

# Members' Handbook 2026

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A world of wonder awaits you

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# Welcome

Whether you're a new member of the RHS or have been with us for many years, your membership benefits (see pp6-7) bring you inspiration and know-how to help you get the most enjoyment from your gardening. Your membership also contributes to our vision of a world where gardening is embraced as a way of life – a source of joy and fulfilment, building healthier lives, stronger communities and thriving environments.

Wherever people are gardening, we want to support them. Community gardening can transform unloved spaces into flourishing hubs for wellbeing, biodiversity and social connection. We're using the learnings from our first-ever community gardening survey conducted last year to create a new strategy to share knowledge and best practice with many more growing and gardening groups.

We're here for people throughout their gardening journey, which begins in childhood, and our Campaign for School Gardening provides free teaching resources, training and an awards scheme. Through free school visits to our gardens and opportunities to take part in our shows, we're finding ways to engage young people in gardening.

We also opened Greener Skills Gardens at RHS Wisley and RHS Bridgewater last year to demonstrate sustainable gardening methods and offer hands-on practice for people who've never tried gardening before.

Two exciting brand-new shows this July are bringing the best in horticultural inspiration to different parts of the UK. RHS Badminton Flower Show 2026 is set within south Gloucestershire's beautiful Badminton Estate and RHS Sandringham Flower Show takes place at the Norfolk retreat of Their Majesties King Charles III and Queen Camilla.

***"The RHS wants to support people, wherever they are gardening"***

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

In 2026 in addition to wonderful gardens and great gardening ideas, we're focusing on biodiversity and nature, sharing expert advice about how to make your garden even greener, reduce your carbon footprint and provide vital habitats for wildlife. We're adopting more sustainable gardening methods and regularly monitoring wildlife at RHS Gardens too.

There's plenty to look forward to at RHS Gardens. The reimagined Oudolf Landscape at RHS Wisley has matured wonderfully and new bulb plantings will give a spring hit of colour. The expanded RHS Rosemoor Winter Garden has recently opened, and at RHS Harlow Carr you can see how the new landscape around the Harrogate Arms is developing. The iconic Rose Rope Walk at RHS Hyde Hall has been given a sturdier structure to ensure longevity and the roses will be replanted this spring. Work continues at RHS Bridgewater on the Chinese Scholars Garden, a series of four traditionally crafted pavilions, due to complete this autumn.

There are 18 new RHS Partner Gardens this year offering free entry to members – you can find all 241 of them listed in this Handbook from p20 and on our website. Start planning wonderful days out for the year ahead!

**Keith Weed**  
RHS President



Spring time in the RHS Rosemoor Orchard with *Narcissus* 'Actaea' AGM and *Prunus incisa* 'Praecox'

# Where London Blooms, So Do You

Experience the perfect escape at [Pestana Chelsea Bridge Hotel](#), just a 15-minute stroll or a 5-minute drive from the [RHS Chelsea Flower Show](#) at the Royal Hospital Chelsea. Tucked between the leafy serenity of Battersea Park, the River Thames, and the iconic Battersea Power Station, our hotel offers a harmonious blend of convenience and calm.

After a day immersed in floral splendour, retreat to one of our spacious rooms or indulge in our spa. Enjoy a heated pool, sauna, steam room, and a gym, along with revitalising treatments designed to soothe body and mind.



Alternatively, sip a cocktail and savour a delicious meal at our bar, The Bridge, where every bite is crafted to delight. And before you set off on your next adventure, fuel your morning with our breakfast buffet, where you're spoilt for choice.

**Book with us and have the time of your life!**

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# The RHS – who we are and what we do

The RHS is the UK's gardening charity, helping people and plants to grow. Founded more than 200 years ago, we're now a thriving and diverse community of both professional and amateur gardeners, members, supporters, volunteers, students, scientists and more – all passionate about spreading the joy that people get from gardening.

We encourage the nation to get growing, inspiring millions at our five gardens and world-famous shows like RHS Chelsea Flower Show. We work with schools and communities. RHS Hilltop leads cutting-edge scientific research and safeguards botanical archives. Our expertise feeds into gardening advice for our members, on our Grow app and website.

Our mission is to be there for everybody on their lifelong adventures with gardening because few other activities offer so many benefits to so many people, or to our planet. From improving mental and physical health, to opening up new careers, and from bringing neighbours together, to finding new solutions to climate change – we believe that every life deserves gardens, and that protecting our



**Educating pupils about the natural world on a school visit to RHS Garden Rosemoor**

struggling planet starts at our fingertips.

As a charity, we raise money through events, membership and donations, which is then put to work in communities, research facilities, education and much more. Our vision is a world where gardening is a way of life for everyone – connecting even more people and plants, in order to grow happier, healthier lives and communities.

**The maturing  
reimagined Oudolf  
Landscape, at  
RHS Wisley, peaks  
in late summer**



# Enjoy the benefits of RHS membership

We hope you'll enjoy the many benefits that RHS membership brings, from informing and inspiring your own gardening to enjoying wonderful days out at magnificent gardens and shows



## The Garden magazine

RHS members receive *The Garden* magazine, which brings seasonal inspiration through its news pages, beautifully illustrated features and specialist advice from RHS experts.

See [rhs.org.uk/thegarden](https://rhs.org.uk/thegarden)

Plus get The Garden app from the App Store or Google Play for a digital version of the magazine, daily updates from [rhs.org.uk](https://rhs.org.uk) and more.



Scan the QR code or search 'The Garden' in the App Store or on Google Play

## Members' Days at RHS Flower Shows

You can book tickets to special Members' Days and save on public day tickets too. See pp8–9 or visit [rhs.org.uk/shows](https://rhs.org.uk/shows)



## RHS Gardening Advice

Members can get free advice from our team of expert advisors on everything from houseplants and pruning to plant or garden pest IDs. You can submit an enquiry via [rhs.org.uk/myadvice](https://rhs.org.uk/myadvice) or call 01483 479700 (weekdays 10am–4pm).

## My RHS online

You can sign up for your free online account to manage your membership, access the gardening advice service and read *The Garden* magazine on your desktop. To set up your account, visit [rhs.org.uk/my-rhs](https://rhs.org.uk/my-rhs)







The colourful Chinese Streamside Garden can be viewed from the Music Pagoda at RHS Bridgewater

## Entry to five RHS Gardens

Enjoy unlimited free visits to our gardens – RHS Garden Wisley in Surrey, RHS Garden Harlow Carr in North Yorkshire, RHS Garden Hyde Hall in Essex, RHS Garden Rosemoor in Devon and RHS Garden Bridgewater in Salford. For more details see pp10–19 or visit [rhs.org.uk/gardens](https://rhs.org.uk/gardens)

## Entry to more than 240 RHS Partner Gardens

You can enjoy free entry at selected times to 241 gardens located all around the UK and overseas (for Joint Members, only main member entry is free). Find out more on pp20–98 and at [rhs.org.uk/partnergardens](https://rhs.org.uk/partnergardens)

## Contact us

If you have any suggestions or questions about your membership, please contact our membership services team, who will be happy to help you.

**Phone:** 020 3176 5810

**Email:** [membership@rhs.org.uk](mailto:membership@rhs.org.uk)

## Keeping in touch

Sign up to our membership emails and we'll keep you updated with news from the RHS, regular advice from our experts and when RHS Flower Show tickets go on sale to members. Sign up at [rhs.org.uk/my-rhs](https://rhs.org.uk/my-rhs)

# RHS Flower Shows

## RHS Malvern Spring Festival

**7–10 May 2026**

This RHS Show nestled in the beautiful Malvern Hills and organised in partnership with Three Counties is a celebration of springtime. From pioneering Show Gardens, including a new Blooming Borders category, to inspiring Indoor Plant Gardens, RHS Malvern showcases the best of established and emerging horticultural talent. The School Garden Challenge introduces the green-fingered stars of the future, and the Talks and Demonstrations stages host a packed schedule of advice and tips for gardeners of all levels. Browse a variety of shopping experiences, including the vast Festival of Houseplants. Make a beeline for the Plant Village and Floral Marquee for free advice and a sumptuous array of plants to buy. There's plenty of space to slow the pace and enjoy a drink or bite to eat, while taking in the gorgeous view.

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



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## RHS Chelsea Flower Show

**19–23 May 2026**

At the height of spring, the jewel in the RHS Show crown returns to central London. Show Gardens, All About Plants and Balcony and Container Gardens explore a wide range of themes, with exciting designs that steer horticultural trends for the year ahead. Spectacular floral installations and displays transform the showground, while in the Great Pavilion a feast of flowers awaits, with exhibitors hoping to earn a prestigious RHS Medal. The Houseplant Studios, nestled in the shaded plateau of Ranelagh Gardens, showcase quirky and inspirational indoor spaces, while expert trade stands are ready to sell their exquisite wares. Plus there are plenty of tasty food and drink options to tempt you.

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





## RHS Badminton Flower Show

**8–12 July 2026**

New to the RHS Shows line-up this year, the Badminton Estate in Gloucestershire is the delightful setting for this exciting event as we enter the height of summer. It features innovative Show Gardens alongside Artisan Gardens bringing modern and traditional crafts to the fore. Supporting new talent, the Young Designer of the Year competition is being held at RHS Badminton, where up-and-coming designers aim to make headlines and kickstart their horticultural careers. The Floral Marquee is filled with colour and scent from specialist nurseries, and there are delicious food and drink options alongside the best shopping experience, and inspirational talks to keep everyone happy.

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



## RHS Sandringham Flower Show

**22–26 July 2026**

We are delighted to be invited by our Patron, King Charles III, to hold a Flower Show at the Sandringham Estate, filled with floral magnificence as we enter late summer.


Two exciting new categories make their debut at this show, with Grow Forward Gardens championing sustainability, and Creative Coastal Gardens celebrating the unique conditions of a seaside garden together with Show Gardens and the ever-popular Long Borders providing visitors with plenty of inspiration. The Floral Marquee is filled with glorious blooms and sumptuous colour, while stunning displays and plant-filled installations dazzle around the site.

Find the best expert advice in the Plant Village and shop to your heart's content for plants, gifts and treats.

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



# RHS Gardens



An elegant tapestry of late-flowering perennials calms the senses in the Paradise Garden



# RHS Garden Bridgewater

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Covering 154 acres in Salford's historic landscape, RHS Garden Bridgewater is constantly evolving and inspiring visitors and a valuable community resource. The masterplan, created by landscape architect Tom Stuart-Smith, was brought to life by our fantastic RHS Bridgewater team and award-winning garden designers. Its concept of 'gardens within a garden' blends history with world-class horticulture.

The restored Weston Walled Garden, one of the UK's largest Victorian walled gardens, showcases Mediterranean, Asiatic and North American planting in the peaceful Paradise Garden. In contrast, the contemporary Worsley Welcome Garden includes beech topiary, yew domes and billowing perennials.

At the centre of the Chinese Streamside Garden, a stunning Music Pavilion is the first of four classical Chinese pavilions forming the Scholar's Garden, opening in 2026. A 'bambusarium' with nearly 70 bamboo cultivars was added in 2025.

Both beautiful and productive, the Kitchen Garden offers inspiration for growing food in spaces of all sizes, while the naturalistic Orchard Garden is a haven for wildlife and biodiversity. Opened in 2025, 'Air' is the first of four new borders inspired by the elements, with 'Earth' to follow in 2026.

In our three community gardens – Community Grow, the Wellbeing Garden and Peel Learning Garden – local groups and school children grow food and develop their gardening skills.

## Events

The year-round events programme includes a host of fun family activities during the school holidays, plant fairs and exhibitions, horticultural talks and craft workshops, with seasonal highlights such as RHS Glow and Plot to Plate.

• Visit [rhs.org.uk/bridgewaterwhatson](https://rhs.org.uk/bridgewaterwhatson)

## Highlights

- Paradise Garden
- Chinese Streamside Garden
- Worsley Welcome Garden
- Blue Peter Discover Soil Garden
- Kitchen Garden
- Wellbeing Garden
- Middle Wood
- Orchard Garden
- Windrush Garden and COP26 Garden
- Trials Garden
- Moon Bridge Water
- Victoria Meadow

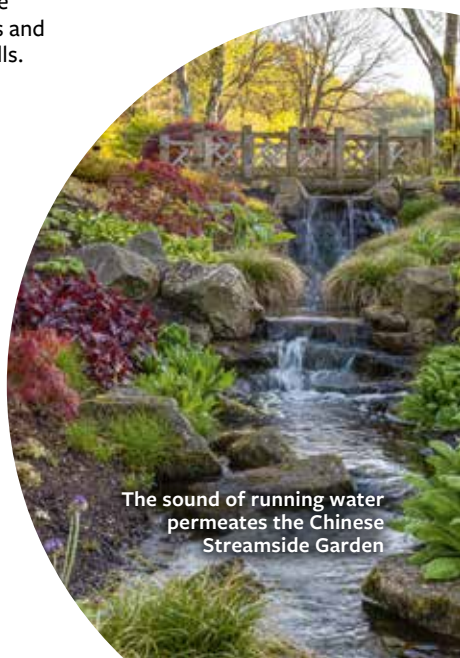
## Information

Open: daily (excl 25 Dec);  
Nov–Feb, 10am–4pm;  
Mar–Oct, 10am–6pm.  
Last entry one hour  
before closing.

Facilities include:

- Bridgewater Café
- Stables Café
- Garden Cottage  
Shepherd's Hut
- Woodland Play  
Coffee Truck
- Garden Centre  
and Shop
- Children's play area
- Designated picnic areas
- Free car park
- Accessible parking  
and toilets, mobility  
scooters and  
manual wheelchairs

Please note: dogs (except assistance dogs) are not allowed on site, with the exception of Walkies events. For public transport, search RHS Bridgewater at [goodjourney.org](https://goodjourney.org)



The sound of running water permeates the Chinese Streamside Garden

# RHS Garden Wisley

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RHS Garden Wisley is the historic home of the RHS and one of the UK's most popular and cherished gardens. Within its more than 200 acres is a huge diversity of gardens and one of the world's largest plant collections.

It's a perfect year-round destination with swathes of spring bulbs and pretty blossom, stunning mixed summer borders, spectacular autumn colour in the woodland and arboretum, and enchanting frost-dusted winter scenes, with a dedicated Winter Walk. Planting schemes are constantly evolving, so there's always something new to inspire and excite.


Opened in 2025, the Greener Skills Garden is packed with sustainable gardening ideas backed by RHS research. In the Oudolf Landscape, opened in 2024, you can wander among the

breathtaking tapestry of perennials and grasses, with spring bulbs added for 2026.

Much-loved areas, such as the Rock Garden, Battleston Hill and Exotic Garden, continue to thrive and thrill. Full of diverse culinary delights, the World Food Garden champions growing food using sustainable practices, while the impressive Glasshouse is home to a vast range of tender plants and an Orchid House.

RHS Hilltop – The Home of Gardening Science is the UK's first dedicated centre of horticultural scientific excellence and shines a light on current RHS research, while the Laboratory reveals RHS Wisley's rich history.

There's ample space for kids to run, play and explore, with natural play features in the Back to Nature Garden a highlight for families.



Dramatic planting  
in the Exotic  
Garden



## Events

The garden hosts a variety of events all year including a flower show, plant and craft fairs, festivals and RHS Glow. In the school holidays, young gardeners are inspired and entertained by fun family events. There's an exciting range of courses and workshops for adults, with free talks at RHS Hilltop and exhibitions exploring fascinating aspects of horticulture hosted in the Wisley Gallery.

- Visit [rhs.org.uk/wisleywhatson](https://rhs.org.uk/wisleywhatson)

## Highlights

- RHS Hilltop
- Battleston Hill
- Bowes-Lyon Rose Garden
- Exotic Garden
- Rock Garden
- Oudolf Landscape
- The Glasshouse
- Laboratory
- Wildlife Garden
- Wellbeing Garden
- World Food Garden
- Winter Walk

## Information

Open: daily (excl 25 Dec);  
Nov–Feb, 10am–4.30pm;  
Mar–Oct, 10am–6pm.  
Weekends open  
from 9am.  
Last entry one hour  
before closing.

Facilities include:

- Wisley Café
- Food Hall
- Glasshouse Kitchen
- Terrace Restaurant
- Stone Pine Café
- World Food Café
- Children's play area
- Designated picnic areas
- Free car park
- Garden Centre and Shop
- Library
- Accessible parking; Changing Places facilities in the Welcome Building and RHS Hilltop; mobility scooters and manual wheelchairs

Please note: dogs (except assistance dogs) are not allowed on site except for Walkies events.

For public transport, search RHS Wisley at [goodjourney.org.uk](https://goodjourney.org.uk)

# RHS Garden Rosemoor

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Set in the stunning Torridge Valley in north Devon, between Dartmoor and Exmoor National Parks, this 65-acre haven of biodiversity offers something for everyone. Explore our renowned 'garden rooms', each themed to celebrate the seasons with distinctive planting styles and designs.

Our two rose gardens, featuring more than 250 cultivars, reach their fragrant peak in June. In summer, experience sizzling colour in our Hot Garden or unwind in the Cool Garden, with its soft pastel shades and teardrop-shaped pond.

Completed in summer 2025, the reimagined Winter Garden by award-winning garden designer Jo Thompson doubles the space dedicated to winter interest, blending classic winter planting with more unusual trees, perennials and grasses.

In the historic Lady Anne's Garden, our Exotic Garden, Stone Garden, Mediterranean Garden and Cherry Garden offer lots of inspiration for different conditions and gardening styles.

Take a streamside walk from the Lake, through the Rock Gully to the Bog Garden and enjoy pools, waterfalls and moisture-loving plants. Explore our woodlands, wildflower meadows and the Fruit and Vegetable Garden for practical growing ideas. Discover trees from the Northern Hemisphere in the Bicentenary Arboretum and admire our collection of rare and local heritage apples in the orchards.

Families can let their imaginations run wild exploring our woodland walks, two play areas, a den-building area and leaf-rubbing trail.

## Events

Discover year-round events and activities to suit all ages and interests, with a range of inspirational short courses and workshops throughout the year, as well as a flower show, plant shows, craft fairs, sculpture and art exhibitions. Fun, family activities make RHS Rosemoor a great school holiday destination.

• Visit [rhs.org.uk/rosemoorwhatson](https://rhs.org.uk/rosemoorwhatson)

## Highlights

- Rose gardens
- Cool Garden
- Hot Garden
- Winter Garden
- Apple orchards
- Fruit and Vegetable Garden
- Foliage Garden
- Lake, Rock Gully and waterfall
- Woodland walks
- Arboretum
- Wildflower meadows



Families can let  
their imagination  
run wild





### Information

Open: daily (excl 25 Dec);  
Oct–Mar, 10am–5pm;  
Apr–Sept, 10am–6pm.  
Last entry one hour  
before closing.

Facilities include:

- The Garden Restaurant
- Otter Café
- Shepherd's Rest, Wisteria Tea Room (seasonal opening)
- Children's play areas
- Designated picnic areas
- Free car park
- Garden Centre and Shop
- Self-catering apartments
- Accessible parking and toilets, mobility scooters and manual wheelchairs

Dogs are allowed in certain areas of the garden on selected days only; please visit [rhs.org.uk/rosemoordogs](https://rhs.org.uk/rosemoordogs) for more info. Assistance dogs welcome every day. For public transport, search RHS Rosemoor at [goodjourney.org.uk](https://goodjourney.org.uk)

Vibrant colours in  
the Hot Garden  
in late summer



# RHS Garden Hyde Hall

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Situated in the heart of rural Essex, RHS Hyde Hall's 365-acre site makes it the largest of the five RHS Gardens and one of the most visited attractions in the East of England. Its unique hilltop location offers big open skies, sweeping panoramas and far-reaching views across the surrounding countryside. The inspiring mix of horticultural styles provides year-round interest and planting themes range from traditional to modern. You'll be enchanted by the exciting spaces, natural beauty and colourful blooms.

The quintessential Hilltop Garden with its scented Rose Garden and colour-themed Herbaceous Border is full of English charm, while in stark contrast the Dry Garden is packed with more than 400 drought-resistant

plants from Mediterranean regions. The Rose Rope Walk, one of Hyde Hall's original features, was lovingly redeveloped in 2025.

Brightening even the duller days, the Winter Garden celebrates the extraordinary colours, textures and scents of plants in winter. In the Global Growth Vegetable Garden, discover a mouthwatering showcase of edibles from around the world.

A sea of swaying grasses and perennials fills the large serpentine beds of Clover Hill, and favourite garden plants spill out from borders and over the paths of the Cottage Garden.

Families and children are encouraged to explore winding paths, roll down hills and run in wide-open spaces. Nestled in the trees is Higgledy Hyde, a wooden adventure play area.



There's plenty  
of family fun  
to be had



## Events

Throughout the year you'll find a fabulous selection of events for children of all ages and gardeners of all abilities. From hands-on kids' activities and flower shows, to craft fairs and expert-led workshops, there's always something going on to help you make the most of your visit.

• Visit [rhs.org.uk/hydehallwhatson](https://rhs.org.uk/hydehallwhatson)

## Highlights

- Rose Garden
- Colour-themed Herbaceous Border
- Dry Garden
- Courtyard Gardens
- Australia and New Zealand Garden
- Floral Fantasia
- Global Growth Vegetable Garden
- Winter Garden
- Woodland and Meadows
- Bird Hide
- Lake

## Information

Garden information  
Open: daily (excl 25 Dec);  
Nov–Feb, 10am–4pm;  
Mar–Oct, 10am–6pm.  
Last entry one hour  
before closing.

Facilities include:

- Free car park
- Café and restaurant
- Designated picnic areas
- Garden Centre and Shop
- Children's play area
- Accessible parking and toilets, mobility scooters, manual wheelchairs and seasonal shuttle bus

Please note: dogs (except registered support dogs) are not allowed on site, with the exception of Walkies events. For public transport, search RHS Hyde Hall at [goodjourney.org.uk](https://goodjourney.org.uk)

Late-summer  
splendour in the  
Dry Garden

# RHS Garden Harlow Carr

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

Sitting on the doorstep of the Yorkshire Dales, this 58-acre family-friendly garden offers streams and lakes, woodland and wildflower meadows, generous prairie-style planting and moisture-loving plants, reflecting and celebrating its location. There are delights in every season, from snowdrops and spring rhododendrons in the Woodland to magnificent summer and autumn border displays, and a colourful, fragrant Winter Walk.

In the heart of the garden, the cool, moist banks of Streamside host an exciting mix of plants, including a wonderful display of candelabra *Primula*, *Meconopsis* and iris in early summer. The refreshed Main Borders provide spectacular colour from bold drifts of perennials and grasses, while the vibrant Sun Border dazzles all summer.

Enjoy lake views from Thaliana Bridge and explore exotic-style planting in the Sub-Tropicana Garden, where we push the boundaries of what can be grown in North Yorkshire. Recently revived, the Sandstone Rock Garden peaks in autumn with collections of Japanese maples and conifers.

The Kitchen Garden offers inspiration for growing fruit and veg, including local and heritage varieties, and garden produce can be savoured in the refurbished Harrogate Arms café.

Exquisite alpine plants bring year-round colour to the Alpine House and limestone rockery completed in 2025. Connect with nature in the tranquil Arboretum with a wildflower meadow.

For children there's the Craggle Top Tree House, Logness Monster, Spiders Nest and a new mud kitchen.

## Events

The garden hosts a range of events, from gardening weekends to art and craft fairs, specialist plant shows and our seasonal Plot to Plate and RHS Glow events plus a host of school holiday activities. Workshops and short courses offer the chance to learn everything from garden design to grow your own, arts and crafts.

• Visit [rhs.org.uk/harlowcarrwhatson](https://rhs.org.uk/harlowcarrwhatson)

## Highlights

- Sun Border
- Woodland
- Alpine House
- Kitchen Garden
- Main Borders
- Sandstone Rock Garden
- Streamside
- Sub-Tropicana Garden
- Winter Walk
- Meadows



Spring colour in the Woodland





### Information

Open: daily (excl 25 Dec);  
Nov–Feb, 9.30am–4pm;  
Mar–Oct, 9.30am–6pm.  
Last entry one hour  
before closing.

Facilities include:

- Harrogate Arms Café
- Bettys Café Tea Rooms and Tea House
- Children's play areas
- Designated picnic areas
- Free car park
- Garden Centre and Shop
- Garden Library
- Changing Places unit
- Accessible parking and toilets, mobility scooters and manual wheelchairs

Please note: dogs (except assistance dogs) are not allowed on site, with the exception of Walkies events. For public transport, search RHS Harlow Carr at [goodjourney.org.uk](http://goodjourney.org.uk)



The Sun Border  
dazzles with fabulous  
vibrant flowers

# RHS Partner Gardens

RHS Members can enjoy free days out at more than 240 RHS Partner Gardens around the UK and overseas, at selected times. It's a fabulous way to explore a variety of glorious gardens as part of your Membership.

As RHS Partner Gardens support our charitable work and do not receive any funding from the RHS, we do encourage you to support their cafés, shops and plant sales during your visit.

## Top tips for Planning your Visit

- The following pages list RHS Partner Gardens and when they are open to Members. Find inspiration on which gardens to visit, Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and exact opening times at [rhs.org.uk/partnergardens](https://rhs.org.uk/partnergardens) or the garden's own website. Do check the website before setting off in case of any unexpected closures.
- All individual RHS Members receive free entry to RHS Partner Gardens at selected times on presentation of a valid RHS Membership card. **For joint members only the main member with the \* on their membership card is entitled to free access.** Free entry does not apply to guests.
- Free entry does not apply on Bank Holidays or special event days or to adjoining houses/castles unless otherwise stated or for Members travelling as part of an organised group.



Free entry applies only to member with \* on their card

RHS Membership card. **For joint members only the main member with the \* on their membership card is entitled to free access.** Free entry does not apply to guests.

## Handbook key

- Free access applies when open
- Free access only at selected times
- ♿ Disabled facilities (**please contact venue for details**)
- ☕ Refreshments
- 🍹 DIY refreshments
- 🌱 Plant sales
- 🛍 Gift shop
- 🐕 Dogs welcome
- 🧸 Children's play area
- 🚻 Baby-changing facilities
- 🚶 Picnics allowed
- 🔌 EV Charging

Toilets and parking are available at all RHS Partner Gardens



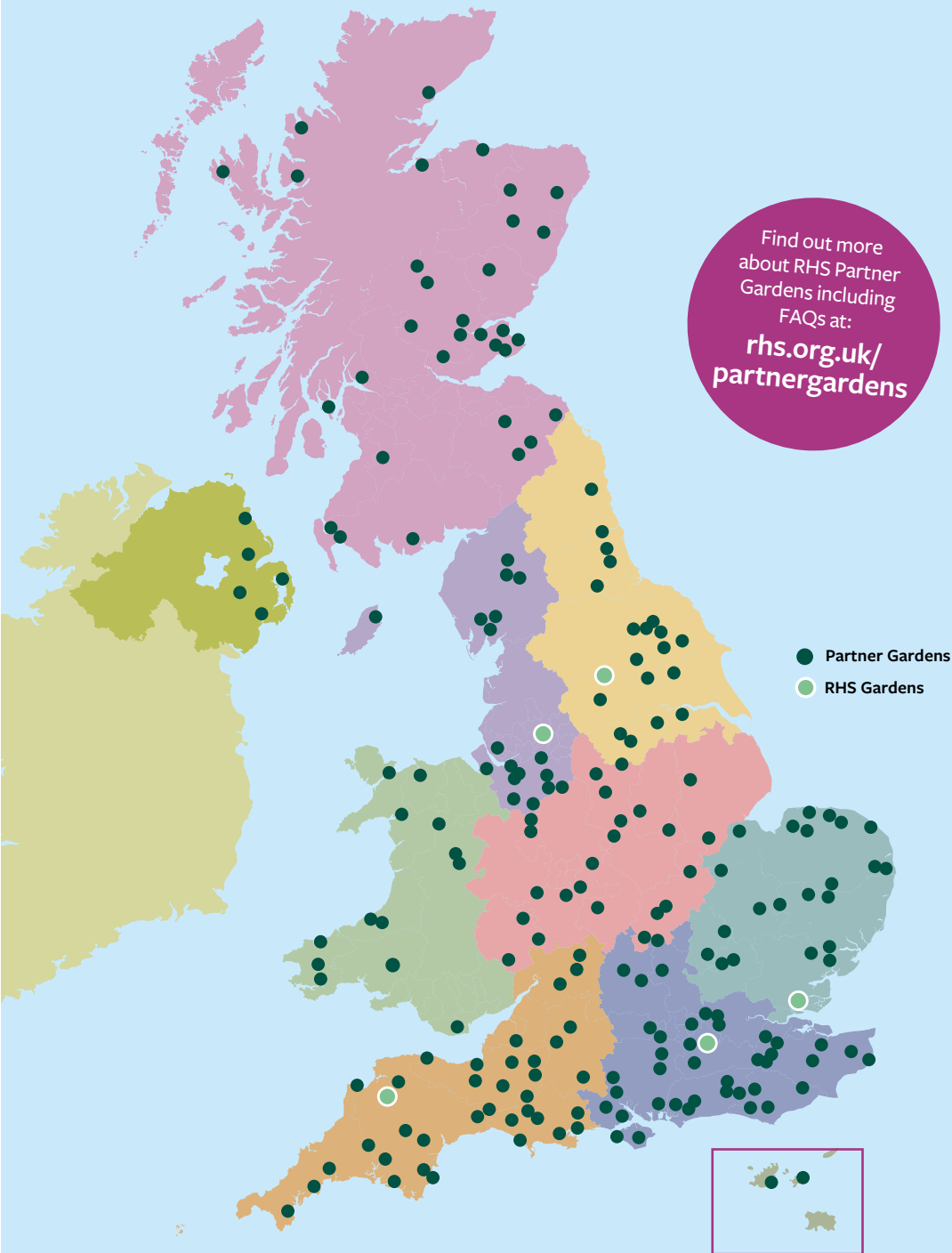
Free access April & September

← See above for key to symbols

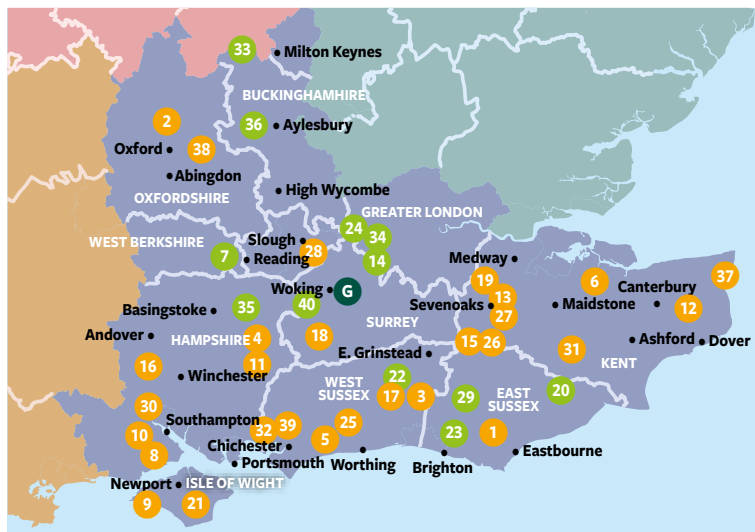
← Free entry period offered in 2026

All information is correct at the time of going to press. Please check opening times online before your visit.





# South East



**G** RHS Garden Wisley



John Glover

## 1 Bates Green Garden

Tye Hill Road, Arlington, Polegate, East Sussex BN26 6SH  
07818 888440 [batesgreengarden.co.uk](http://batesgreengarden.co.uk)

This naturalistic garden in its rural setting is a peaceful space to relax and appreciate the unusual plants, including mature trees and shrubs. It is divided into three areas with colour, scent and texture in all seasons. The Wildflower Meadow and Beaton's Wood are an additional joy.



**Free access Feb–Mar & Jun–Oct,  
Wed & Sat, when open**



Peter Seward

## 2 Blenheim Palace – Park and Gardens

Woodstock, Oxfordshire OX20 1PS  
01993 810530 [blenheimpalace.com](http://blenheimpalace.com)

Featuring more than 90 acres of formal gardens and 2,000 acres of 'Capability' Brown parkland, its highlights include the Italian Garden, Water Terraces, Churchill Memorial Garden and tranquil Secret Garden.



**21 Feb–9 Apr & 2 Sept–22 Oct, when open  
(excl Good Fri & event days)**



### 3 Borde Hill Garden

Borde Hill Lane, Haywards Heath, West Sussex RH16 1XP  
01444 450326 [bordehill.co.uk](http://bordehill.co.uk)

Tranquil and picturesque, Borde Hill has been planted with passion by five generations of the Stephenson Clarke family. Featuring rare and fine rhododendrons, historic magnolias, rose borders and champion trees, the 13 outdoor rooms offer visitors the chance to travel around the world in one garden.



Free access Mar, Jul & Sep, when open



Clive Nicholas

### 4 Chawton House

Chawton House, Gosport Road, Chawton, Alton, Hampshire  
GU34 1SJ 01420 541010 [chawtonhouse.org](http://chawtonhouse.org)

This enchanting garden has a Wilderness, Walled Garden, Terraces and sweeping views across a landscape that inspired Jane Austen. Carpets of snowdrops and daffodils, spring blossom, summer florals, autumn colours and festive lights provide year-round interest. The garden tells the stories of early plantwomen.



Free access when open, except Feb



Louise Carpenter

### 5 Denmans Garden

Denmans Lane, Fontwell, Nr Arundel, West Sussex  
BN18 0SU 01243 278950 [denmans.org](http://denmans.org)

Design meets horticulture in this award-winning 4½-acre contemporary garden with a curvilinear layout and complex plantings. There is year-round colour, structure and fragrance in the gravel gardens, intimate Walled Garden, dry riverbeds, ponds and Conservatory.



Free access Thur all year plus Mar-Dec Sun, when open



Gwendolyn van Raaschen

### 6 Doddington Place Gardens

Church Lane, Doddington, Nr. Sittingbourne, Kent ME9 0BB  
01795 717050 [doddingtonplacegardens.co.uk](http://doddingtonplacegardens.co.uk)

Recognised by English Heritage, the 10-acre landscaped gardens are in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. There is a woodland garden with fine azaleas and rhododendrons, extensive herbaceous borders, cloud yew hedges, a folly, a rock garden and a wobbly tower with fine views over the gardens and parkland.



Free access Fri, when open



Amelia Oulfield



## 7 Englefield Gardens

Englefield, Reading, Berkshire RG7 5EN 0118 930 2504 [englefieldestate.co.uk](http://englefieldestate.co.uk)

The gardens date back than 400 years. Stone balustrades and staircases were made by Italian craftsmen in the 1860s, and in 1936 the woodland garden was created by thinning the forest, a stream was built and camellia, rhododendron, azalea, magnolia, parrotia, cornus, davidia and acer were planted. The Lower Terrace was redesigned in 1974 by American landscape architect Lanning Roper. Roses, perennials and a changing palette of annuals fill the box borders and wildflower areas attract butterflies in summer.



Free access applies when open (Mon only)



## 8 Exbury Gardens & Steam Railway

Exbury, Southampton, Hampshire SO45 1AZ  
02380 891203 [exbury.co.uk](http://exbury.co.uk)

With 200 acres of woodland, herbaceous and formal gardens to enjoy, there's always something new to see at Exbury. And with a narrow-gauge steam railway, a play area, log trail and riverside walks to explore, there's something for everyone. And the garden is dog friendly too!



Free access 8–31 Mar, Jun & Sep, when open



## 9 Farringford Estate

Farringford Estate, Bedbury Lane, Freshwater, Isle of Wight  
PO40 9PE 01983 752500 [farringford.co.uk](http://farringford.co.uk)

Farringford gardens reflect the period of the poet Alfred Lord Tennyson who lived here 1853–1892. Cottage-style planting within the walled garden consists of mixed herbaceous borders containing old rose cultivars. There are some Isle of Wight apples, heritage fruit and vegetables, a small woodland and parkland walk.



Free access Apr–Oct, Wed–Thur, when open



## 10 Furzey Gardens

School Lane, Minstead, Nr Lyndhurst, Hampshire SO43 7GL  
02380 812464 [furzey-gardens.org](http://furzey-gardens.org)

This enchanting, informal 12-acre woodland garden, in the heart of the New Forest, bursts with colour, scents and secrets from its historically significant plant collection from around the world. Planted in 1922, it provides people with learning disabilities with work experience.



Free access Feb–Dec, Mon–Fri, when open  
(excl school holidays)



Furzey Gardens

## 11 Gilbert White's House and Gardens

High Street, Selborne, Hampshire GU34 3JH  
01420 511275 [gilbertwhiteshouse.org.uk](http://gilbertwhiteshouse.org.uk)

The 25-acre garden of 18th-century naturalist and keen gardener Gilbert White has been recreated according to his gardening journals and is a quirky miniature landscape garden. His plants and techniques all feature in the formal Six Quarters Garden, herb garden and kitchen garden and it is managed to boost biodiversity.



Free access 2 Jan–21 Dec, Tues–Thur,  
when open



Roy Pagett

## 12 Goodnestone Park Gardens

The Street, Goodnestone, Canterbury, Kent CT3 1PJ  
01304 840107 [goodnestonepark.co.uk](http://goodnestonepark.co.uk)

Goodnestone Park epitomises an old English country garden with formal areas around the mansion house, a large walled garden, woodland garden, two arboreta and new jungle garden.

Sustainability and enhancing biodiversity are key in its management.



Free access Wed; & all Apr & Sep,  
when open



Sally Lewis

## 13 Great Comp Garden

Comp Lane, Platt, Nr Sevenoaks, Kent TN15 8QS  
01732 885094 [greatcomparden.co.uk](http://greatcomparden.co.uk)

The 7-acre garden surrounds an early-17th-century manor and is one of the finest gardens in the area. Different magnolias plus wonderful azaleas and rhododendrons make an unrivalled spring display followed by a fine collection of salvias that bursts with colour into autumn.



Free access Sep–Oct, daily, when open  
(excl event days)



Yvonne Brimmer



## 14 Ham House and Garden (National Trust)

Ham House, Ham, Richmond-upon-Thames, Surrey TW10 7RS  
020 8940 1950 [nationaltrust.org.uk/ham-house-and-garden](https://nationaltrust.org.uk/ham-house-and-garden)

Ham House and Garden, on the Thames in Richmond, is a rare Stuart survivor. The reimagined 17th-century garden features a productive walled kitchen garden (also home to the Orangery Café), a maze-like Wilderness with summerhouses, formal lavender-filled Cherry Garden and grass Plats with a spectacular annual display of spring bulbs.



Free access applies when open



## 15 Hever Castle and Gardens

Hever, Edenbridge, Kent TN8 7NG  
01732 865224 [hevercastle.co.uk](https://hevercastle.co.uk)

Within the magnificent award-winning gardens set in 125 acres of glorious grounds, there is a Pompeiian Wall and classical statuary in the Italian Garden, giant topiary chess set and more than 5,000 roses bushes filling the quintessential English Rose Garden with their perfume.



Free access 11 Feb–12 Nov, Mon–Fri (excl BH & Kent school holidays), when open



## 16 Houghton Lodge Gardens

Stockbridge, Hampshire SO20 6LQ  
01264 810502 [houghtonlodge.co.uk](https://houghtonlodge.co.uk)

Set above the River Test, this 18th-century Cottage Orné contains informal gardens. There is a walled garden, herbs, iris, hostas, cutting garden, veg, sweet peas, herbaceous borders, orchid house, peony, clematis and rose arbour and water meadow walks with alpacas and sheep.



Free access Apr & Sep, when open (excl BH & 27 Sep)



## 17 Leonardslee Lakes and Gardens

Brighton Road, Lower Beeding, Horsham, West Sussex  
RH13 6PP 0330 123 5893 [leonardsleegardens.co.uk](http://leonardsleegardens.co.uk)

Set in 240 acres of Grade I-listed woodland, this garden has a National Plant Collection of *Rhododendron* Loderi, vibrant seasonal displays and unique plantings from around the world. There are lakes, Rock Garden, vineyards, sculpture, wallabies and play park. Car park charges apply.



**Free access Jan–Feb, Jul–Sept & Dec, daily; Mar–Jun & Oct–Nov, Mon–Tues, when open (excl BH)**



Leonardslee Lakes & Gardens

## 18 Loseley Park

Guildford, Surrey GU3 1HS  
01483 304440 [loseleypark.co.uk](http://loseleypark.co.uk)

The Walled Garden surprises and delights visitors throughout summer. A series of 'rooms' guides visitors through 2½ acres of pathways and shady corners, with an award-winning rose garden, white garden, fiery-coloured flower garden and herb and organic veg garden.



**Free access May & Aug, Sun–Thur when open**



Loseley Park / Abigail New Photography

## 19 Lullingstone Castle and The World Garden

Eynsford, Kent DA4 0JA 01322 862114 [lullingstonecastle.co.uk](http://lullingstonecastle.co.uk)

Heritage meets cutting-edge horticulture in this 2-acre 18th-century walled garden in the beautiful Castle grounds. Laid out in the shape of a miniature map of the world, it delves into Britain's richly diverse plant heritage with thousands of species planted out in beds.



**9 Apr–30 Oct, Thur–Sun (excl BH & event days), when open**



Nicola Stockton

## 20 Merriments Garden

Hawkhurst Rd, Hurst Green, East Sussex TN19 7RA  
01580 860666 [caravantech.co.uk/merriments](http://caravantech.co.uk/merriments)

This charming and vibrant 4-acre garden in East Sussex is known for its rich seasonal colour, creative planting schemes and peaceful atmosphere. Designed with an artistic flair, the garden offers a series of interlinked spaces, each with its own character and horticultural focus providing year-round colour.



**Free access applies when open**



Merriments Gardens



## 21 Model Village Godshill

High Street, Godshill, Isle of Wight PO38 3HH  
01983 840270 [modelvillagegodshill.co.uk](http://modelvillagegodshill.co.uk)

This family-run garden and Model Village, open since 1952, features around 3,000 coarse bonsai conifers across 2 acres. Ongoing pruning ensures each sculpted tree complements the scale-model buildings, creating colourful, evolving dioramas of local scenes.



**Free access Mar–Oct, Mon & Fri only, when open**



## 22 Nymans (National Trust)

Handcross, West Sussex RH17 6EB  
01444 405250 [nationaltrust.org.uk/nymans](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/nymans)

Set around a romantic house and partial ruin, Nymans is a garden for all seasons with a significant plant collection. There is blossom, early bulbs and magnolias in spring; wisteria-clad pergolas and dramatically colourful borders in summer; while vibrant native tree colour in autumn gives way to scented shrubs in winter.



**Free access applies when open**



## 23 The One Garden

Brighton, Stamner Park, Lewes Rd, Brighton BN1 9SE  
01273 892034 [onegardenbrighton.com](http://onegardenbrighton.com)

This rediscovered and reinvented walled garden celebrates heritage and innovation with productive fruit and vegetable plots as well as a series of themed contemporary show gardens. It's a place to shop, eat, be inspired and connect with nature. Free hot drink for RHS Members. Car park charges apply.



**Free access applies when open**



## 24 Osterley Park (National Trust)

Jersey Road, Isleworth, London TW7 4RB  
020 8232 5050 [nationaltrust.org.uk/osterley](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/osterley)

One of London's last country estates, Osterley's 18th-century Robert Adam house is set within 350 acres of parkland, farm and gardens. There are tender plants and lemon trees in the Garden House; walled garden with vegetable plots and herbaceous borders; and rare North American trees. Car park charges apply.



**Free access applies when open**



## 25 Parham House and Gardens

Pulborough, West Sussex RH20 4HR  
01903 742021 [parhaminsussex.co.uk](http://parhaminsussex.co.uk)

Set in a medieval deer park, this 4-acre walled garden is a tapestry of colour and scent from early spring until the frosts with Edwardian herbaceous borders, rose and herb gardens, vegetable parterre, teak glasshouse with aromatic plants and specimen trees, lake and maze.



**Free access Apr–May & Sep–11 Oct, when open**



Elizabeth Zechin

## 26 Penshurst Place and Gardens

Penshurst, Nr Tonbridge, Kent TN11 8DG  
01892 870307 [penshurstplace.com](http://penshurstplace.com)

Dating from 1346, the ancestral home of the Sidney family contains one of the few surviving examples of a formal walled garden. Divided into 11 distinct garden 'rooms' by more than one mile of yew hedging, it provides distinct designs, planting and year-round structure.



**Free access Mon–Fri (excl BH and school holidays) when open**



Deanne Davis Penshurst Place and Gardens

## 27 Riverhill Himalayan Gardens

Riverhill, Sevenoaks, Kent TN15 0RR  
01732 459777 [riverhillgardens.co.uk](http://riverhillgardens.co.uk)

Riverhill has a stunning Walled Garden with terraced lawns and fountains. A fragrant Rose Walk leads down to the Rock Garden, with rare ferns and gentle water cascades. The Wood Garden contains a historic rhododendron collection. Panoramic views of the Weald of Kent can be seen from the Viewpoint.



**Free access Mar–Oct, Wed–Thur, when open**



Kate Westbrook

## 28 The Savill Garden

Windsor Great Park, Wick Lane, Englefield Green, Surrey TW20 0UJ 01753 860222 [windsorgreatpark.co.uk/savill](http://windsorgreatpark.co.uk/savill)

The Savill Garden is a 35-acre haven of gardens, woodland and seasonal displays. Commissioned by George V and created by Eric Savill in 1932, it connects decades of royal history, including the award-winning Queen Elizabeth Temperate House, Golden Jubilee Garden and Rose Garden.



**Free access Feb, Jun & Sept, when open**



The Crown Estate



## 29 Sheffield Park and Garden

(National Trust) Sheffield Park, Uckfield, East Sussex  
TN22 3QX 01825 790231 [nationaltrust.org.uk/sheffieldpark](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/sheffieldpark)

This landscape garden and surrounding historic parkland is glorious in all seasons, with highlights from the rhododendrons in spring, summer waterlilies and spectacular autumn colour. Originally designed in the 18th century, the garden contains four lakes joined by a waterfall and cascade, while the parkland stretches down to the River Ouse and the Bluebell Railway.



Free access applies when open



## 30 Sir Harold Hillier Gardens

Jermyns Lane, Ampfield, Romsey, Hampshire SO51 0QA  
01794 368787 [hants.gov.uk/hilliergardens](http://hants.gov.uk/hilliergardens)

These remarkable 180-acre gardens are home to one of the world's most important plant collections. The National Plant Collection of *Cornus* provides brightly coloured stems in the Winter Garden and *Hamamelis* brings beautiful colour and fragrance.



Free access Jan, Feb & Nov, when open  
(excl event days)



## 31 Sissinghurst Castle Garden

(National Trust) Sissinghurst, Cranbrook, Kent TN17 2AB  
01580 710701 [nationaltrust.org.uk/sissinghurst-castle](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/sissinghurst-castle)

Vita Sackville-West and Harold Nicolson fell in love with Sissinghurst Castle and created a world-renowned historic, poetic and iconic garden: a refuge dedicated to beauty. Designed as a series of 'rooms', it boasts wonderful vistas and architectural beauty in winter. Car park charges apply.



Free access Jan–Feb & Nov–Dec,  
when open



## 32 Staunton Country Park

The Coach House, Petersfield Road, Havant, Hampshire  
PO9 5HD 03707 797522 [hants.gov.uk/scp](http://hants.gov.uk/scp)

Created by Sir George Staunton in the early 1800s, this fascinating 222-acre listed Regency landscape boasts follies, an ornamental lake, Chinese planting, Champion trees and the National Plant Collection of *Lardizabalaceae* with woodland and meadows. Free parking for RHS members on RHS access days.



Free access Tues–Wed when open



### 33 Stowe Gardens (National Trust)

Stowe Gardens, Buckingham MK18 5EQ  
01280 817156 [nationaltrust.org.uk/stowe](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/stowe)

Stowe's scale and beauty have drawn visitors for 300 years. Picture-perfect views, winding paths, lakeside walks and temples create a timeless landscape. Full of hidden meaning, the gardens were created as an earthly paradise and still cast their spell today, offering a perfect space for those who love the outdoors.



National Trust Images / Andrew Butler

### 34 Syon Park

London Road, Brentford, Middlesex TW8 8JF  
020 8560 0882 [syonpark.co.uk](http://syonpark.co.uk)

The 200-acre 'Capability' Brown parkland is home to 39 acres of gardens including meadows, an ornamental lake and extensive collection of rare and veteran trees. The impressive Great Conservatory was built in the 1820s. The gardens contain elements from several historic periods and change through the seasons.



Glynis Hillier

### 35 Tylney Hall Hotel and Gardens

Rotherwick, Hook, Hampshire RG27 9AZ  
01256 764881 [tylneyhall.co.uk](http://tylneyhall.co.uk)

Renowned English garden designer Gertrude Jekyll helped shape these historic grounds. Highlights include the elegant Italian Garden with views across the lake and its charming boathouse bridge, the tranquil Water Garden, colourful Dutch Garden, and the sweeping Vista.



Tylney Hall Hotel and Gardens / Peter Webb

### 36 Waddesdon Manor (National Trust)

Nr Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire HP18 0JH  
01296 820414 [waddesdon.org.uk](http://waddesdon.org.uk)

One of the finest examples of late-Victorian horticulture, the gardens include a parterre, 3D bedding sculptures and a Rococo-style aviary housing rare birds. There are colourful bedding displays, impressive garden statuary and rolling parkland with hidden glades, magnificent woodland and picturesque views.



National Trust / Waddesdon Manor / Hugh Mockerside

New

Philip Oostenbrink



## 37 Walmer Castle and Gardens

Kingsdown Road, Walmer, Deal, Kent  
CT14 7LJ [english-heritage.org.uk](http://english-heritage.org.uk)

This 8-acre garden has an 85m herbaceous border, kitchen garden, Queen Mother's Garden, jungle plants in the dry moat, native plants in the woodland walk and meadow and National Plant Collections of *Tetrapanax* and *Galanthus Greatorex* Doubles. Car park charges apply.



Free access 3 Jan–15 Feb & 1 Nov–20 Dec,  
Sat–Sun; 20 Feb–30 Oct, Thur–Fri, when open

Andrew Lawson



## 38 Waterperry Gardens

Nr Wheatley, Oxfordshire OX33 1LA  
01844 339226 [waterperrygardens.co.uk](http://waterperrygardens.co.uk)

These 20 acres of inspirational gardens with a spectacular 200ft herbaceous border have delighted visitors for years. New developments include the replanted Mary Spiller rose garden, new winter border and new bluebell copse. The colourful formal garden contains a small knot garden, herb border and wisteria tunnel.



Free access Wed; & all Nov, when open

West Dean Gardens



## 39 West Dean Gardens

West Dean, Nr Chichester, West Sussex PO18 0RX  
01243 818318 [westdean.org.uk/gardens](http://westdean.org.uk/gardens)

Within 92 acres is a restored Victorian Walled Kitchen Garden, 13 glasshouses and 35 acres of ornamental grounds with Edwardian Pergola, Sunken Garden, Spring Garden and arboretum with woodland walks among redwoods and panoramic South Downs views.



Free access Jan–Mar & Oct–Dec,  
when open

Marlyn Abbott



## 40 West Green House Gardens

Thackhams Lane, Hartley Wintney, Hook, Hampshire  
RG27 8JB 01252 844611 [westgreenhouse.co.uk](http://westgreenhouse.co.uk)

A sylvan landscape encircles four walled gardens with a collection of follies, topiaries, a Nymphaeum and Lake in 10 acres. Highlights include natural fritillaries, a potager and massed dahlias.



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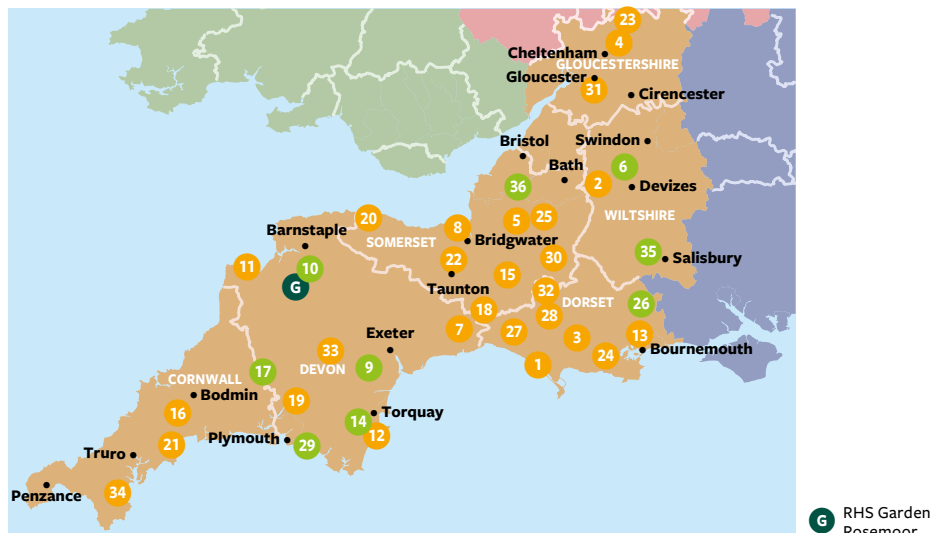
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# South West



## 1 Abbotsbury Subtropical Gardens

Buller's Way, Abbotsbury, Dorset DT3 4LA  
01305 871387 [abbotsburygardens.co.uk](http://abbotsburygardens.co.uk)

Since it started housing rare Victorian plant collections, Abbotsbury has inspired exotic gardens across the UK, and holds one of the country's finest collections of rare, unusual and half-hardy plants, arranged artistically to immerse the visitor in a tropical garden experience.

  
Free access Jan–Feb & Nov–Dec,  
when open

## 2 American Museum and Gardens

Claverton Manor, Bath BA2 7BD  
01225 460503 [americanmuseum.org](http://americanmuseum.org)

These Grade II-listed gardens feature 2½ acres of formal gardens designed by Oehme, van Sweden with valley views and large swathes of bulbs and prairie-style planting. In the grounds are the New American Garden, Mount Vernon Garden, Children's Garden and parkland.

  
Free access 15 Feb–30 Jun & Sep–Dec,  
Wed–Thur; Jul–Aug, Thur only, when open





### 3 Athelhampton House and Gardens

Athelhampton, Dorchester, Dorset DT2 7LG  
01305 848363 [athelhampton.com](http://athelhampton.com)

This historic Tudor Manor is surrounded by 5 acres of formal gardens with more than 1000ft-long deep herbaceous borders, topiary trees and a 1-acre productive kitchen garden.



**Free access every Sat, plus all Feb & Nov, when open**



Athelhampton House and Gardens

### 4 Batsford Arboretum

Batsford, Moreton-in-Marsh, Gloucestershire GL56 9AT  
01386 701441 [batsarb.co.uk](http://batsarb.co.uk)

One of the country's largest private tree collections offers year-round interest with 60 acres of wild gardens, paths and streams. The Garden Terrace Café serves breakfasts, lunches and afternoon tea with plants and gifts on sale in the walled garden plant centre and gift shop.



**Free access Jan-Sep & Dec, when open**



Batsford Arboretum

### 5 The Bishop's Palace and Gardens

Wells, Somerset BA5 2PD  
01749 988111 [bishopsplace.org.uk](http://bishopsplace.org.uk)

Home to the Bishops of Bath and Wells for over 800 years, this 14 acre site houses the city's well pools, moat and swans and medieval Palace buildings. The historic and contemporary gardens are filled with a profusion of diverse trees, shrubs, perennials, bulbs and wildflowers.



**Free access 9 Jan-Mar, Nov & Dec, Mon & Fri; Apr-Oct, Fri only (excl special events)**



Bishop's Palace Wells

### 6 Bowood Woodland Garden

Calne, Wiltshire SN11 9PG 01249 812102 [bowood.org](http://bowood.org)

A separate attraction on the Bowood Estate, the Woodland Garden is only open for six weeks during the flowering season (mid April to early June). Covering over 30 acres, there are just over two miles of paths intersecting the Woodland Garden with an oasis of azaleas, bluebells, magnolias and rhododendrons.



**Free access applies when open**



Bowood Woodland Garden / Annis Stowe



## 7 Burrow Farm Gardens

Old Taunton Road, Dalwood, Axminster, Devon EX13 7ET  
07903 527940 [burrowfarmgardens.co.uk](http://burrowfarmgardens.co.uk)

Voted the nation's favourite Public Garden 2021, the 13 acres of beautifully landscaped gardens offer unusual trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants with spring flowers, rhododendrons and azaleas, a meadow of orchids and magnificent autumn colour. There's also a well-stocked nursery, tearoom and garden ironwork barn.



Free access Apr–Oct, Mon; & all Sep



## 8 The Walled Gardens of Cannington

Church Street, Cannington, Bridgwater, Somerset TA5 2HA 01278 655042  
[btc.ac.uk/the-college/open-to-the-public/the-walled-gardens-of-cannington](http://btc.ac.uk/the-college/open-to-the-public/the-walled-gardens-of-cannington)

The gardens have classic and contemporary features such as the Hot Border, Blue Garden, Sub-tropical Walk, Winter Garden, Potager, Rose Walk, Mediterranean Garden and a Victorian-style fernery. There is also a botanical glasshouse where arid, sub-tropical and tropical plants can be seen, and two smaller gardens within the walls – The Bishop's and Southern Hemisphere Gardens.



Free access Jan–Feb, Wed;  
Mar–Dec, Sat–Sun; when open



## 9 Canonteign Falls

Canonteign Falls, Christow, Nr Exeter, Devon EX6 7RH  
01647 252434 [canonteignfalls.co.uk](http://canonteignfalls.co.uk)

This stunning 90-acre estate of waterfalls, lakes, woodlands and meadows offers adventure, tranquillity and hidden treasures for all ages. Visitors can wander ancient ferneries, explore scenic trails and enjoy this hidden gem of England's highest waterfalls in a peaceful, privately owned countryside Estate.



Free access applies when open



## 10 Castle Hill Gardens

Castle Hill Gardens, Filleigh, Nr South Molton,  
Devon EX32 0RQ 01598 760336 [castlehilldevon.co.uk](http://castlehilldevon.co.uk)

By the beautiful 18th-century Palladian house are 50 acres of gardens and Grade I-listed parkland. Pathways lead to temples and follies with far-reaching vistas. Shrubs and a huge magnolia collection flower in spring followed by the lavender-lined Millennium Garden and vibrant autumn colours. The tearoom serves tasty light lunches and cream teas.



Free access applies when open



Brenda Skimert

## 11 Clovelly Court Garden

Clovelly, Nr Bideford, Devon EX39 5SZ  
01237 431781 [clovelly.co.uk](http://clovelly.co.uk)

Sheltered by high walls and warmed by the Gulf Stream, this beautifully restored Victorian walled kitchen garden flourishes with a wide variety of organically grown fruit, vegetables and flowers. Visitors can explore traditional glasshouses and vibrant herbaceous borders, and enjoy peaceful views over Bideford Bay.



Free access Apr & Sep, when open



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## 12 Coletton Fishacre (National Trust)

Brownstone Road, Kingswear, Devon TQ6 0EQ  
01803 843235 [nationaltrust.org.uk/coletton-fishacre](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/coletton-fishacre)

A sub-tropical garden with ocean views surrounds the Lutyens-style house, built by Oswald Milne for Sir Rupert and Lady Dorothy D'Oyly Carte in 1925. It boasts an impressive range and size of Southern Hemisphere trees and shrubs with rare plants in the warm formal terraces. Car park charges apply.



Free access Fri (excl Good Friday) & Sat, when open



National Trust / Lauren Hutchinson

## 13 Compton Acres

164 Canford Cliffs Road, Poole, Dorset BH13 7ES  
01202 700778 [comptonacres.co.uk](http://comptonacres.co.uk)

Created from Dorset heathland in the 1920s, this Arts and Crafts-style garden offers five themed areas giving all-year interest. Differing plant features link the extensive Italian, Japanese, woodland, rock and water, and heather gardens, presenting a range of seasonal colour.



Free access Jan-Mar & Nov-Dec, when open



Peter Clatten



## 14 Dartington Hall Gardens

Totnes, Devon TQ9 6EL 01803 847000  
[dartington.org/gardens](http://dartington.org/gardens)

Experience a sense of tranquillity at Dartington's impressive Grade II\*-listed gardens, which have been shaped and inspired by the remarkable custodians of this special place for more than 1,000 years. Many ancient trees and formal and informal plantings make this garden a haven for wildlife and visitors. Car park charges apply.



Free access applies when open



New

## 15 East Lambrook Manor Garden

Silver Street, East Lambrook, South Petherton, Somerset  
 TA13 5HH 07835 269165 [eastlambrook.com](http://eastlambrook.com)

This Grade I-listed cottage garden was created by celebrated plantswoman and author Margery Fish in the mid-19th century. It has a relaxed, informal feel with many paths and garden rooms filled with typical cottage-style planting along with many unusual and rare varieties. A typical visit takes about 2 hours.



Free access Apr-Sep, Wed-Thur



New

## 16 Eden Project

Eden Project, Bodelva, Cornwall PL24 2SG  
 01726 811972 [edenproject.com](http://edenproject.com)

From a barren clay pit to a flourishing global garden, the Eden Project is a masterpiece of plants, landscapes and design. Visitors can take in rainforest canopies, Mediterranean scents and colourful outdoor displays and rediscover the natural world in a totally new way.



Free access Jan-Feb (excl 14-22 Feb),  
 May-Jun (excl 23-31 May), Oct-Nov  
 (excl 24 Oct-1 Nov)



## 17 Hotel Endsleigh

Milton Abbot, Tavistock, Devon PL19 0PQ  
 01822 870000 [thepolizzicollection.com](http://thepolizzicollection.com)

Repton's picturesque masterpiece, the Grade I-listed formal gardens contain a 100m herbaceous border, rose walk, parterre and shell house contrasting with a romantic woodland garden filled with streams, pools and waterfalls, a rockery, grotto and arboretum with 18 champion trees. The house is now a hotel and the restaurant is open to non-residents.



Free access applies when open



## 18 Forde Abbey and Gardens

Chard, Somerset TA20 4LU 01460 221290 [fordeabbey.co.uk](http://fordeabbey.co.uk)

In these 30 acres of award-winning gardens around the abbey are naturalised crocus on lawns, topiary-lined vistas, herbaceous borders, bog garden, kitchen garden, wildflower meadows, an arboretum, ponds with meandering pathways, seating to admire the views and the country's highest-powered fountain.

A gift shop, specialist plant nursery, coffee shop and pottery make it a full day out.



**Free access (gardens only) Mar–Oct, Mon; 5 Nov–21 Dec, Wed–Sun**



Mark Bolton Photography

## 19 The Garden House

Buckland Monachorum, Yelverton, Devon PL20 7LQ  
01822 854769 [thegardenhouse.org.uk](http://thegardenhouse.org.uk)

This glorious garden nestles in a quiet valley on the fringe of Dartmoor National Park. There are five terraces and a stunning walled garden that snakes around medieval ruins, a thatched barn and stone tower. It contains formally planted terraces of impressive borders, including the long walk created by Keith Wiley designed in the new naturalism style.



**Free access Jan–Mar & Oct–Dec, Fri–Sun**



John Richmond/The Garden House

## 20 Greencombe Gardens

Greencombe, Porlock, Somerset TA24 8NU  
01643 862363 [greencombe.org](http://greencombe.org)

This exquisite organic woodland garden offers glorious views over Porlock Bay, while moss-covered paths wind through a fine array of trees, shrubs and horticultural delights in harmony with their setting. Also flourishing in this atmospheric landscape are four

National Plant Collections including *Erythronium* (lilies).



**Free access Apr–Jul, Mon–Tues**



Greencombe Gardens

## 21 The Lost Gardens of Heligan

Pentewan, St Austell, Cornwall PL26 6EN  
01726 845100 [heligan.com](http://heligan.com)

‘Britain’s Finest Garden’ contains 200 acres for exploration including Victorian Productive Gardens and Pleasure Grounds, a sub-tropical Jungle, ancient woodland and farmland and a pioneering Wildlife Project providing a breadth of interest around the year.



**Free access Jan–Mar & Nov–Dec, when open**



Andy Wilson



## 22 Hestercombe Gardens

Cheddon Fitzpaine, Taunton, Somerset TA2 8LG  
01823 413923 [hestercombe.com](http://hestercombe.com)

There are 300 years of garden design to be found in this estate. Iris-choked rills, pergolas and bold, simple planting are hallmarks of Edwin Lutyens and Gertrude Jekyll. The secret landscape garden encompasses 40 acres of lakes, temples, combs and woodlands.



Free access Jan–Mar & Oct–Dec, daily;  
Apr–Sep, Mon–Tues



## 23 Hidcote (National Trust)

Hidcote Bartrim, Chipping Campden, Gloucestershire  
GL55 6LR 01386 438333 [nationaltrust.org.uk/hidcote](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/hidcote)

Created by horticulturist and plant collector Major Lawrence Johnston, Hidcote's intricately designed outdoor spaces are full of surprises and harmonise with the seasons. Along the narrow pathways are secret gardens, fine views and plants bursting with colour.



Free access Jan–Apr & Aug–Nov,  
when open



## 24 Holme For Gardens

West Holme, Wareham, Dorset BH20 6AQ  
01929 554716 [holmeforgardens.co.uk](http://holmeforgardens.co.uk)

In these 15 acres of pure joy, formal structures and vistas provide the framework, while informal plantings and meadows create interest throughout the year. Planted on the site of a former dairy and fruit farm, the garden demonstrates how nature can thrive in a space designed to stimulate people.



Free access Mon–Tues



## 25 Kilver Court and Gardens

Kilver Court, Kilver Street, Shepton Mallet, Somerset  
BA4 5NF 07442 879896 [kilvercourt.co.uk](http://kilvercourt.co.uk)

A peaceful retreat in the heart of Somerset, Kilver Court spans 3½ acres beneath a dramatic Victorian viaduct with formal parterres, a colourist herbaceous border, historic rockery, lake, organic vegetable garden and seasonally changing planting throughout.



Free access Jan–Feb & Oct–Dec,  
Thur & Sun; & Mar–Sep, Wed–Thur



## 26 Knoll Gardens and Nursery

Staplehill Road, Wimborne, Dorset BH21 7ND  
01202 873931 [knollgardens.co.uk](http://knollgardens.co.uk)

Calming, naturalistic gardens with exquisite plantings of grasses and flowering perennials create an immersive landscape. Visitors can enjoy shady spots beneath specimen trees and woody shrubs with prairie-style vistas filled with texture, shape and colour. The on-site nursery sells grasses and perennials.



Free access applies when open



Knoll Gardens

## 27 Mapperton Gardens

Beaminster, Dorset DT8 3NR 01308 862645 [mapperton.com](http://mapperton.com)

Cradled in a Dorsetcombe, the Grade II\*-listed House overlooks its award-winning Italianate gardens, originally designed in the 1920s. These tranquil gardens blend terraces, pools, statues and topiary with romantic planting and seasonal blooms. Later enriched by Victor Montagu's orangery, the gardens flow from formal geometry to arboretum and wild woodland.



Free access Mar–Oct, Tues



Mapperton Estate

## 28 Minterne Gardens

Minterne Magna, Dorchester, Dorset DT2 7AU  
01300 341370 [minterne.co.uk](http://minterne.co.uk)

This historic rhododendron garden is at its peak in April and May. It contains 1 mile of wild woodland walk, with new vistas at every turn. Lakes, streams and cascades, the authentic Himalayan Hut and the valley topography make for tranquillity and a true feel of the Himalayas.



Free access Feb–Mar & Jun–early Nov



Mark Robins

## 29 Mothecombe Gardens

Mothecombe House, Holbeton, Plymouth, Devon PL8 1LB  
01752 830253 [flete.co.uk](http://flete.co.uk)

Overlooking the House is a walled garden with Lutyens Terraces planted with wisteria, irises and agapanthus, and a lawn with herbaceous borders. Through a door is an orchard with daffodils, and a camellia walk leads to the woodland garden and pollinator-friendly Bee Garden. Car park charges apply.



Free access applies when open



Mark Robins



## 30 The Newt Garden

The Newt in Somerset, Bruton, Somerset BA7 7NG  
01963 577750 [thenewtinsomerset.com](http://thenewtinsomerset.com)

Influenced by thousands of years of horticultural history, these acres of formal gardens are shared with a host of wildlife. Visitors might spot native deer promenading in the woods or great crested newts bathing in the ponds.

Free access Tues–Wed, when open



## 31 Painswick Rococo Garden

Painswick, Stroud, Gloucestershire GL6 6TH  
01452 813204 [roccogarden.org.uk](http://roccogarden.org.uk)

Designed in the 1740s as an English gentleman's pleasure garden, in a hidden valley, the garden is now the country's only complete surviving rococo garden. Since 1984, it has been rescued from ruin and transformed into a serene escape with beautifully framed views, a fanciful place for pleasure and romance.

Free access Mar–Nov, when open



## 32 Sherborne Castle and Gardens

New Road, Sherborne, Dorset DT9 5NR  
01935 813182 [sherbornecastle.com](http://sherbornecastle.com)

Offering a stunning blend of history and natural beauty, the 'Capability' Brown gardens feature manicured lawns, serene lake and vibrant flowerbeds. With scenic walking paths, ancient trees and views of the majestic castle, it is a peaceful 42-acre haven for nature and history lovers.

Free access Apr–Sep, Wed; all Oct (excl 5, 12 & 19)



## 33 Stone Lane Gardens

Stone Farm, Chagford, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ13 8JU  
01647 231311 [stonelanegardens.com](http://stonelanegardens.com)

This beautiful, tranquil woodland and water garden on the edge of Dartmoor National Park is open all year round and home to a National Plant Collection of birch and alder. Designed by plant collector Kenneth Ashburner in a naturalistic style, the garden offers a wonderfully peaceful environment.

Free access every Fri; all Feb & Oct, when open

## 34 Trebah Garden

Mawnan Smith, Nr Falmouth, Cornwall TR11 5JZ  
01326 252200 [trebahgarden.co.uk](http://trebahgarden.co.uk)

In this subtropical valley garden set within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, more than 6.4km of footpaths lead under canopies bursting with exotic blooms and follow vibrant colours cascading down to a secluded beach on the idyllic Helford River.



Free access Jan–Mar & Nov–Dec,  
when open



Trebah Garden Trust

## 35 Wilton House

Wilton, Salisbury, Wiltshire SP2 0BJ  
01722 746700 [wiltonhouse.com](http://wiltonhouse.com)

The gardens, bordered by the Rivers Wylde and Nadder, have views over the landscaped parkland to the south, and offer extensive lawns, ancient cedars, a walled rose garden, water gardens, riverside and woodland walks, and many notable architectural features.



Free access applies when open



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Yeo Valley

## 36 Yeo Valley Organic Garden

Bath Road, Blagdon, Somerset BS40 7SQ  
01761 462798 [yeovalley.co.uk](http://yeovalley.co.uk)

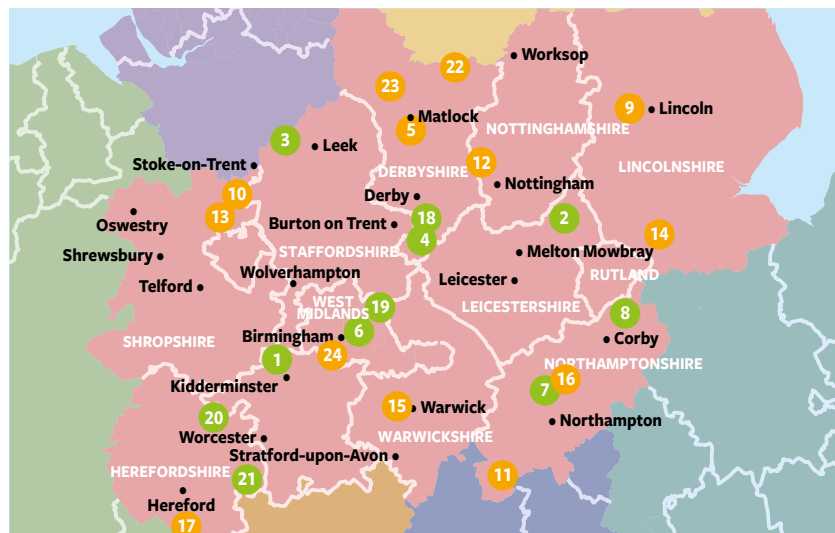
One of only a handful of gardens certified by the Soil Association, these 6½ acres of contemporary planting include quirky sculpture, thousands of bulbs, 'Purplehouse', compost, spring meadow, buddleja meadow, posh veggie patch, great views and green ideas. Light lunches and cakes are served in the café and the shop sells gifts, dairy products and plants.



Free access when open (Apr–Oct)



# Midlands



Arley Arboretum and Gardens



## 1 Arley Arboretum and Gardens

Upper Arley, Nr Bewdley, Worcestershire DY12 1SQ  
01299 861368 [arleyestate.co.uk](http://arleyestate.co.uk)

The Arboretum is home to 300 species of rare and ancient trees. Seasonal displays include spring bulbs, rhododendrons, camellias, magnolias and dramatic autumn colours from a fine Acer collection. The gardens have herbaceous borders and a striking Italian Garden with a 5.5m-high fountain and formal planting.



Belvoir Castle



## 2 Belvoir Castle Garden

Belvoir, Grantham, Leicestershire NG32 1PE  
01476 871001 [belvoircastle.com](http://belvoircastle.com)

The Regency castle overlooks the beautiful Vale of Belvoir and is surrounded by Capability Brown landscape. The original plans for the 25 acres of pleasure gardens, designed by Harold Peto, were recently rediscovered. The roses in the garden today are the design of Emma, current Duchess of Rutland. Car parking charges apply.



### 3 Biddulph Grange Garden (National Trust)

Grange Road, Biddulph, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs ST8 7SD  
01782 517999 [nationaltrust.org.uk/biddulphgrange](https://nationaltrust.org.uk/biddulphgrange)

A horticultural masterpiece of playful garden design, the series of interconnected garden rooms lead visitors on an adventure of tunnels, high walks and narrow paths into world-themed zones of China, Italy, Himalayan Glen and Egyptian Court. With an international tree and plant collection, this garden offers surprise and delight.



Free access applies when open



National Trust / Helen Willshaw

### 4 Bluebell Arboretum and Nursery

Annwell Lane, Smisby, Ashby-de-la Zouch, Derbyshire  
LE65 2TA 01530 413700 [bluebellnursery.com](https://bluebellnursery.com)

This enchanting, 9-acre woodland garden is full of rare and unusual trees and shrubs. Many are selected for their colourful winter bark, lovely spring flowers, cool leafy summer shade or notable autumn colour. Plants are well labelled and many are on sale in the specialist nursery.



Free access applies when open



Bluebell Arboretum and Nursery

### 5 Cascades Gardens

Clatterway, Bonsall, Matlock, Derbyshire DE4 2AH  
07967 337404 [cascadesgardens.com](https://cascadesgardens.com)

Cascades Garden is a meditation garden and bonsai centre set in a dramatic 4-acre former limestone quarry. Inspired by Japanese gardens and Buddhist philosophy, it features hellebores, unusual perennials, shrubs, conifers and tranquil spaces for reflection. Bonsai trees and landscapes are also available for sale. Car park charges apply.



Free access Mar-Sep, Mon only, excl BH



Alesia Clements

### 6 Castle Bromwich Historic Gardens

Chester Road, Castle Bromwich, Birmingham B36 9BT  
0121 749 4100 [castlebromwichhallgardens.org.uk](https://castlebromwichhallgardens.org.uk)

These 10 acres of rescued 17th–18th century gardens give a taste of a baroque country estate with formal walks, parterres, heritage orchards, a holly maze and vegetable garden with family-friendly wild areas.



Free access applies when open  
(excl event days)



Castle Bromwich Hall Gardens



## 7 Cottesbrooke Hall and Gardens

Cottesbrooke, Northamptonshire NN6 8PF 01604 505808 [cottesbrooke.co.uk](http://cottesbrooke.co.uk)

Among an interesting and unusual palette of plants, trees and shrubs, this remarkable garden sits within an 18th-century landscaped park with lakes, classical bridges, statues, pergolas, many roses and double herbaceous borders. A tranquil Wild Garden alongside a stream, has spring flowers, specimen trees and gunneras.



Free access applies when open



## 8 Deene Park

Corby, Northamptonshire NN17 3EG  
01780 450278 [deenepark.com](http://deenepark.com)

Home to the Brudenell family since 1514, Deene Park nestles in gently rolling countryside beside a tranquil canal and lake. The themed gardens have developed since the mid-20th century and include a David Hicks parterre, specimen trees, old fashioned roses, long borders and pleasure grounds.



Free access applies when open



## 9 Doddington Hall and Gardens

Doddington, Lincoln LN6 4RU 01522 694308  
[doddingtonhall.com](http://doddingtonhall.com)

This impressive Elizabethan house is surrounded by original garden walls. The East Front is simple and formal, while the richly planted West Garden borders and parterres peak in early summer with an iris display in late May. Spring bulbs, a productive Kitchen Garden and ancient trees are highlights.



Free access 4 Feb–24 Jul & 9–30 Sept,  
Wed–Sun; Oct, daily; gardens only



## 10 The Dorothy Clive Garden

Willoughbridge, Market Drayton, Shropshire TF9 4EU  
01630 647237 [dorothyclivegarden.co.uk](http://dorothyclivegarden.co.uk)

This 12-acre plantsman's paradise features a quarry of azaleas and rhododendrons, roses, herbaceous and tropical borders, fabulous autumn colour, a Mediterranean glasshouse, tearoom and giftroom. Chosen as a top winter garden by the *Daily Mail* (2018) and is one of RHS Vice President Jim Gardiner's top woodland gardens.



Free access Jan–Mar & Jul–Dec



Joe Wainwright Photography

## 11 Evenley Wood Garden

Mixbury Road, Evenley, Northamptonshire NN13 5SL  
07788 207428 [evenleywoodgarden.co.uk](http://evenleywoodgarden.co.uk)

From the emergence of the first snowdrop until the magnificent autumn colour, there is always something to see in this 60-acre woodland garden set in the beautiful Northamptonshire countryside.



Free access every Fri when open  
& Aug–Sep, daily



Evenley Wood Garden

## 12 Felley Priory Gardens

Underwood, Nottinghamshire NG16 5FJ  
01773 810230 [felleypriory.co.uk](http://felleypriory.co.uk)

One of north Nottinghamshire's best-kept secrets, this tranquil 2-acre garden, with many rare and unusual plants, nestles in beautiful rolling countryside. The planting offers year-round interest and the nursery sells competitively priced plants seen in the garden. The Farmhouse Tea Room serves meals, snacks and drinks.



Free access Tues–Wed when open



Felley Priory

## 13 Goldstone Hall Hotel and Gardens

Goldstone, Market Drayton, Shropshire TF9 2NA  
01630 661202 [goldstonehall.com](http://goldstonehall.com)

These gardens span 5 acres of mature design with views across the rolling Shropshire countryside. Visitors can discover double-tiered herbaceous borders, a productive 1-acre kitchen garden, walled garden, rose terrace and sensory herbal walkways, then relax in the Georgian manor house with tea, coffee and homemade cakes.



Free access 23 Mar–30 Oct, Mon–Thur  
(excl event days – see website for details)



Joe Wainwright



## 14 Grimsthorpe Castle, Park and Gardens

Bourne, Lincs PE10 0LY 01778 591205 [grimsthorpe.co.uk](http://grimsthorpe.co.uk)

The Grade I-listed gardens encompass nearly 70 acres of formal lawns, fine topiary and formal hedges, an ornamental and productive kitchen garden, large herbaceous borders, a rose parterre and woodland walks.

Visitors can also enjoy the surrounding 3000-acre estate.



**Free access May–Jun & Sep, Mon–Thur (excl BH) when open**



## 15 Hill Close Gardens

Bread and Meat Close, Warwick CV34 6HF  
01926 493339 [hillclosegardens.com](http://hillclosegardens.com)

Located between the town centre and Warwick Racecourse, these 16 hedged, Grade II-listed gardens are characterised by a rich diversity of fruit trees, soft fruit, flowers, exotic vegetables and lawns, as well as summerhouses or wooden shelters. Each plot or garden retains its own unique character. Car parking charges apply.



**Free access Feb–Oct, Wed–Thur when open**



## 16 Kelmarsh Hall and Gardens

Kelmarsh, Northamptonshire NN6 9LY 01604 686543 [kelmarsh.com](http://kelmarsh.com)

Surrounding the historic Kelmarsh Hall, Kelmarsh Gardens offer vibrant seasonal borders, a serene walled garden and sweeping parkland views. Designed with both beauty and tranquillity in mind, they reflect 18th-century charm and provide a peaceful retreat for visitors, changing beautifully with the seasons throughout the year.



**Free access Mar–Oct, Tues–Thur**

## 17 The Laskett Garden

Much Birch, Herefordshire HR2 8HZ  
01432 805454 [thelaskett.org.uk](http://thelaskett.org.uk)

This biographical garden in the Herefordshire countryside celebrates art and life. Created by Sir Roy Strong and Julia Trevelyan Oman, its 24 garden rooms form a living masterpiece where nature and creativity unite. Every flower tells a story, each sculpture recalls artistic brilliance, offering inspiration at every turn.



Free access Apr–Oct, Wed



## 18 Melbourne Hall Gardens

Melbourne, Derbyshire DE73 8EN  
01332 862502 [melbournehall.com](http://melbournehall.com)

This family garden contains romantic herbaceous borders, elegant avenues, an arboretum, water features, exquisite ironwork, historic yew tunnel and rare-breed animals. Created in the 1700s, it remains the best example of its period in England. Its story continues under the guiding hand of Lord and Lady Lothian.



Free access applies when open



## 19 Middleton Hall and Gardens

Middleton, Tamworth, Warwickshire B78 2AE  
01827 283095 [middleton-hall.co.uk](http://middleton-hall.co.uk)

Restored by volunteers, Middleton Hall and Gardens is now a beautiful and vibrant site. Past residents include modern taxonomy pioneers naturalist Francis Willughby and botanist John Ray. Visitors can enjoy a 1717 heated Walled Garden, herb garden, orchard, colourful borders, wisteria pergola and nature trail.



Free access applies when open



## 20 Moors Meadow Gardens

Moors Meadow, Collington, Bromyard, Herefordshire  
HR7 4LZ 01885 410318 [moorsmeadow.co.uk](http://moorsmeadow.co.uk)

Voted 'most romantic' garden, this 7-acre organic garden contains a huge range of plants and wildlife with intriguing sculptures, trees and shrubberies, fernery, pools, herbaceous beds, kitchen garden, cottage-style gardens, grass garden, flower meadow with shrubs and specimen trees, oak circle and countless bulbs.



Free access applies when open.  
Booking essential





Paul Picton / The Picton Garden



## 21 The Picton Garden

Old Court Nurseries, Walwyn Road, Colwall, Herefordshire  
WR13 6QE 01684 540416 [oldcourtnurseries.co.uk](http://oldcourtnurseries.co.uk)

Renowned for its fantastic autumn Michaelmas daisy displays, this 1½-acre garden is a family-run horticultural gem. More than 300 cultivars of snowdrop start the season, followed by a wealth of plants packed into herbaceous and woodland areas. There is always something of interest for plant lovers.



Free access applies when open

Renishaw Hall



## 22 Renishaw Hall and Gardens

Nr Chesterfield, Derbyshire S21 3WB  
01246 432310 [renishaw-hall.co.uk](http://renishaw-hall.co.uk)

These classical Italianate gardens were created by Sir George Sitwell 115 years ago. Ornamental ponds, a spectacular fountain, secret garden rooms, classical statues, overflowing borders and long vistas and National Plant Collections of *Yucca* and *Echium* all feature strongly.



Free access Mar–Oct, Wed–Thur when open

Thornbridge Hall



## 23 Thornbridge Estate Gardens

Thornbridge Hall, Ashford in the Water, Derbyshire DE45 1NZ Please use What3Words to find us: [gather.mango.tank](https://www.what3words.com/)  
01629 640617 [thornbridgehall.co.uk](http://thornbridgehall.co.uk)

Nestled in the heart of the Peak District, Thornbridge Hall is surrounded by quintessentially English formal gardens. Designed in the 1890s to create ‘a thousand shades of green’, they used Victorian engineering to manipulate the landscape into a series of ‘rooms’.



Free access Tues–Thur when open

Winterbourne House and Garden / Greg Miner



## 24 Winterbourne House and Garden

University of Birmingham, 58 Edgbaston Park Road,  
Birmingham B15 2RT 0121 414 3003 [winterbourne.org.uk](http://winterbourne.org.uk)

Offering colour and interest all year, this Grade II-listed garden is home to a beautiful walled garden, colour-themed borders, glasshouses, a sandstone rock garden and streamside planting. Winterbourne is a rare surviving example of an Edwardian Arts and Crafts suburban villa garden, secluded in a quiet corner of Birmingham.



Free access Mon–Wed when open



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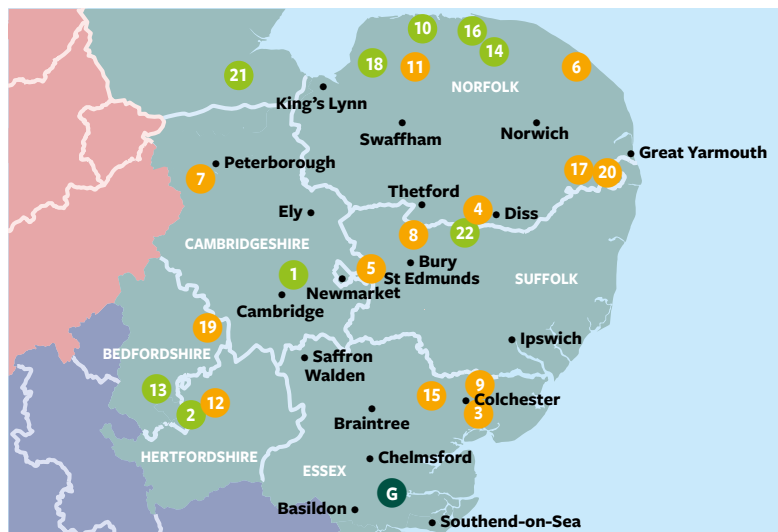
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# East of England



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## 1 Anglesey Abbey Gardens and Lode Mill (National Trust)

Quy Road, Lode, Cambridge CB25 9EJ 01223 810080  
[nationaltrust.org.uk/anglesey-abbey-gardens-and-lode-mill](https://nationaltrust.org.uk/anglesey-abbey-gardens-and-lode-mill)

With a mix of formal gardens, tree-lined avenues and wildflower meadows in 114 acres, seasonal highlights include snowdrops, spring bulbs, summer herbaceous border and rose garden, dahlias, autumn hues and textures and scents in the winter garden.







Ashridge House

## 2 Ashridge House Gardens

Berkhamsted, Hertfordshire HP4 1NS  
01442 843491 [ashridgehouse.org.uk](http://ashridgehouse.org.uk)

Designed by Humphry Repton in 1813, these 190 acres of stunning Grade II\*-listed gardens offer year-round interest, from colourful formal and informal gardens to breathtaking views. The naturalised spring bulbs among impressive trees provide a place to wander and unwind. The Bakehouse, a cosy dog-friendly artisan café, has indoor and outdoor seating, and serves fresh bakes and seasonal specials.

  
**Free access applies when open**  
(excl private & live events)

## 3 Beth Chatto's Plants and Gardens

Elmstead Market, Colchester, Essex CO7 7DB  
01206 822007 [bethchatto.co.uk](http://bethchatto.co.uk)

The Beth Chatto Gardens were established in 1960. Once an overgrown wasteland with poor gravel soil and boggy hollows, the area has been transformed into an informal garden that harmonises with the surrounding East Anglian countryside.

  
**Free access Feb–Mar & Oct–Dec,**  
**Tues–Sat when open**



Leanne Crozier

## 4 The Bressingham Gardens

Low Road, Diss, Norfolk IP22 2AA  
07300 100445 [thebressinghamgardens.com](http://thebressinghamgardens.com)

Sweeping perennial drifts, majestic conifers and seasonal highlights unfold through six distinct gardens spanning 17 acres created by plantsmen Alan and Adrian Bloom. Renowned for their year-round interest and artistry, they offer inspiration, tranquillity and beauty in all seasons, delighting both plant lovers and visitors.

  
**Free access May & Oct when open**



The Bressingham Gardens



## 5 Chippenham Park Gardens

Chippenham, Cambridgeshire CB7 5PT  
01638 721416 [chippenhampark.co.uk](http://chippenhampark.co.uk)

Set in parkland with woods and lakes, these 35-acre gardens retain elements dating back to the 18th century. Snowdrops, daffodils and other spring bulbs light up the garden early in the year and there is a recently redesigned walled kitchen garden, rose-filled summer garden and Victorian box walk leading to a woodland garden.



Free access Mon–Fri, when open



## 6 East Ruston Old Vicarage

East Ruston, Norwich NR12 9HN  
01692 650432 [eastruston.co.uk](http://eastruston.co.uk)

With a microclimate and shelterbelts, this 32-acre coastal garden contains many rare plants and gardens from Exotic and Mediterranean to Desert Wash Arizonian landscape. The Diamond Jubilee Walled Garden, Clematis Walk and Thalictrum Garden buzz with wildlife and potted plants fill the Tea Garden.



Free access: Mar & Oct, Wed–Sun when open



## 7 Elton Hall

Peterborough, Cambridgeshire PE8 6SH  
01832 280468 [eltonhall.com](http://eltonhall.com)

This enchanting garden contains immaculate hornbeam and yew hedges enclosing the Orangery, Shrub and Flower Gardens. Many topiary shapes and interesting plants lasting well into the autumn months.



Free access Jun–Aug, Wed–Thur when open



## 8 Fullers Mill Garden

West Stow, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk IP28 6HD  
01284 728888 [fullersmill.org.uk](http://fullersmill.org.uk)

This award-winning, tranquil and enchanting waterside oasis contains a plantsperson's collection of trees, shrubs, perennials, lilies and marginal plants. Visitors can soak up the vibrant reflections off the millpond and stream and wander among the dappled light through the trees in this peaceful 7-acre retreat.



Free access Apr–Oct, Wed when open

## 9 Green Island Gardens

Park Road, Ardleigh, Colchester CO7 7SP  
01206 230455 [greenislandgardens.co.uk](http://greenislandgardens.co.uk)

These 20 acres of wildlife-friendly gardens were created within woodland destroyed by the 1987 Great Storm. Offering year-round interest are huge island beds, water gardens, Japanese garden, woodland garden and seaside garden packed with unusual plants, often of borderline hardiness.



**Free access Jan–Mar & Nov–Dec,  
Tues–Fri; Apr–Oct, Wed only, when open**



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## 10 Holkham Walled Garden

Holkham, Wells-next-the-Sea, Norfolk NR23 1AB 01328 713111

Stepping through the Venetian gates, visitors can explore Holkham's enchanting Walled Garden dating back to the late 1700s. There is a spectacular stand of Georgian and Victorian greenhouses and vineries, a formal ornamental garden, established vineyard, working kitchen garden, exotic garden and cutting garden with its beautiful array of blooms to be discovered. Car parking charges apply.



**Free access applies when open  
(excl special events – see website)**

## 11 Houghton Hall and Gardens

Houghton Hall, King's Lynn, Norfolk PE31 6UE  
01485 528569 [houghtonhall.com](http://houghtonhall.com)

This award-winning 5-acre walled garden includes a spectacular double-sided herbaceous border, Mediterranean garden, formal rose parterre and kitchen garden with apple and pear espaliers. There are antique statues, fountains, glasshouse, and sculptures by Antony Gormley, Richard Long, Jeppe Hein and Stephen Cox.



**Free access Jun–Jul, when open**



Houghton Hall archives





## 12 Knebworth House Gardens

Knebworth House, Knebworth Park, Knebworth, Hertfordshire SG1 2AX 01438 812661 [knebworthhouse.com](http://knebworthhouse.com)

Largely designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens and Gertrude Jekyll, the 30 acres of formal gardens are separated into distinct 'garden rooms' with a range of landscapes and colourful plants. There's a maze, rose garden, walled vegetable garden and tropical borders.



Free access Mon–Fri (excl BH)



## 13 Luton Hoo Estate Walled Garden

Luton Hoo Estate, Luton LU1 4LF  
01582 721443 [lutonhooestate.co.uk](http://lutonhooestate.co.uk)

Shaped by centuries of changing ownership, purpose and horticultural practices, the Walled Garden at Luton Hoo was designed by Capability Brown in the 1760s. Today, it continues to evolve – celebrating its rich legacy and varied past, and embracing the future through the Walled Garden Project.



Free access applies when open  
(May–Sep, Wed)



## 14 Mannington Hall and Gardens

Mannington, Norwich, Norfolk NR11 7BB 01263 493275  
[mannington.co.uk](http://mannington.co.uk)

Surrounding a moated medieval manor, these gardens are steeped in tranquil charm with classical and modern rose displays, wildflower meadows, sensory gardens, woodland walks and lakes. Highlights include the seasonal landscape, ongoing conservation efforts, flourishing wildflower meadows and wildlife-friendly habitats.



Free access applies when open



## 15 Markshall

Coggeshall, Essex CO6 1TG 01376 563796 [markshall.org.uk](http://markshall.org.uk)

This 200-acre arboretum near Colchester showcases trees from across the globe. With more than 1,000 years of history and stunning Walled Gardens, it's perfect for peaceful walks or family days out. There are rare species, historic landscapes and charming wildlife like Percy the peacock and Antony & Cleopatra the geese.



Free access 5–31 Jan, 1–24 May, Jun & Sep,  
Tues–Sun, when open

## 16 Natural Surroundings

Bayfield, Holt, Norfolk NR25 7JN  
01263 711091 [naturalsurroundings.info](http://naturalsurroundings.info)

Lying in a sheltered valley near the north Norfolk coast, these 8 acres of gardens and meadows nestle on a gentle slope beside the River Glaven. In this plantlover's paradise, the diversity of plants and wildlife delights and inspires. The nursery offers many wildflowers and unusual perennials with a café on site.



Free access applies when open



Simon Hartup

## 17 Raveningham Gardens

Raveningham, Norwich, Norfolk NR14 6NS  
01508 548480 [raveningham.com/gardens](http://raveningham.com/gardens)

Owned by Sir Nicholas and Lady Bacon, Raveningham Gardens encapsulates 10 acres of classic country house gardens that surround the Grade II-listed Raveningham Hall on the 5,500-acre Raveningham Estate. Dogs must be kept on leads.



Free access May, Jun & Sep, Wed–Fri when open



Raveningham Gardens



Sandringham Estate

## 18 Sandringham

King's Lynn, Norfolk PE36 6EN 01484 544112 [sandringhamestate.co.uk](http://sandringhamestate.co.uk)

The 60-acre garden has been extensively developed since 1862, and His Majesty is now bringing new horticultural aspects to the Estate, such as the new formal Gardens, Rockery Extension and Long Border Project. Car parking charges apply.



Free access applies when open

## 19 Shuttleworth Swiss Garden

Alder Drive, Biggleswade, Bedfordshire SG18 9DT  
01767 627927 [shuttleworth.org/discover/swiss-garden](https://shuttleworth.org/discover/swiss-garden)

A fine example of the Regency fashion for creating Swiss Picturesque or Alpine landscapes, this tranquil 9-acre space is home to the rustic Swiss Cottage, Grotto and Fernery, rock garden, woodland walk, lake and peacocks. Includes admission to Shuttleworth's collection of historic aircraft and motor vehicles.



**Free access Mon & Thur, when open**



March 3 Studio

## 20 Somerleyton Hall Gardens

Somerleyton, Nr Lowestoft, Suffolk NR32 5QQ  
01502 734901 [somerleyton.co.uk](https://somerleyton.co.uk)

These 12-acre gardens are renowned for their Victorian architecture, specimen trees and sweeping lawns. There is a plantsman's Walled garden, kitchen and cut-flower garden, rose garden, 70m Wisteria pergola, jungle garden and Nesfield's 1846 maze.



**Free access May–Sep, Tues–Wed when open (please check website before visit)**



Somerleyton Hall Gardens

## 21 Springfields Designer Outlet and Festival Gardens

Camelgate, Spalding, Lincolnshire PE12 6EU  
01775 760909 [springfieldsoutlet.co.uk/gardens](https://springfieldsoutlet.co.uk/gardens)

A stylish blend of designer outlet stores, restaurants, Blue Diamond Garden Centre and Adventure Land is set alongside 15 acres of award-winning Chelsea-style and celebrity-designed showcase gardens.



**Free access applies when open plus free parking & hot drink for Members**



Charlotte Graham

## 22 Wyken Hall

Stanton, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk IP31 2DW  
01359 250262 [wykenvineyards.co.uk](https://wykenvineyards.co.uk)

This series of old-style gardens includes a knot garden, herb garden and traditional kitchen garden. An old-fashioned rose garden and pergola lead to a wildflower meadow, maze, nuttury and vine-covered gazebo. Wyken wines can be tasted at the vineyard restaurant.



**Free access applies when open (excl charity days, see website)**



Wyken Hall / Rob Kerr



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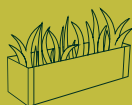
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# North East



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## 1 Beningbrough (National Trust)

Beningbrough, York YO30 1DD  
01904 472027 [nationaltrust.org.uk/beningbrough](https://nationaltrust.org.uk/beningbrough)

There is colour and scent to be discovered around every corner. The gardens continue to evolve with designs by RHS gold medal winner Andy Sturgeon and visitors can see how the Wilderness evolves through the year, the latest development in his long-term vision.



Free access applies when open

## 2 Bide-a-Wee Cottage Garden and Nursery

Stanton, Netherwitton, Morpeth, Northumberland  
NE65 8PR 01670 772004 [bideawe.co.uk](http://bideawe.co.uk)

The garden's location is remarkable with a significant portion of land tucked away in a small disused quarry site. With huge variations in aspect and growing conditions, the rock and water landscape provides a variety of habitats to an array of thriving unusual plants.



Free access Fri when open



Anthony Brown

## 3 Birkheads Secret Gardens

Birkheads Lane, Nr Sunniside, Newcastle upon Tyne  
NE16 5EL 07778 447920 [birkheadssecretgardens.co.uk](http://birkheadssecretgardens.co.uk)

Fine views and wildlife abound in this gardener's garden with hidden peepholes that is always in harmony with the seasons. The hardy plant nursery with plants propagated by the plantswoman owner offers irresistible treasures to dedicated plant collectors.



Free access Mar & Oct weekends;  
Apr-Sep, Thur-Fri, when open



Birkheads Secret Gardens

## 4 Burnby Hall Gardens and Museum

The Balk, Pocklington, York YO42 2QF  
01759 307125 [burnbyhallgardens.com](http://burnbyhallgardens.com)

Home to a National Plant Collection of hardy waterlilies, which bloom mid-June to August, these 9 acres of gardens and woodland include an ornamental bridge, Walled Garden, aviary garden, birch walk and stumpery. A Tulip Festival and other events are held in spring and summer.



Free access 5 Jan-31 March when open



Peter Rogers

## 5 Crook Hall Gardens (National Trust)

Sidegate, Durham, County Durham DH1 5SZ  
0191 383 1832 [nationaltrust.org.uk/crook-hall-gardens](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/crook-hall-gardens)

This verdant oasis, close to Durham city centre, has a series of interlinking gardens with a maze, walled gardens, orchard, wildlife-rich moat pool and views of the Cathedral, set against the backdrop of a Grade I-listed medieval hall. There is seating throughout the garden, a café and a second-hand bookshop.



Free access applies when open



National Trust Images / Annapurna Meier



New

David Shore



## 6 Cusworth Hall Walled Garden

Cusworth Lane, Doncaster DN5 7TU 01302 734550  
[heritagedoncaster.org.uk/cusworth-hall/walled-gardens](http://heritagedoncaster.org.uk/cusworth-hall/walled-gardens)

The Walled Garden has been lovingly restored to its former glory with contemporary waves of grass and hot-coloured herbaceous planting in the Hall Garden that complements the surrounding 18th-century parkland. English scented roses and pastel perennials are found in the Flower Garden. Car park charges apply.

Free access applies when open

Duncombe Park



## 7 Duncombe Park Terraces

Helmsley, North Yorkshire YO62 5EB  
 01439 770213 [duncombepark.com](http://duncombepark.com)

Pevsner called this 18th-century designed landscape, with long grass terraces, veteran trees and classical temples, on a steep escarpment overlooking the Rye valley, 'one of the most extensive and boldest landscaping enterprises of England'. It has been designated a National Nature Reserve for its rare insects and fungi.

Free access applies when open

Durham University Botanic Garden



## 8 Durham University Botanic Garden

Hollingside Lane, South Road, Durham DH1 3TN  
 0191 334 2887 [durham.ac.uk/botanic.garden](http://durham.ac.uk/botanic.garden)

This 25-acre university botanic garden is set among mature woodlands with alpine garden, winter garden, bamboo grove, glasshouses, woodland garden and wildflower meadow. The visitor centre is open daily with a coffee shop and gift shop.

Free access Mon & Thur when open

New

National Trust Images James Beck



## 9 Goddards (National Trust)

27 Tadcaster Road, York, North Yorkshire YO24 1GG  
[nationaltrust.org.uk/goddards](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/goddards)

Designed by George Dillistone in the 1920s for the Terry family, the tranquil 5-acre Arts and Crafts garden features herbaceous borders, formal ponds, orchard, kitchen garden and a historic glasshouse. It showcases harmonious design, interesting plants and thoughtful landscaping. Accessible parking only.

Free access May–Aug, Thur–Fri

## 10 Helmsley Walled Garden

Cleveland Way, Helmsley, North Yorkshire YO62 5AH  
01439 772314 [helmsleywalledgarden.org.uk](http://helmsleywalledgarden.org.uk)

This 5-acre walled garden dates from 1758 and is maintained by dedicated volunteers. Highlights include vibrant borders, a thriving apple orchard, original glasshouses, a turf labyrinth and National Plant Collections. There is a garden shop and Vine House Café.



**Free access Mar–Dec, Wed; plus Oct daily when open**



Colin Dineck

## 11 Himalayan Garden and Sculpture Park

The Hutts, Hutts Lane, Grewelthorpe, Ripon, North Yorkshire HG4 3DA 01765 658009 [himalayangarden.com](http://himalayangarden.com)

Home to the North of England's largest collections of azaleas, rhododendrons and magnolias plus more than 90 striking contemporary sculptures, the grounds offer 45 acres of woodland gardens, lakes, wildlife, woodland play and a garden tearoom.



**Free access Sep–Oct when open**



Helen Tabor Photography



Sue Hoy / Normanby Hall Country Park

## 12 Normanby Hall Country Park

Normanby, Scunthorpe, Lincolnshire DN15 9HU 01724 720588 [normanbyhall.co.uk](http://normanbyhall.co.uk)

In this beautiful 300-acre estate, set in the heart of north Lincolnshire, herbaceous borders surround the Hall and its Sunken Garden. The Victorian garden mostly operates a 'no-dig' approach where flowers and vegetables are grown organically and many of these can be purchased at the garden or found in dishes offered in the café.



**Free access applies when open**



Joe Cornish

### 13 Nunnington Hall (National Trust)

Nunnington, York YO62 5UY 01439 748283 [nationaltrust.org.uk/nunnington-hall](https://nationaltrust.org.uk/nunnington-hall)

One of the National Trust's first truly organic gardens, wildlife-friendly Nunnington is a hidden gem on the banks of the River Rye, between the Howardian Hills and North York Moors. From orchard meadows to formal roses, herbaceous borders, pollinator borders and a new iris garden, it has something for everyone.



Free access applies when open



James Ingram, Raby Castle, Park and Gardens

New

### 14 Raby Castle, Park and Gardens

Staindrop, Darlington, County Durham DL2 3AH  
01833 660202 [raby.co.uk/raby-castle](https://raby.co.uk/raby-castle)

The 18th-century Walled Garden has been remodelled by garden designer Luciano Giubbilei with Lady Barnard into a stunning 5-acre vision, with fine yew hedges and the iconic Raby fig in the heart of the Castle's stunning grounds.



Free access Jan–Feb, Mon–Fri;  
Mar–Dec, Mon–Tues (excl Bank &  
school holidays & private events)



Scampston Walled Garden

### 15 Scampston Walled Garden

Malton, North Yorkshire YO17 8NG  
01944 759111 [scampston.co.uk](https://scampston.co.uk)

Designed by Piet Oudolf, this stunning contemporary space within 18th-century walls contains bold seasonal displays of sweeping drifts of grasses and perennials complemented by traditional borders, a cut-flower garden and Victorian conservatory. Dogs allowed in parkland.



Free access Mar–Sep, Fri;  
plus Oct, Wed–Sun when open



## 16 Wentworth Garden Centre and Historic Gardens

Hague Lane, Wentworth, Rotherham, South Yorkshire  
S62 7TF 01226 744842 [wentworthgardencentre.co.uk](http://wentworthgardencentre.co.uk)

The gardens, which include a maze, have been substantially restored with funding from the family-owned garden centre. The formal Italian Garden and its canal pond have been completely renovated with added topiary and herbaceous borders.



Free access applies when open



Wentworth Garden Centre

## 17 Wentworth Woodhouse

Wentworth, Rotherham, South Yorkshire S62 7TQ  
01226 351161 [wentworthwoodhouse.org.uk](http://wentworthwoodhouse.org.uk)

Wentworth Woodhouse is set in 50 acres of gardens waiting to be explored. Once scarred by open-cast mining, they're now a tranquil space for ancient trees, shaded woodland, historic follies and seasonal blooms. Steeped in history, wildlife and featuring some of Britain's rarest camellias, they offer something for all.



Free access applies when open



Wentworth Woodhouse Preservation Trust

## 18 York Gate Garden

Back Church Lane, Adel, Leeds, West Yorkshire LS16 8DW  
0113 267 8240 [yorkgategarden.org.uk](http://yorkgategarden.org.uk)

In this enchanting Arts and Crafts style garden, with Grade II National Heritage status, on the outskirts of Adel, 14 individual garden rooms nestle into one acre beside a striking sand garden and tranquil meadow walk.



Free access Apr–Oct, Fri when open



York Gate Garden

## 19 The Yorkshire Arboretum

Castle Howard, York YO60 7BY  
01653 648598 [yorkshirearboretum.org](http://yorkshirearboretum.org)

Situated just 30 minutes from York, the Yorkshire Arboretum is set in 120 acres of beautiful, tranquil landscapes with wide vistas, lakes and ponds. It has a magnificent collection of trees and shrubs, woodland walks, themed trails and tours, events and family activities, gift shop and café.

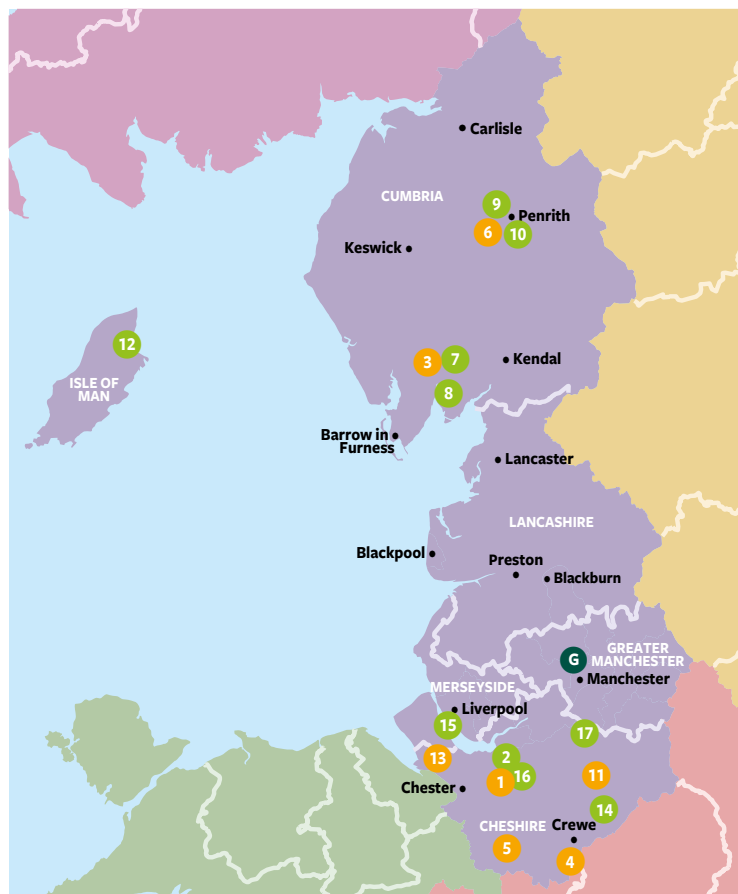


Free access Feb–Aug, when open



Matthew Harrison

# North West



RHS Garden Bridgewater

Abbeywood Gardens / Nicola Stocklen



## 1 Abbeywood Gardens

Abbeywood Estate, Chester Road, Delamere, Cheshire  
CW8 2HS 01606 888251 [abbeywoodestate.co.uk](http://abbeywoodestate.co.uk)

There are vast woodlands and 6 acres of informal and formal gardens to see – all different and distinctive in their own right. A 1.2-mile wildlife walk encompasses 27 acres of mature and newly planted woodland, a young 7-acre arboretum features rare deciduous and evergreen trees and the Garden Café serves fine food.



Free access Tues–Wed when open

## 2 Bluebell Cottage Gardens

Lodge Lane, Dutton, Nr Warrington, Cheshire WA4  
4HP 01928 713718 [bluebellcottage.co.uk](http://bluebellcottage.co.uk)

This 1½-acre garden is a peaceful haven, only minutes from the M56 Junction 11. Wide, meandering borders showcase planting combinations for different conditions including a gravel garden, open sunny borders, an orchard meadow, shade garden and the 'exotic-ish' garden.



Free access applies when open  
(excl charity open days)



Bluebell Cottage Gardens

## 3 Brantwood

East of Lake, Coniston, Cumbria LA21 8AD  
01539 441396 [brantwood.org.uk](http://brantwood.org.uk)

Created by John Ruskin on the shores of Coniston Water, these historic, wildlife-friendly woodland gardens nestle in a 250-acre biodiverse estate. They contain rhododendrons, bluebells, a traditional hay meadow, National Plant Collection of *Wisteria*, ferns, summer-long herbaceous borders and a tea room with fine lake views.



Free access Fri & Sun when open



Brantwood Trust

## 4 Bridgemere Show Gardens

Bridgemere Show Gardens, owned by the Blue Diamond Garden Centre Group, London Rd, Nantwich, Cheshire  
CW5 7SN 01270 360003 [bridgemereshowgardens.co.uk](http://bridgemereshowgardens.co.uk)

Located in Bridgemere Garden Centre, one of the largest in Europe, this is the 6-acre home of 16 individual and distinctive gardens, nine of which are RHS Gold and Silver Medal-winning show gardens, dating from 1988 to the present day – the largest collection of former RHS show gardens in one place!



Free access Mon–Fri when open (excl events)



Joe Wainwright

## 5 Cholmondeley Castle Gardens

Malpas, Cheshire SY14 8AH 01829 720203  
[cholmondeleycastle.com](http://cholmondeleycastle.com)

The Cholmondeley family have lived on these lands since Norman times, with the castle built in the early 19th century by the 1st Marquess. Nestled within historic parkland are 70 acres of beautiful gardens filled with colour and botanical delights, offering magnificent seasonal displays.



Free access May & Sep,  
Wed–Thur & Sun, when open



Cholmondeley Castle Gardens





## 6 Dalemain Mansion and Historic Gardens

Dalemain, Penrith, Cumbria CA11 0HB  
01768 486450 [dalemain.com](http://dalemain.com)

Home of the Hasell family since 1679, this award-winning garden inside the Lake District UNESCO World Heritage Site is full of imagination and variety and has a nationally important collection of plants and glorious views.



**Free access Feb–Apr & Aug–Nov  
when open (excl special events)**



## 7 Holehird Gardens

Patterdale Rd, Windermere, Cumbria LA23 1NP  
01539 446008 [holehirdgardens.org.uk](http://holehirdgardens.org.uk)

Managed by Lakeland Horticultural Society volunteers, this 10-acre hillside garden has spectacular views of Windermere and the Lakeland fells. Centred around the walled garden, features include rock gardens, alpine houses, a streamside garden, roses, hydrangeas, hostas, four National Plant Collections and woodland walk.



**Free access applies when open**



## 8 Holker Hall & Gardens

Cark-in-Cartmel, Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria LA11 7PL  
015395 58328 [holker.co.uk](http://holker.co.uk)

Within the 26-acre landscape is an arboretum, inspirational formal gardens, flowering meadows, a glistening cascade and the Burlington Fountain with voluptuous summer borders, thousands of spring flowers, bedding, topiary, veteran trees and flowering shrubs, plus the National Plant Collection of Styracaceae.



**Free access applies when open**



## 9 Hutton-in-the-Forest

Penrith, Cumbria CA11 9TH  
01768 484449 [hutton-in-the-forest.co.uk](http://hutton-in-the-forest.co.uk)

Changing styles over 400 years have contributed to this garden's charm. Contemporary gates lead to the Walled Garden with herbaceous plants, heritage roses and trained fruit trees; topiary terraces overlook the wildflower meadow, cascade and lake; while the Woodland Walk reveals a 17th-century dovecote.



**Free access applies when open**

## 10 Larch Cottage Nurseries

Melkinthorpe, Penrith, Cumbria  
CA10 2DR 01931 712404 [larchcottage.co.uk](http://larchcottage.co.uk)

Built and developed by Peter Stott, this unique setting houses a vast plant range including rare and unusual specimens. In this tranquil place, paths meander beside mixed borders, while the natural stream leads to a small lake with a frescoed chapel. The restaurant uses produce from the Kitchen Garden beyond the lawns.



Clive Nichols

## 11 The Lovell Quinta Arboretum

Swettenham Lane, Swettenham, Near Congleton, Cheshire  
CW12 2LF 01565 831981 [lovellquintaarboretum.co.uk](http://lovellquintaarboretum.co.uk)

Owned by Tatton Garden Society, this 28-acre site in the Cheshire countryside contains National Plant Collections of *Quercus*, *Fraxinus* and *Pinus*, autumn colour, spring bulbs, a newly-restored lake and many champion trees. Shady paths offer stunning views over the Dane Valley.



John Harradine, The Lovell Quinta Arboretum

## 12 Milntown Estate and Gardens

Lezayre, Isle of Man IM7 2AB 01624 812321 [milntown.org](http://milntown.org)

The Milntown Estate is set in the idyllic parish of Lezayre on the scenic Isle Of Man, at the foot of the northern hills. The garden has its own unique microclimate and hosts many rare and unusual plants and a beautiful gothic-style property. The 16-acre estate has many attractions including a café, vintage vehicles, a working waterwheel and apartments.



Milntown Estate and Garden

## 13 Ness Botanic Gardens

Neston Rd, Ness, Neston, Cheshire CH64 4AY  
0151 795 6300 [liverpool.ac.uk/ness-gardens](http://liverpool.ac.uk/ness-gardens)

Spread across 64 acres with stunning views of the River Dee and North Wales, these gardens contain a diverse variety of plants and planting areas. There are always new things to see, from vibrant year-round colour to outstanding collections of rhododendrons, camellias, *Sorbus* and snowdrops, among others.



Sara Bishop / University of Liverpool



## 14 Rode Hall and Gardens

Church Lane, Scholar Green, Cheshire ST7 3QP  
01270 873237 [rodehall.co.uk](http://rodehall.co.uk)

This Humphry Repton landscape boasts Snowdrop Walks in February, a blaze of rhododendrons and azaleas in April and carpets of bluebells in the Old Wood in May. The stunning 2-acre walled kitchen garden peaks in summer.



**Free access when open (except Feb Snowdrop Walks & May Bluebell Walks)**



New

## 15 Sefton Park Palm House

Sefton Park Palm House, Sefton Park, Liverpool L17 1AP  
0151 726 9304 [palmhouse.org.uk](http://palmhouse.org.uk)

Managed by the Sefton Park Palm House Preservation Trust, with a mission statement of 'rooting for people, plants and place', this Grade II\*-listed Victorian glasshouse offers a unique botanical experience and is a horticultural and cultural landmark in this historic public park.



**Free access applies when open. Free hot drink in the café for RHS Members**



## 16 Stonyford Cottage Gardens

Stonyford Lane, Cuddington, Northwich, Cheshire CW8 2TF  
07816 531358 [stonyfordcottagegardens.co.uk](http://stonyfordcottagegardens.co.uk)

In this informal garden, shade- and moisture-loving plants grow within wooded poolside areas and paths lead across bridges to an unusual island. Many of the summer-flowering perennials in the cottage gardens are sold in the nursery and there are candelabra primulas and waterside iris in spring and hardy orchids in June.



**Free access applies when open**



## 17 Tatton Park

Tatton Park, Knutsford, Cheshire WA16 6QN  
(SatNav WA16 6SG) 01625 374400 [tattonpark.org.uk](http://tattonpark.org.uk)

These 50 acres of beautiful gardens, set against the stunning backdrop of the 1,000-acre parkland, offer year-round colour. They represent more than 200 years of garden design history, featuring a Japanese garden, fernery, conservatory, topiary, maze, pinetum and rose garden. Parking £8-10, according to season.



**Free access applies when open**





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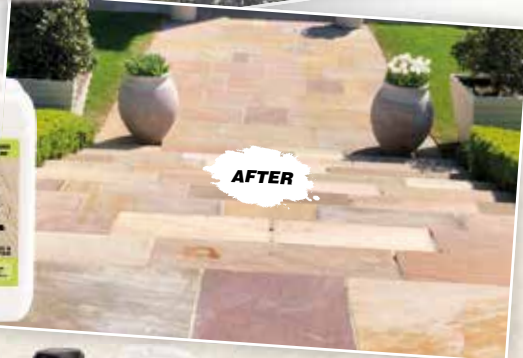
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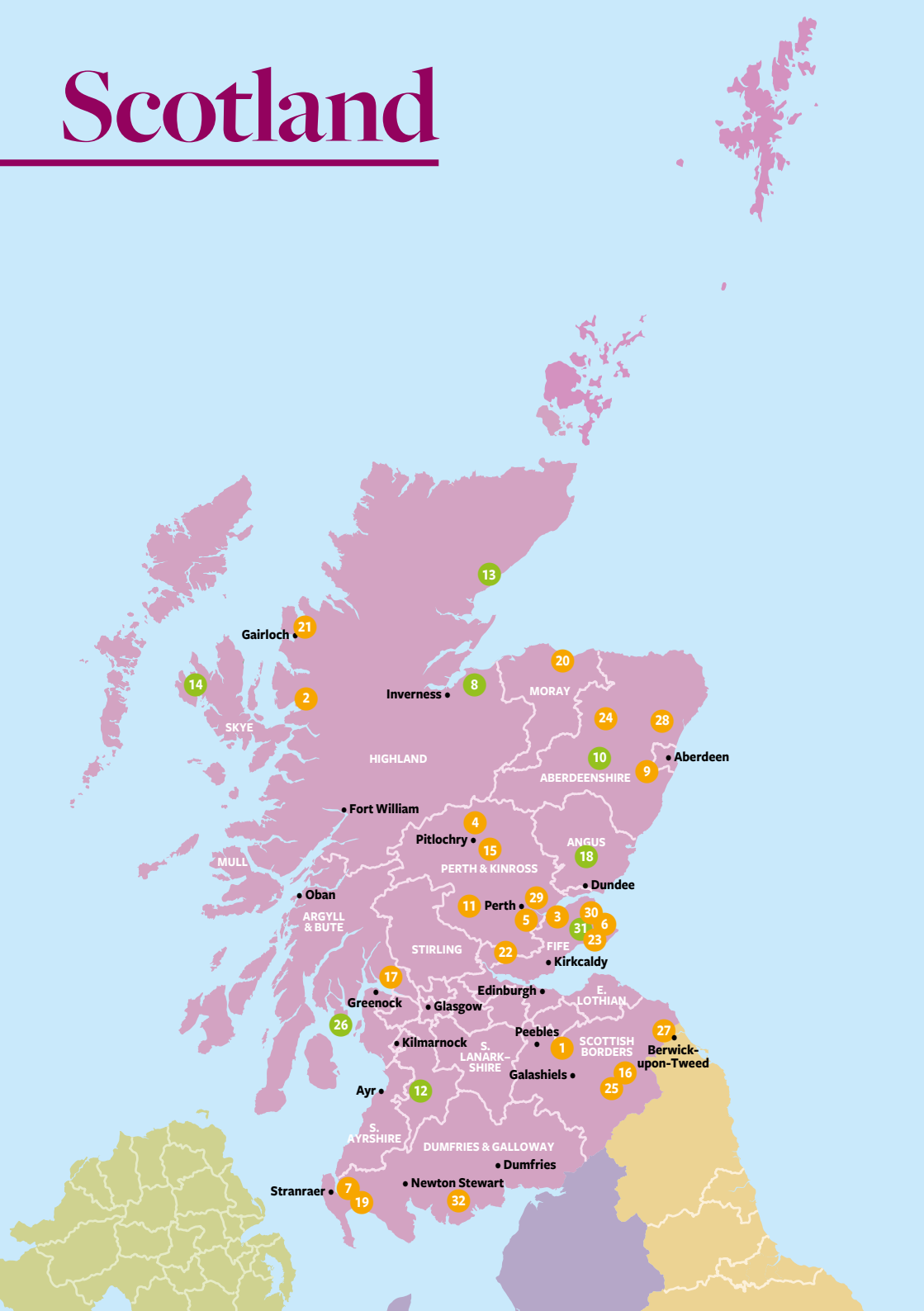


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# Scotland



## 1 Abbotsford

Abbotsford, Melrose TD6 9BQ  
01896 752043 [scottsabbotsford.com](http://scottsabbotsford.com)

Sir Walter Scott created the three walled gardens in the early 19th century, set within a naturalistic wooded landscape by the River Tweed. For the past 200 years, vegetables, herbs and fruit have been grown here, now complemented by herbaceous borders, spring-flowering shrubs and a profusion of beautiful roses. Car park charges apply.



Free access Mar–Dec, Wed–Thur when open



The Abbotsford Trust

## 2 Attadale Gardens

Strathcarron, Wester Ross IV54 8YX  
01520 722217 [attadale.com/gardens](http://attadale.com/gardens)

With views of Skye, this artist's garden is filled with colour through the seasons, a series of gardens including a Water, Japanese, sunken, kitchen, fern and a woodland walk, lead on from one to another. Children are encouraged to find 20 sculptures scattered through the gardens.



Free access Wed–Thur, when open



Julie Stanley

## 3 Backhouse Rossie Estate

By Collessie, Nr Ladybank, Fife KY15 7UZ  
0844 414 5803 [backhouserossie.co.uk](http://backhouserossie.co.uk)

In this walled garden are herbaceous borders, Scotland's longest rose archway, ornamental fish pond and potager, National Plant Collection of *Narcissus*, woodland walk to a Covenanter's tomb, putting green with champion trees and infants' Bear Walk. In the Shrubbery Walk, visitors can follow in Mary, Queen of Scots' footsteps.



Free access Apr–Sep, Thur–Fri, when open



Backhouse Rossie Estate

## 4 Blair Castle – Hercules Garden

Blair Atholl, Pitlochry, Perthshire PH18 5TL  
01796 481207 [atholl-estates.co.uk](http://atholl-estates.co.uk) Sat Nav: PH18 5TL

Hercules Garden is a restored 9-acre Georgian walled garden featuring a statue of Hercules, landscaped ponds, a folly, Chinese bridge and an orchard with more than 100 fruit trees. Its highlight in summer is the vibrant herbaceous borders along the 275m-long south-facing wall.



Free access Wed and Fri, when open



Alex Macdonald





## 5 Branklyn Garden (National Trust for Scotland)

116 Dundee Road, Perth PH2 7BB  
01738 625535 [nts.org.uk/branklyn](https://nts.org.uk/branklyn)

Branklyn Garden, just minutes from Perth city centre, is a tranquil haven created in the 1920s by John and Dorothy Renton. Celebrated for its rare and unusual plants, it features rhododendrons, alpine and National Plant Collections including blue *Meconopsis* and dainty *Cassiope*. The tearoom serves delicious treats daily.



Free access Wed–Thur, when open

## 6 Cambo Gardens

Cambo Heritage Trust, Kingsbarns, St Andrews,  
Fife KY16 8QD 01333 451040 [cambogardens.org.uk](https://cambogardens.org.uk)

The historic walled garden promotes biodiversity and inspirational yet informal planting design hosting spring bulbs, a lilac walk, rambler roses and spectacular herbaceous borders. A ‘no dig’ edible garden supplies produce, and there is a North American prairie and stunning winter garden with snowdrops.



Free access Wed–Thur, when open

## 7 Castle Kennedy Gardens

Castle Kennedy, Stranraer, Dumfries and Galloway DG9 8SJ  
01776 702024 (option 2) [castlekennedygardens.com](https://castlekennedygardens.com)

Described as ‘one of the showpieces of Galloway’, these 75 acres of sculptured landscapes and magnificent avenues radiate from the iconic castle ruins. With a 2-acre round pond, rhododendrons, champion trees and rare species, these historic gardens are romantically situated on an isthmus and surrounded by lochs.



Free access Thur, when open

## 8 Cawdor Castle and Gardens

Cawdor Castle, Nairn, Highland IV12 5RD  
01667 404401 [cawdorcastle.com](https://cawdorcastle.com)

Originally the 14th-century home of the Thanes of Cawdor, the Castle is surrounded by 750 acres of one of the finest broadleaf woodlands in Scotland. The gardens date back to the 16th century and a highlight is the 18th-century Flower Garden with large herbaceous borders, spring-flowering trees and rose arbours.



Free access applies when open



## 9 Crathes Castle, Garden and Estate

(National Trust for Scotland)

Banchory, Aberdeenshire AB31 5QJ

01330 844525 [nts.org.uk/crathes](https://nts.org.uk/crathes)

Crathes Castle's renowned walled garden spans nearly 4 acres, divided into eight themed spaces bursting with year-round colour. From spring bulbs to summer perennials, rare trees, roses and herbaceous borders, each area offers unique character.



Free access Wed–Thur, when open



Brian & Nina Chapple

## 10 Douneside House and Gardens

Tarland, Aberdeenshire AB34 4UL 01339 881072 (Gardens)

[dounesidehouse.co.uk](https://dounesidehouse.co.uk)

The spectacular 17-acre gardens, with extensive views across the Grampian Mountains, surround an award-winning country house hotel. They comprise beautifully planted Arts and Crafts style terraces, 'infinity' lawn, rockpool and stream gardens, arboretum, organic kitchen garden and a large ornamental display glasshouse.



Free access applies when open



Stephen McCallum

## 11 Drummond Castle Gardens

Muthill, Crieff, Perth and Kinross PH7 4HN

01764 681433 [drummondcastlegardens.co.uk](https://drummondcastlegardens.co.uk)

A magnificent Italianate parterre, revealed from a viewpoint, celebrates the saltire and family heraldry and a mile-long beech-lined avenue leads to a ridgetop tower house. The gardens were replanted after the Second World War, retaining the copper beech planted by Queen Victoria in 1842 and old yew hedges.



Free access May, Sep & Oct, when open



Drummond Gardens

## 12 Dumfries House Estate

Dumfries House, Cumnock, Ayrshire KA18 2NJ

01290 425959 [king-foundation.org](https://king-foundation.org)

Dumfries House comprises 600 acres of gardens and designed landscape. The main 5-acre Queen Elizabeth II Walled Garden has been restored as part of His Majesty King Charles III vision for the estate. The wider estate includes a diverse variety of garden features to inspire and delight visitors. Car park charges apply.



Free access applies when open



Dumfries House Gardens



## 13 Dunrobin Castle Garden

Golspie, Sutherland KW10 6SF  
01408 633177 [dunrobincastle.co.uk](http://dunrobincastle.co.uk)

Dunrobin Castle Gardens were laid out in 1850 by the architect Sir Charles Barry, who was responsible for the Victorian extension to the Castle and who designed the Houses of Parliament. Inspiration came from the Palace of Versailles in Paris.



Free access applies when open



## 14 Dunvegan Castle and Gardens

Dunvegan, Isle of Skye IV55 8WF  
01470 521206 [dunvegancastle.com](http://dunvegancastle.com)

In contrast to Skye's rugged moorlands, these gardens offer a lush oasis of flowers, exotic plants, trees and streams flowing to the sea. Highlights include the Water Garden's ornate bridges, the historic Walled Garden with its pond, pergola and glasshouse, and wilder areas for wildlife amid coastal beauty.



Free access applies when open



## 15 Explorers Garden

Port-Na-Craig, Pitlochry, Perthshire PH16 5DR  
01796 484626 [pitlochryfestivaltheatre.com](http://pitlochryfestivaltheatre.com)

Sculpture, performance and natural beauty await in this living celebration of 300 years of Scottish plant exploration, tucked above Pitlochry Festival Theatre. Visitors can wander through glades of rare blooms, from Asia to the Americas, including rhododendrons, *Primula* and a National Plant Collection of *Meconopsis*.



Free access Tues–Wed, when open



## 16 Floors Castle

Kelso, Roxburghshire TD5 7RN  
01573 223333 [floorscastle.com](http://floorscastle.com)

The Spring, Summer and Hot Borders brim with colour and character. The kitchen gardens and elegant glasshouses provide fresh produce all year. The formal Millennium Parterre with traditionally pruned heritage apple trees completes a garden experience rich in beauty, history and inspiration.



Free access Tues–Wed, when open



## 17 Geilston Garden (National Trust for Scotland)

Main Road, Cardross, Dumbarton G82 5HD  
01389 849187 [nts.org.uk/geilston](https://nts.org.uk/geilston)

This 200-year-old walled haven by the River Clyde blends history, colour and cultivation. There are vibrant borders, fruit, flowers and vegetables in the kitchen garden, including an 'edimental' display, woodland paths by Geilston Burn, a giant wellingtonia and adventure play area for children.



Free access Wed–Thur, when open



National Trust for Scotland

## 18 Glamis Castle and Gardens

Glamis Castle, Forfar, Angus DD8 1QJ 01307 840393  
[glamis-castle.co.uk/castle-gardens/the-gardens](https://glamis-castle.co.uk/castle-gardens/the-gardens)

Nestled around Scotland's fairytale Glamis Castle, the gardens are a mix of dramatic avenues, sweeping lawns, formal gardens and intimate spaces. There is something to admire in all seasons: the mile-long drive bordered by daffodils in spring, perennial borders in the walled Kitchen Garden and dazzling autumnal colours.



Free access when open



Glamis Castle

## 19 Glenwhan Gardens & Arboretum

Dunragit, Stranraer, Wigtownshire DG9 8PH  
07787 990702 [glenwhangardens.co.uk](https://glenwhangardens.co.uk)

Plantswoman Tessa Knott Sinclair's spectacular achievement, Glenwhan was carved out of Scottish moorland. Centred around two lochans are collections of herbaceous, rhododendrons, camellias, hydrangeas, embothriums, eucryphias, conifers and Southern Hemisphere, Himalayan and sino-Himalayan plantings.



Free access Sat, when open



Tessa Knott

## 20 Gordon Castle Walled Garden

Gordon Castle, Fochabers IV32 7PQ  
01343 612 312 [gordoncastle.co.uk](https://gordoncastle.co.uk)

The Walled Garden at Gordon Castle is one of the biggest working kitchen gardens in Europe. Recently restored to its former glory by a small team of gardeners to the designs of Arne Maynard, the garden is a showcase of fruit, vegetables, herbs and cut flowers grown to the highest standards.



Free access Wed–Thur, when open



Ed Bodiam



## 21 Inverewe Garden (National Trust for Scotland)

Poolewe, Ross-shire IV22 2LG

01445 712952 [nts.org.uk/inverewe](https://nts.org.uk/inverewe)

Transformed from a barren wilderness in the 19th century, this heritage garden showcases global plant species and Scotland's "coral reef" maerl beds. Inverewe House, a museum with a twist, and the Sawyer Gallery, hosting exhibitions reflecting the garden and its remarkable environment, inspire art and creativity.



Free access Wed–Thur, when open



## 22 Japanese Garden at Cowden

Cowden Garden, Upper Hillfoot Road, Dollar FK14 7PL

07876 117703 [cowdengarden.com](https://cowdengarden.com)

Nestled in the foothills of the Ochils, this now fully restored historic 7-acre Japanese Garden was established by explorer Ella Christie in 1908. The Stewart Woodland offers walks and children's activities with a tearoom. Dogs allowed on estate only (not Japanese garden).



Free access every Thur,  
plus Nov, Wed–Sun, when open



## 23 Kellie Castle and Garden

(National Trust for Scotland)

Pittenweem, Fife KY10 2RF 01333 720271

[nts.org.uk/kelliecastle](https://nts.org.uk/kelliecastle)

The Trust's first fully accredited Organic Walled Kitchen Garden brims with fruit, vegetables and flowers. There are secluded spots alive with wildlife and a charming summerhouse.

Visitors can take home plants or fresh produce.



Free access Wed–Thur, when open



## 24 Leith Hall, Garden and Estate

(National Trust for Scotland)

Huntly, Aberdeenshire AB54 4NQ

01464 831216 [nts.org.uk/leithhall](https://nts.org.uk/leithhall)

This historic walled garden, in Edwardian Arts and Crafts style, features serpentine borders, a kitchen garden and rare 1910 moon gate. Highlights include dazzling July colour, a restored rock garden, and acers and scented *Cercidiphyllum* are glorious in autumn.



Free access Wed–Thur, when open

## 25 Monteviot House Gardens

Jedburgh, Borders TD8 6UH 01835 862201 [monteviot.com](http://monteviot.com)

The Gardens at Monteviot on the banks of the Teviot river, contain differing gardens, the newest of which, The Garden of Persistent Imagination, is an eclectic mixture of plants meandering through stone structures and culminating in a Dali-style clock.



Free access Apr–Nov, Thur–Fri when open



Lord Lothian

## 26 Mount Stuart Gardens

Isle of Bute PA20 9LR 01700 503877 [mountstuart.com](http://mountstuart.com)

Set against a striking Firth of Clyde backdrop, these 300 acres of gardens boast collections of global significance. With plant species introduced through the centuries, the Bute family's passion for plants can be seen at every turn. There is a rock garden, designed by Thomas Mawson, and an arboretum with trees dating back to the estate's early days. Car park charges apply.



Free access applies when open



Mount Stuart Trust/Jenny Fern

## 27 Paxton House Gardens

The Paxton Trust, Paxton House, Berwick-upon-Tweed, TD15 1SZ 01289 385777 [paxtonhouse.co.uk](http://paxtonhouse.co.uk)

Originally designed by Robert Robinson around 1756, the gardens around the Palladian mansion now have colourful Edwardian-style herbaceous borders which volunteers help maintain, woodland and Tweed riverside walks. Car park charges apply.



Free access Apr–Oct, Tues, Thur & Sun when open



David Lancher

## 28 Pitmedden Garden (National Trust for Scotland)

Ellon, Aberdeenshire AB41 7PD  
01651 842352 [nts.org.uk/pitmedden](http://nts.org.uk/pitmedden)

Renowned for its intricate parterres, 6 miles of box hedging and fragrant flowers this garden was re-created from 17th-century plans and features a sustainable meadow, more than 200 fruit trees and timeless beauty, shaped by history, colour and scent.



Free access Wed–Thur, when open



National Trust for Scotland



Scone Palace



## 29 Scone Palace Gardens

Perth PH2 6BD 01738 552300 [scone-palace.co.uk/gardens](http://scone-palace.co.uk/gardens)

Within Scone Palace's 100 acres, snowdrops, daffodils, rhododendrons and magnificent trees flourish in woodland gardens. The Historic Walled Garden features the David Austin Rose Garden and apple orchard, while the Kitchen Garden supplies produce to the coffee shop. The Victorian Pinetum, Murray Star Maze and seasonal displays offer year-round interest.



**Free access Tues–Wed when open**

Fiona Drummond



## 30 St Andrews Botanic Garden

Canongate, St Andrews, Fife KY16 8RT  
01334 461200 [standrewsbotanic.org](http://standrewsbotanic.org)

Set just a few minutes from the heart of St Andrews, this botanic garden features a range of innovative horticultural and conservation features including sand dunes and urban gardens. The garden aims to create an inspiring 'window to a wilder world', with spaces for learning, research and reflection.



**Free access Wed–Thur when open**

Craig Cameron



## 31 Teasses Gardens

Teasses, Leven, Fife KY8 5PG 07966 529205 [teasses.com](http://teasses.com)

Teasses Gardens, a 60-acre estate in Fife, offers beautifully restored walled gardens, expansive woodlands and vibrant seasonal plantings. Visitors can enjoy peaceful walks and diverse wildlife in a serene setting. The gardens blend historic charm with contemporary design, making them a perfect escape for garden enthusiasts.



**Free access applies when open**

National Trust for Scotland/Stuart Thom



## 32 Threave Garden and Nature Reserve (National Trust for Scotland)

Castle Douglas, Dumfries and Galloway DG7 1RX  
01556 502575 [nts.org.uk/threave](http://nts.org.uk/threave)

Crafted by the National Trust for Scotland's School of Heritage Gardening, the garden has mixed herbaceous and shrub beds, a rockery, woodland garden, conifer beds and productive walled garden. In the wider estate are trails and habitats for waders, wildfowl and geese.



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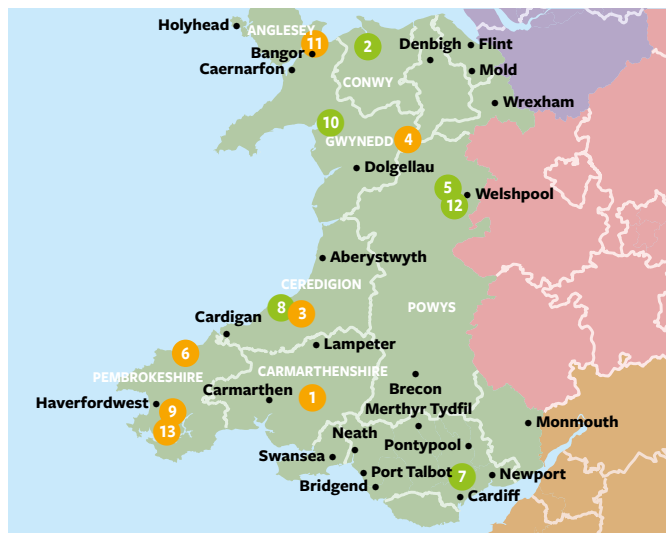
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# Wales



Nigel McCall

## 1 Aberglasney Gardens

Llangathen, Carmarthenshire SA32 8QH  
01558 668998 [aberglasney.org](http://aberglasney.org)

Home to the UK's only restored Elizabethan Cloister Garden, these 10 acres feature over 20 garden styles, from formal to woodland through to exotic and modern. The award-winning Ninfarium, a sub-tropical indoor garden, has rare and unusual plants from around the world.



Free access Jan–Feb & Nov–Dec  
when open



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## 2 Bodnant Garden (National Trust)

Tal-y-Cafn, Nr Colwyn Bay, Conwy LL28 5RE  
01492 650460 [nationaltrust.org.uk/bodnant-garden](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/bodnant-garden)

There are views of Eryri (Snowdonia) and 80 acres of Italianate formal gardens, shrub-filled glades, woodland, dramatic dell, meadows, water gardens and five National Plant Collections. Magnolias, Bodnant Hybrid rhododendrons, roses, autumn colours and a Winter Garden are seasonal highlights. Dogs on selected days only.



Free access applies when open



### 3 Cae Hir Gardens

Cribyn, Lampeter, Ceredigion SA48 7NG  
07538 789180 [caehirgardens.com](http://caehirgardens.com)

A Welsh garden with a Dutch history, Cae Hir is a family garden of unassuming beauty with an innovative mix of perennials and wildflowers growing in swathes of perceived abandonment. Here the natural meets the formal and riotous planting meets structure and form.

It is a garden for plant lovers and design enthusiasts.



Free access Apr & Aug when open



Julie Akkermans-Davies

### 4 Caerau Gardens

Caerau Uchaf, Sarnau, Bala LL23 7LG  
01678 530493 [caerau-gardens.co.uk](http://caerau-gardens.co.uk)

Situated 300m above sea level, this is the highest garden in north Wales open to the public. It features an extensive collection of plants across a variety of beautifully themed areas. There is a café serving home-cooked meals and a children's adventure playground.



Free access Apr–May & Sep–Oct,  
Thur–Fri, when open



Caerau Gardens

### 5 The Dingle Garden

Frochas, Welshpool, Powys SY21 9JD  
01938 555145 [dinglenurseryandgarden.co.uk](http://dinglenurseryandgarden.co.uk)

Based in the rolling hills of mid Wales, this beautiful 5-acre garden contains colour-themed beds cascading down the hillside towards two landscaped pools. A wide selection of trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants offer year-round colour and interest.

Spectacular autumn colour is a highlight.



Free access applies when open  
(excl special events)



The Dingle Garden and Nursery

### 6 Dyffryn Fernant Garden

Dinas, Fishguard, Pembrokeshire SA65 9SP  
01348 811282 [dyffrynfernant.co.uk](http://dyffrynfernant.co.uk)

Dyffryn Fernant has evolved within the ancient landscape, and draws its inspiration from the surrounding Preseli Hills and rugged Pembrokeshire coastline. Features include herbaceous borders, exotic architectural foliage and succulents, a lush bog garden, seasonal containers, topiary, ornamental grasses and natural meadow.



Free access Apr–Jun & Sep–Oct, when open



Cllwr Nicks



## 7 Dyffryn Gardens (National Trust)

St Nicholas, Vale of Glamorgan CF5 6FZ  
02920 593328 [nationaltrust.org.uk/dyffryn-gardens](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/dyffryn-gardens)

A peaceful oasis on the outskirts of Cardiff, Dyffryn has something new to discover every visit, from intricate themed garden rooms to sweeping formal lawns, productive kitchen gardens to a large arboretum. It features assorted styles from around the world, such as rainforest-like planting and Italian influences.



Free access applies when open

## 8 Llanerchaeron Garden (National Trust)

Llanerchaeron, Ciliau Aeron, Nr Aberaeron, Ceredigion  
SA48 8DG 01545 570200 [nationaltrust.org.uk/llanerchaeron](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/llanerchaeron)

The 18th-century Llanerchaeron estate includes a Walled Garden and Pleasure Grounds once enjoyed by generations of the Lewis family. From the villa, a route leads beneath a beech and fir canopy to a lake nestled among rhododendron. The Walled Garden has a romantic, dreamy feel. Car park charges apply.



Free access applies when open

## 9 Picton Castle Gardens

The Rhos, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire SA62 4AS  
01437 751326 [pictoncastle.co.uk](http://pictoncastle.co.uk)

A true haven of 50 acres of historic gardens surround a 700-year-old stately home. The gardens have evolved over hundreds of years and include formal gardens, tranquil woodlands and a wide range of rare and unusual plants. Admission to the castle included.



Free access Mon all year;  
& Jan-Mar & Oct-Dec, daily, when open

## 10 Plas Brondanw Gardens

Llanfrothen, Penrhyndeudraeth, Gwynedd LL48 6SW  
01766 772772 [plasbrondanw.org/hafan](http://plasbrondanw.org/hafan)

The gardens are laid out as a series of enclosed rooms, linked by axial views leading to distant peaks. Within the garden rooms, pieces of sculpture are carefully arranged. Inspired by the gardens of Renaissance Italy, Plas Brondanw is one of the best-kept secrets in North Wales.



Free access applies when open



## 11 Plas Cadnant Hidden Garden

Plas Cadnant, Cadnant Road, Menai Bridge LL59 5NH  
01248 717174 [plascadnant.co.uk](http://plascadnant.co.uk)

Alongside the Menai Strait, on the Isle of Anglesey lies Plas Cadnant Hidden Garden. It has been painstakingly uncovered and developed since 1996 and is fast becoming a plantlover's paradise, featuring many unusual plants and boasting a huge variety of hydrangea.



Free access Feb–Mar, Wed & Sun;  
Oct, Wed–Thur & Sun; when open



Val Corbett

## 12 Powis Castle & Garden (National Trust)

Welshpool, Powys SY21 8RF  
01938 551944  
[nationaltrust.org.uk/powis-castle](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/powis-castle)

Built in the 13th century, the castle and garden reflect the Herbert Family's vision, who occupied the castle from the 1570s. With breathtaking views of the Severn Valley, the gardens retain many original features including 17th-century Italianate terraces with herbaceous borders, 14m clipped yew hedge and an Edwardian Garden.



Free access applies when open



National Trust Images / Joe Wainwright

## 13 Upton Castle Gardens

Upton Castle, Cosherton, Pembroke, Pembrokeshire  
SA72 4SE 01646 689996 [uptoncastle.com](http://uptoncastle.com)

Listed historic gardens and an arboretum surround the private Medieval castle, with terraced herbaceous borders, rose garden, walled vegetable garden, intimate chapel gardens with millennial yew, woodland walks with rare trees, spring bulbs, rhododendrons, magnolias, camellias and estuary saltmarshes.



Free access Apr–20 Sept, Tues & Fri  
when open



Casper Beck



# Northern Ireland



Maurice Parkinson

## 1 Ballyrobert Gardens

154 Ballyrobert Road, Ballyclare, Co. Antrim BT39 9RT  
028 9332 2952 [ballyrobertgardens.com](http://ballyrobertgardens.com)

Encompassing nature, built history and horticultural excellence, this 6-acre naturalistic-style garden and 10 acres of wilding have been designed to 'fit the place' in a creative manner. It includes a giant spiral, fairy tree, mixed borders and many display areas packed with a large collection of plants.



Free access applies when open



Lady Antrim, Glenarm Castle

## 2 Glenarm Castle Walled Garden

Castle Demesne, Glenarm, Ballymena, Co. Antrim BT44 0BD  
028 2884 1203 [glenarmcastle.com](http://glenarmcastle.com)

Situated in the grounds of Glenarm Castle, The Walled Garden dates from the early 1800s and has been completely restored in recent years. It includes new ornamental plantings by Catherine Fitzgerald, exciting architectural and sculptural features and a woodland walk with sweeping views across the estate.



Free access applies when open

### 3 Hillsborough Castle and Gardens

Hillsborough, Co. Down BT26 6TY 0333 320 6000 [hrp.org.uk/hillsborough-castle](http://hrp.org.uk/hillsborough-castle)

Almost 100 acres of glorious gardens burst with colour and are a joy to explore. Developed since the 1760s they include parterres and pleasure grounds, streams, woodland and an idyllic lake. The large walled garden grows fruit, vegetables and flowers – all on sale in the shop and used in the café.



Free access applies when open



Amrapura Mellor

### 4 Mount Stewart (National Trust)

Portaferry Rd, Newtownards, Co. Down BT22 2AD 028 4278 8387 [nationaltrust.org.uk/mount-stewart](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/mount-stewart)

The unique garden at Mount Stewart is one of the few late compartmentalised Arts and Crafts-like gardens. The strong artistic theme is combined with an unrivalled plant collection, which is protected and augmented via a nursery and propagation operation situated in the old walled garden.



Free access applies when open



Amrapura Mellor



Seaforde Gardens

### 5 Seaforde Gardens

Downpatrick, Co. Down BT30 8PG 028 4481 1225 [seafordegardens.com](http://seafordegardens.com)

These hidden, microclimate gardens boast Ireland's oldest living maze and an illustrious plant collection from as far afield as China, Vietnam, Australasia and India, curated by the late Patrick Forde. They contain a fascinating rhododendron collection, National Plant Collection of *Eucryphia* and champion trees.



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# Channel Islands



Nicola Stocken

## 1 La Seigneurie Gardens

Sark, Channel Islands GY10 1SF [laseigneuriedesercq.uk](http://laseigneuriedesercq.uk)

These beautiful estate grounds are a gem with walks, a stumpery, grasses, bridges, fountains, the memorial garden, a maze and a walled garden. At the centre is La Seigneurie manor house, surrounded by a signalling tower, Victorian vinery, an outstanding dovecote, amphitheatre and two chapels.



The Wild Subtropical Woodland Garden

## 2 The Wild Subtropical Woodland Garden, Sausmarez Manor

St Martins, Guernsey GY4 6SG  
01481 235571 [sausmarezmanor.co.uk](http://sausmarezmanor.co.uk)

This lush subtropical garden in the grounds of Sausmarez Manor is crammed with exotic and unusual plants and shrubs collected from warmer parts of the world over 30 years. There are palms, banana trees, tree and terrestrial ferns, bamboos, camellias and gingers.



# Overseas

New



Visit Victoria

## AUSTRALIA Cloudehill

89 Olinda-Monbulk Rd, Olinda, Victoria 3788  
0061 9751 1009 [cloudehill.com.au](http://cloudehill.com.au)

Created on top of a mountain in volcanic soil and sheltered by giant eucalypts, Cloudehill contains many 100-year-old trees and shrubs with plantings dating from the original 1895 Woolrich Nursery. The 10 acres are divided into 24 compartments, each with their character and season of interest. These include herbaceous borders, bulb meadows, a green theatre and acres of woodland. Two huge weeping Japanese maples came from the historic Yokohama Nursery in Japan in 1928.

  
Free access applies when open

New



The Diggers Foundation

## The Garden of St Erth

189 Simmons Reef Road, Blackwood, Victoria 3458  
0061 5984 7900 [diggers.com.au](http://diggers.com.au)

Tucked away in Blackwood and bordered by Wombat State Forest, this heritage garden is a tranquil retreat. Visitors can wander through heirloom vegetables, espaliered fruit trees and vibrant perennials. From spring bulbs to autumn colour, it is full of seasonal inspiration. A Fork to Fork Café is on site.

  
Free access applies when open

New



The Diggers Foundation

## Héronswood House and Gardens

105 Latrobe Pde, Dromana, Victoria 3936  
0061 5984 7900 [diggers.com.au](http://diggers.com.au)

Located on the beautiful Mornington Peninsula, Heronswood is the home of the Diggers Foundation and showcases the best flowers and plants for Australian conditions with spectacular planting combinations of perennials and heirloom vegetables. A visit provides garden inspiration for all ages together with an on-site café.

  
Free access applies when open

## BARBADOS

### Andromeda Botanic Gardens

Bathsheba, St Joseph 00 1246 248 0190  
andromedabarbados.com

Iris Bannochie's historic botanic gardens continue to evolve. This fabulous, ever-changing organic landscape showcases Barbados' natural and cultural heritage with over 600 plant species and wonderful wildlife including monarch butterflies.



Free access applies when open



Sharon Cooke

## BELGIUM

### Arboretum Kalmthout

Heuvel 8, 2920 Kalmthout, Antwerp 00 32 3666 67 41  
arboretumkalmthout.be

Started in 1856 as an exotic tree and shrub nursery, this 33-acre garden contains winter witch hazels and snowdrops; ornamental cherries and rhododendrons in spring; summer roses, hostas and hydrangeas; and spectacular autumn colours.



Free access applies when open



Arboretum Kalmthout / Jan Vandecasteele

## FRANCE

### Château de La Bussière

35 Rue du Château, 45230 La Bussière 00 33 9 50 55 63 68  
chateau-de-la-bussiere.com

Created in the 18th century on the site of a former vineyard, this 3½-acre walled garden contains the same types of fruits, flowers and vegetables that were grown long ago. Old-time vegetables such as rutabaga, lentils and chard have been carefully planted.



Free access applies when open



Château de La Bussière

## Château de Valmer

Chançay, 37210 Chançay, Indre et Loire  
00 33 2 47 52 93 12 chateauvalmer.com

This is an enchanting setting to enjoy gardens and wines in the heart of the Loire Valley. Italian Renaissance-style hanging gardens include a kitchen garden, edible flowers and plant collections with a 17th-century park, troglodytic chapel dating from 1524 and free tasting of Vouvray AOC wines produced at the Château.



Free access applies when open



Leonard de Serres





## Château et Jardins de Villandry

3 rue Principale, 37510 Villandry, Indre et Loire  
00 33 2 47 50 02 09 [chateauvillandry.fr](http://chateauvillandry.fr)

Noteworthy for its Renaissance architecture, the site is renowned for its remarkable gardens set out on four levels. Highlights include a decorative vegetable garden, ornamental gardens, water garden, herb garden, labyrinth and sun garden. The château's furnishings and decoration reflect the era.



Free access Sep-Dec when open



## Château du Rivau

9 Rue du Chateau, 37120 Lémeré, Indre et Loire  
00 33 2 47 95 77 47 [chateaudurivau.com](http://chateaudurivau.com)

Conceived by current owner Patricia Laigneau, who combines her expertise as an Art Historian with botanical knowledge, the gardens feature a conservatory of fragrant roses, tulips, daffodils, iris, vegetables, ornamental grasses and an edible flower garden with 20 gigantic sculptures displayed in the grounds.



Free access applies when open



## Domaine de Poulaines

Jardins et Arboretum, 36210 Poulaines, Indre  
00 33 6 73 01 15 23 [domaine-poulaines.com](http://domaine-poulaines.com)

Located in a typical Berry village, the contemporary arboretum and remarkable gardens surround a Renaissance manor. A perfect combination of French elegance and art de vivre, the gardens are crossed by a romantic river, and contain collections of flowers, bulbs, fruit trees and heritage vegetables.



Free access applies when open



## Eyrignac et ses Jardins

Eyrignac 24590 Salignac-Eyvignes  
00 33 5 53 28 99 71 [eyrignac.com](http://eyrignac.com)

Set high in the Dordogne and close to Sarlat are the magnificent French-style gardens of Eyrignac: 300 sculpted plants superbly hand-clipped by gardeners in the tradition of times gone by, fountains, reflective waters, plays of light and shade, and flower beds.



Free access Fri-Sat, when open

## Jardin Botanique de Vauville

1 route du Thot, Vauville, 50440,  
La Hague 00 33 2 33 10 00 00  
jardin-vauville.fr

Nestled in Normandy's Cotentin Peninsula, the garden spans 12 acres and hosts over 1,000 exotic plant species. Created in 1948, its unique collection thrives thanks to the Gulf Stream's mild microclimate. Visitors can explore lush landscapes featuring palm groves, Tasmanian ferns and Brazilian gunneras in a unique setting.



Free access applies when open



S. LaSalle / E. Pelletier

## Jardin du Plessis Sasnières

3 Allée Rosamée Henrion 41310, Sasnières  
00 33 2 54 82 92 34 jardin-plessis-sasnieres.fr

Rosamée Henrion created the Plessis Sasnières garden with a design and spirit inspired by English gardens. Botany had always been Rosamée's passion and guided her choices in the composition of the garden, making it interesting, varied, elegant and colourful in every season.



Free access applies when open



Jardin du Plessis Sasnières

## Jardins du Château d'Ainay-le-Vieil

7 Rue du Château, 18200 Ainay-le-Vieil  
00 33 2 48 63 36 14 chateau-ainaylevieil.com

Set within a landscaped park, the medieval fortified castle is surrounded by a moat. Strolling along the canals around the Square Island, visitors arrive at the Chartreuses – architectural enclosures with a mixed-border, an orchard with espaliers, a medieval meditation garden, a Renaissance cloister and formal box garden.



Free access applies when open



Arrière de La Tour d'Auvergne



## Les Jardins du Montperthuis

Manoir de la Pillardiere 61360 Chemilli 00 33 6853 03081 [lesjardinsdumontperthuis.com](http://lesjardinsdumontperthuis.com)

Designed 15 years ago, the garden has gained maturity and offers a beautiful blend of English and French style and inspiration. Collections of roses, peonies, viburnums, hellebores, hostas and *Prunus* make this place a wonder. This is a multi-awarded garden to explore in the beautiful area of the Perche.



Free access applies when open



## Les Jardins du Prieuré d'Orsan

225 Route d'Orsan, 18170 Maisonnais  
00 33 2 48 56 27 50 [prieuredorsan.com](http://prieuredorsan.com)

Located in the grounds of a former monastery, the gardens' design is inspired by medieval tapestries, illumination and the site's rich spiritual history. The 15 'rooms' are arranged around a central hornbeam cloister and include organic orchards, vegetable and medicinal gardens, a vineyard and decorative spaces.



Free access applies when open



## Parc et Jardins du Château la Bourdaisière

25 Rue de la Bourdaisière 37270 Montlouis-sur-Loire, Indre et Loire 00 33 2 47 45 16 31 [labourdaisiere.com](http://labourdaisiere.com)

Designed and created by Louis Albert de Broglie, this organic garden houses two collections approved by the Conservatoire des Collections Végétales Spécialisées: the National Tomato Conservatory and contemporary Louis Benec-designed Dahliacolor.



Free access applies when open



## Parc Floral d'Apremont

18150 Apremont-sur-Allier, Cher  
00 33 2 48 77 55 06 [apremont-sur-allier.com](http://apremont-sur-allier.com)

This exceptional park was designed by Gilles de Brissac in the 1970s. On the left bank of the river, the chateau creates a majestic backdrop, while at its feet – along the wooded bank of the Allier – a series of charming medieval houses each have their own small garden, topiary hedges, flowers and climbing plants.



Free access when open



Berry / Province

## ITALY Hanbury Botanic Gardens

Corso Montecarlo 43, 18039 Ventimiglia IM  
00 39 184 229507 [giardinihanbury.com](http://giardinihanbury.com)

In 1867 Sir Thomas Hanbury turned a 44-acre promontory, originally planted with olive trees and vineyards, into a renowned botanical garden of subtropical plants featuring succulents, Australian forest, citrus orchards and more.



Free access applies when open



Daniela Guglielmi



Ursula Di Chio/Terre Borromee

## Isola Bella and Isola Madre

28838 Stresa VB 00 39 0323 933478 [terreborromeo.it](http://terreborromeo.it)

Divided into 10 sloping terraces, the grand baroque garden of Isola Bella is adorned with ponds, fountains and statues. The variety of plant species includes azaleas and rhododendrons, grapefruit, bitter orange espaliers and orchids, plus a large camphor tree that is over 200 years old. Isola Madre is the largest of the Borromean Islands and its botanical garden is renowned for its spectacular azaleas and collection of rare plant species including maples, banana trees, wisteria, palm trees, camellias and proteas.



Free access applies when open



## Giardini La Mortella

via Francesco Calise, 45 80075 Forio, Naples  
00 39 081 986 220 [lamortella.org](http://lamortella.org)

This subtropical garden on the island of Ischia was established by Lady Walton and designed by Russell Page. Divided into a shady lower garden and a sunny upper garden, it contains exotic plants, palm trees and cycads; a Mediterranean and Oriental Garden, water features and open-air theatre.



Free access applies when open



## Giardini di Villa della Pergola

Via Privata Montagu 9 17021 Alassio (SV)  
00 39 0182 641599 [giardinidivilladellapergola.com](http://giardinidivilladellapergola.com)

Awarded The Most Beautiful Park in Italy in 2022, this park on the Riviera was created in 1875 and owned by British families (McMurdo, Dalrymple and Hanbury). Saved from developers in 2006, it was restored by Paolo Pejrone and houses thousands of species and renowned *Wisteria* and *Agapanthus* collections.



Free access Jan–Feb & May–Dec  
when open (excl special events)



## Radicepura

Via Antonio Fogazzaro, 19, 95014 Giarre (CT)  
00 39 0959 64154 [radicepura.it/en](http://radicepura.it/en)

Home to mother plants from across the Mediterranean and beyond, Radicepura features themed terraces of succulents, cycads and citrus. Visitors can explore gardens by renowned designers and young talent from the Radicepura Garden Festival, set within a vibrant landscape cared for daily by skilled gardeners.



Free access applies when open

## JAPAN

## Barakura English Garden

5047 Kuridaira, Kitayama, Chino-shi, Nagano 391-0301  
00 81 266 77 2019 [en.barakura.co.jp](http://en.barakura.co.jp)

Opened in 1990 by RHS Chelsea Flower Show medallist Miss Kay Yamada, this is Japan's first English-style garden. Designed by John Brookes MBE, it introduces British gardening culture in the mountainous hot-spring resort area of Tateshina at 1,100m altitude.



Free access applies when open



Barakura English Garden

## PORTUGAL

## Park of Monserrate

2710-405 Sintra, Lisbon 00 351 219 237 300  
[parquesdesintra.pt/en](http://parquesdesintra.pt/en)

Created by Sir Francis Cook, this is one of Portugal's richest English 19th-century gardens. Species from all over the world are organised into landscapes between ruins, waterfalls and lakes. Plant motifs in the palace interior reflect the horticultural theme.



Free access Jan–Mar & Sep–Dec when open



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## SOUTH AFRICA

## Babylonstoren

Babylonstoren Farm, Franschhoek, Western Cape  
00 27 21 863 3852 [babylonstoren.com](http://babylonstoren.com)

The 12-acre garden is filled with rambling rose-clad pergolas, gravel pathways and water canals irrigating vegetables, edible flowers, espaliered fruit trees and berries. There are beehives, fragrant lawns, a prickly pear maze and citrus, stone and pome fruit trees.



Free access applies when open



Babylonstoren

## Brahman Hills Gardens

N3 Exit 132, Upper Notties, Nottingham Road, KwaZulu Natal  
00 27 33 2666 965 [brahmanhills.co.za/gardens](http://brahmanhills.co.za/gardens)

Brahman Hills Gardens boast a formal layout with repeating geometric motifs in circles and rectangles of hard landscaping, softened and beautifully contrasted by abundant flowers and plants. Interspersed are oases of water – fountains, ponds, formal pools and the lake beside the Lake House.



Free access applies when open



Esa Young





## SWITZERLAND

### Kartause Ittingen

8532 Warth, Thurgau 00 41 52 748 44 11 [kartause.ch](http://kartause.ch)

Evolved over several centuries, vineyards, hop yards, vegetable and flower gardens combine to offer an unforgettable experience. A walk through the gardens reveals centuries of work and design. From the fruit orchards to the largest collection of historic roses in Switzerland, history blends with the present here.



**Free access applies when open**



## Château de Vullierens

1115 Vullierens, Vaud 00 41 79 274 79 64  
[chateauvullierens.ch](http://chateauvullierens.ch)

Owned by the same family for 700 years, the themed gardens include tulips, rhododendrons, peonies, roses and daylilies. The Iris collection is Europe's most modern, with 50,000 spring blooms and the newest autumn-reflowering cultivars. There is an Enchanted Woodland, tree collection, 100 contemporary art sculptures, prized wines and historic cellars to enjoy.



**Free access Jul–Aug when open**



## USA

### Andalusia Historic House, Gardens & Arboretum

1237 State Road, Andalusia, PA 19020, United States of America +1 215-245-5479 [andalusiapa.org](http://andalusiapa.org)

Overlooking the Delaware River, this 50-acre property includes a Greek Revival house surrounded by gardens, an arboretum and a Walled Garden amid the remnants of 19th-century glasshouses.



**Free access applies when open**



## Filoli

86 Cañada Rd, Woodside, CA 94062  
+1 650-364-8300 [filoli.org](http://filoli.org)


This 16-acre garden blends formal design with seasonal colour, history and natural beauty. The estate includes lush garden rooms, orchards and historic trees with a Sunken Garden, Walled Garden and the Garden House. Designed for beauty and recreation, Filoli offers evolving plantings and timeless elegance.



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