS Members £27

Non-RHS Members £39

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Small Garden Room

**Event code:** 24458

Maximum 10 places



## Success with Seeds and Cuttings

**Wednesday 27 March**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: RHS Nursery Team**

Find out how we grow a range of plants from seed and cuttings on our nursery at Rosemoor. This demonstration will cover seed sowing, softwood cuttings and basic nursery skills to include potting, pricking out, watering and feeding - all the essentials you need to produce healthy plants for your own garden.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Nursery

**Event code:** 25960  
Maximum 15 places

## Introduction to Growing in Polytunnels

**Saturday 13 April or Thursday 25 April**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Peter Adams (RHS Team)**

In this introduction, Peter will look at the features of a polytunnel structure as well as its construction and siting, to help you make the best decisions when choosing one. He will show you where and how to begin growing in the tunnel, give suggestions for which crops to grow and explain how to manage the growing space throughout the

season. There is also a Fully Productive Polytunnel talk on Saturday 6 July, or Friday 12 July.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Allotments Polytunnel

**Event code:** 25961 (13 April) or  
25962 (25 April)

Maximum 12 places

## What Now? Your Garden in Summer

**Friday 10 May**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Helen Round (RHS Team)**

Are you new to gardening and unsure exactly what you should be doing when, or are you a keen gardener wanting tips on your timings? Let the RHS experts help you through the gardening year providing a whistle-stop tour of techniques, tips, tricks and advice on seasonal tasks so that you know what you could be doing when. Sessions will vary in format including talks, practical demonstrations and walks around the garden.

Summer topics covered - Plantings for summer display, growing tomatoes and cucumbers under glass, staking herbaceous perennials, planting seasonal containers, plus other topics of seasonal interest.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25963  
Maximum 15 places





## Peonies and Irises: how to grow beautiful blooms

**Saturday 25 May**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Suzanna Applegate  
(Hurstbrook Plants)**

Learn how to grow, propagate and care for these stunning flowers from a real expert. Suzanna has worked with plants for over 40 years, starting at Scotts Nurseries, then ten years in agriculture before returning to horticulture as production manager for Kelways Nursery, producing 30 acres of irises and peonies. Since 2007 she has run her own business producing bearded iris and various types of peony.

This event will include a brief history of the two plants, how to choose and plant them, and feature a practical session on how to propagate them to maintain their health and vigour in your garden.

**Fee:** RHS Members £18  
Non-RHS Members £30

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24509  
Maximum 20 places

## A Fully Productive Polytunnel

**Saturday 6 July or Friday 12 July**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Peter Adams (RHS Team)**

In this follow-up talk, Peter will look more closely at crop selection and particular varieties that do well in the polytunnel environment. He will also cover management techniques for the growing space through the summer, and how to plan what to grow into the autumn and winter months. There is also an introductory talk on Saturday 13 April, or Thursday 25 April.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Allotments Polytunnel

**Event code:** 25964 (6 July) **or**  
25965 (12 July)

Maximum 12 places

## Ideas for Beautiful Containers

**Wednesday 17 July**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Susie Hauxwell (RHS Team)**

Whether you have a large, or small garden, beautifully planted containers are essential to enhance your front door and garden, and with careful planting you can have a selection to give you colour and interest all year round. Susie will help you with plant choice, the right composts to use and how to make sure the plants are maintained in tip-top condition.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25966

Maximum 15 places





## Bats at Rosemoor

**Saturday 20 July**

8.15pm to 10.30pm

**Tutor: Sarah Butcher (Devon Bat Group)**

Sarah returns to Rosemoor, having been interested in bats for over seven years, since going on a bat walk, trying out a bat detector for the first time and buying her own three days later. She now monitors bat populations all over the county, leads walks, talks and surveys, and rehabilitates injured bats.

The event will start with a talk about bats, the bat year, local species and their ecology, attendees can also learn how to use a bat detector. A garden walk will initially lead to Lady Anne's house for sunset, where there is a roost and you can watch the bats emerge, before heading into the formal gardens to see which bats can be found. Sarah will also talk about the kind of planting which is good for bats.

**Fee:** RHS Members £21

Non-RHS Members £33

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Learning Centre and Garden

**Event code:** 24459

Maximum 16 places

## Mid-Summer Cottage Garden Perennials

**Tuesday 23 July**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Helen Round (RHS Team)**

The cottage garden is a distinct style that uses informal plantings, a mixture of annuals, biennials, spring and summer flowering bulbs, traditional perennials, flowering shrubs and roses. If you aspire to this style of gardening this walk aims to highlight a range of plants that have been successfully used in Rosemoor's cottage garden, and look at how annuals and biennials can add that extra dimension to the plantings.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15

Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25967

Maximum 15 places

## Stunning Summer Plants

**Thursday 25 July**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Jon Webster (Rosemoor Curator)**

At this time of year the garden is full of colour and interest, this walk is very informal and as we stroll around the garden we look at the plants which are performing within the themed garden rooms, discussing combinations which work well and provide stunning displays for all to enjoy. You will also be able to ask questions about 'how' we grow things and the tips for success, it will be a chance to hear about new garden projects underway or on the near horizon, which will help the garden grow and develop further.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15

Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25968

Maximum 15 places



## A Beginner's Guide to Designing your own Garden

(2 day course)

**Thursday 1 August to Friday 2 August**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Sheila Dearing (RHS Curatorial Team), Ian Smith (Bicton College Tutor)**

Do you have a new garden, or want to change your existing one but have no idea where to begin? This very practical 2-day workshop will include a walk to show you design ideas and planting combinations, seeing how they can be adapted to your own garden. You will spend time learning how to survey your garden area, measure small, marked out example gardens, and arrange a mixture of real potted plants, shrubs, trees and garden features in a variety of planting designs. Please bring a notepad, pen and camera if you wish and photographs of your own garden.

**Fee:** RHS Members £72

Non-RHS Members £84

**Skill level:** Beginner

**Venue:** Learning Centre West and Lecture Hall

**Event code:** 24460

Maximum 12 places

## Scented Plants to lift your Garden

**Monday 5 August**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: David Squire (RHS Team)**

Scent adds something to every garden, it changes our moods and helps to attract a wider range of all-important pollinators. Any size of garden can include scented plants and there is a vast array, so David will lead you round some of his favourites and gives you tips about where to place them in your garden to appreciate them fully.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15

Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25969

Maximum 15 places

## Fruit for Smaller Gardens

**Wednesday 7 August**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Rosie Treharne**

Most types of fruit can be trained into a variety of forms so that they can be accommodated into the smallest of gardens. Rosie will show you various possibilities, and the mainly summer pruning required to establish and maintain a wide variety of fruit trees, bushes and canes, which will reward you with a bumper crop of fresh summer fruits.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15

Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25970

Maximum 15 places

## Summer Perennials to lift your Borders

**Friday 9 August**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Richard Wilson (RHS Team)**

After the freshness and glorious colour palette of early summer, our own gardens can sometimes start to flag a little by mid-summer. This doesn't have to happen though, and Richard will show you a wide range of perennials to make sure the summer colours just keep on coming.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15

Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25971

Maximum 15 places





## Glorious Grasses for your Garden

**Tuesday 10 September**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: David Squire (RHS Team)**

Grasses bring a beautiful, refined elegance to the garden and yet are some of the easiest and trouble free plants to grow. At RHS Rosemoor we have one of the best collections in the country and David, who has been growing them here for thirty years, will give you suggestions and tips for growing the best ones for your own garden.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25972  
Maximum 15 places

## Fermented Vegetables

**Saturday 14 September**

11am to 3.30pm

**Tutor: Katie Venner**

Katie Venner is a fermentation enthusiast and teacher. She set up Tracebridge Sourdough [www.tracebridgesourdough.co.uk](http://www.tracebridgesourdough.co.uk) with her husband, Gordon, 10 years ago which they ran as a micro-bakery providing sourdough and pastries at local farmers' markets in Somerset. Both self-taught they have passed on fermentation and wood-fired baking experience to nearly 100 WWOOFers (World Wide Opportunities on Organic Farms) <https://www.woof.org.uk> and apprentices, who now bake and ferment all over the world, and they continue to run sourdough and fermenting classes in Tracebridge, just outside Wellington, Somerset.

Katie will show you how to make a sauerkraut from seasonal vegetables that you may well have as surplus in your garden. You will also make a kimchi – the South Korean spicy ferment, a fermented tomato ketchup and a jar of pickled cucumbers and taste some of the delicious, tangy, sour fermented vegetables that Katie makes. She will talk about why eating more vegetables, some of it fermented, is good for our gut and for our mental health too.

**Fee:** RHS Members £85  
Non-RHS Members £97

**Skill level:** General

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24462  
Maximum 20 places



## Understanding Pests and Diseases in your Garden

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**Wednesday 2 October**

2pm to 3.30pm

**Tutor: Rebekah Robinson  
(Senior Plant Pathologist, RHS Wisley)**

Everyone who grows plants will have encountered a pest or disease at some point. A nibbled leaf or brown spot may be something you can live with, but sometimes damage can be extensive and action has to be taken. Learn about the old foes and new threats most likely to attack your plants, and take home simple tips to reduce plant health problems in your own garden.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General

**Venue:** Lecture Hall

**Event code:** 24463  
Maximum 20 places







## Beginner's Gardening: Collecting Seeds and making new plants

**Saturday 5 October**

10.30m to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Ian Smith (Bicton College Tutor)**

A seasonal look around the garden learning what needs to be done at this time of year and how you can apply this to your own garden at home. Covering seed collecting and propagation. The last of three day courses following the seasonal changes at Rosemoor and how to make the most of your own garden throughout the year. Pick and choose which season interests you the most, or attend them all.

**Fee:** RHS Members £41  
Non-RHS Members £53

**Skill level:** Beginner

**Venue:** Learning Centre and Garden

**Event code:** 24464  
Maximum 12 places



## What Now? Your Garden in Autumn

**Tuesday 8 October**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Simon Holman (RHS Team)**

Are you new to gardening and unsure exactly what you should be doing when, or are you a keen gardener wanting tips on your timings? Let the RHS experts help you through the gardening year providing a whistle-stop tour of techniques, tips, tricks and advice on seasonal tasks so that you know what you could be doing when. Sessions will vary in format including talks, practical demonstrations and walks around the garden.

Autumn topics covered – planting trees and shrubs, dividing herbaceous perennials, planting bulbs, digging, protecting tender perennials and autumn lawn renovation.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event Code:** 25973  
Maximum 15 places

## Tree Selection and Planting

**Friday 25 October**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Martin Ivall (RHS Team)**

Trees are a vitally important part of our gardens, giving us garden structure, shade, flowers, scent, autumn colour, berries and a home for hundreds of species of wildlife. It is not necessary to have a large garden as many trees are suitable for smaller areas and even large containers. Martin will show you what to look for when you are choosing a tree, suggest some good species and show you how to plant them so that they have a really good start and give you many years of enjoyment.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25974  
Maximum 15 places

## Glorious Evergreen Foliage for Garden Structure

**Wednesday 6 November**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Jonathan Hutchinson (RHS Team)**

A garden need not be dull during winter and with good use of evergreen foliage, an interesting structure can be maintained, and different areas of the garden become the centre of attention. Jonathan will take you on a tour of some sumptuous foliage plants which will breathe life back into your garden for those dullest months and provide you with interesting foliage for decorating the house in December.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25975  
Maximum 15 places

## How to Maintain your Garden Machinery

**Thursday 21 November**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Mat Fry (RHS Team)**

We all know that a machine works better and more efficiently if it is properly maintained, yet we often ignore this. Treat your garden machinery to a makeover this winter - let Mat explain some of the simple but effective ways to keep your garden machinery working well, which in turn will help to prolong its life.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25976  
Maximum 15 places



## Explore Rosemoor's Woodlands

**Thursday 12 December**

11am to 12.30pm

**Tutor: Rod Knight (RHS Team)**

At Rosemoor, we are fortunate to be surrounded by a stunning backdrop of trees within our wooded valley. We own and manage over 120 acres of woodland, the majority of which is not yet open to our visitors. This walk will highlight the work we are doing to transform and maintain our diverse woodland plantings across the site – be prepared for a long walk to see all these exciting areas. We will look at relevant pest and disease issues, suitable trees and plants and you will gain an insight into the maintenance that is needed.

**Fee:** RHS Members £15  
Non-RHS Members £27

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden

**Event code:** 25977  
Maximum 15 places



# Garden Craft

## Willow Weaving: Conical Plant Support

**Wednesday 13 February**

10.30am to 4pm

**Tutor: Peter Earl**

Learn how to make a conical plant support to enhance your garden plants and provide a focal point in your border for several years.

Peter will take you through all the steps to create this popular and extremely sturdy support using natural willow, some materials from Rosemoor. Please make sure you have room in your car for your creation which will be just over 6ft (2m) tall.

**Fee:** RHS Members £56  
Non-RHS Members £68

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Lecture Hall

**Event code:** 22945  
Maximum 12 places

## Willow Weaving: Low Hurdles

**Thursday 28 February**

10.30am to 4pm

**Tutor: Peter Earl**

These attractive hurdles have been used for many years to edge our potager beds and they last several years, providing a sturdy but very natural looking edge. In your own garden, you might prefer them to edge flower borders and provide a little support to lower growing plants. Peter will help you to create this popular and extremely sturdy path or border edging using natural willow, some materials from Rosemoor. Please make sure you have room in your car for your creation which will be around 5ft (1.75m) long.

**Fee:** RHS Members £56  
Non-RHS Members £68

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden Room

**Event code:** 21644  
Maximum 12 places



## Willow Weaving: Zarzo Basket

**Friday 15 or Saturday 16 March**

9.30am to 5pm

**Tutor: Sarah le Breton**

Make a striking round or rectangular Zarzo basket in a day – this is a recently developed basketry style from Denmark, and you will weave your very own Zarzo using willow of assorted colours. These baskets are perfect for beginners but due to the way they are created you do need to have a decent level of fitness! Sarah is passionate about willow sculpting since starting her own business in 2006.

**Fee:** RHS Members £90  
Non-RHS Members £102

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24467 (15 March) **or**  
24468 (16 March)

Maximum 8 places

## Willow Sculpture: Poultry

**Friday 5 or Saturday 6 April**

9.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Sarah Webb**

Make your own poultry willow sculpture and though they may not provide you with eggs, neither will they scratch up your plants, but just look beautifully decorative in your garden. Sarah Webb is a basket maker and contemporary willow artist, and has run several deservedly popular willow sculpture workshops at Rosemoor. During

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this one day workshop you will be guided through the processes needed to make a chicken, duck or goose. Be warned though willow sculpture is addictive, soon you may have to build a run to house them all, or give them away as very desirable gifts.

**Fee:** RHS Members £80

Non-RHS Members £92

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24469 (5 April) **or**  
24470 (6 April)

Maximum 10 places



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## Willow Sculpture: Flower Lantern

**Friday 31 May or Saturday 1 June**

10am to 5.30pm

**Tutor: Sarah le Breton**

Create a beautiful, large, hanging willow flower lantern as a centrepiece for your garden or home. Developed by Sarah le Breton; using basketry techniques you will sculpt a large lantern that can be lit up with LED lights.

**Fee:** RHS Members £90  
Non-RHS Members £102

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24472 (31 May) **or**  
24474 (1 June)

Maximum 8 places



## Willow Sculpture: Pig

**Friday 14 or Saturday 15 June**

9.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Sarah Webb**

Sarah Webb is a basket maker and contemporary willow artist, and has run several deservedly popular willow sculpture workshops at Rosemoor. During this one day workshop you will be guided through the processes needed to make a pot-bellied pig. Be warned though willow sculpture is addictive, soon you may have to home a whole drove of pigs, or give them away as very desirable gifts.

**Fee:** RHS Members £80  
Non-RHS Members £92

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Lecture Hall

**Event code:** 24475 (14 June) **or**  
24476 (15 June)

Maximum 10 places



## Willow Sculpture: Christmas Reindeer

**Tuesday 19 or Saturday 30 November**

9.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Sarah Webb**

Sarah Webb is a basket maker and contemporary willow artist, and will help you get into the Christmas spirit as you make a wonderful seasonal sculpture. Come and spend a festive fun day making your very own willow reindeer. During this course you will be guided through the process needed to make a reindeer with antlers, red noses are however optional. Be warned though willow sculpture is addictive, soon you may have to home a whole herd, or give them away as very desirable gifts.

**Fee:** RHS Members £80

Non-RHS Members £92

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Garden Room (19 November) **or**  
Learning Centre (30 November)

**Event code:** 25978 (19 November) **or**  
24478 (30 November)

Maximum 8 places





## Willow Weaving: Christmas Decorations

**Saturday 23 November**

9.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Jane Welsh**

Jane has been making baskets for 16 years and has been a professional basket-maker and tutor for 8 years. She feels passionately about protecting and passing on our traditional rural crafts and likes to encourage others to work with willow, a versatile and sustainable material.

A selection of projects will be on offer, including 2D Christmas trees and reindeer, 3D conical trees, bird feeders and clementine platters.

**Fee:** RHS Members £62  
Non-RHS Members £74

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24483

Maximum 10 places

## Christmas Wreaths: Traditional or Contemporary

**Saturday 14 December**

10.30am to 12.30pm (Traditional) **or**

2pm to 4pm (Contemporary)

**Tutor: Sarah Pepper**

Sarah Pepper is a well-known and popular floral designer who is based in a studio in East Devon, teaching workshops and creating floral displays for weddings and corporate clients. She has been teaching wreath making workshops for over 20 years and never tires of creating stunning decorations with seasonal materials. All materials included.

Traditional Wreath Making – Come along to make a traditional rustic chic wreath using glorious seasonal foliage from our gardens, before

personalising your design with dried fruits, gorgeous ribbons and cones. No well-dressed door should be without one.

Contemporary Twig Door Wreath or Heart – Make your own stylish door decoration using twigs, luscious foliage, sumptuous ribbons and a whole heap of Christmas cheer. The base can be re-used and re-trimmed for different seasons.

**Fee:** RHS Members £30,

Non-RHS Members £42

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 25300 (AM) **or**

25301 (PM)

Maximum 25 places per workshop





# Creative

## Primulas, Hellebores and Early Spring Flowers in Watercolour

**Friday 8 to Sunday 10 February**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Laura Silburn**

Laura Silburn is a botanical artist and illustrator working in Cornwall, where the diverse flora and gardens continually inspire her. She has won three Gold Medals from the RHS (2013, 2014 and 2018), their Best in Show Award 2014 and also paints for the Eden Project Florilegium Society. Her work is in the RHS Lindley Library, the Shirley Sherwood collection, the Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney and other public and private collections, and she has taken part in the prestigious Transylvania Florilegium.

In this workshop, you will be using freshly emerging flowers such as primulas and hellebores, and concentrating on the various colours and textures of spring flowers and leaves. Working step by step we will move from accurate line drawing and tonal shading to produce a finished watercolour painting on a plant of your choice. We will work on colour matching, layering washes and dry brushing for the finishing details to sharpen up your picture. We will work at the

students' own pace and the workshop will be suitable for everyone from complete beginners to improvers.

**Fee:** RHS Members £130

Non-RHS Members £166

**Skill level:** General / Beginners / Improvers

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24484

Maximum 12 places

## Needle-felting: a Dog in a Day

**Saturday 16 February**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Kate Toms**

Textile and mixed media artist Kate Toms will take you through the process of making a small, needle-felted, sitting dog. Needle-felting is a wonderfully simple technique whereby fibre is shaped and compressed with the hand and 'fixed' in place using barbed needles which act like hooks, interlocking the fibres together and forming a mass. This project is suitable for people with no felting experience.

A choice of coloured fibres will be offered and all tools required will be on loan.

**Fee:** RHS Members £65

Non-RHS Members £77

**Skill level:** General / Beginners / Improvers

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24488

Maximum 10 places



## Springtime Flowers in Watercolour

**Friday 29 to Sunday 31 March**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Ros Franklin**

A three day botanical painting in watercolour workshop looking at the beautiful bulbs, blossom and flowers available in the garden at RHS Rosemoor with RHS Gold medalist Ros Franklin. Her workshops always sell out fast, so please book early to avoid disappointment. Suitable for beginners and those with experience.

**Fee:** RHS Members £160

Non-RHS Members £196

**Skill level:** General / Beginners / Improvers

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24489

Maximum 12 places



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## Stunning Mosaics

**Saturday 27 to Sunday 28 April**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Amanda Anderson**

Amanda Anderson is a West Midlands based mosaic maker who originally studied Fine Art at Liverpool's John Moores University. She has over twenty five years of experience working on large public commissions and smaller pieces for sale and exhibition, and specialises in brightly coloured, quirky designs of birds and other creatures.

Spend two days creating a vibrant mosaic for your room wall, using brightly coloured stained glass, ceramic tiles, pottery pieces and millefiori. Choose from a fox, a bird or a circular base and learn how to cut the tesserae, construct and grout. The workshop is suitable for all abilities and tools, and materials are provided. If you would like to include some of your own china pieces in your design please bring them along.

**Fee:** RHS Members £155

Non-RHS Members £179

**Skill level:** General / Beginners

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24492

Maximum 10 places

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## Perfect Paper Peonies

**Saturday 4 May**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Wendy Morray-Jones**

Wendy is a paper flower artist and has been practising her art for over 20 years. Engrossing and relaxing, this skill doesn't require a great outlay of time or money to begin with, and Wendy will teach you how to make a beautiful posy of peonies to take home. This workshop will give you the skill and confidence to produce some colourful, beautiful and highly sought-after gifts which are inexpensive to make but wonderful to receive. You can also buy other flower-making kits from Wendy in the workshop.

**Fee:** RHS Members £55

Non-RHS Members £66

**Skill level:** General / Beginner

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24494

Maximum 10 places



## Late Spring Colour in Loose Watercolour

**Friday 10 to Sunday 12 May**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Janet Judge**

Spring is a joyful time in nature with everything bursting back to life and colour. Bright spring greens in woodland, then bluebells and tulips, followed by colourful rhododendrons. Join Janet and learn how to achieve a relaxed contemporary style by preparing thoroughly, studying the subject, planning composition and choosing the colours.

The workshop will start with tonal drawings using charcoal and watercolour with big brushes to loosen up and get a feel for the plants and the garden. Students will be able to work outside (weather permitting) or in the classroom. Learn how to build up layers of transparent colour, try techniques such as wet in wet and experiment with using sticks and feathers as well as a variety of different brushes and drawing media. You will work on several paintings over the three days, landscape and floral. There will be a mixture of demonstrations and individual tuition, making the course suitable for everyone except the absolute beginner.

Janet has been a professional painter for over 20 years exhibiting widely, with many images published as prints and greetings cards. She is known for her sumptuous colours and relaxed, contemporary painting style.

**Fee:** RHS Members £170

Non-RHS Members £206

**Skill level:** General / Improvers

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24502

Maximum 12 places

## Drawing Day

**Wednesday 15 May**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Peter Newell**

This day will start outdoors working directly in the garden. Seated on comfortable chairs and using sturdy easels you will undertake a series of studies with expert guidance from your tutors. The tuition will take you through a variety of drawing materials and techniques enabling you to explore the qualities of each material and how it relates to the subject matter you are looking at. Once initial studies have been undertaken, you will develop one into a final drawing. All materials are provided, but please bring clothing for all weathers and good walking shoes, beginners and experienced are most welcome. Peter is a popular local artist and teacher, who jointly runs Quay Drawing to encourage people to improve their observational skills and thereby improve their artwork.

**Fee:** RHS Members £50

Non-RHS Members £62

**Skill level:** General / Beginner / Experienced

**Venue:** Wisteria Meeting Room and Garden

**Event code:** 24495

Maximum 10 places



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## Drawing and Painting Course

**Wednesdays 5, 12, 19, 26 June, 3, 10 July**

2pm to 5pm

**Tutor: Peter Newell**

The course will start with a series of drawings, some undertaken outside and some indoor-based studies. Guided by your tutor a variety of drawing materials will be used enabling you to explore their properties and how they can be applied to different subjects. This way of working will enable you to develop or enhance your skills and help you select subject matter that you wish to explore further. As the course develops, and with support from your tutor, you will make selections from your studies and develop those images into an acrylic painting. All materials are provided but it would be advisable to bring an old shirt or apron. Peter is a popular local artist and teacher, who jointly runs Quay Drawing to encourage people to improve their observational skills and thereby improve their artwork.

**Fee per single session:** RHS Members £28

Non-RHS Members £40

**Skill level:** General / Beginner / Experienced

**Venue:** Wisteria Meeting Room

**Event code:** 24496 (5 June)

24497 (12 June)

24498 (19 June)

24499 (26 June)

24500 (3 July)

24501 (10 July)

Maximum 10 places

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## Natural Perfume and Aromatherapy

**Saturday 13 July**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Laura Hoy**

Make your own unique & completely natural, organic roll on oil perfume, with the finest quality essential oils. Experience & learn about the aromatic botanical ingredients, their origins & how they can support health & well-being in this practical, sensual workshop.

*"This workshop is truly unique, fun and well worth treating yourself to if you want to smell and feel totally gorgeous!"*

Heather Di Marino

**Fee:** RHS Members £80

Non-RHS Members £92

**Skill level:** General / Beginners / Improvers

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24505

Maximum 15 places



## Summer Flowers and Vegetables in Watercolour

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**Friday 26 to Sunday 28 July**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Ros Franklin**

A three day botanical painting in watercolour workshop looking at the beautiful variety of summer flowers and vegetables available in the garden at RHS Rosemoor, with RHS Gold medalist Ros Franklin. Suitable for beginners and those with experience. Ros' workshops always sell out fast, so please book early to avoid disappointment.

**Fee:** RHS Members £160

Non-RHS Members £195

**Skill level:** General / Beginners / Improvers

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24506

Maximum 12 places



## The Colours of Summer in Loose Watercolour

**Friday 9 to Sunday 11 August**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Janet Judge**

Janet has been a professional painter for over 20 years exhibiting widely, with many images published as prints and greetings cards. She is known for her sumptuous colours and relaxed, contemporary painting style. 'Watercolour can have a mind of its own but I try to teach my students to work with the medium, enjoying the flow of the colour rather than fighting and trying to completely control it.' You'll work quickly to capture an impression of your subject and experiment with different compositions and colour combinations to make your paintings sing with summer colour.

Start with tonal drawings using charcoal and watercolour with big brushes to loosen up and get a feel for the plants and the garden. Students will be able to work out in the garden (weather permitting) or indoors. Learn how to build up layers of transparent colour, try techniques such as wet in wet and experiment with using sticks and feathers as well as a variety of different brushes and drawing media, to create several paintings during the course.

There will be a mixture of demonstrations and individual tuition making the course suitable for everyone except the absolute beginner.

**Fee:** RHS Members £170  
Non-RHS Members £206

**Skill level:** General / Improvers

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24517

Maximum 12 places



## Printmaking in a Day

**Thursday 22 August**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Polly Pocock**

Taking inspiration and materials from the environment of Rosemoor you will initially make work using monoprint techniques. The images created will then lead into a form of reductive lino cut which will embrace the use of several colours and produce a short edition of prints. All materials and equipment including a portable press are provided but an old shirt or apron would be useful, beginners and experienced are most welcome.

**Fee:** RHS Members £52  
Non-RHS Members £64

**Skill level:** General / Beginners / Improvers

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24513

Maximum 12 places

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## The Riches of Late Summer Plants in Gouache Painting

**Tuesday 3 to Wednesday 4 September**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Sarah Jane Humphrey**

Sarah Jane Humphrey is an award winning botanical artist, teacher and writer, who was awarded an RHS Gold Medal at the 2018 RHS Botanical Art Show, and has a newly released book, 'Botanical Art with Scientific Illustration' which is a complete guide for the beginner to the advanced artist.

She will guide you through the techniques of gouache painting, giving you ease and confidence, while exploring the rich diversity of late summer plants. The joy of using gouache allows the artist to delve into the depths of contrast, with a fabulous vibrancy, which is often to be found at this time of year when plants mature and enter the autumnal season. During the workshop Sarah Jane will give individual tuition and group demonstrations with enthusiasm and curiosity, to take your inspiration beyond the classroom.

**Fee:** RHS Members £150  
Non-RHS Members £174

**Skill level:** General / Beginners / Improvers

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24514  
Maximum 15 places

## Make a Felt Hat

**Saturday 7 September**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Andrea Coleman**

Andrea Coleman is a textile artist who lives and works in Somerset. She has been felt making for nearly 20 years and has taught students from aged 3 to 103. She uses many techniques similar to medieval felt makers, but with a modern upcycling twist incorporating fine silks. You can see examples of her work in her gallery on [www.artfelt.co.uk](http://www.artfelt.co.uk)

*"In my felt hat making workshop, you will make a beautiful warm felt hat using pure merino fleece and silk. No experience needed, only your creative hands. During the workshop you will learn how to use a resist to make a hollow seamless form. The felt hat will be made by layering the wool fibres across each other, incorporating recycled silk fabrics. Felt making encourages your amazing ability and imagination, and lets you have fun at the same time."*

**Fee:** RHS Members £70  
Non-RHS Members £82

**Skill level:** General / Beginners / Improvers

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24517  
Maximum 12 places





## Autumn Foliage in Watercolour

**Friday 4 to Sunday 6 October**

9.30am to 3.30pm

**Tutor: Angeline de Meester**

Angeline returns to Rosemoor for her second course. She is an award winning botanical artist, and her work is included in international collections including the Dr Sherwood Gallery at Kew, The RHS Lindley Library and The Hunt Institute in America. She is a regular tutor at Capel Manor College in Regents Park and a member of the Society of Botanical Artists. Trained also as a jewellery designer her passion is for studying and portraying the structure and intricacies of botanical subjects in watercolour both for illustration and art purposes.

Taking the Foliage Garden at Rosemoor as inspiration, students will be encouraged to choose a small selection of contrasting leaves to paint. Students will be shown how to select material and consider the needs of a botanical painting, they will be encouraged to produce accurate drawings and shown how to use watercolour paint to reproduce the different colours and textures needed to represent leaves on paper. Students can try out different colour mixes and different watercolour techniques for applying the paint to create effective surface textures. There will be demonstrations and discussion of techniques and approach throughout the course. It will be useful to have some prior drawing and watercolour painting experience.

**Fee:** RHS Members £165  
Non-RHS Members £201

**Skill level:** General / Beginners / Improvers

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24518  
Maximum 12 places

## Sculptural Needle-felting: an Owl

**Saturday 19 October**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Tracey Benton**

Benton's Menagerie returns to Rosemoor with a new needle-felting project for you to enjoy. There'll be a chance to explore some wet felting and mixed media in the workshop as well as plenty of needle-felting. This project is designed to enable beginners to get their teeth into a juicy needle-felting project, as well as giving those with some experience a chance to learn new skills to add to your felting repertoire. You will leave with a completed owl sculpture at the end of the day. All materials are included in your workshop fee.

**Fee:** RHS Members £56  
Non-RHS Members £68

**Skill level:** General / Beginners / Improvers

**Venue:** Learning Centre

**Event code:** 24521  
Maximum 12 places





# Photography

## Taking Better Garden Close-ups

**Saturday 18 May**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Ross Hoddinott**

Ross Hoddinott is one of the UK's leading outdoor photographers and a close-up specialist. He is the author of 8 photography books, including 'Digital Macro & Close-up Photography' and multi-award winner. During this photography workshop, Ross will offer expert guidance on how to capture eye-catching close-ups and give advice on technique, lighting and composition. During spring and early summer, RHS Garden Rosemoor is arguably at its best, bursting with

interesting new growth, and vibrant, interesting flowers – there will be no shortage of picture potential. Due to the limited group size, a good deal of personal 1-2-1 attention and tuition is guaranteed – allowing Ross to tailor his advice to your exact requirements and level of experience. To get the best from the day with Ross, we suggest you bring a digital SLR or mirrorless camera, plus either a dedicated macro lens or close-up attachment.

**Fee:** RHS Members £85  
Non-RHS Members £97

**Skill level:** Intermediate

**Venue:** Learning Centre and Garden

**Event code:** 24531  
Maximum 8 places

## Plant Portraits

**Saturday 1 to Sunday 2 June**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Sue Bishop**

Sue Bishop specialises in flower and landscape photography. She creates images which are a celebration of colour, light and shape, both impressionistic and ethereal, evoking her love of the natural world. She has exhibited her work in many venues including the Mall Galleries and the Oxo Gallery, London, and in 2004 she held a solo exhibition at the RHS Lindley Library. As well as selling prints of her images, she has contributed photographs and articles to magazines, travel brochures, calendars and books worldwide, and has written three photography books.

The weekend will cover choice of lens, using different focal lengths, how to use natural light, reflectors and diffusers, understanding how to use colour, the importance of backgrounds, how to find composition and viewpoints, and how to use multiple exposures.

**Fee:** RHS Members £160  
Non-RHS Members £184

**Skill level:** Intermediate

**Venue:** Learning Centre and Garden

**Event code:** 24532

Maximum 14 places

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of flowering blooms requires good camera handling skills, technique and a creative eye. Join close-up specialist Ross Hoddinott for a masterclass in flower photography when he will offer expert guidance on camera settings, focusing and depth of field, while also highlighting the importance of subject selection, background choice and shooting angle. Emphasis will be placed on creativity and also the influence of light. Photographers of all abilities are welcome, but participants will ideally be using a digital SLR or mirrorless camera, and also have their own macro lens (or a dedicated close-up attachment). A sturdy tripod with low level capability is also highly recommended.

**Fee:** RHS Members £83  
Non-RHS Members £95

**Skill level:** Intermediate

**Venue:** Learning Centre and Garden

**Event code:** 24534

Maximum 8 places

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## Mastering Flower Photography

**Friday 5 July**

10.30am to 4.30pm

**Tutor: Ross Hoddinott**

Flowers are vibrant, elegant and exquisitely beautiful things but flower photography is far





# Further Information

**Any updated information can be found on the courses section of the RHS website at [rhs.org.uk](https://rhs.org.uk)**

## Ticket Information:

- Booking is essential.
- Please print / bring your online reservation and reference number to the garden entrance to collect your ticket. If you have a query regarding your booking please call 01805 626810, every day 9am – 5pm.
- Non-RHS Members may become a member of the RHS at the time of booking and pay the members' price.
- Tickets are non-refundable unless the event is cancelled by the RHS.
- RHS Garden Rosemoor reserves the right to cancel an event, in which case fees will be fully refunded.
- All events will run subject to a minimum number of students. The decision as to whether the course goes ahead is made one week in advance of the event; therefore you are strongly advised to book before this time.
- Circumstances may require that event tutors change from those named in this brochure. Provided a tutor of equal standing is secured, participants will not be notified in advance. Refunds will only be given in the unlikely event that a replacement tutor is unavailable.
- All the events are non-residential but if you would like to stay in one of our luxurious self-catering holiday apartments in Rosemoor House, please call **01805 626810**, or email **[rosemooradmin@rhs.org.uk](mailto:rosemooradmin@rhs.org.uk)** for more details.
- Unless specified, the events are run specifically for adults. We regret that we are unable to admit children under 16 to any event.

## Access:

The majority of Rosemoor is easily accessible but if you have any specific needs or requirements please call **01805 626805**.

- **Wheelchairs:** RHS Garden Rosemoor has a number of manual wheelchairs which are available to borrow at the garden entrance.
- **Mobility scooters:** Three scooters are available for use which must be pre-booked by ringing **01805 626810**. A £5 returnable deposit is payable. There will be a short questionnaire and trial before hire so it is advised that you allow an extra 15 minutes on your travelling time.
- **Facilities:** The Rosemoor Plant Centre and Gift Shop, and the Rosemoor Garden Kitchen Restaurant are open daily from 10am all year round. The Wisteria Tearoom is open April to September, and the Rosemoor Reading Room is open for reference only every day, during opening hours
- **Carers:** Attendants cannot be provided, but one companion is admitted free of charge per wheelchair user, visually impaired visitor or other person whose disability or situation necessitates a carer. Please state if this is the case when booking.

## Admission:

Admission to RHS Garden Rosemoor is included in the price of the course ticket.

## Weather:

Many of our courses include outdoor activities. Please ensure that you dress appropriately for the weather with suitable footwear.

## First aid:

In the event of an emergency there will always be a trained first aider on site.

## Parking:

Car parking is free.

## Dogs:

We don't encourage visitors to bring dogs to Rosemoor, and only Guide and Registered Support Dogs are allowed inside the Garden. We do have limited shaded parking available on a first come first served basis.

**Our courses are designed to be informative, friendly and fun. Please kindly note that whilst you may leave with some expertise, these courses do not count towards any formal qualification.**

## RHS Lindley Library

Sign up to a short course or study day at RHS Lindley Library in London to learn about garden and book history and discover treasures from our collection of rare books, botanical art, periodicals, photographs and archives.

[rhs.org.uk/education-learning/libraries-at-rhs/events-exhibitions](https://rhs.org.uk/education-learning/libraries-at-rhs/events-exhibitions)



## RHS Membership



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## Join today and save money on courses

**Enjoy 12 months for the price of 9\* and a year of fantastic member benefits including:**

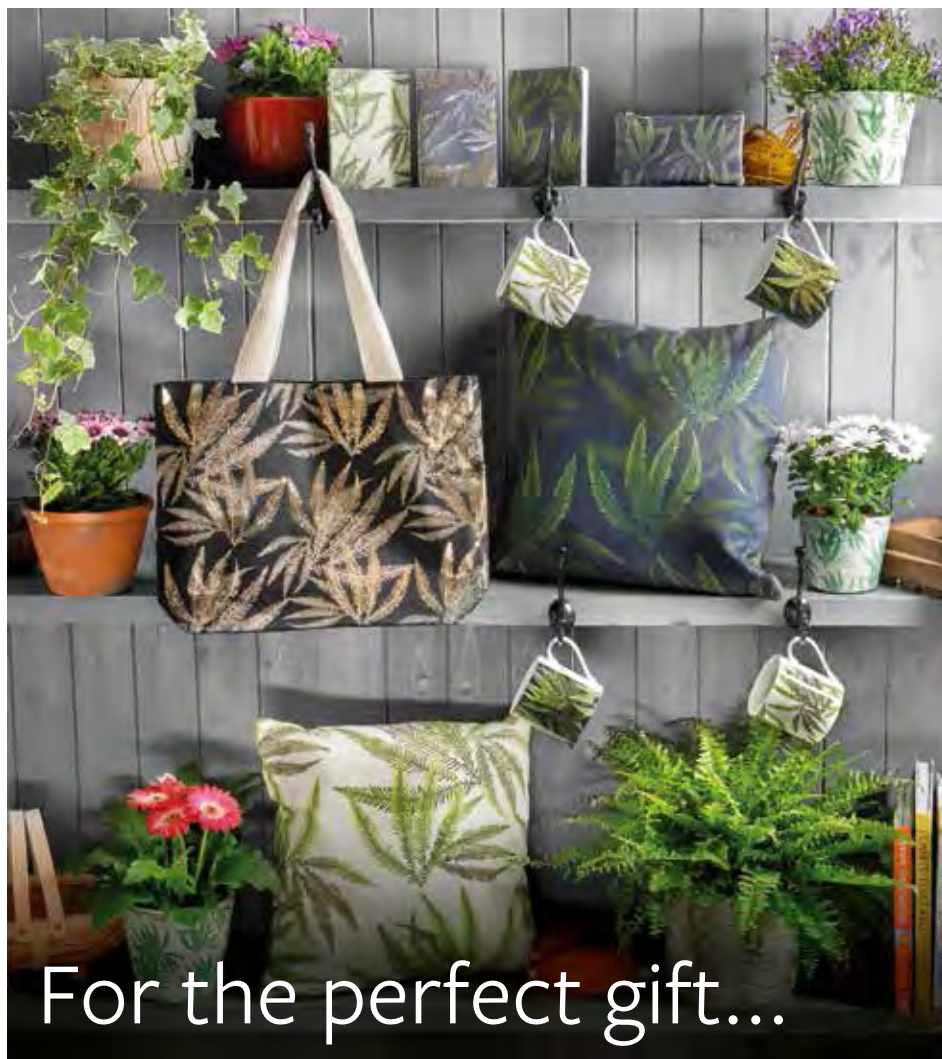
- Free access to our four RHS Gardens with a family guest (or 2 children) and free entry to more than 200 RHS Partner Gardens
- A free monthly subscription to *The Garden* magazine (worth £54) and free personalised gardening advice from our experts
- Members' Days and savings on tickets for RHS Flower Shows

Join today at the membership desk, by phone at the time of booking a course or visit [rhs.org.uk/join](https://rhs.org.uk/join)

### Student?

Visit [rhs.org.uk/student](https://rhs.org.uk/student) to learn more

\* Introductory offer by annual Direct Debit. T&C's apply.



## For the perfect gift...

A visit to Rosemoor is not only your chance to enjoy a stroll around the gardens after indulging in one of our courses or workshops, it's the perfect opportunity to stroll around our Plant Centre and Gift Shop, for a treat for yourself or to discover the perfect present for a loved one.

No matter what size your outdoor space, our friendly experts are on hand in the plant centre to offer help and advice in turning your space into a haven. With a 5 year guarantee on all hardy plants you can buy in confidence and if you get carried away then we're on hand to help carry your purchases to your car!

In our Gift Shop you'll find a wonderful array of home wares, fashion, toiletries, accessories and foods. From Rosemoor Jams and Chutneys to wonderful RHS Exclusive ranges only available in our shops, there's everything you need to take a piece of Rosemoor home with you.

Every purchase you make in our plant centre and gift shop contributes to the charitable works carried out by the Royal Horticultural Society.

# How to book

## Online:

[rhs.org.uk/rosemoor-whats-on](https://rhs.org.uk/rosemoor-whats-on)

## Telephone:

**01805 626810**

every day, except Christmas Day, 9am – 5pm

## Rosemoor information and enquiries

**01805 626810** every day, 9am – 5pm

[adultlearning@rhs.org.uk](mailto:adultlearning@rhs.org.uk)

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[rhs.org.uk/rosemoor](https://rhs.org.uk/rosemoor)

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# How to find us

## By car:

1 mile south of Great Torrington on the A3124. Approximately 1 hour from the M5 at Tiverton (junction 27) via A361.

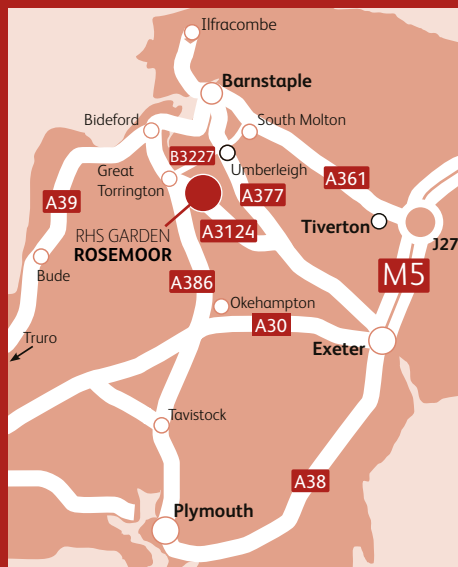
50 minutes from Exeter, 20 minutes from Barnstaple. Parking is free.

## By train:

Exeter (40 miles), Barnstaple (11 miles).

## By bus:

Bus 315 from Barnstaple, Bideford, Exeter or Crediton. Please ring Traveline for up-to-date bus information on 0871 2002233.



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