The Great British Garden Party:
14th -20th September

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Can people who do not usually open their garden for the National Garden Scheme take part?

Absolutely. We are encouraging as many people as possible to join The Great British Garden Party by holding their own event in support of our nurses. Whether your open space is an allotment, tiny terrace or large garden, it is an opportunity to celebrate the space that has been important to you during lockdown and an opportunity to raise money for vital nursing charities.

2. How many people can I invite to my garden party?

With government guidance about the pandemic changing from week to week, it is difficult to keep up to speed with what you can and can't do as well as how to stay safe if you are planning to host a Great British Garden Party. It's important that you follow the guidelines that are in place at the time of your planned event. Some useful links include:

- [UK Government's coronavirus website](#)
- [What you can and cannot do](#)
- [Social distancing guidelines](#)

3. How do I host a socially distanced garden party?

If your space is small you can invite people at different time slots throughout the day so they can all enjoy the garden and maintain social distancing. And you get more time to speak to everyone!

If people have to walk through your house to get to the garden, then you might consider holding it in your front garden. You could even hold a plant and produce sale whilst enjoying a cup of tea and cake.

The idea is many small-scale events across the country to celebrate your gardens and collectively raise funds for vital nursing charities.

4. How will I raise funds through my garden party?

You can ask guests to make a donation for their refreshments, perhaps hold a cake, plant or produce sale, ask local businesses to donate a prize for a raffle or host some garden themed games. We will be sharing a fundraising pack with you, full of ideas and suggestions on 10th August.