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Somerset, Bristol, Bath and South Gloucestershire make up an NGS 'county' of captivating contrasts, with castles and countryside and wildlife and wetlands, from amazing cities to bustling market towns, coastal resorts and picturesque villages.

Bristol's stunning location and famous landmarks offer a wonderful backdrop to our creative and inspiring garden owners who have made tranquil havens and tropical back gardens in urban surroundings. The surrounding countryside is home to gardens featuring contrasting mixtures of formality, woodland, water, orchard and kitchen gardens.

Bath is a world heritage site for its Georgian architecture and renowned for its Roman Baths. Our garden visitors can enjoy the secluded picturesque gardens behind the iconic Royal Crescent Hotel in the heart of the city, or venture further afield and explore the hidden gems in nearby villages.

Somerset is a rural county of rolling hills such as the Mendips, the Quantocks and Exmoor National Park contrasted with the low-lying Somerset Levels. Famous for cheddar cheese, strawberries and cider; agriculture is a major occupation. It is home to Wells, the smallest cathedral city in England, and the lively county town of Taunton.

Visitors can explore more than 150 diverse gardens, mostly privately owned and not normally open to the public ranging from small urban plots to country estates.

In addition to our annual donations to nursing and health charities, the National Garden Scheme grants awards to help community gardening projects and have supported over 100 projects to date. To find out more, visit our website ngs.org.uk/who-we-are/community-gardens-award

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OPENING DATES

Map locator numbers are shown to the right of each garden name. Extended openings are shown at the beginning of every month.

January

Sunday 30th
Rock House 70

February

Snowdrop Festival

Friday 4th
♦ Elworthy Cottage 36

Sunday 6th
Rock House 70

Thursday 10th
♦ East Lambrook Manor Gardens 35

Saturday 12th
NEW Blackmore House 14

Sunday 13th
Greystones 43

Sunday 27th
Algars Manor 2
Algars Mill 3
♦ Elworthy Cottage 36

March

Tuesday 1st
♦ Hestercombe Gardens 47

Saturday 19th
Lower Shalford Farm 55

Sunday 20th
Rock House 70

Sunday 27th
Rock House 70

April

Saturday 2nd
Weir Cottage 91

Sunday 3rd
Weir Cottage 91

Friday 8th
The Downs Preparatory School 31

Saturday 9th
The Downs Preparatory School 31

Sunday 10th
Fairfield 37
Greystones 43
Rose Cottage 71

Tuesday 12th
♦ Elworthy Cottage 36

Saturday 16th
Westbrook House 94

Monday 18th
♦ Elworthy Cottage 36

Wednesday 20th
♦ Greencombe Gardens 42

Saturday 23rd
♦ The Walled Gardens of Cannington 88

Sunday 24th
Algars Manor 2
Algars Mill 3

♦ The Walled Gardens of Cannington 88
Watcombe 89

♦ The Yeo Valley Organic Garden at Holt Farm 95

May

Saturday 7th
♦ East Lambrook Manor Gardens 35
Hillcrest 48

Sunday 8th
NEW Glebe Farm 40
Hillcrest 48

♦ Milton Lodge 58
Somerset Street Display Gardens 75

Sunday 15th
Court House 26
4 Haytor Park 46

Lucombe House 56
Watcombe 89
Wayford Manor 90

Tuesday 17th
♦ Elworthy Cottage 36

Saturday 21st
Forest Lodge 38
Lower Shalford Farm 55

NEW The Yews 96

Sunday 22nd
NEW The Yews 96

Thursday 26th
Barford House 9

Saturday 28th
Babbs Farm 6

Sunday 29th
Babbs Farm 6
81 Coombe Lane 25

♦ Elworthy Cottage 36
Holland Farm 50

Somerset Street Display Gardens 75

Tuesday 31st
♦ Elworthy Cottage 36

June

Sunday 5th
Brindham Bungalow 16

♦ Milton Lodge 58
Model Farm 59

Tuesday 7th
♦ Hestercombe Gardens 47

Thursday 9th
Watcombe 89

Friday 10th
Stoneleigh Down 81

Saturday 11th
NEW Badgworth Court Barn 8
Forest Lodge 38

The Hayes 45
NEW 1 Steeple View 78

Sunday 12th
NEW Ammerdown House 4
NEW Badgworth Court Barn 8

9 Catherston Close 19
The Hayes 45
NEW 1 Steeple View 78

Stoneleigh Down 81

Wednesday 15th
NEW ♦ Old Down Manor Gardens 65

Thursday 16th
9 Catherston Close 19

♦ Special Plants 77

Saturday 18th
Batcombe House 10

NEW Hillside 49
Lympsham Gardens 57
NEW Mudgley Farm 60

Sunday 19th
Crete Hill House 29

Frome Gardens 39
4 Haytor Park 46

NEW Hillside 49
Lympsham Gardens 57

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| Saturday 25th | |
| Babbs Farm | 6 |
| NEW Beech Cottage | 11 |
| NEW Clayhill Arts | 22 |
| John's Corner | 53 |
| Sunday 26th | |
| Babbs Farm | 6 |
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| NEW Clayhill Arts | 22 |
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| Yews Farm | 97 |
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| ◆ Berwick Lodge | 12 |
| Honeyhurst Farm | 51 |
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| 9 Catherston Close | 19 |
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| Sunday 4th | |
| 165 Newbridge Hill | 61 |
| NEW The Old Dairy House | 64 |
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| Batcombe House | 10 |
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| Sunday 11th | |
| Babbs Farm | 6 |
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By Arrangement

Arrange a personalised garden visit with your club, or group of friends, on a date to suit you. See individual garden entries for full details.

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Symbols at the end of each garden entry indicate features and items of special interest at the garden.

NEW Gardens opening for the first time this year or re-opening after a long break.

◆ Garden also opens on non-NGS days. (Gardens which carry this symbol contribute to the NGS either by opening on a specific day(s) and/or by giving a guaranteed contribution).

♿ Wheelchair access to at least the main features of the garden.

🐕 Dogs on short leads welcome.

✿ Plants usually for sale.

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🏠 Gardens that offer accommodation.

☕ Refreshments are available, normally at a charge, subject to Covid-19 guidelines.

🧺 Picnics welcome.

🏡 Garden designed by a Fellow, Member or Pre-registered Member of the Society of Garden Designers.

🚗 Garden accessible to coaches.

Coach sizes vary so please contact garden owner or County Organiser in advance to check details.

Group visits Group Organisers may contact the County Organiser or a garden owner direct to organise a group visit to a particular county or garden. See above for County Organiser details, or visit www.ngs.org.uk.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Photography is at the discretion of the garden owner; please check first. Photographs must not be used for sale or reproduction without prior permission of the owner.

Share To indicates that a proportion of the money collected will be given to the nominated charity.

Toilets are not usually available at private gardens.

THE GARDENS

▮ ABBEY FARM

Montacute, TA15 6UA. Elizabeth McFarlane, 01935 823556, abbey.farm64@gmail.com. 4m from Yeovil. Follow A3088, take slip rd to Montacute, turn L at T-junction into village. Turn R between church & King's Arms (no through rd). Visits by arrangement May & June for groups of 10 to 20. Adm £6, chd free. Light refreshments. Details on request. 2½ acres of mainly walled gardens on sloping site provide the setting for Cluniac Medieval Priory gatehouse. Interesting plants inc roses, shrubs, grasses, clematis. Herbaceous borders, white garden, gravel garden. Small arboretum. Pond for wildlife - frogs, newts, dragonflies. Fine mulberry, walnut and monkey puzzle trees. Seats for resting.



▮ ALGARS MANOR

Station Rd, Iron Acton, BS37 9TB. Mrs B Naish. 9m N of Bristol, 3m W of Yate/Chipping Sodbury. Turn S off Iron Acton bypass B4059, past village green & White Hart pub, 200yds, then over level Xing. No access from Frampton Cotterell via lane; ignore SatNav. Parking at Algars Manor. Sun 27 Feb (1-4). Light refreshments. Sun 24 Apr (1-5). Home-made teas. Combined adm with Algars Mill £7, chd free. 2 acres of woodland garden beside River Frome, mill stream, native plants mixed with collections of 60 magnolias and 70 camellias, rhododendrons, azaleas, eucalyptus and other unusual trees and shrubs. Daffodils, snowdrops and other early spring flowers.



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ALGARS MILL

Frampton End Rd, Iron Acton, Bristol, BS37 9TD. Mr & Mrs John Wright. 9m N of Bristol, 3m W of Yate/Chipping Sodbury. (For directions see Algars Manor). **Sun 27 Feb (1-4); Sun 24 Apr (1-5). Combined adm with Algars Manor £7, chd free. Light refreshments.**

2 acre woodland garden bisected by River Frome; spring bulbs, shrubs; very early spring feature (Feb-Mar) of wild Newent daffodils. 300-400yr-old mill house (not open) through which millrace still runs.

**AMMERDOWN HOUSE**

Ammerdown Park, Radstock, BA3 5SH. Mrs Diana Jolliffe. 500 metres from Terry Hill Xrds, A366, A362 & B3139, sharp L to enter park, R fork in drive. **Sun 12 June, Sat 3 Sept (2-5). Adm £7, chd free. Home-made teas.**

The Ammerdown garden was a brilliant idea by Lutyens who wanted to link the house with the beautiful Orangerie. He created 'rooms' of yew, sculptures and parterres.

Yew planting creates enclosed formal areas which lead irresistibly from one room to the next. Details inc the clipped Portuguese laurels and honeysuckles trained over wired umbrellas. The kitchen garden is undergoing restoration.

**AVALON**

Higher Chillington, Ilminster, TA19 0PT. Dee & Tony Brook, 07506 688191, dee1jones@hotmail.com. From A30 take turning signed to Chillington opp Swandown Lodges. Take 2nd L down Coley Lane and 1st L Moor Lane. Avalon is the large pink house. Parking limited, so car sharing advised if possible. **Visits by arrangement June to Aug for groups of up to 20. Max 6 cars or 2 minibuses. Adm £5, chd £2. Home-made teas. Gluten & dairy free cakes available if requested in advance.**

Secluded hillside garden with wonderful views as far as Wales. The lower garden has large herbaceous borders, a sizeable wildlife pond and 2 greenhouses filled with RSA succulents. The middle garden has mixed borders, wild spotted orchids on the lawn, allotment area and a small orchard. The upper garden has a spring fed water course with ponds, plus many terraces with different planting schemes. Partial wheelchair access across lower lawns & side paths. Steep slope & gravel paths. Wheelchairs will require to be pushed & attended at all times.

**BABBS FARM**

Westhill Lane, Bason Bridge, Highbridge, TA9 4RF. Sue & Richard O'Brien, www.babbsfarm.co.uk. 1/2 m E of Highbridge, 1/2 m SSE of M5 exit 22. Turn into Westhill Lane off B3141 (Church Rd), 100yds S of where it joins B3139 (Wells-Highbridge rd). **Sat 28, Sun 29 May, Sat 25, Sun 26 June, Sat 10, Sun 11 Sept (2-5). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas.**

1/2 acre plantsman's garden on Somerset Levels, gradually created out of fields surrounding old farmhouse over last 30 yrs and still being developed. Trees, shrubs and herbaceous perennials planted with an eye for form and shape in big flowing borders. Plants for sale if circumstances allow.

**BADGERS HOLT**

Frost Street, Thurlbear, Taunton, TA3 5BA. Mr Neil Jones & Ms Sharon Bradford, 01823 481316, Neil.jones881@gmail.com. Following SatNav will bring you to parking. House approx 100 yds further along Frost St. **Visits by arrangement May to July for groups of up to 12. Adm £4, chd free. Tea and cakes will be available.**

Newly created quintessential English Cottage garden, boasting beautiful views over the Blackdown Hills. Wheelchair side access to main garden. Some narrow stone steps and paths.

**BADGWORTH COURT BARN**

Notting Hill Way, Stone Allerton, Axbridge, BS26 2NQ. Trish & Jeremy Gibson. 4m SW of Axbridge. Turn off A38 in Lower Weare, signed Wedmore, Weare. Continue 1.1m, pass road on R (Badgworth Arena). Continue 0.1m, car park on L immed before 'No Footway for 600 yds' sign. **Sat 11, Sun 12 June (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.**

This 1 acre plot surrounds old stone barn buildings. A small orchard leads to a colourful part-walled garden with areas of perennial meadow and multi-stemmed trees. Gently curving beds are flanked by a more formal oak pergola walk. The planting is a relaxed contemporary mix. In the atmospheric courtyard, planting is more established and leads on to a new flower meadow in front of the barns. Some gravel paths. No disabled WC.

**BARFORD HOUSE**

Spaxton, Bridgwater, TA5 1AG. Donald & Bee Rice. 4 1/2 m W of Bridgwater. Midway between Enmore & Spaxton. **Thur 26 May (2-5). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas.**

Formal walled garden and lawns lead to a 6 acre woodland garden of camellias, rhododendrons, azaleas and magnolias. Stream-side gardens feature candelabra primulas, ferns, foxgloves and lily-of-the-valley among veteran pines and oaks, and some rarer trees. Partial wheelchair access. Some areas of woodland garden inaccessible.

**BATCOMBE HOUSE**

Gold Hill, Batcombe, Shepton Mallet, BA4 6HF. Libby Russell, libby@mazzullorusselllandscapedesign.com, www.mazzullorusselllandscapedesign.com. In centre of Batcombe, 3m from Bruton. Parking will be between Batcombe House and church at centre of village and clearly marked. **Sat 18 June, Sat 10 Sept (2-6). Adm £7, chd free. Cream teas. Visits also by arrangement May to Sept for groups of 10 to 30.**

Plantswoman's and designer's garden of two parts – one a riot of colour through kitchen terraces, potager leading to wildflower orchard; the other a calm contemporary amphitheatre with large herbaceous borders and interesting trees and shrubs. Always changing. Dogs are allowed but on a lead.

**BEECH COTTAGE**

Station Road, Freshford, Bath, BA2 7WQ. Kirstie Sneyd. 6m SE of Bath. Station Rd is halfway down The Hill in centre of Freshford. Parking either at the bottom of The Hill nr Freshford Inn, or go to end of Station Rd to strn car park. **Sat 25, Sun 26 June (2-5). Adm £5, chd free.**

Home-made teas. Architect designed 3/4 acre garden with stunning views over Somerset hills. Colour themed borders: white, purple and lemon, red and lime, hot border with a wide variety of bee-friendly plant species. Vegetable and cutting garden, fruit cage, orchard and wildflower meadow crescents. Partial wheelchair access.

**BERKELEY CASTLE**

Berkeley, GL13 9PJ. See Gloucestershire

BERWICK LODGE

Berwick Drive, Bristol, BS10 7TD. Sarah Arikan, 0117 958 1590, info@berwicklodge.co.uk, www.berwicklodge.co.uk. Leave M5 at J17. A4018 towards Bristol West. 2nd exit on r/about, straight on at mini r/about. At next r/about by Old Crow pub do 360° turn back down A4018, follow sign saying BL off to L. **For NGS: Mon 4 July (11-4). Adm £5, chd free. Cream teas.** For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website. Berwick Lodge, named Bristol's hidden gem by its customers, is an independent hotel with beautiful gardens on the outskirts of Bristol. Built in 1890, this Victorian Arts & Crafts property is set within 18 acres, of which 4 acres are accessible and offer a peaceful garden for use by its visitors. The gardens enjoy pretty views across to Wales, and continue to evolve. Created by Head Gardener Robert Dunster, an ex Royal Gardener who worked for Prince Charles at Highgrove, it features an elegant water fountain, Victorian summerhouse, orchard, wildflower meadow, beehives, pond, wisteria clad pergola plus a thriving house martin colony.

**1 BIRCH DRIVE**

Alveston, Bristol, BS35 3RQ. Myra Ginns, 01454 415396, m.ginns1@btinternet.com. 14m N of Bristol. Alveston on A38 Bristol to Gloucester. Just before traffic lights turn left into David's Lane. At end, L then R onto Wolfridge Ride. Birch Drive 2nd on R. **Visits by arrangement in Feb for groups of up to 8. Adm £5, chd free.** A newly planted garden with particular interest in the spring. A wide range of bulbs will be in flower, along with unusual named varieties of anemone, hellebore, hepatica and crocus. The main feature of the garden are the snowdrops, collected since 2008. Many named varieties, flowering between November and March, will interest snowdrop collectors. Ramp to decked area gives a view of the garden.

**BLACKMORE HOUSE**

Holton Street, Holton, Wincanton, BA9 8AN. Mrs Lisa Prior. Just off the Wincanton junction of the A303. In the centre of Holton village, 2 doors down from Holton Village Hall, round the corner from The Old Inn. Limited street parking. **Sat 12 Feb (11-3). Light refreshments. Sat 17 Sept (12-4). Home-made teas. Adm £4, chd free.** A hidden terraced cottage garden with dry stone walls

and gravel paths, designed for year-round interest complementing the Georgian listed house. Wide borders packed full of perennials and self-seeded surprises. 2 intensely scented 10ft daphnes, sarcococca, and a plethora of hellebores in winter invite you outside while most gardens sleep. Roses, rudbeckia and helianthus bring bright colours to autumn.

**BRADON FARM**

Isle Abbots, Taunton, TA3 6RX. Mr & Mrs Thomas Jones, deborahstanley@hotmail.com. Take turning to Ilton off A358. Bradon Farm is 1/2 m out of Ilton on Bradon Lane. **Visits by arrangement June to Aug for groups of 10+. Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas.** Classic formal garden demonstrating the effective use of structure with parterre, knot garden, pleached lime walk, formal pond, herbaceous borders, orchard and wildflower planting.



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16 BRINDHAM BUNGALOW

Wick Lane, Wick, Glastonbury, BA6 8JR. Ms Elizabeth Anderson. Foot of Glastonbury Tor. From A39 Tin Bridge R'about take Wells Rd. 1st L onto Old Wells Rd. 1st L after West Mendip Hospital into Brindham Lane. From A361: Wick Lane for 1.7m. **Sun 5 June (10.30-4). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas. Also open Milton Lodge.** Very peaceful garden with stunning views of the Glastonbury Tor and surrounding countryside. Flower borders well-stocked with roses, ceanothus, buddleja, and flowering cherries to name but a few. Wild area with bulbs, hydrangeas and cornus.

**17 BROOMCLOSE**

off the road to Porlock Weir, Porlock, TA24 8NU. David & Nicky Ramsay, 01643 862078, nickyjramsay@googlemail.com. Off A39 on Porlock Weir Rd, between Porlock and W Porlock. From Porlock take rd signed to Porlock Weir. Leave houses of Porlock behind & after about 500 yds we are 1st drive on L marked Broomclose. NB Some SatNavs direct wrongly from Porlock - so beware. **Visits by arrangement Apr to Sept for groups of up to 30. Adm £5, chd free. Teas, coffee and cake, gluten-free available.**

Large, varied garden set around early 1900s Arts & Crafts house overlooking Porlock Vale and the sea. Original stone terraces, Mediterranean garden, pond, extensive borders, copse, camellia walk, large orchard with beehives. Maritime climate favours unusual trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants. We are increasingly looking to plant drought tolerant species. Mixed orchard inc 50 apple varieties - many recently grafted from local heritage collections. Wildlife actively encouraged.



In 2021 we used the National Garden Scheme donation to support the cornerstone of our service – our caseworkers, who helped over 250 people and their families in crisis to receive emergency food parcels, energy payment support and emergency accommodation, expert advice and information to access welfare benefits, specialist debt and legal advice as well as access to employment and physiotherapy services.

18 CAMERS

Badminton Road, Old Sodbury, Bristol, BS37 6RG. Mr & Mrs Michael Denman, 01454 327929, jodenman@btinternet.com, www.camers.org. 2m E of Chipping Sodbury. Entrance in Chapel Lane off A432 at Dog Inn. Enter through the field gate and drive to the top of the fields to park next to the garden. **Visits by arrangement May to Sept for groups of 20+.** Refreshments by arrangement. Elizabethan farmhouse (not open) set in 4 acres of constantly developing garden and woodland with spectacular views over Severn Vale. Garden full of surprises, formal and informal areas planted with wide range of species to provide year-round interest. Parterre, topiary, Japanese garden, bog and prairie areas, white and hot gardens, woodland walks. Some steep slopes.

**19 9 CATHERSTON CLOSE**

Frome, BA11 4HR. Dave & Prue Moon. 15m S of Bath. Town centre W towards Shepton Mallet (A361). R at Sainsbury's r'about, follow lane for ½m. L into Critchill Rd. Over Xrds, 1st L Catherston Close. **Sun 12, Thur 16 June, Wed 6 July (12-5). Adm £4, chd free. Opening with Frome Gardens on Sun 19 June.** The unexpected awaits you around the corner. A small town garden which has grown to ½ acre! Colour-themed shrub and herbaceous borders, patio, pergolas, pond and evolving wild meadow areas lead to wonderful far reaching views. Productive redesigned 'no dig' vegetable and fruit garden with greenhouse. Exhibition of photography from near and far, by the garden owner, is displayed in the summerhouse. A re-evaluation of two areas has been done, the pergola has been refurbished and replanted with new clematis as well as a redesign of the raised vegetable beds. This is truly a garden of two passionate gardeners which reflects in what you see here. Their garden is a Gold Winner of Frome-in-Bloom. Featured on local radio, regional publications. Several shallow steps, gravel paths.

**CHARLTON DOWN HOUSE**

Charlton Down, Tetbury, GL8 8TZ. See Gloucestershire

20 CHERRY BOLBERRY FARM

Furge Lane, Henstridge, BA8 0RN. Mrs Jenny Raymond, 01963 362177, cherrybolberryfarm@tiscali.co.uk. 6m E of Sherborne. In centre of Henstridge, R at small Xrds signed Furge Lane. Continue straight up lane, over 2 cattle grids, garden at top of lane on R. **Visits by arrangement in June for groups of 5+. Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.** 47 yr-old award winning, owner designed and maintained, 1 acre garden planted for year-round interest with wildlife in mind. Colour themed island beds, shrub and herbaceous borders, unusual perennials and shrubs, old roses and an area of specimen trees. Lots of hidden areas, brilliant for hide and seek! Vegetable and flower cutting garden, greenhouses, nature ponds. Wonderful extensive views. Garden surrounded by our dairy farm which has been in the family for over 100 years.

**CHEVITHORNE BARTON**

Chevithorne, Tiverton, EX16 7QB. See Devon

21 NEW CHURCH FARM

Stanton Prior, Bath, BA2 9HT. Mr & Mrs A Hardwick. 6 miles W of Bath. W onto A39 from A4 out of Bath. Turn L in Marksbury. **Sun 3 July (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments.** 1 ½ acre garden. Planted with roses, clematis, foxgloves, lavender and mature trees. Beautiful countryside views. Medieval pond with toads, newts, ducks and sometimes a swan. Garden surrounded by our dairy farm which is part of the Duchy of Cornwall Estate. Located next to the village church.

**22 NEW CLAYHILL ARTS**

Charlynch Lane, Bridgwater, TA5 2PH. Mike & Debbie Parkes, www.clayhillarts.co.uk/gardens/. On the A39 from Bridgwater to Cannington, 1st L at r'about to Charlynch Lane. Continue up hill past Little Clayhill Farm (black sign) take the next L & follow lane down to car park. **Sat 25, Sun 26 June (10-4). Adm £5, chd £1. Light refreshments.**

Reclaimed from an old farm, Clayhill Arts have developed their surrounding garden spaces to encourage wildlife and complement the arable landscape beyond. With a collection of farm buildings that have been repurposed to house a residential arts training space, their garden spaces sit across 4 acres and inc wildflower, grasses, and a lake, as well as ponds, vegetables and edible planters. As well as providing refreshments on site, we have a list of local providers which we can recommend. Access is available to most of the main garden spaces (not all) and there is full wheelchair access in the buildings as well as WCs.

**23 COLDHARBOUR COTTAGE**

Radford Hill, Radford, Radstock, BA3 2XU. Ms Amanda Cranston, 01761 470600, amanda.cranston@yahoo.co.uk. Between Timsbury and Radstock. 8 m S of Bath. Please ask for directions when booking. **Visits by arrangement May to Sept for groups of up to 15. Please confirm group numbers 2 weeks prior to visit. Adm £6.50. Tea & coffee with biscuits.**

Idyllic rural garden set in peaceful countryside. Sublime mix of thoughtful planting, natural areas reflect historical and modern heritage of this secluded acre. Natural hedges and uninterrupted fields form the backdrop to the gentle calm of the design. Glorious spring flowers give way to peonies, lavender and cutting flower plot. Romantic arches with climbing roses, clematis, box hedges and chamomile lawn. Deep herbaceous borders, hidden natural areas frame the lawns, home to old fruit trees. Productive kitchen garden adds practicality to this quiet, sensitive space. Two summerhouses, plenty of seating areas. Regional and local press as well as radio. Featured in Amateur Gardening. Wheelchair access to grassed areas weather dependant. Some narrow and uneven paths.

**24 COLEFORD HOUSE**

Underhill, Coleford, Radstock, BA3 5LU. Mr James Alexandroff. Coleford House is opp Kings Head Pub in Lower Coleford with black wrought iron gates just before bridge over river. Parking in field 400 metres away. **Sun 11 Sept (10-4). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.**

The River Mells flows through this picturesque garden with large lawns, wildflower planting, ornamental pond, woodland, substantial herbaceous borders, walled garden, arboretum/ orchard, kitchen garden, vegetable garden, bat house and orangery. Some art work will be on sale. Most of garden is wheelchair friendly.

**25 81 COOMBE LANE**

Stoke Bishop, Bristol, BS9 2AT. Karl Suchy, karl.suchy@icloud.com. 4m from Bristol city centre. J17 of M5, then follow A4018, direction Bristol for approx 2m. Turn R onto Canford Rd A4162. After 0.8m turn L onto Coombe Lane. Destination on R. **Sun 29 May (12-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement Apr to Sept for groups of 10 to 30.**

Hidden Victorian walled garden. You'll encounter substantial mixed borders containing traditional and contemporary planting. Large lawns, numerous seating areas, summerhouse and French inspired patio with copped lime trees. Parterre and large raised Koi pond surrounded by bananas and tree ferns. Access to parterre and Koi pond might be difficult for wheelchair due to narrow gravel path, main part of garden is accessible.

**26 COURT HOUSE**

East Quantoxhead, TA5 1EJ. Mr & Mrs Hugh Luttrell. 12m W of Bridgwater. Off A39, house at end of village past duck pond. Enter by Frog St (Bridgwater/Kilve side from A39). Car park £1 in aid of church. **Sun 15 May, Sun 24 July (2-5). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas.**

Lovely 5 acre garden, trees, shrubs (many rare and tender), herbaceous and 3 acre woodland garden with spring interest and late summer borders. Traditional kitchen garden (chemical free). Views to sea and Quantocks. Gravel, stone and some mown grass paths.

**27 COURT VIEW**

Solsbury Lane, Batheaston, Bath, BA1 7HB. Maria & Jeremy Heffer, 07786668278, maria.heffer@btinternet.com, www.thebathgreenhouse.com. 3m E of Bath. In Batheaston High St take turning on L signed Northend, St Catherine. At top of rise L into Solsbury Lane. Court View is 2nd driveway on L. Parking for 5 cars. Public car park in the village. **Sat 23, Sun 24 July (11-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.** Refreshments in aid of Batheaston Village Hall. **Visits also by arrangement July to Sept for groups of 10 to 30.**

2 acre south facing gardens with ⅓ acre devoted to cut flowers and foliage. Colourful mix of annuals, biennials and perennials. Spectacular views from terraced lawns, box parterre, small orchard and meadow area. A floral experience for garden lovers, artisan florists, flower arrangers and anyone interested in the revival of beautiful, diverse and locally grown British cut flowers.



28 COX'S HILL HOUSE

Horton, Bristol, BS37 6QT. Charles Harman. *Approx 1m W of A46, 4m N of M4 J18. What3words app - giggle. listen.nicer. Sun 17 July (2-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Tea.* Refreshments in aid of the Nelson Trust.

1 acre garden created by current owners over past 12 yrs and laid out over 2 levels, each backed by a high stone wall, with panoramic views to south and west. Small vegetable/cutting garden and formal lawn flanked by pleached limes on lower level; upper level has herbaceous, shrub and yellow themed borders and orchard with meadow grass and wildflowers.

**29 CRETE HILL HOUSE**

Cote House Lane, Durham Down, Bristol, BS9 3UW.

John Burgess. *2m N of Bristol city centre, 3m S J16 M5. A4018 Westbury Rd from city centre, L at White Tree r/about, R into Cote Rd, continue into Cote House Lane across the Downs. 2nd house on L. Parking on street. Sun 19 June (1-5). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas. Also open 4 Haytor Park.*

C18 house in hidden corner of Bristol. Mainly SW facing garden, 80'x40', with shaped lawn, heavily planted traditional mixed borders - shrub, rose, clematis and herbaceous. Pergola with climbers, terrace with pond, several seating areas. Shady walled garden. Roof terrace (44 steps) with extensive views. A couple of seating areas not accessible by wheelchair as accessed via stepping stones. Whole garden can be viewed.

**30 THE DAIRY, CHURCH LANE**

Clevedon Road, Weston-in-Gordano, Bristol, BS20 8PZ. Mrs Chris Lewis, 01275 849214, chris@dairy.me.uk.

Weston-in-Gordano is on B3124 Portishead to Clevedon rd. Find Parish Church on main rd and take lane down side of churchyard for 200m. Access by coach involves a walk of 400m. Visits by arrangement May to Sept for groups of 10 to 30. Larger groups possible if refreshments not required. Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas.

The garden surrounds a barn conversion and has been developed from concrete milking yards and derelict land. Once the site of Weston in Gordano Manor House, the ambience owes much to the use of medieval stone which had lain undiscovered in the land for over 2 centuries.

**31 THE DOWNS PREPARATORY SCHOOL**

Charlton Drive, Wraxall, Bristol, BS48 1PF. The Downs Preparatory School, thedownsschool.co.uk. *4.3m from J19 of the M5 or 8.3m from the centre of Bristol. Follow signs for Noahs Ark Zoo Farm from motorway or centre of Bristol. Fri 8, Sat 9 Apr, Fri 5, Sat 6 Aug (10-4). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas.*

65 acres wrap around the Grade II listed Charlton House, once part of a wider estate inc the well known Tyntesfield NT property. Historic garden features inc stumpery, pond and greenhouse. In addition there is an edible and medicinal bed and well presented annual bedding displays framed by beautiful views across open parkland with specimen trees dotted around the estate. Gravel paths and some steps. Majority of garden is wheelchair accessible.

**32 DOYNTON HOUSE**

Bury Lane, Doynton, Bristol, BS30 5SR. Frances & Matthew Lindsey-Clark, Franceslc11@gmail.com. *5m S of M4 J18, 6m N of Bath, 8m E of Bristol. Doynton is NE of Wick (turn off A420 opp Bath Rd) and SW of Dyrham (signed from A46). Doynton House is at S end of Doynton village, opp Culleysgate/Horsepool Lane. Park in signed field. Visits by arrangement Apr to Oct for groups of up to 30. Adm £7.50, chd free.*

A variety of garden areas separated by old walls and hedges. Mixed borders, lawns, wall planting, parterre, rill garden, walled vegetable garden, cottage beds, pool garden, dry gardens, peach house and greenhouse. Bees, chickens and meadow area. We can recommend our local pub, the Cross House, just a short stroll across our parking field. Paths are of hoggin, stone and gravel. The grade of the gravel makes it a hard push in places but all areas are wheelchair accessible.

**33 NEW DUNKERY VIEW**

Brandish Street, Allerford, Minehead, TA24 8HR. Mr M Harris. *4m from Minehead. Off A39 between Minehead & Porlock. Sun 26 June, Sun 11 Sept (10-6). Adm £4, chd free.*

½ acre plantsman's garden packed with unusual shrubs, grasses and perennials laid out in the cottage garden style. Repeat flowering roses, salvias, dahlias and other late season herbaceous plants produce a riot of colour in mid to late summer. A productive vegetable garden adds to the bounty.

**34 EAST END FARM**

Pitney, Langport, TA10 9AL. Mrs A M Wray, 01458 250598. *2m E of Langport. Please telephone for directions. Visits by arrangement in June. Refreshments by prior arrangement. Adm £5, chd free.*

Approx ½ acre. Timeless small garden of many old-fashioned roses in beautiful herbaceous borders set amongst ancient listed farm buildings. Mostly wheelchair access - some narrow paths.

**35 EAST LAMBROOK MANOR GARDENS**

Silver Street, East Lambrook, TA13 5HH. Mike & Gail Werkmeister, 01460 240328, enquiries@eastlambrook.com, www.eastlambrook.com. *2m N of South Petherton. Follow brown tourist signs from A303 South Petherton r/about or B3165 Xrds with lights N of Martock. For NGS: Thur 10 Feb, Sat 7 May, Sat 9 July (10-5). Adm £6.50, chd free. Tea and cake. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website.*

The quintessential English cottage garden created by C20 gardening legend Margery Fish. Plantsman's paradise with contemporary and old-fashioned plants grown in a relaxed and informal manner to create a remarkable garden of great beauty and charm. With noted collections of snowdrops, hellebores and geraniums and the excellent specialist Margery Fish Plant Nursery. Partial wheelchair access. Featuring in Country Living Magazine Feb 2022, The English Garden Magazine Dec 2021, Somerset Life, May/June 2021. Also Secret Gardens of Somerset by Abigail Willis with photography by Clive Bournell 2020.



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36 ELWORTHY COTTAGE

Elworthy, Taunton, TA4 3PX. Mike & Jenny Spiller, 01984 656427, mike@elworthy-cottage.co.uk, www.elworthy-cottage.co.uk. *12m NW of Taunton. On B3188 between Wiveliscombe & Watchet. For NGS: Fri 4, Sun 27 Feb, Tue 12, Mon 18 Apr, Tue 17, Sun 29, Tue 31 May, Tue 5, Sun 24, Tue 26 July, Mon 29 Aug (11-4). Adm £4.50, chd free. Home-made teas. Refreshments in aid of Children's Hospice Southwest. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website.*

1 acre plantsman's garden in tranquil setting. Island beds, scented plants, clematis, unusual perennials and ornamental trees and shrubs to provide year-round interest. In spring, pulmonarias, hellebores and more than 350 varieties of snowdrops. Planted to encourage birds, bees and butterflies. Lots of birdsong, wildflower areas and developing wildflower meadow, decorative vegetable garden, living willow screen. Seats for visitors to enjoy views of the surrounding countryside. Garden attached to plantsman's nursery, open at the same time. Featured in 'Secret Gardens of Somerset'.



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37 FAIRFIELD

Stogursey, Bridgwater, TA5 1PU. Lady Acland Hood Gass. *7m E of Williton. 11m W of Bridgwater. From A39 Bridgwater to Minehead road turn N. Garden 1½m W of Stogursey on Strington road. No coaches. Sun 10 Apr (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Woodland garden with many interesting bulbs inc naturalised anemones, fritillaria with roses, shrubs and fine trees. Paved maze. Views of Quantocks. The ground is flat and should be accessible, around half the paths are grass so may be more difficult when wet.*

**38 FOREST LODGE**

Pen Selwood, BA9 8LL. James & Lucy Nelson, 07974 701427, lucillanelson@gmail.com. *1½m N of A303, 3m E of Wincanton. Leave A303 at B3081 (Wincanton to Gillingham rd), up hill to Pen Selwood, L towards church. ½m, garden on L - low curved wall and sign saying Forest Lodge Stud. Sat 21 May, Sat 11 June (10.30-4.30). Adm £7, chd free. Home-made teas. Refreshments in aid of Mental Health Charities in Somerset. Visits also by arrangement Jan to Sept for groups of 10 to 30. Donation to Heads Up Wells, Balsam Centre Wincanton. 3 acre mature garden with many camellias and rhododendrons in May. Lovely views towards Blackmore Vale. Part formal with pleached hornbeam allée and rill, part water garden with lake. Wonderful roses in June. Unusual spring flowering trees such as *Davidia involucrata*, many beautiful cornus. Interesting garden sculpture. Secret Gardens of Somerset - featured garden 'Landscape' - January 2022. Wheelchair access to front garden only, however much of garden viewable from there.*



GROUP OPENING

39 FROME GARDENS

Frome, BA11 4HR. 9 Catherston Cl signed at r'about A361 W of town, 1 Tucker Cl off A361 E of town onto Wallbridge, R before railway bridge signed. Please park considerately on nearby roads. **Sun 19 June (12-5). Combined adm £7.50, chd free. Tea at 71 Lynfield Road. Please note 84 Weymouth Rd is open from 1-4pm.**

9 CATHERSTON CLOSE

Dave & Prue Moon.

(See separate entry)

NEW 71 LYNFIELD ROAD

Mr Robert & Mrs Christina Rusbridger.

NEW 61 NUNNEY ROAD

Mrs Caroline Toll.

NEW 1 TUCKER CLOSE

Bev Revie & Tim Cutting.

84 WEYMOUTH ROAD

Amanda Relph.

A warm welcome awaits at 5 differing town gardens. 9 Catherston Close will bowl you over (see separate entry). 61 Nunney Road's new owner has redesigned the garden with a terrace, lawn, shrubs, flowerbeds, old fruit trees, 2 small ponds, wild corner, vegetable patch and greenhouse. From there you can walk to 71 Lynfield Road. The front garden has 'hot' colour, lush planting inc Chusan Palm. Their back garden is restful with seating areas, formal pond and patio. Colourful mixed borders, trees and wildflower area to attract birds and insects. 84 Weymouth Road, designed by Simon Relph in 2015 to celebrate his life. Architectural arches and geometrical raised beds surround a central raised pond. Mature shrubs enhance the walled garden; fern area, roses and camellias add to central courtyard. 1 Tucker Close, a small walled garden with wide beds, exuberant planting with wildlife in mind and small cauldron pond. Although 3 yrs old, it looks mature and abundant with herbaceous borders, fruit trees, decking, pond and slate rather than grass. Featured on local radio as well as regional press. Catherston Close: few gravel paths, slopes, shallow steps. 71 Lynfield Rd: gravel, steps in back garden: Tucker Close steps, uneven surface.

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GASPER COTTAGE

Gasper Street, Gasper Stourton, Warminster, BA12 6PY. See Wiltshire

40 NEW GLEBE FARM

Cheddon Fitzpaine, Taunton, TA2 8JU. Mrs Rhona Ashton. *Glebe Farm is situated at the top of the village street in Cheddon Fitzpaine. Sun 8 May (2-5.30). Adm £6, chd free. Cream teas/ cakes inc gluten free.*

Glebe Farm gardens have been recently landscaped over a 2 yr period with work still in progress. The house garden is a typical English walled garden, with a path leading to a vine covered arch opening up to reveal a swimming pool with a Mediterranean themed planting of olive trees and grasses. The outer garden represents different themes - Japanese, Italian, English and nursery beds.

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GROUP OPENING

41 GOATHURST GARDENS

Goathurst, Bridgwater, TA5 2DF. 4m SW of Bridgwater, 2½m W of N Petherton. Close to church in village. Park in field at N end of village (signed) 500 yds from gardens. Disabled parking (3 spaces) available at The Lodge car port. **Sat 23, Sun 24 July (2-5). Combined adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas at The Lodge.** Refreshments in aid of Goathurst village hall and Goathurst Church.

THE LODGE

Sharon & Richard Piron.

OLD ORCHARD

Mr Peter Evered.

Only 50 metres apart, 2 beautiful examples of quintessentially English cottage gardens in a rural village setting. Old Orchard: ¼ acre garden planted with specialist and rare plants to complement the cottage. Over 100 *Clematis viticella* interplanted with a range of shrubs, herbaceous perennials, annuals and summer bulbs. The Lodge: ¾ acre garden surrounding a thatched cottage comprising flower borders packed with shrubs and perennials. Fruit and vegetable beds are also a feature. Both gardens have wheelchair access to most areas.

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42 ♦ GREENCOMBE GARDENS

Porlock, Minehead, TA24 8NU. Greencombe Garden Trust, 01643 862363, info@greecombe.org, www.greecombe.org. W of Porlock below the wooded slopes of Exmoor. Take A39 to west end of Porlock and turn onto B3225 to Porlock Weir. Drive ½m, turn L at Greencombe Gardens sign. Go up drive; parking signed. **For NGS: Wed 20 Apr, Wed 20 July (2-6). Adm £7, chd £1. Cream teas. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website.** Donation to Plant Heritage. Organic woodland garden of international renown, Greencombe stretches along a sheltered hillside and offers outstanding views over Porlock Bay. Moss-covered paths meander through a collection of ornamental plants that flourish beneath a canopy of oaks, hollies, conifers and chestnuts. Camellias, rhododendrons, azaleas, lilies, roses, clematis, and hydrangeas blossom among 4 National Collections. Champion English Holly tree (*Ilex aquifolium*), one of the largest and oldest in the UK. Giant rhododendrons species and exceptionally large camellias. A millennium chapel hides in the mossy banks of the wood. A moon arch leads into a walled garden. Spectacular views onto Porlock Bay. Gardens Illustrated magazine feature, Jan 2021 Secret Gardens of Somerset by Abigail Willis, pub Sept 2020.

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There are brilliant plant sales at many gardens. Look out for the symbol in the garden description – and don't forget to bring a bag to carry your plants home in.

43 GREYSTONES

Hollybush Lane, Bristol, BS9 1JB. Mrs P Townsend. 2m N of Bristol city centre, close to Durdham Down in Bristol, backing onto the Botanic Garden. A4018 Westbury Rd, L at White Tree r'about, L into Saville Rd, Hollybush Lane 2nd on R. Narrow lane, parking limited, recommended to park in Saville Rd. **Sun 13 Feb, Sun 10 Apr (11-4). Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments.** Refreshments in aid of Young Bristol Charity. Peaceful garden with places to sit and enjoy a quiet corner of Bristol. Interesting courtyard, raised beds, large variety of conifers and shrubs leads to secluded garden of contrasts - sun drenched beds with olive tree and brightly coloured flowers to shady spots, with acers, hostas and ferns. Snowdrops, hellebores and spring bulbs. Rambling roses, small orchard, espaliered pears. Paved footpath provides level access to all areas.

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44 HANGERIDGE FARMHOUSE

Wrangway, Wellington, TA21 9QG. Mrs J M Chave, 07812 648876, hangeridge@hotmail.co.uk. 2m S of Wellington. Off A38 Wellington bypass signed Wrangway. 1st L towards Wellington monument, over motorway bridge 1st R. **Sun 17 July (1-5). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement July & Aug for groups of 10 to 30.** Rural fields and mature trees surround this 1 acre informal garden offering views of the Blackdown and Quantock Hills. Magnificent hostas and heathers, colourful flower beds, cascading wisteria and roses and a trickling stream. Relax with home-made refreshments on sunny or shaded seating admiring the views and birdsong.

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45 THE HAYES

Newton St. Loe, Bath, BA2 9BU. Jane Giddins, 01225 873592, jeturner@btinternet.com. From the Globe Pub on A4 take Pennyquick which is signed to Odd Down. Take 1st turning R which is just after the bend. At top of hill turn R then L. **Sat 11, Sun 12 June, Sat 10, Sun 11 Sept (2-5). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas.** Refreshments in aid of Holy Trinity Church Newton St Loe. Visits also by arrangement May to Sept for groups of 20+. Stunning in all seasons. 1 acre garden on edge of Duchy of Cornwall village. Herbaceous borders and formal lawns and terraces; informal garden of trees and long grass, bulbs and meadow flowers; formal potager and greenhouse; small orchard with espalier apple trees. Tulips, wisteria, alliums, foxgloves, gladioli, dahlias, asters. Wonderful views. Lovely description of the garden by George Plumtre in the Telegraph. Also in the Times. All of garden can be accessed in a wheelchair but some grassy inclines.

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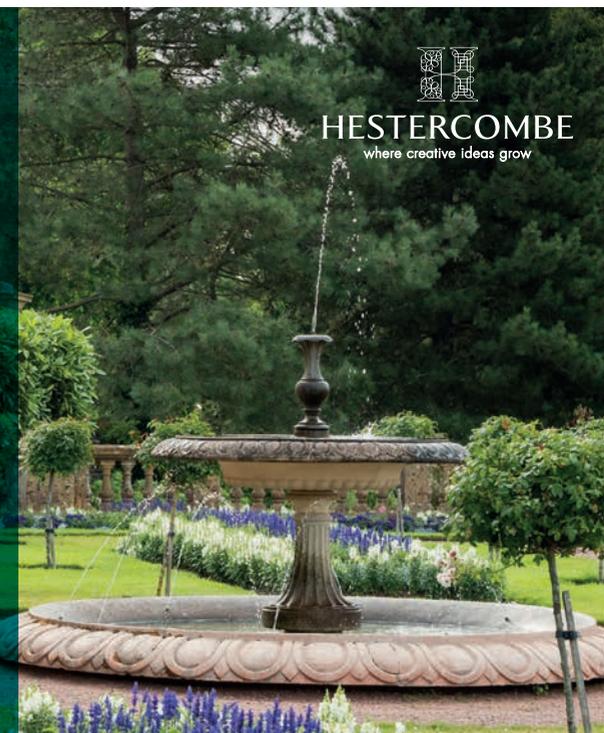
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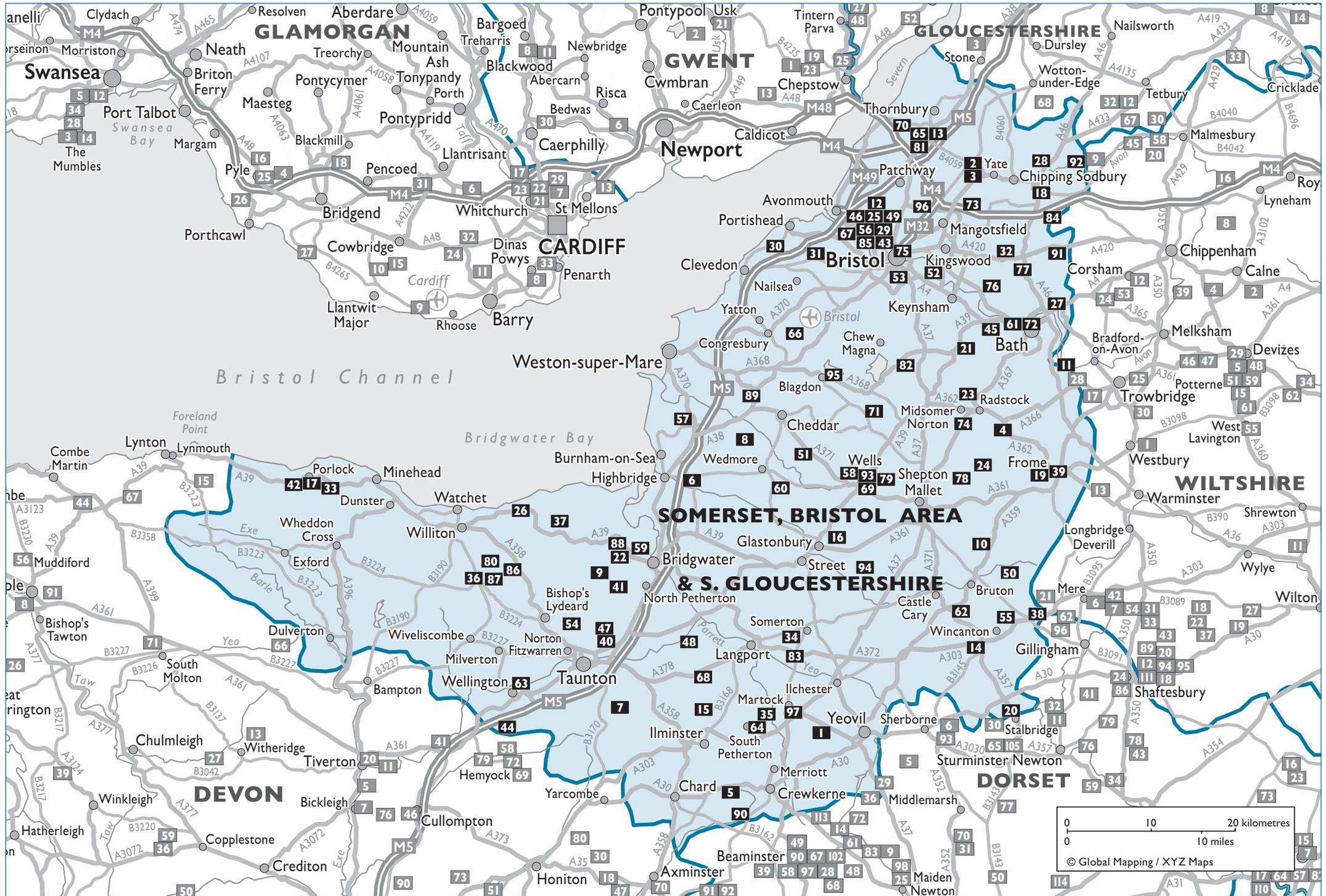
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46 4 HAYTOR PARK

Bristol, BS9 2LR. Mr & Mrs C J Prior, 07779 203626, p.l.prior@gmail.com. 3m NW of Bristol city centre. From A4162 Inner Ring Rd take turning into Coombe Bridge Ave, Haytor Park is 1st on L. Please no parking in Haytor Park. **Sun 15 May (1.30-5), Sun 19 June (1.30-5.30). Adm £3.50, chd free. Open nearby Lucombe House (May) & Crete Hill House (Jun).** Visits also by arrangement **May to Aug for groups of 10 to 30.** A journey of discovery, under many arches, around a lovingly tended plot, full of year-round interest at every turn. Paths, a pond, spaces to sit and quirky features, a bicycle wheel screen, rusty bed trellis so many plants to find and dragons for children to discover and maybe a prize to win.

**47 ♦ HESTERCOMBE GARDENS**

Cheddon Fitzpaine, Taunton, TA2 8LG. Hestercombe Gardens Trust, 01823 413923, info@hestercombe.com, www.hestercombe.com. 3m N of Taunton, less than 6m from J25 of M5. Follow brown daisy signs. SatNav postcode TA2 8LQ. **For NGS: Tue 1 Mar (10-3.30); Tue 7 June (10-4.30). Adm £13.75, chd £6.90. Discount/prepaid vouchers not valid on NGS charity days.** For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website.

Magnificent Georgian landscape garden designed by artist Coplestone Warre Bamfylde, a contemporary of Gainsborough and Henry Hoare of Stourhead. Victorian terrace and shrubbery and an exquisite example of a Lutyens/Jeyll designed formal garden; C17 water garden opening 2022. Enjoy 50 acres of woodland walks, temples, terraces, pergolas, lakes and cascades. Restaurant and café, restored watermill and barn, contemporary art gallery. Four centuries of garden design. Gravel paths, steep slopes, steps. An all-access route is shown on the guide map, & visitors can phone to pre-book an all-terrain 'tramper' vehicle.

**HIGHER BRIMLEY COOMBE FARM**

Stoke Abbott, Beaminster, DT8 3JZ. See Dorset

48 HILLCREST

Curload, Stoke St Gregory, Taunton, TA3 6JA. Charles & Charlotte Sundquist, 01823 490852, chazfix@gmail.com. At top of Curload. From A358 turn L along A378, then branch L to North Curry & Stoke St Gregory. L ½m after Willows & Wetlands centre. Hillcrest is 1st on R with parking directions. **Sat 7, Sun 8 May (1-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.** Visits also by arrangement Apr to Sept for groups of 5 to 30. A guided tour is included in all visits if required.

Boasting stunning views of the Somerset Levels, Burrow Mump and Glastonbury Tor this 6 acre garden offers plenty of interest, inc a standing stone. Enjoy woodland walks, varied borders, flowering meadow and several ponds. There are greenhouses, orchards, a new produce garden and newly built large gravel garden. Garden is mostly level with gentle sloping paths down through meadow.

**49 NEW HILLSIDE**

35 Westbury Hill, Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol, BS9 3AG. Stephanie Pritchett, hillsideoldstables@gmail.com, www.hillsideoldstables.com/ourgardens. 3 m from Junction 17 M5 or Bristol City Centre. We are next door (downhill) from the Post Office Tavern pub on Westbury Hill. Access via the smaller green garden gate with number 35 sign, not via the larger gates uphill. **Sat 18, Sun 19 June (11-4). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.**

A hidden Grade II listed period gem dating to 1715 with large and established formal walled gardens and family gardens in ½ acre. There are many different areas to explore – magnificent trees c. 500 years old, pond and kitchen herb garden, rockery, rose and cutting gardens, orchard and seasonal interest borders, wildflower meadow and established kitchen garden and fruit bushes.

**HOLBROOK GARDEN**

Sampford Shrubs, Sampford Peverell, EX16 7EN. See Devon

50 HOLLAND FARM

South Brewham, Bruton, BA10 0JZ. Mrs Nickie Gething. 3m N of Wincanton. From Wincanton: B3081 for 3m toward Bruton. R to S Brewham. Follow NGS signs. From Mere: B3092 toward Frome. Under A303, past Stourhead Hse. L to Alfred's Tower/Kilmington. Follow NGS signs. **Sun 29 May, Thur 7 July (2-5). Adm £8, chd free. Home-made teas in the Garden Room.**

The house and garden were created from a derelict farmyard 15 yrs ago. Garden now boasts a number of exquisite rooms, divided by hornbeam and yew hedging. Some rooms are tranquil, with a simple water feature or trees, others burst with a variety of planting. House frames a stunning French-style courtyard where the sound of water echoes. Hornbeam avenue leads the visitor to a swimming lake with lakeside planting.

**51 HONEYHURST FARM**

Honeyhurst Lane, Rodney Stoke, Cheddar, BS27 3UJ. Don & Kathy Longhurst, 01749 870322, donlonghurst@btinternet.com, www.ciderbarrelcottage.co.uk. 4m E of Cheddar. From Wells (A371) turn into Rodney Stoke signed Wedmore. Pass church on L and continue for almost 1m. Car park signed. From Cheddar (A371) turn R signed Wedmore, through Draycott to car park. **Sun 3, Mon 4 July (2-5). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas.** Refreshments in aid of Save the Children (50%). Visits also by arrangement Apr to Sept for groups of 10 to 40.

⅔ acre part walled rural garden with babbling brook and 4 acre traditional cider orchard, with views. Specimen hollies, copper beech, paulownia, yew and poplar. Pergolas, arbour and numerous seats. Mixed informal shrub and perennial beds with many unusual plants. Many pots planted with shrubs, hardy and half-hardy perennials. Daily Mail Weekend Supplement. Level, grass and some shingle.



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52 JAPANESE GARDEN BRISTOL

13 Glenarm Walk, Brislington, Bristol, BS4 4LS. Martin Fitton, fitton13@outlook.com. A4 Bristol to Bath. A4 Brislington, at Texaco Garage at bottom of Bristol Hill turn into School Rd and immed R into Church Parade. Car park 1st turn on R or proceed to Glenarm Walk. **Sat 30 July (10-5); Sun 31 July (10-4). Adm £4, chd free. Pre-booking essential, please visit www.ngs.org.uk for information & booking. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement Apr to Sept for groups of 10 to 20. Adm £8 inc home-made teas.**

As you walk through the gate you will be welcomed by Japanese Koi. Then take a step to another level to the relaxing Japanese garden rooms surrounded by acers and cloud trees. Walk through the Wisdom of Zen area where you can embrace the true sound of Japan. Continue to a Japanese courtyard then a gate to a peaceful Zen rock garden. There you will find seating to enjoy the serene atmosphere. Featured in National newspapers Radio Bristol, social media, BBC Points West news. Article of my garden ranked No 1 in Japan News.

**53 JOHN'S CORNER**

2 Fitzgerald Road, Bedminster, Bristol, BS3 5DD. John Hodge, 3m from city centre. S of Bristol, off St. John's Lane, Totterdown end. 1st house on R, entrance at side of house. On number 91 bus route. Parking in residential street. **Sat 25, Sun 26, Mon 27 June (1-5). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas.**

Unusual and interesting city garden in Bedminster with a mixture of exciting plants and features. Ponds, ferns and much more. Eden project style greenhouse with collection of cacti. Not all areas accessible by wheelchair.

**54 LITTLE YARFORD FARMHOUSE**

Kingston St Mary, Taunton, TA2 8AN. Brian Bradley, 01823 451350, dilly.bradley@gmail.com. 1½m W of Hestercombe, 3½m N of Taunton. From Taunton on Kingston St Mary rd. At 30mph sign turn L at Parsonage Lane. Continue 1¼m W, to Yarford sign. Continue 400yds. Turn R up concrete rd. **Visits by arrangement Apr to Sept. Admission inc an informative guided tour of trees and garden. Adm £10, chd free. Cream teas/light refreshments by prior arrangement.** Refreshments in aid of St Thomas Church Cothestone. Unusual 5 acre garden embracing C17 house (not open) Natural pond and 90ft waterlily pond. A plantsman's garden notable for the aesthetics of its planting especially its 300+ rare and unusual tree cultivars: the best collection of broad leaf and conifer specimens in Somerset West (listed on NGS website); those trees not available to Bampfylde Warre at Hestercombe in C18. An exercise in landscaping, contrast planting and creating views both within the garden and without to the vale and the Quantock Hills. Mostly wheelchair access.

**55 LOWER SHALFORD FARM**

Shalford Lane, Charlton Musgrove, Wincanton, BA9 8HE. Mr & Mrs David Posnett. Lower Shalford is 2m NE of Wincanton. Leave A303 at Wincanton go N on B3081 towards Bruton. Just beyond Otter Garden Centre turn R Shalford Lane, garden is ½m on L. Parking opp house. **Sat 19 Mar (10-3); Sat 21 May (10-4). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments.** Fairly large open garden with extensive lawns and wooded surroundings with drifts of daffodils in spring. Small winterbourne stream running through with several stone bridges. Walled rose/parterre garden, hedged herbaceous garden and several ornamental ponds.

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53 LUCOMBE HOUSE

12 Druid Stoke Ave, Stoke Bishop, Bristol, BS9 1DD. Malcolm Ravenscroft, 01179 682494, famrave@gmail.com. 4m NW of Bristol centre. At top of Druid Hill. Garden on R 200m from junction. **Sun 15 May (1-5). Adm £3.50, chd free. Home-made teas. Also open 4 Haytor Park.** Visits also by arrangement Apr to Sept. For tree lovers of all ages! In addition to the 255 yr old Lucombe Oak - registered as one of the most significant trees in the UK - there are over 30 mature English trees planted together with ferns and bluebells to create an urban woodland - plus a newly designed Arts & Crafts front garden. A new path through the woodland will be completed in time for the NGS opening. Flautist trio will be present throughout the afternoon. Rough paths in woodland area, 2 steps to patio.

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GROUP OPENING**57 LYMPSHAM GARDENS**

Church Road, Lympsham, Weston-super-Mare, BS24 0DT. 5m S of Weston-super-Mare and 5m N of Burnham on Sea. 2m M5 J22. Entrance to all gardens initially from main gates of Manor at junction of Church Rd and Lympsham Rd. Will then receive directions to other gardens. **Sat 18, Sun 19 June (2-5). Combined adm £6, chd free. Cream teas at Lympsham Manor.** Refreshments in aid of St Christopher's Church.

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At the heart of the stunning village of Lympsham next to C15 church are the gardens of 3 of the village's most historic homes. Lympsham Manor, a 200 yr old gothic rectory manor house with 2 octagonal towers, is set in 10 acres of formal/semi-formal garden, surrounded by paddocks and farmland. Fully working Victorian kitchen garden and greenhouse, arboretum of trees from all parts of the world, a large pond and beautiful old rose garden. Church Farm has a ¾ acre informal English country garden with herbaceous borders, shrub-lined paths, raised beds and a small courtyard garden. Somerdown Farm is a Gothic Victorian village house with a meandering garden encircling the house, a long rocky border, curving herbaceous borders with an interesting variety of shrubs, gravelled gardens, rose arches and very unusual swagged roses along the driveway. Hawthorns, a short drive to the hamlet of Eastertown, is an informal cottage garden with colourful borders and an extensive vegetable garden.

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THE MANOR HOUSE, BEAMINSTER

North St, Beaminster, DT8 3DZ. See Dorset

MILL HOUSE

Whitehall, Hemyock, Cullompton, EX15 3UQ. See Devon

58 ♦ MILTON LODGE

Old Bristol Road, Wells, BA5 3AQ. Simon Tudway Quilter, 01749 679341, www.miltonlodgedgardens.co.uk. ½m N of Wells. From A39 Bristol-Wells, turn N up Old Bristol Rd; car park 1st gate on L signed. **For NGS: Sun 8 May, Sun 5 June, Sun 3 July (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Discount/prepaid vouchers are not valid on the NGS charity days.** For other opening times and information, please phone or visit garden website. Architectural terraces transformed from sloping land with profusion of plants capitalising on views of Wells Cathedral and Vale of Avalon. Grade II terraced garden was restored to its former glory by current owner's parents who moved here in 1960, orchard replaced with a collection of ornamental trees. Herbaceous borders and blooming roses, inc Gertrude Jekyll, flourish next to well tended lawns. A serene, relaxing atmosphere within the garden following the ravages of two World Wars. Cross over Old Bristol Rd to our 7 acre woodland garden, The Combe, which is a natural peaceful contrast to the formal garden of Milton Lodge. Featured in the 'Secret Gardens of Somerset' by Abigail Willis.

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59 MODEL FARM

Perry Green, Wembdon, Bridgwater, TA5 2BA. Dave & Roz Young, 01278 429953, daveandrozontour@hotmail.com, www.modelfarm.com. 4m from J23 of M5. Follow Brown signs from r'about on A39 2m W of Bridgwater. **Sun 5 June (2-4.30). Adm £5, chd free. Tea, coffee, squash and home-made cakes.** 4 acres of flat gardens to S of Victorian country house. Created from a field in last 12 yrs and still being developed. A dozen large mixed flower beds planted in cottage garden style with wildlife in mind. Wooded areas, mixed orchard, lawns, wildflower meadows and wildlife pond. Plenty of seating throughout the gardens with various garden sculptures by Somerset artists. Lawn games inc croquet.

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60 NEW MUDGLEY FARM

Mudgley, Wedmore, BS28 4TX. Mr Peter & Mrs Dorothy Wright. Take B3151 S out of Wedmore. After 1m at Mudgley Cross take next L, unnamed lane. Mudgley Farm is 150 yds on R. From Westhay take B3151 N. Ignore first R to Mudgley, take second R, unnamed lane. **Sat 18 June (2-7). Adm £7, chd free. Wine.** 12 south facing acres with spectacular views across Glastonbury Tor and the Polden Hills. The formal garden has a fine collection of roses, many rescued from the former Time Trail of Roses in Wells, topiary and lavender. Beyond there is wildflower meadow, pasture, apple, pear and walnut trees - and the vineyard, with 1,250 vines producing Mowbarton Estate sparkling wine, available to buy on site.

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The National Garden Scheme donated £500,000 to Hospice UK in 2021, enabling us to continue supporting over 200 hospices in the UK who have been at the forefront of the battle against COVID-19.

61 165 NEWBRIDGE HILL

Bath, BA1 3PX. Helen Hughesdon. On the western fringes of Bath (A431), 100m on L after Apsley Rd. Several bus routes go to Newbridge Hill. **Sat 2, Sun 3 July, Sat 3, Sun 4 Sept (10-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.** Refreshments in aid of The Peggy Dodd Centre. South facing garden with unusual and exotic plants, vegetable garden, greenhouse, treehouse, with a sunny terrace overlooking the garden where light lunches and home-made cakes are served. July openings incorporate 'Sculpture to Enhance a Garden' and in September visitors can enjoy 'In Celebration of the Arts - All Things Floral', an exhibition of floral art and craft.

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62 NEW ♦ THE NEWT IN SOMERSET

Hadspen, Bruton, BA7 7NG. 01963 577750, enquiries@thenewtinsomerset.com, thenewtinsomerset.com/garden. Located on the A359 between Bruton & Castle Cary, follow the brown tourist signs to the estate entrance. Upon entry, follow the 'Gardens' sign for the visitor car park. For opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website. Influenced by thousands of years of horticultural history and mixing ornamental and productive elements, the gardens are a feast for the eyes and the stomach. At their core sits the Parabola, a walled garden concealing an apple tree maze; and at the edges, diverse woodland provides a sheltered habitat for native wildlife.

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63 NYNEHEAD COURT

Nynehead, Wellington, TA21 0BN. Nynehead Care Ltd, 01823 662481, nyneheadcare@aol.com, www.nyneheadcare@aol.com. ½m N of Wellington. M5 J26 B3187 towards Wellington. R on r'about marked Nynehead & Poole, follow lane for 1m, take Milverton turning at fork, turning into Chipley Rd. **Sun 26 June, Sun 10 July (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments in Orangery.** Nynehead Court was the home of the Sandford family from 1590-1902. The 14 acres of gardens are noted for specimen trees, and there will be a garden tour with the Head Gardener at 2pm. As Nynehead is a private residential care home, please contact us before visiting for the latest Covid precautions. Visitors will need to wear a face mask and possibly have temperature taken on arrival. Partial wheelchair access: cobbled yards, gentle slopes, chipped paths, liable to puddle during or after rain. Please wear suitable footwear.

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64 NEW THE OLD DAIRY HOUSE

Compton Durville, South Petherton, TA13 5ET. Mrs Anne Kaile. Take the Compton Hill road out of S Petherton for approx 1m & turn R into Compton Durville. Continue on road & Old Dairy House is on LH bend on the corner. Entrance down gravel track, 1st on L. **Sun 4 Sept (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.** Main area of the garden is the Arena Garden planted in the prairie style with grasses and autumn flowering herbaceous planting with open countryside beyond. Vegetables, a newly created wildlife pond, a crab apple tree circle, with more formal planting nearer to the house.

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65 NEW ♦ OLD DOWN MANOR GARDENS

Foxholes Lane, Tockington, Bristol, BS32 4PG. Old Down Estate, 03447769380, Info@olddownestate.co.uk. Between Olveston and Tockington in S. Glos. Old Down Estate is approx 5 mins from M4 & M5 Almondsbury interchange & 5 mins from Severn Bridge at Aust. 10m N of Bristol. **For NGS: Wed 15 June, Wed 31 Aug (10-4). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments. Tea and cake in the Manor House.** For other opening times and information, please phone or email. Old Down Manor is a wonderful example of Victorian architecture. A Victorian walled garden contains the kitchen and cut flower gardens, also sumptuous herbaceous borders. Surrounding the manor are a formal rose garden with many old English roses framed by yew hedges, rolling lawns and newly restructured rockery gardens with views across the Severn Valley. Tempting pathways lead through woodland or meadows to a tranquil lake. Walled garden has wheelchair access, the rockery has partial wheelchair access due to some steep paths and steps.

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66 PARK COTTAGE

Wrington Hill, Wrington, Bristol, BS40 5PL. Mr & Mrs J Shepherd. Halfway between Bristol & Weston S Mare. 10m S of Bristol on A370 at Cleveve turn L onto Cleveve Hill Rd (opp sports field). Continue on Cleveve Hill Rd for 1½ miles. Car park in paddock on R 50m from garden on L. **Sun 24, Sun 31 July (12-5). Adm £6, chd free.**

Take a colourful journey through 1¼ acres of this 'Alice in Wonderland' garden. Divided by high hedges is an established perennial flower garden developed over 30 yrs. Explore the labyrinth of different areas inc potager, jungle garden, rainbow border, white garden, green gallery, and 90 ft of double herbaceous borders. Large Victorian-style greenhouse displays tender plants. Countryside views and plenty of seating. No WC available. Mostly good wheelchair access, some narrow bark chip paths. Narrow flagstone bridge with steps.

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67 PENNY BROHN UK

Chapel Pill Lane, Pill, BS20 0HH. Penny Brohn UK, 01275 370073, fundraising@pennybrohn.org.uk, www.pennybrohn.org.uk. 4m W of Bristol. Off A369 Clifton Suspension Bridge to M5 (J19 Gordano Services). Follow signs to Penny Brohn UK and to Pill/Ham Green (5 mins). **Sun 26 June (10-4). Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments. Hot and cold drinks and cakes are available.** Refreshments in aid of Penny Brohn UK. Visits also by arrangement in June.

3½ acre tranquil garden surrounds Georgian mansion with many mature trees, wildflower meadow, flower garden and cedar summerhouse. Fine views from historic gazebo overlooking the River Avon. Courtyard gardens with water features. Garden is maintained by volunteers and plays an active role in the Charity's 'Living Well with Cancer' approach. Plants, teas, music and plenty of space to enjoy a picnic. Gift shop. Tours of centre to find out more about the work of Penny Brohn UK. Some gravel and grass paths.

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POUNDS

Hemyock, Cullompton, EX15 3QS.
See Devon

68 THE RED POST HOUSE

Fivehead, Taunton, TA3 6PX. The Rev Mervyn & Mrs Margaret Wilson. 10m E of Taunton. On the corner of A378 and Butcher's Hill, opp garage. From M5 J25, take A358 towards Langport, turn L at T-lights at top of hill onto A378. Garden is at Langport end of Fivehead. **Sun 25 Sept (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.**

½ acre walled garden with shrubs, borders, trees, circular potager, topiary. We combine beauty and utility. Further 1½ acres, lawn, orchard and vineyard. Plums, 40 apple and 20 pear, walnut, quince, medlar, mulberry, fig. Mown paths, longer grass. Views aligned on Ham Hill. Summerhouse with sedum roof, belvedere. Garden in its present form has been developed over last 15 yrs. Paths are gravel and grass, belvedere is not wheelchair accessible. Dogs on leads.

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REGENCY HOUSE

Hemyock, EX15 3RQ.
See Devon

69 THE RIB

St. Andrews Street, Wells, BA5 2UR. Paul Dickinson & David Morgan-Hewitt. Wells City Centre, adjacent to east end of Wells Cathedral and opp Vicars Close. There is absolutely no parking at or very near this city garden. Visitors should use one of the 5 public car parks and enjoy the 10-15 minutes stroll through the city to The Rib. **Sat 2 July (10-5). Adm £5, chd free.** The Rib is one of the few houses in England that can boast a cathedral and a sacred well in its garden. Whilst the garden is compact, it delivers a unique architectural and historical punch. Long established trees, interesting shrubs and more recently planted mixed borders frame the view in the main garden. Ancient walled orchard and traditionally planted cottage garden. Lunch, tea and WC facilities available in Wells marketplace or Wells Cathedral. Slightly bumpy but short gravel drive and uneven path to main rear garden. 2-3 steps up to orchard and cottage gardens. Grass areas uneven in places.

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70 ROCK HOUSE

Elberton, BS35 4AQ. Mr & Mrs John Guntery, 01454 413225. 10m N of Bristol. 3½m SW Thornbury. From Old Severn Bridge on M48 take B4461 to Alveston. In Elberton, take 1st turning L to Littleton-on-Severn and turn immed R. **Sun 30 Jan, Sun 6 Feb, Sun 20, Sun 27 Mar (11-4). Adm £5, chd free.** Visits also by arrangement. 2 acre garden. Pretty woodland vistas with many snowdrops and daffodils, some unusual. Spring flowers, cottage garden plants and roses. Old yew tree and pond.

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71 ROSE COTTAGE

Smithams Hill, East Harptree, Bristol, BS40 6BY. Bev & Jenny Cruse, 01761 221627, bandjcruse@gmail.com. 5m N of Wells, 15m S of Bristol. From B3114 turn into High St in EH. L at Clock Tower and immed R into Middle St, up hill for 1m. From B3134 take EH rd opp Castle of Comfort, continue 1½m. Car parking in field opp cottage. **Sun 10 Apr (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.**

Refreshments in aid of St Laurence Church. Visits also by arrangement in Apr for groups of up to 30. Please confirm group numbers 2 weeks prior to your visit. Bordered by a stream and established mixed hedges, our

1 acre hillside cottage garden welcomes spring, carpeted with seasonal bulbs, primroses and hellebores. The garden is evolving with new planting. Plenty of seating areas to enjoy teas, listen to the Congresbury Brass Band, whilst admiring panoramic views over Chew Valley. Wildlife area with pond in corner of car park field develops with interest. This hillside cottage garden is full of spring colour, it is organically gardenised and planted to encourage wildlife. Mendip Times, local radio, regional publications.

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72 THE ROYAL CRESCENT HOTEL & SPA

16 Royal Crescent, Bath, BA1 2LS. Topland Ltd (The Royal Crescent Hotel and Spa), 01225 823 333, info@royalcrest.co.uk, www.royalcrest.co.uk/. Walk through front door of hotel, carry straight on, exit via back door to gardens. Nearest car park is in Charlotte St. Lansdown P & R bus stop nearby. **Mon 11, Tue 12 July (11.30-3). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments. Booking essential for lunch or afternoon tea.** Refreshments in aid of Julian House.

1 acre of secluded gardens sits waiting for you behind this iconic hotel, lovingly curated by our gardeners. Gently winding lavender paths take you across the beautiful lawns, with various stunning floral displays along the route. Century-old trees, rescue hedgehogs, rose bushes, and interesting statues; this garden has it all. Garden map and virtual tour available on website.

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73 SERRIDGE HOUSE

Henfield Rd, Coalpit Heath, BS36 2UY. Mrs J Manning, 01454 773188, janseridgehouse@gmail.com. 9m N of Bristol. On A432 at Coalpit Heath T-lights (opp church), turn into Henfield Rd. R at pub, ½m small Xrds, garden on corner with Ruffet Rd. Park on Henfield Rd. **Visits by arrangement July & Aug for groups of 10+. Adm inc home-made scones with jam & cream, glass of wine evening visits. Adm £7, chd free.**

2½ acre garden with mature trees, heather and conifer beds, island beds mostly of perennials, woodland area with pond. Colourful courtyard with old farm implements. Lake views and lakeside walks. Unique tree carvings. Mostly flat grass and concrete driveway. Wheelchair access to lake difficult.

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SHUTELAKE

Butterleigh, Cullompton, EX15 1PG.
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74 NEW 42 SILVER STREET

Midsomer Norton, Radstock, BA3 2EY. Andrew King & Kevin Joint. Parking at Norton Hill School, Charlton Rd, BA3 4AD. From town centre, follow the B3355 Silver St for 0.4m, turn L into Charlton Rd, School car park is 100m on R. **Sun 10 July (12-4). Adm £5, chd £2.50. Home-made teas.** Half acre plantsman's garden divided into 7 distinct zones, developed from scratch by the owners over the last 10 yrs. Features inc a gravel garden with formal rill and pond, mixed/ herbaceous borders in cool colours, Iris garden (bearded irises), elliptical lawn with hot colour planting, informal area with woodland character and experimental bank with intermingled mixed herbaceous planting. Level wheelchair access to most of the garden, enter via separate side entrance - please ask at main entrance on arrival.

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75 SOMERSET STREET DISPLAY GARDENS

23-25 Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol, BS2 8LZ. John & Heather Frenkel & others. At top of St Michael's Hill, 3rd exit at R about into Cotham Rd. At end turn L, then 2nd R into Fremantle Rd. At far end, turn R into Somerset St. Parking limited. **Sun 8, Sun 29 May (1-5). Adm £4, chd free.** A linked row of walled gardens dating from C18, separated from their houses by a narrow setted street. Designed as display gardens for the enjoyment of passers-by, they form a welcome green space of shrubs and perennials between terraces of Georgian houses. Features inc box parterre, pleached hornbeam hedge, fan-trained apple trees, pond, mature trees and mixed borders.

76 SOUTH KELDING

Brewery Hill, Upton Cheyney, Bristol, BS30 6LY. Barry & Wendy Smale, 0117 9325145, wendy.smale@yahoo.com. Halfway between Bristol and Bath. Upton Cheyney lies ½m up Brewery Hill off A431 just outside Bliton. Detailed directions & parking arrangements given when appt made. Restricted access means pre-booking essential. **Visits by arrangement Mar to Oct for groups of 6 to 30. Adm price inc refreshments & tour by owner. Adm £10, chd free. Home-made teas.**

7 acre hillside garden offering panoramic views from its upper levels, with herbaceous and shrub beds, prairie-style scree beds, orchard, native copses and small, labelled arboretum grouped by continents. Large wildlife pond, boundary stream and wooded area featuring shade and moisture-loving plants. In view of slopes and uneven terrain this garden is unsuitable for disabled access.

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**21A THE SQUARE**

Beaminster, DT8 3AU.
See Dorset

78 **NEW** 1 **STEEPLE VIEW**

Stoke St. Michael, Radstock, BA3 5HF. Mr R & Mrs H Wilson. From A361 turn N at Cranmore signed S-S-M follow road to village at r'about take 2nd exit towards church, Steeple View is 2nd turn on L. Please park considerately on the village roads. **Sat 11, Sun 12 June (10.30-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.** Refreshments in aid of NGS & Dorothy House Hospice Care.

Once a ½ acre plot, now an engaging plantsman's ornamental garden. The approach comprises a mature border, varied range of shrubs and trees giving year-round interest. The garden has recently been partially remodelled with new borders, whilst exploiting the borrowed landscape. Consisting of several areas inc a shady woodland border/fernery, grasses screen, topiary and shrubbery. Mediterranean gravel garden, colour themed herbaceous beds and newly designed rose border with complementary planting. Garden room with small water feature. Several seating areas have been designed to enjoy the garden views of the borrowed landscape. Mainly level paths, some narrow in places, shallow steps.

**79** ♦ **STOBERRY GARDEN**

Stoberry Park, Wells, BA5 3LD. Frances & Tim Young, 01749 672906, stay@stoberry-park.co.uk, www.stoberryhouse.co.uk. ½m N of Wells. From Bristol - Wells on A39, L into College Rd & immed L through Stoberry Park, signed. **For NGS: Mon 22 Aug, Sun 4 Sept (12-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments. Discount/prepaid vouchers not valid on NGS charity days.** For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website.

With breathtaking views over Wells Cathedral, this 6 acre family garden planted sympathetically within its landscape provides stunning combinations of vistas accented with wildlife ponds, water features, 1½ acre walled garden, gazebo, and lime walk. Colour and interest every season; spring bulbs, irises, salvias, wildflower circles, new wildflower meadow walk and fernery. Interesting sculpture artistically integrated. Featured in the new book 'The Secret Gardens of Somerset'.

**GROUP OPENING****80** **STOGUMBER GARDENS**

Station Road, Stogumber, TA4 3TQ. 11m NW of Taunton. 3m W of A358. Signed to Stogumber, W of Crowcombe. Village maps given to all visitors. **Sun 3 July (2-6). Combined adm £7, chd free. Home-made teas.**

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Fran & Tom Vesey.

KNOLL COTTAGE

Elaine & John Leech, 01984 656689, john@leech45.com, www.knoll-cottage.co.uk. Visits also by arrangement June to Sept for groups of 8 to 30.

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Sara & Russ Coward.

5 delightful and very varied gardens in a picturesque village on the edge of the Quantocks. 3 surprisingly large gardens near village centre, plus 2 very large gardens on outskirts of village, with many rare and unusual plants. Conditions range from waterlogged clay to well-drained sand. Features inc courtyard, ponds, bog gardens, rockery, extensive mixed beds, vegetable and fruit gardens, and a collection of over 80 different roses. Fine views of surrounding countryside from all gardens. Wheelchair access to main features of all gardens.

**81** **STONELEIGH DOWN**

Upper Tockington Road, Tockington, Bristol, BS32 4LQ. Su & John Mills, 01454 615438, susanmills@gmail.com. 12m N of Bristol. On LH side of Upper Tockington Rd when travelling from Tockington towards Olveston. Set back from road up gravel drive. Parking in village. **Fri 10, Sun 12 June (1-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.** Visits also by arrangement Apr to Oct for groups of 16 to 30. Adm for groups inc refreshments & brief talk by the owner. Approaching ½ acre, the south facing garden has curved gravel pathways around an S-shaped lawn that connects themed areas: exotic border; summer walk; acers; oriental pond; winter garden; spring garden. On a level site, it has been densely planted with trees, shrubs, perennials and bulbs for year-round interest. Plenty of places to sit. Steps into courtyard. Featured in Gardeners' World Calendar 2021. Finalist in BBC Gardeners' World 'Gardens of the Year 2018', on BBC Gardeners' World & ITV's 'Love Your Garden' & in Gardeners' World mag Mar 2019 & Garden Answers 'Chelsea Special' 2020.



National Garden Scheme donations have funded four of our gardens in regional NHS spinal injury centres supporting nearly 8,500 patients and their visitors.

GROUP OPENING**82** **STOWEY GARDENS**

Stowey, Bishop Sutton, Bristol, BS39 5TL. 10m W of Bath. Stowey Village on A368 between Bishop Sutton & Chelwood. From Chelwood r'about take A368 to Westons-Mare. At Stowey Xrds turn R to car park, 150yds down lane, ample off road parking opp Dormers. Limited disabled parking at each garden which will be signed. **Sun 17 July (2-6). Combined adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas at Stowey Mead.** Refreshments in aid of Stowey Church.

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Mr & Mrs G Nicol.

♦ **MANOR FARM**

Richard Baines & Alison Fawcett, 01275 332297.

**STOWEY MEAD**

Mr Victor Pritchard.

A broad spectrum of interest and styles developing year on year. But there is far more than this in these gardens; the visitor's senses will be aroused by the sights, scents and diversity of these gardens in the tiny, ancient village of Stowey. Flower-packed beds, borders and pots, roses, topiary, hydrangeas, exotic garden, many unusual trees and shrubs, orchards, vegetables, ponds, specialist sweet peas, lawns, Stowey Henge, and ha-ha. An abundant collection of mature trees and shrubs. Ample seating areas, wonderful views from each garden. Not to be missed, something of interest for everyone, all within a few minutes walk of car park at Dormers. Plant sales at Dormers. Well behaved dogs on short leads welcome. Radio Bristol, Mendip Times. Wheelchair access restricted in places, many grassed areas in each garden.

**83** **SUTTON HOSEY MANOR**

Long Sutton, Langport, TA10 9NA. Roger Bramble, rbramble@bdbtd.co.uk. 2m E of Langport, on A372. Gates N of A372 at E end of Long Sutton. **Sun 24 July (2.30-6). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas.** Visits also by arrangement Aug & Sept for groups of 10 to 30. 3 acres, of which 2 are walled. Lily canal through pleached limes leading to amelanchier walk past duck pond; rose and juniper walk from Italian terrace; judas tree avenue; pteiea walk. Ornamental potager. Drive-side shrubbery. Music by players of Young Musicians Symphony Orchestra.

**84** **TORMARTON COURT**

Church Road, Tormarton, GL9 1HT. Noreen & Bruce Finnamore, home@thefinnamores.com. 3m E of Chipping Sodbury, off A46 at J18 M4. Follow signs to Tormarton from A46 then follow signs for car parking. **Visits by arrangement Mar to July for groups of 15 to 25. Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments on request.**

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85 ♦ **UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL BOTANIC GARDEN**
Stoke Park Road, Stoke Bishop, Bristol,
BS9 1JG. University of Bristol Botanic Garden,
0117 4282041, botanic-gardens@bristol.ac.uk,
botanic-garden.bristol.ac.uk/. Located in Stoke Bishop
¼ m W of Durdham Downs & 1m from city centre. After
crossing the Downs to Stoke Hill, Stoke Park Rd is 1st on
R. **For NGS: Sun 17 July (10-4.30), Adm £7, chd free.**
**Light refreshments. Provided by local deli. For other
opening times and information, please phone, email or
visit garden website. Donation to University of Bristol
Botanic Garden.**

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and unique sacred lotus collection. Regional Finalist, The
English Garden's The Nation's Favourite Gardens 2019.
Wheelchair available to borrow from Welcome Lodge on
request. Wheelchair friendly primary route through garden inc
glasshouses, accessible WCs.

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86 VELLACOTT

Lawford, Crowcombe, TA4 4AL. Kevin & Pat Chittenden,
01984 618249, patmchittenden@gmail.com. 9m NW of
Taunton. Off A358, signed Lawford. For directions please
phone. **Visits by arrangement May to Sept for groups of
5 to 12. Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments.**

Large informal garden on south facing slope with splendid
views of the Quantock and Brendon Hills. Profusely planted
with a wide selection of herbaceous perennials, shrubs and
trees. Places to sit to enjoy the surroundings.



87 NEW **VEXFORD COURT**

Higher Vexford, Lydeard St. Lawrence, Taunton,
TA4 3QF. Dr David Yates, 01984 656735,
yatesdavid135@gmail.com. The best approach is from
B3224 into Sheepstealing Lane. Take L after ¼ m &
continue to the bottom of the hill (0.9m). Turn L up Higher
Vexford Farm drive & Vexford Court entrance on the R.
Sat 16, Sun 17 July, Sat 20, Sun 21 Aug (10.30-4.30).

**Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by
arrangement June to Aug for groups of up to 6. Car
parking at the house for 6 cars. Hard standing at
stables entrance.**

This large garden surrounds 3 converted barns. 1½ acres
of grounds slopes gently downhill to a small stream. Roses
around the courtyard entrance lead to herbaceous beds and
beyond to trees and shrubs. Amongst the interesting trees
a large *Liriodendron Tulipa* tree blooms in early summer and
there are azaleas, camellias, catalpa, ginko, Wollemi Pine and
Persian Ironwood trees.



88 ♦ **THE WALLED GARDENS OF CANNINGTON**

Church Street, Cannington, TA5 2HA. Bridgwater
College, 01278 655042, walledgardens@btc.ac.uk,
www.canningtonwalledgardens.co.uk. Part of
Bridgwater & Taunton College Cannington Campus, 3m
NW of Bridgwater. On A39 Bridgwater-Minehead rd - at

1st r/about in Cannington 2nd exit, through village. War
memorial, 1st L into Church St then 1st L. **For NGS: Sat
23, Sun 24 Apr, Sat 17, Sun 18 Sept (10-4). Adm £6,
chd free. Light refreshments. For other opening times
and information, please phone, email or visit garden
website.** Within the grounds of a medieval priory, the Walled
Gardens of Cannington are a gem waiting to be discovered!
Classic and contemporary features inc hot herbaceous
border, blue garden, sub-tropical walk and Victorian style
fernyery, amongst others. Botanical glasshouse where arid,
sub-tropical and tropical plants can be seen. Tea room, plant
nursery, gift shop, also events throughout the year. Gravel
paths. Motorised scooter can be borrowed free of charge
(only one available).

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89 WATCOMBE

92 Church Road, Winscombe, BS25 1BP. Peter & Ann
Owen, 01934 842666, peterowen449@btinternet.com.
12m SW of Bristol, 3m N of Axbridge. 100 yds after
yellow signs on A38 turn L, (from S), or R. (from N) into
Winscombe Hill. After 1m reach The Square. Watcombe
on L after 150yds. **Sun 24 Apr, Sun 15 May, Thur 9 June
(2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Gluten-free
available. Visits also by arrangement Apr to July.**

¾ acre mature Edwardian garden with colour-themed,
informally planted herbaceous borders. Strong framework
separating several different areas; pergola with varied
wisteria, unusual topiary, box hedging, lime walk, pleached
hornbeams, cordon fruit trees, 2 small formal ponds and
growing collection of clematis. Many unusual trees and
shrubs. Small vegetable plot. Some steps but most areas
accessible by wheelchair with minimal assistance.

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90 WAYFORD MANOR

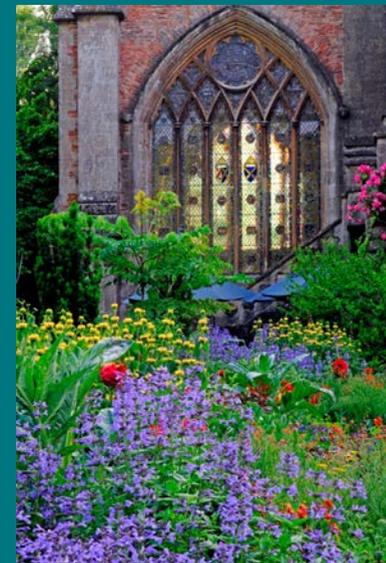
Wayford, Crewkerne, TA18 8QG. 3m SW of Crewkerne.
Turn N off B3165 at Clapton, signed Wayford or S off A30
Chard to Crewkerne rd, signed Wayford. **Sun 15 May (2-
5). Adm £6, chd £3. Home-made teas.** Refreshments in
aid of local church, village hall and horticultural society.
The mainly Elizabethan manor (not open) mentioned in C17
for its 'fair and pleasant' garden was redesigned by Harold
Peto in 1902. Formal terraces with yew hedges and topiary
have fine views over W Dorset. Steps down between spring-
fed ponds past mature and new plantings of magnolia,
rhododendron, maples, cornus and, in season, spring bulbs,
cyclamen and giant echium. Primula candelabra, arum lily
and gunnera around lower ponds.

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91 WEIR COTTAGE

Weir Cottage, Weir Lane, Marshfield, SN14 8NB. Ian &
Margaret Jones. Opp Weir Farm. 7m NE of Bath. Look for
yellow sign on A420 between Cold Ashton & Chippenham.
Weir Lane is at the E end of the High St. **Sat 2, Sun 3
Apr (11-3). Adm £3.50, chd free. Home-made teas
in cottage.** Refreshments in aid of Marshfield Primary
School. South facing garden of ¼ acre. High stone walls
to the north protect against Marshfield weather. Limestone
soil. Early spring flowers. Sat 2nd April guided walk led by
Cotswold Wardens. Boots advised. Sun 3rd April guided
history walk in the village. Both walks meet 10am in Market
Place. Dogs on leads welcome.

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92 NEW WELL COTTAGE

Little Badminton, Tetbury, GL9 1AB. Miranda Beaufort, 01454 218729. Signs from both ends of Little Badminton. Ignore no entry signs. Parking in Badminton Park. Visits by arrangement June & July for groups of 10 to 20. Adm £7, chd free. Home-made teas on request.

The garden is on 4 levels. The bottom garden was planted 6 yrs ago, helped by the owner's husband, the late Duke of Beaufort. It is mostly planted with David Austin roses, which feature in their catalogue. Also many clematis, which come alive after the first flush of roses have finished. Over the road are wild flowers, picking borders and greenhouses. Wheelchair access on bottom 2 levels and over the road.

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93 WELLFIELD BARN

Walcombe Lane, Wells, BA5 3AG. Virginia Nasmyth, 01749 675129. 1/2 m N of Wells. From A39 Bristol to Wells rd turn R at 30 mph sign into the narrow Walcombe Lane. Entrance at 1st cottage on R, parking signed. Visits by arrangement June & July for groups of 10 to 30. Payment preferred 2 weeks prior to visit. Adm £5.50, chd free. Refreshments available on request.

A well planned garden created by the owners to provide colour and form around their home for year-round enjoyment. 25 yrs ago this once bustling concrete farmyard began to grow into a tranquil 1/2 acre garden which is, today, still evolving. Structured design integrates house, lawn and garden with the landscape. Wonderful views, ha-ha, mixed borders, hydrangea bed, hardy geraniums and roses. Formal sunken garden, grass walks with interesting young and semi-mature trees. Now tranquillity, a haven for wildlife, sheep as neighbours, perfect peace. Our collection of hardy geraniums was featured on BBC Gardeners' World with Carol Klein. Regional and local press. Moderate slopes in places, some gravel paths.

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94 WESTBROOK HOUSE

West Bradley, BA6 8LS. Keith Anderson & David Mendel. 4m E of Glastonbury; 8m W of Castle Cary. From A361 at W Pennard follow signs to W Bradley (2m). From A37 at Wraxall Hill follow signs to W Bradley (2m). Sat 16 Apr, Sat 27 Aug (11-5). Adm £5, chd free. Donation to West Bradley Church. 4 acres comprising 3 distinct gardens around house with mixed herbaceous and shrub borders leading to meadow and orchard with spring bulbs, species roses and lilacs. Planting and layout began 2004 and continues to the present.

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WORTLEY HOUSE

Wortley, Wotton-Under-Edge, GL12 7QP.
See Gloucestershire

95 ♦ THE YEO VALLEY ORGANIC GARDEN AT HOLT FARM

Bath Road, Blagdon, BS40 7SQ. Mr & Mrs Tim Mead, 01761 258155, visit@yeovalleyfarms.co.uk, www.yeovalley.co.uk. 12m S of Bristol. Off A368. Entrance approx 1/2 m outside Blagdon towards Bath, on L, then follow garden signs past dairy. For NGS: Sun 24 Apr (10-5). Adm £6, chd £2. Light refreshments. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website. One of only a handful of ornamental gardens that is Soil Association accredited, 6 1/2

acres of contemporary planting, quirky sculptures, bulbs in their thousands, purple palace, glorious meadow and posh vegetable patch. Great views, green ideas. Events, workshops and exhibitions held throughout the year - see website for further details. Winner of People's Choice Award Chelsea 2021.

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96 NEW THE YEWS

Harry Stoke Road, Stoke Gifford, Bristol, BS34 8QH. Dr Barbara Laue & Dr Chris Payne. From A38/Filton, take A4174 ring road to M32. L turn at Sainsbury R'about. Straight across next R'about. After 200 yds, sharp R turn into Harrystoke Rd. Parking in paddock. Sat 21, Sun 22 May (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

Approx 1 acre, developed by present owners since 1987. Part of the old hamlet of Harrystoke, now surrounded by housing development. Formal area with pond, gazebo, herbaceous borders, clipped box and yew. 300 yr old yews, wedding cake tree, magnolias, eucalyptus, Indian bean tree, ginkgoes and more. Vegetable garden, greenhouse, orchard and meadow. Spring bulbs and blossom.

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97 YEWS FARM

East Street, Martock, TA12 6NF. Louise & Fergus Dowding, 01935 822202, fergus.dowding@btinternet.com, instagram.dowdinglouise. Turn off main road through village at Market House, onto East St, past White Hart & PO on R, Yews Farm 150 yds on R, opp Foldhill Lane. Turn around if you get to Nag's Head. Sun 3 July, Sun 11 Sept (1-5). Adm £8, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement May to Sept for groups of 20 to 50.

Theatrical planting in large south facing walled garden. Sculptural planting for height, shape, leaf and texture. Box topiary. High maintenance pots. Self seeding hugely encouraged. Prolific cracked concrete garden in farmyard with hens and pigs. Working organic kitchen garden. Greenhouses bursting with summer vegetables. Organic orchard and active cider barn - taste the difference! Hens and pigs are complete waste processors. Large eco bonfire with hedgehogs. Self seeded flower garden around polytunnel in yard. Orchard planted with heritage apple varieties with cattle grazing. Cider barn viewable and tasting on request. Gardens Illustrated, September 2021. Mostly wheelchair accessible, ring for details.

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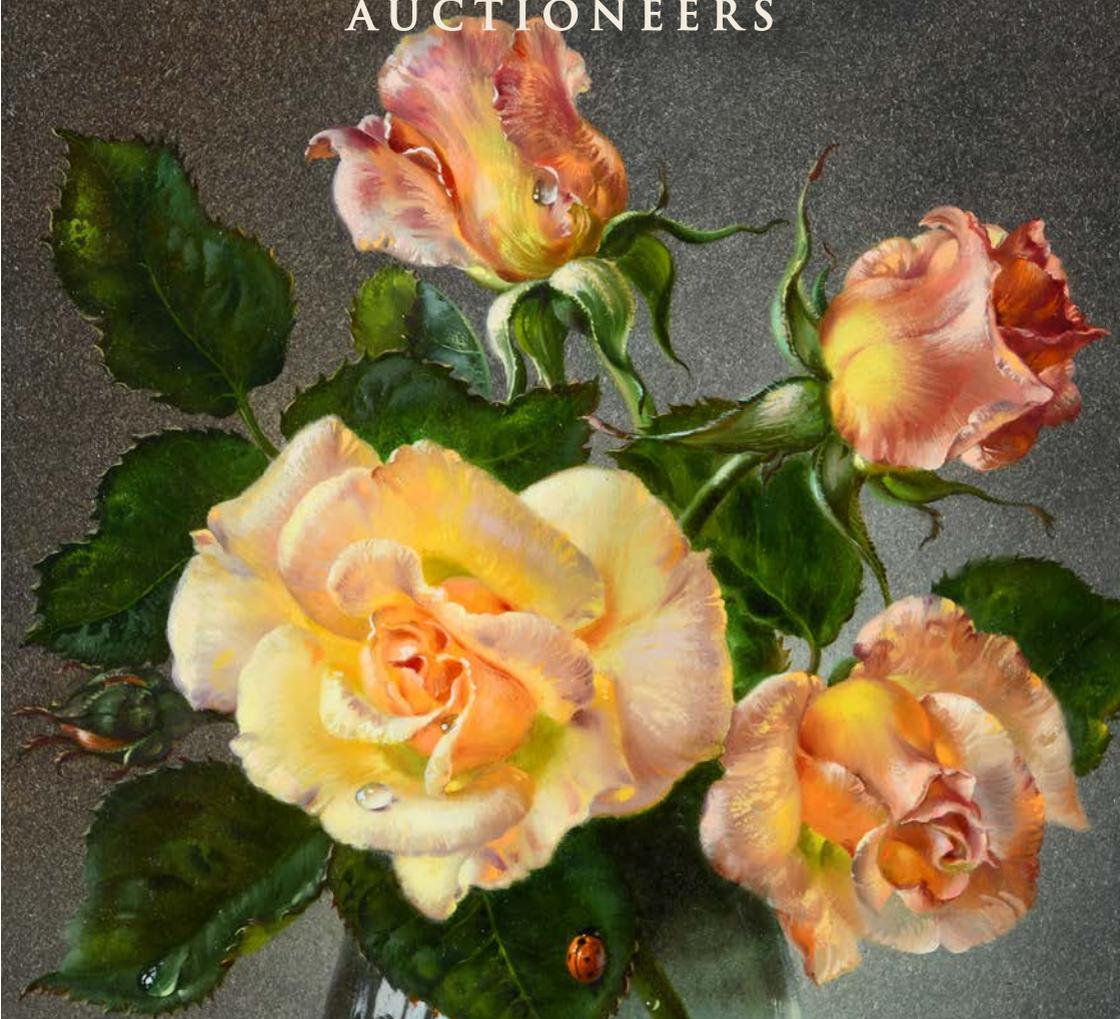
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