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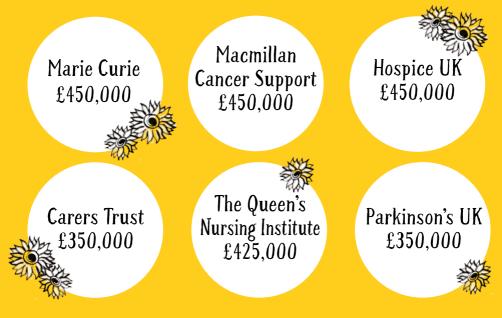


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INTRODUCTION from Penny Snell



Penny Snell, County Organiser for London, NGS Vice-President. Image by Nicola Stocken.



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At the start of another garden visiting year it gives me great pleasure to be able to tell you that the London gardens raised £179,216 in 2023 thanks to all your visits to the gardens opening for the National Garden Scheme and the charities we support.

In these pages you will find a garden to suit every taste. There are 204 gardens opening this year, some familiar, some returning after a year off and 25 new gardens. You will find exquisite tiny gardens, large traditional gardens, allotments, tropical gardens and even a roof garden. Last year marked the 50th year that Lambeth Palace garden was open for us – and open again this year, the 51st year!

As always my warmest thanks go to our generous owners who welcome visitors to their gardens. Many of them sell plants for you to buy, take home and be reminded of the garden they came from. A visit wouldn't be the same without the opportunity to enjoy the teas which so many owners offer. But none of this would be possible without the tireless support of the London team of volunteers and of course our wonderful staff in the office.

Savills, the most loyal of sponsors, continue their sponsorship this year for which we are hugely grateful. We are also indebted to the professional garden photographers including Marianne Majerus, Matthew Bruce and Nicola Stocken who allow us to use their beautiful garden images.

This year the National Garden Scheme will have a garden at the Chelsea Flower Show generously sponsored and fully funded by Project Giving Back and designed by Tom Stuart-Smith. This is definitely something to look forward to, whether you are lucky enough to Visit the show or follow the coverage on the television. The publicity generated by the Chelsea garden will help increase awareness of the huge sums of money which, with your help, the National Garden Scheme is able to give to nursing and healthcare charities. In 2023 the figure was over £3,400,000!

I wish you all well and hope you enjoy your visits in the knowledge that you are supporting such deserving causes.

Jenny Shell

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

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.

- H Dogs on short leads welcome.
- * Plants usually for sale.
- NPC Plant Heritage National Collection Holder.
- 📇 Gardens that offer accommodation.
- PRefreshments are available.
- A Picnics welcome.
-)) Cashless payments available.

D 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.

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

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Inner London postcodes

E and EC London

Spitalfields Gardens, E1 69 Antill Road, E3 26 College Gardens, E4 Lower Clapton Gardens, E5 43 Roding Road, E5 84 Lavender Grove, F8 London Fields Gardens, E8 17 Greenstone Mews, E11 37 Harold Road, E11 Aldersbrook Gardens, E12 84 Higham Street. E17 28a Worcester Road, E17 83 Cowslip Road, E18 68 Derby Road, E18 The Inner and Middle Temple Gardens, EC4

N and NW London

Arlington Square Gardens, N1 Barnsbury Group, N1 De Beauvoir Gardens, N1 58 Halliford Street, N1 57 Huntingdon Street, N1 King Henry's Walk Garden, N1 7 St Paul's Place, N1 19 St Peter's Street, N1 6 Thornhill Road, N1 66 Abbots Gardens, N2 7 Deansway, N2 12 Lauradale Road, N2 24 Twyford Avenue, N2 4 Atterbury Road, N4 5 Blackthorn Av. Apartment 5. N7 10 Furlong Road, N7 11 Park Avenue North, N8 77 Muswell Road, Flat 1, N10 Princes Avenue Gardens. N10 5 St Regis Close, N10 25 Springfield Avenue, N10 94 Brownlow Road, N11

Golf Course Allotments, N11 11 Shortgate, N12 70 Farleigh Road, N16 15 Norcott Road, N16 21 Gospatrick Road, N17 36 Ashley Road, N19 21 Oakleigh Park South, N20 20 Hillcrest, N21 Ally Pally Allotments, N22 Railway Cottages, N22 2 Camden Mews, NW1 Garden of Medicinal Plants, Roval College of Physicians, NW1 36 Park Village East, NW1 28a St Augustine's Road, NW1 93 Tanfield Avenue, NW2 Marie Curie Hospice. Hampstead, NW3 1A Primrose Gardens, NW3 The Mysteries of Light Rosary Garden, NW5 Torriano Community Garden, NW5 Highwood Ash, NW7 48 Erskine Hill, NW11 92 Hampstead Way, NW11 5 Hill Close, NW11

SE and SW London

Garden Barge Square at Tower Bridge Moorings, SF1 The Garden Museum, SE1 Lambeth Palace, SE1 36 Alma Grove, SE1 72 Ewhurst Road, SE4 24 Grove Park, SE5 30 Urlwin Street, SE5 41 Southbrook Road, SE12 13 Waite Davies Road, SE12 15 Waite Davies Road, SE12 Choumert Square, SE15 Holly Grove Gardens, SE15 Court Lane Group, SE21 103 & 105 Dulwich Village. SE21

38 Lovelace Road, SE21 174 Peckham Rye, SE22 86 Underhill Road, SE22 Forest Hill Garden Group, SE23

29 Lowther Hill, SE23 39 Wood Vale, SE23 75 Bampton Road, SE23 5 Burbage Road, SE24 South London Botanical Institute, SE24 27 Thorpewood Avenue. SE26 Cadogan Place South Garden, SW1 Eccleston Square, SW1 Spencer House, SW1 31 Trelawn Road, SW2 51 The Chase, SW4 Royal Trinity Hospice, SW4 152a Victoria Rise, SW4 The Hurlingham Club, SW6 1 Fife Road, SW14 40 Chartfield Avenue, SW15 39 Hazlewell Road, SW15 Roehampton Garden Society Allotments, SW15 31 Ryecroft Road, SW16 61 Arthur Road, SW19 97 Arthur Road, SW19 Paddock Allotments & Leisure Gardens, SW20

W and WC London

Rooftopvegplot, W1 Warren Mews, W1 34 Buxton Gardens, W3 41 Mill Hill Road, W3 Zen Garden at Japanese Buddhist Centre, W3 Chiswick Mall Gardens, W4 The Orchard, W4 Maggie's West London, W6 27 St Peters Square, W6 Temple Lodge Club, W6 1 York Close, W7 Edwardes Square, W8 57 St Quintin Avenue, W10 Arundel & Elgin Gardens, W11 Arundel & Ladbroke Gardens, W11 4 Wharton Street, WC1X

Outer London postcodes

37 Crescent Road, BR3 MHA The Wilderness CR9 Oak Farm/Homestead, EN2 West Lodge Park, EN4 190 Barnet Road, EN5 9 Trafalgar Terrace, HA1 42 Risingholme Road, HA3 4 Manningtree Road, HA4 Horatio's Garden, HA7 53 Lady Aylesford Avenue, HA7 26 Hillcroft Crescent, HA9 42 Keynsham Avenue, IG8 7 Woodbines Avenue, KT1 The Watergardens, KT2 15 Catherine Road, KT6 Hampton Court Palace, KT8 5 Pemberton Road, KT8 61 Wolsey Road, KT8 40 Ember Lane, KT10 9 Imber Park Road, KT10 Maggie's, SM2 100 Colne Road, TW2 116 Whitton Road, TW3 Sussex Cottage, TW3 Kew Green Gardens, TW9 Marksbury Avenue Gardens, TW9 Ormeley Lodge, TW10 Petersham House, TW10 16 Links View Road, TW12 106 Station Road, TW12 9 Warwick Close TW12 70 Wensleydale Road, TW12 4 Hanworth Road, TW13 Dragon's Dream, UB8 Church Gardens, UB9

To-date, National Garden Scheme funding has supported the creation of five Horatio's Gardens, which support thousands of patients and their families at spinal injury units across the country. Each garden hosts a range of activities including horticultural therapy and art sessions designed to improve patients' physical, social and psychological wellbeing and to contribute to their rehabilitation." -Horatio's Garden

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Summer

2 June, 12pm–5pm 9 June, 11am–4pm 16 June, 10am–3pm 23 June, 11am–4pm 6 July, 11am–4pm 18 Aug, 11am–4pm Sussex Prairie Garden, Henfield, W. Sussex BN5 9AT Benington Lordship Gardens, Stevenage, Herts. SG2 7BS Leonardslee Lakes & Gardens, Horsham, W. Sussex RH13 6PP Herstmonceux Castle, Hailsham, E. Sussex BN27 1RN Horniman Museum & Gardens, Forest Hill, London SE23 3PQ Hole Park, Rolvenden, Kent TN17 4JA

Late Summer

1 Sept, 12pm–5pm 15 Sept, 10am–3pm 22 Sept, 11am–4pm Sussex Prairie Garden, Henfield, W. Sussex BN5 9AT Borde Hill Gardens, Haywards Heath, W. Sussex RH16 1XP Mount Ephraim Gardens, Faversham, Kent ME13 9TX

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March

Sunday 17th Royal Trinity Hospice, SW4

April

Sunday 14th Edwardes Square, W8 39 Wood Vale, SE23

Wednesday 17th 39 Wood Vale, SE23

Sunday 21st 84 Lavender Grove, E8 Petersham House, TW10

Thursday 25th

 Hampton Court Palace, KT8

Saturday 27th Maggie's West London, W6

Sunday 28th

Arundel & Ladbroke Gardens, W11 51 The Chase, SW4 37 Crescent Road, BR3 Royal Trinity Hospice, SW4 5 St Regis Close, N10 South London Botanical Institute, SE24 152a Victoria Rise, SW4 The Watergardens, KT2

Tuesday 30th 51 The Chase, SW4

May

Sunday 5th 7 Deansway, N2 42 Risingholme Road, HA3

Monday 6th King Henry's Walk Garden, N1

Saturday 11th Maggie's, SM2 Sunday 12th

Eccleston Square, SW1 Highwood Ash, NW7 Horatio's Garden, HA7 27 St Peters Square, W6

Thursday 16th 57 Huntingdon Street, N1

Saturday 18th The Hurlingham Club, SW6

Sunday 19th

66 Abbots Gardens, N2 Arundel & Elgin Gardens, W/11 190 Barnet Road, EN5 Forest Hill Garden Group, SE23 10 Furlong Road, N7 Garden Barge Square at Tower Bridge Moorings, SE1 92 Hampstead Way, NW11 4 Hanworth Road, TW13 5 Hill Close, NW11 Kew Green Gardens, TW9 MHA The Wilderness. CR9 15 Norcott Road, N16 Princes Avenue Gardens. N10 Royal Trinity Hospice, SW/4 West Lodge Park, EN4 Monday 20th Lambeth Palace, SE1 Friday 24th NEW 36 Alma Grove, SE1 Saturday 25th Cadogan Place South Garden, SW1 16 Links View Road. TW12

7 St Paul's Place, N1 70 Wensleydale Road, TW12

Sunday 26th 36 Alma Grove, SE1 36 Ashley Road, N19 55 Bampton Road, SE23 Holly Grove Gardens, SE15
 Kew Green Gardens, TW9
 16 Links View Road, TW12
 31 Ryecroft Road,

SW16 70 Wensleydale Road, TW12

Monday 27th 36 Ashley Road, N19

Friday 31st Chiswick Mall Gardens, W4

June

Saturday 1st 41 Southbrook Road, SE12

Sunday 2nd Barnsbury Group, N1 15 Catherine Road, KT6 40 Chartfield Avenue. SW15 Chiswick Mall Gardens. W4 Choumert Square, SE15 De Beauvoir Gardens, N1 68 Derby Road, E18 NEW 72 Ewhurst Road, SE4 39 Hazlewell Road, SW15 29 Lowther Hill, SE23 174 Peckham Rye, SE22 1A Primrose Gardens. NW3 19 St Peter's Street, N1 41 Southbrook Road, SE12 NEW Sussex Cottage, TW3 13 Waite Davies Road, **SE12** 15 Waite Davies Road. SE12 116 Whitton Road, TW3 61 Wolsey Road, KT8 7 Woodbines Avenue, KT1

Wednesday 5th 5 Burbage Road, SE24

Thursday 6th

The Inner and Middle Temple Gardens, EC4

Saturday 8th

Spitalfields Gardens, E1 Zen Garden at Japanese Buddhist Centre, W3

Sunday 9th

NEW 2 Camden Mews. NW1 26 College Gardens, E4 Dragon's Dream, UB8 103 & 105 Dulwich Village, SE21 40 Ember Lane, KT10 20 Hillcrest, N21 9 Imber Park Road, KT10 42 Keynsham Avenue, IG8 London Fields Gardens, F8 Marie Curie Hospice, Hampstead, NW3 Marksbury Avenue Gardens, TW9 36 Park Village East, NW1 25 Springfield Avenue, N10 31 Trelawn Road, SW2 Zen Garden at Japanese Buddhist Centre, W3 Saturdav 15th

6 Thornhill Road. N1

Sunday 16th

97 Arthur Road, SW19 58 Halliford Street, N1 51 The Chase, SW4 37 Harold Road, E11 Lower Clapton Gardens, E5 21 Oakleigh Park South, N20 Ormeley Lodge, TW10 43 Roding Road, E5 Torriano Community Garden, NW5

Saturday 22nd

Paddock Allotments & Leisure Gardens, SW20 Warren Mews, W1

Sunday 23rd

Ally Pally Allotments, N22 Arlington Square Gardens, N1 1 Fife Road, SW14

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Saturday 29th The Mysteries of Light Rosary Garden, NW5

Sunday 30th

61 Arthur Road, SW19 Court Lane Group, SE21 70 Farleigh Road, N16 5 Pemberton Road, KT8 5 St Regis Close, N10 11 Shortgate, N12 27 Thorpewood Avenue, SE26

July

Saturday 6th

26 Hillcroft Crescent, HA9 Rooftopvegplot, W1

Sunday 7th

Aldersbrook Gardens, E12 69 Antill Road, E3 100 Colne Road, TW2 83 Cowslip Road, E18 26 Hillcroft Crescent, HA9 77 Muswell Road, Flat 1, N10 Railway Cottages, N22 Rooftopvegplot, W1 57 St Quintin Avenue, W10

Monday 15th

Garden of Medicinal Plants, Royal College of Physicians, NW1

Thursday 18th

 Hampton Court Palace, KT8

Saturday 20th 4 Atterbury Road, N4

106 Station Road, TW12 Sunday 21st

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 11 Park Avenue North, N8
 Roehampton Garden Society Allotments, SW15 57 St Quintin Avenue, W10 106 Station Road, TW12 93 Tanfield Avenue, NW2

24 Twyford Avenue, N2 Saturday 27th

34 Buxton Gardens, W3 53 Lady Aylesford Avenue, HA7

Sunday 28th

5 Blackthorn Av, Apartment 5, N7 34 Buxton Gardens, W3 30 Urlwin Street, SE5

August

Sunday 4th 94 Brownlow Road, N11 5 St Regis Close, N10

Saturday 10th 9 Warwick Close, TW12

Friday 16th 86 Underhill Road, SE22

Saturday 17th 1 York Close, W7

Sunday 18th 51 The Chase, SW4 84 Higham Street, E17 4 Manningtree Road, HA4 86 Underhill Road, SE22 28a Worcester Road, E17 1 York Close, W7

September

Sunday 1st Golf Course Allotments, N11 24 Grove Park, SE5 41 Mill Hill Road, W3 42 Risingholme Road, HA3

Friday 6th The Orchard, W4

Saturday 7th 9 Trafalgar Terrace, HA1

Sunday 8th ♦ Church Gardens, UB9 12 Lauradale Road, N2 Oak Farm/Homestead, EN2

Tuesday 10th

 The Garden Museum, SE1

Saturday 14th Temple Lodge Club, W6

Sunday 15th Horatio's Garden, HA7 Royal Trinity Hospice, SW4

Saturday 21st 1A Primrose Gardens, NW3

October

Sunday 20th The Watergardens, KT2 West Lodge Park, EN4

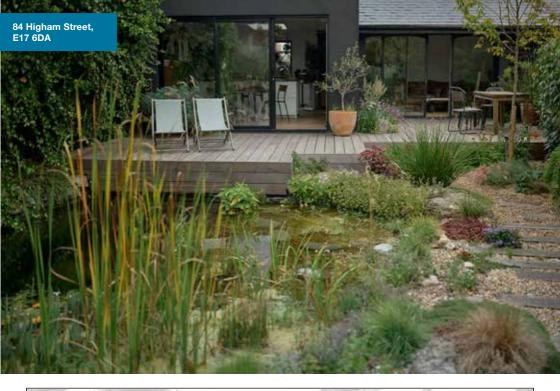
By Arrangement

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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"In 2023, the National Garden Scheme donated £80,000 to the Army Benevolent Fund. Their continued support and commitment allow us to help soldiers, veterans, and their immediate families, through horticulture and gardening, and the flexibility of the funding helps us to deliver support where it is most needed. In 2023 we supported 608 individuals through horticultural related grants and front-line services." -Army Benevolent Fund



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garden_at_66.8 min walk from rear exit of East Finchley Tube (Northern Line), take Causeway to East End Rd, 2nd L into Abbots Gardens. Buses: 143 stops at Abbotts Gardens, 102, 263 & 234 all go to High Rd. Sun

19 May (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

Combination of grass and glass with a calm dramatic atmosphere. Mosaics surround a water feature, home to fish. Fused glass amphorae, feathers and leaves catch the eye amongst grasses, ornamental shrubs and perennials. Rose bedecked archway leads to quiet space with vegetable plot, silver birches and slate pebble fountain. Stephen studied garden design at Capel Manor College; Ruth is a stained glass artist. Also, take a look at the lovely front garden at No. 8 created by Stephen.

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Our donation to Marie Curie this year equates to 17,496 hours of nursing care.

GROUP OPENING

ALDERSBROOK GARDENS, E12 Wanstead, E12 5ES. Empress Ave is a turning off Aldersbrook Rd. Bus 101 from Manor Park or Wanstead Stns. From Manor Park Stn take the 3rd R off Aldersbrook Rd. From Wanstead, drive past St Gabriel's Church, take 6th turning on L. Sun 7 July (12-5). Combined adm £10, chd free.

Home-made teas at 1 Clavering Road & 4 Empress Avenue.

19 BELGRAVE ROAD Gill Usher.

1 CLAVERING ROAD Theresa Harrison.

39 DOVER ROAD Brenda Keer.

4 EMPRESS AVENUE Ruth Martin.

Four different gardens situated on the Aldersbrook Estate between Wanstead Park and Wanstead Flats. 1 Clavering Road is an end of terrace garden where incremental space to the side has been adapted to create a kitchen garden and chicken coop, excess produce is eagerly received by five resident hens. Borders and beds contain a variety of planting. At 4 Empress Avenue a largish garden is divided in two with a cutting bed, soft fruit and wildlife areas inc pond and two mixed borders: one with hot colours and one with white planting. The diverse garden at 19 Belgrave Road is eclectic and busting at the seams with trees and plants. Gill is a ceramicist who uses the plants in her work in her garden studio. Surviving, Edwardian design garden at 39 Dover Road, a new addition to the group this yr.



ALLY PALLY ALLOTMENTS, N22 Alexandra Palace Way, N22 7BB.

Peter Campbell. Entry gate in wooden fence. nr the footpath to Springfield Ave & Garden Centre. look for arrows. Bus W3 to Alexandra Palace Garden Centre stop, Car parking nearby in Dukes Ave, N10. Blue badge holder parking in The Grove. No parking on site. Sun 23 June (1-4.30). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Refreshments in aid of Ally Pally Allotments. Situated on a south facing hillside alongside Alexandra Park, this 140 plot allotment site has the feel of an urban village with spectacular views towards central London and, on a clear day, the North Downs, Its diverse community of gardeners grow fruit, vegetables and flowers with an emphasis on promoting biodiversity. Clearly marked trails will enable you to explore the site and meet plotholders. Plants, produce and used tools on sale. Cash preferred on the day, card reader available for teas and produce.



36 ALMA GROVE, SE1 Bermondsey, SE1 5PY. Alice Jeffries, www.instagram.com/ housewithabluedoor. Between Old Jamaica & Old Kent Rd. Nr Bermondsey Tube (10 min walk). Train: South Bermondsey (15 mins) & London Bridge (20 mins). Buses: 1 (2 mins) & 78 (5 mins). Evening opening Fri 24 May (5.30-7.30).

Adm £6. Wine. Sun 26 May (2-5). Adm £4.50, chd free. Home-made

teas. A secluded cottage garden right in the heart of London mixing edibles, pollinator friendly planting, annuals and perennials in flower and raised beds. Space saving options for composting, a pond, potting shed and greenhouse, and multiple water containers allowing this small garden (10 x 10 metres) to do much more than its size suggests. Espresso-based coffee, tea, homemade refreshments inc gluten free and vegan options.

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A tropically inspired garden with a range of trees and shrubs. The garden is divided into rooms which show off the elegance of hydrangeas and roses and the lushness of palms, yews and acers. There are several water features and an elegant gazebo. A tranquil place in which to relax with friends and family.



GROUP OPENING

ARLINGTON SQUARE GARDENS, N1

N1 7DP. South Islington. Off New North Rd via Arlington Ave or Linton St. Buses: 21, 76, 141. 15 min walk from Angel Tube. LTNs operate in this area. Sun 23 June (2-5.30). Combined adm £10, chd free. Home-made teas in Arlington Square.

Helen Nowicka.

15 ARLINGTON AVENUE Armin Eiber & Richard Armit.

26 ARLINGTON AVENUE Thomas Blaikie, www.instagram. com/thomas blaikie.

21 ARLINGTON SQUARE Alison Rice.

25 ARLINGTON SQUARE Michael Foley.

30 ARLINGTON SQUARE James & Maria Hewson.

5 REES STREET Gordon McArthur & Paul Thompson-McArthur.

Seven early Victorian terraced houses with similar sized small gardens and conditions but with very different garden styles. From a garden designer's exotic contemporary space to an organic wildlife haven, there should be something for all gardeners, whether green-fingered or complete beginners: exotic and unusual plants, gorgeous flowers, lawn paths, hard landscaping, composting, rewilding, thrifty up-cycling, fruit, vegetables, herbs, beehives and a wildlife pond. These gardens reflect the diverse tastes and interests of friends who got to know each other through community gardening, helping transform and maintain Arlington Square from a drab and rundown space to an awardwinning beautiful and plant-rich public garden which, like the seven private gardens, offers a calm oasis just minutes from the bustle of the City of London.

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61 ARTHUR ROAD, SW19 Wimbledon, SW19 7DN. Daniela McBride. 5 mins from St Mary's Church. Tube: Wimbledon Park, then 8 min walk. Train: Wimbledon, 18 min walk. Sun 30 June (2-6). Adm £5,

walk. Sun 30 June (2-6). Adm chd free. Home-made teas.

This steeply, sloping garden comprises woodland walks filled with flowering shrubs and ferns. Azaleas, rhododendrons and acers bring early season colour. In early summer the focus is the many roses grown around the garden, alongside colourful perennials and a productive herb garden. Partial wheelchair access to top lawn and terrace only, steep slopes elsewhere.

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97 ARTHUR ROAD, SW19

Wimbledon, SW19 7DP. Tony & Bella Covill. Wimbledon Park Tube Stn, then 200yds uphill on R. Sun 16 June (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments.

1/2 acre garden of an Edwardian house (not open). Garden established over 25 yrs with a large variety of mature plants and shrubs, and sloping lawns become a wildflower meadow. Ponds and fountains encourage an abundance of wildlife and a bird haven, and our gravel garden is planted to attract butterflies. A peaceful place with much colour, foliage and texture. Partial wheelchair access.



ARUNDEL & ELGIN GARDENS, W11

Kensington Park Road, Notting Hill, W11 2JD. Residents of Arundel Gardens & Elgin Crescent, www. instagram.com/arundelelgin.

Entrance opp 174 Kensington Park Rd. Nearest tube within walking distance: Ladbroke Grove (5 mins) or Notting Hill (10 mins). Buses: 52, 452, 23, 228 all stop opp garden

entrance. Sun 19 May (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Refreshments in aid of Shooting Star Children's Hospices.

On interior an oppiced. A friendly and informal garden square. One of the best preserved gardens of the Ladbroke Estate with mature and rare trees, plants and shrubs laid out according to the original Victorian design of 1862. The larger garden inc a topiary hedge, a rare mulberry tree, a pergola and benches from which vistas can be enjoyed. The central hedged garden is an oasis of tranquillity with extensive and colourful herbaceous borders. All looked after by Gardener, Paul Walsh. Play areas for young children.



ARUNDEL & LADBROKE GARDENS, W11

Kensington Park Road, Notting Hill, W11 2PT. Arundel & Ladbroke Gardens Committee, www. arundelladbrokegardens.co.uk.

Entrance on Kensington Park Rd, between Ladbroke & Arundel Gardens. Tube: Notting Hill Gate or Ladbroke Grove. Buses: 23, 52, 228, 452. Alight at stop for Portobello Market/Arundel Gardens. Sun 28 Apr (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Homemade teas.

This private communal garden is one of the few that retains its attractive mid-Victorian design of lawns and winding paths. A woodland garden at its peak in spring with rhododendrons, flowering dogwoods, early roses, bulbs, ferns and rare exotics. Live music on the lawn during tea. Playground for small children. Wheelchair access with a few steps and gravel paths to negotiate.

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The National Garden Scheme donated £3,403,960 to our nursing and health beneficiaries from money raised at gardens open in 2023.





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36 ASHLEY ROAD, N19 Crouch Hill, N19 3AF. Alan Swann & Ahmed Farooqui, swann.alan@googlemail.com, www.

instagram.com/space36garden. Between Stroud Green & Crouch End. Tube: Archway or Finsbury Park. Train: Crouch Hill. Buses: 210 or 41 from Archway to Hornsey Rise. W7 from Finsbury Park to Heathville Rd. Car: Free parking in Ashley Rd at weekends. Sun 26, Mon 27 May (2-6). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 13 May to 30 Sept for groups of 8 to 30.

A lush town garden rich in textures, colour and forms. At its best in late spring as Japanese maple cultivars display great variety of shape and colour whilst ferns unfurl fresh, vibrant fronds over a tumbling stream and. wisteria and clematis burst into flower on the balcony and pergola. A number of microhabitats inc fern walls, bog garden, stream and ponds, rockeries, alpines and shade plantings. Young ferns and plants propagated from the garden for sale. Pop-up café with a variety of cakes, biscuits, gluten free and vegan options, and traditional home-brewed ginger beer. Seating areas around the garden.



Harringay, N4 1SF. Clare & Raj

Panjwani. Harringay Ladder. Closest stations: Harringay Overground, Manor House Tube. Buses 29, 141, 341 to Green Ln, then walk. Evening opening Sat 20 July (5-8). Adm £7. Wine. Sun 21 July (2-6). Adm £5. Cream teas.

Four yrs ago, this garden underwent a complete transformation. Previously, a traditional suburban lawn and border garden, the owners turned it into a lush oasis for practical outdoor living. At its heart lies a serene pond, encircled by a walkway, guiding you through banana palms, kiwis, figs, grapevines and apricots. An ash deck, oak bench cooking area and self-built greenhouse complete it.



75 BAMPTON ROAD, SE23 SE23 2AX. Max Vickers, 07532 324510. maxvickers.

gardens@gmail.com. 7 min walk from Forest Hill Stn, nearest bus stop on Perry Vale. Sun 26 May (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement Apr to Sept for groups of up to 15. A small designer's garden, set into a

tranquil and tree-lined oasis behind a modernist terrace nr Forest Hill Stn. The garden is defined by strong architectural features inc espaliered crab apples, yew and box topiary, and steel water tanks. Planting is dense and lush in early summer inc peonies, grasses and hostas, before building to an exuberant autumn display.

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190 BARNET ROAD, EN5 The Upcycled Garden, Arkley, Barnet, EN5 3LF, Hilde Wainstein, 07949 764007. hildewainstein@ hotmail.co.uk. 1m S of A1, 2m N of High Barnet Tube Stn. Garden located on corner of A411 Barnet Rd & Meadowbanks cul-de-sac. Nearest tube: High Barnet, then 107 bus, Glebe Ln stop. Ample unrestricted roadside parking. NB Do not park half on pavement. Sun 19 May (1-6). Adm £5. chd free. Home-made teas & gluten free options. Visits also by arrangement 20 May to 15 Sept for groups of 5 to 30.

Walled garden, 90ft x 36ft with a modern design and year-round interest. Handmade copper pipe trellis divides space into contrasting areas. Herbaceous planting and bulbs drift around trees, shrubs and pond. Kitchen garden with soft fruit and vegetables. Upcycled containers, recycled objects, and home-made sculptures. Gravel garden areas that are never watered. Garden continues evolving as planted areas are expanded. Organic. Home-made jams and plants for sale, all propagated from the garden. Wheelchair access with single steps within garden.

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GROUP OPENING

BARNSBURY GROUP, N1

N1 1BX. Tube: King's Cross, Caledonian Rd or Angel. Train: Caledonian Rd & Barnsbury. Buses: 17, 91, 259 to Caledonian Rd. Buses: 4, 19, 30, 38, 43 to St Mary's Church, Upper St, for Lonsdale Sq. Sun 2 June (2-6). Combined adm £12, chd free. Individual garden adm £4 each. Home-made teas at 57 Huntingdon Street.

BARNSBURY WOOD

London Borough of Islington, ecologycentre@islington.gov.uk.

57 HUNTINGDON STREET

Julian Williams. (See separate entry)

2 LONSDALE SQUARE Jenny Kingsley.

36 THORNHILL SQUARE Anna & Christopher McKane.

Discover four contrasting spaces in Barnsbury's Georgian squares. 57 Huntingdon Street is a secluded garden with birches, ferns, perennials, grasses and container ponds to encourage wildlife. 36 Thornhill Square, a 120ft garden with a country atmosphere, is filled with scented roses, clematis, specimen trees and perennials and a new pond attracts wildlife. Bonsai and planters surround the patio. 2 Lonsdale Square is a charming small cobblestoned garden with herbaceous beds and apple trees, structured with box and vew hedges. Climbing roses and star jasmine add delicious scent; planters overflow with lavender and pansies. Barnsbury Wood is London's smallest nature reserve, a hidden gem and one of Islington's few sites of semi-mature woodland, a tranquil oasis of wild flowers and massive trees. minutes from Caledonian Road, Wildlife information available. The gardens reveal what can be achieved with the right plants in the right conditions, surmounting difficulties of dry walls and shade. Unusual plants for sale at 36 Thornhill Square.



5 BLACKTHORN AV, APARTMENT 5, N7

Apartment 5, 5 Blackthorn Avenue, N7 8AQ. Juan Carlos Cure Hazzi. Barnsbury. 6 min walk from Highbury & Islington Stn. Building is on S side of Arundel Square. Sun 28 July (11-6). Adm £7. Pre-booking essential, please visit www.ngs.org.uk for information & booking. Light refreshments.

Small patio garden with beautiful connection with the house. Plenty of colour, texture and year-round interest with lush tropical, subtropical and temperate plants. Featured in BBC Gardeners' World and several gardening magazines. A finalist in the BBC's Small Space category competition.



94 BROWNLOW ROAD, N11

Bounds Green, N11 2BS. Spencer Viner. Tube: Bounds Green, then 5 min walk, direction North Circular. Corner of Elvendon Rd & Brownlow Rd. Buses 299 & 102. Sun 4 Aug (2-6). Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments. Open nearby 5 St Regis Close.

A small courtyard for meditation created by designer owner, transports the visitor to foreign places of imagination and tranquility. Features inc reclaimed materials, trees, water, pergola and pleached limes. Pared back simplicity contrasts with newly created prairie planting in front of house on busy main road. Design and horticultural advice available. Featured in book 'Garden Style: A Book of Ideas' by Heidi Howcroft and Marianne Majerus (May 2023).

5 BURBAGE ROAD, SE24

Herne Hill, SE24 9HJ. Crawford & Rosemary Lindsay, 020 7274 5610, rl@rosemarylindsay.com, www.rosemarylindsay.com. Nr junction with Half Moon Ln. Herne Hill & N Dulwich Train Stns, 5 min walk. Buses: 3, 37, 40, 68, 196,

468. Evening opening Wed 5 June (5.30-8). Adm £7.50, chd free. Wine. Cash only. Visits also by

arrangement 1 Mar to 15 June. The garden of a member of The Society of Botanical Artists and regular writer for Hortus journal. 150ft x 40ft with large and varied range of plants, many unusual. Herbaceous borders for sun and shade, climbing plants, pots, terraces and lawns. Immaculate topiary. Gravel areas to reduce watering. All the box has been removed because of attack by blight and moth, and replaced with suitable alternatives to give a similar look. A garden that delights from spring through to summer.



34 BUXTON GARDENS, W3 Black&Bold, Acton, W3 9LQ. Alex

Buxton. 10-15 min walk from: Acton Town Stn (Piccadilly Line), Acton Main Train Stn, Acton Central Train Stn, West Acton Stn (Central Line). Sat 27, Sun 28 July (3-7). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

Have you been to the Black & Bold yet? Traditional elements of a garden reimagined at Black & Bold. Darkest

reds, purple and copper spill over the rockery, the cottage garden and on the banks of its ponds which are fed by a waterfall, even the smallest meadow is black. Black & Bold the 1000ft square garden which is different, extraordinary and wild!



CADOGAN PLACE SOUTH GARDEN, SW1

Sloane Street, Chelsea, SW1X 9PE. The Cadogan Estate, www.cadogan.co.uk. Entrance to garden opp 97 Sloane St. Sat 25 May (10-4), Adm £5, chd free,

Many surprises, unusual trees and shrubs are hidden behind the railings of this large London square. The first square to be developed by architect Henry Holland for Lord Cadogan at the end of C18, it was then called the London Botanic Garden. Mulberry trees planted for silk production at end of C17. Cherry trees, wisteria pergola and bulbs are outstanding in spring. Beautiful 300 yr old black mulberry tree (originally planted to produce silk. but incorrect variety!). Area of drought resistant, pollinator plants. This was once the home of the Roval Botanic Garden. Now featuring a bug hotel, children's playground and four wildlife ponds.



2 CAMDEN MEWS, NW1 Camden Town, NW1 9DB, Annabel & Beverley Rowe. Arriving by bus, take 29 or 253 to Murray St. Go N for a couple of mins & turn R on Murray St. Take 1st R on Camden Mews & you will see the yellow signs. Sun 9 June (3-6). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments. Twenty yrs ago, two long gardens were turned into one. This resulted in a good sized garden, unusually broad for London and very secluded. Established trees, shrubs and flower beds break up the space so you don't see it all at once. A pool with good marginal planting. Wheelchair access over paved paths. No steps or narrow spaces.



15 CATHERINE ROAD, KT6 Surbiton, KT6 4HA. Malcolm Simpson & Stefan Gross. 10 min walk from Surbiton Stn. Public transport is recommended. Limited free parking in immed area at weekends. Sun 2 June (12-5). Combined adm with 7 Woodbines Avenue £7, chd free. A well loved town garden approx 40ft x 70ft with deep borders of shrubs and perennial planting, sculptures, a small folly and a walled area. A stroll along the river leads you to 7 Woodbines Avenue and allows visitors to enjoy the gardens along the Queen's Promenade partly restored by volunteers.





THE CELEBRATION GARDEN North Orbital Road, St Albans, AL2 1DH.

See Hertfordshire County Booklet or visit ngs.org.uk

40 CHARTFIELD AVENUE, SW15

Putney, SW15 6HG. Sally. 10 min walk from Putney Train Stn & 15 mins from East Putney Tube Stn. Buses: 14, 37, 93, 85, 39 stop at end of Chartfield Ave on Putney Hill. Some free parking at weekends. Sun 2 June (2.30-5). Combined adm with 39 Hazlewell Road £7, chd free. Light refreshments.

Fifteen yrs in the making, built and landscaped on a sloping site, the garden inc the planting of more than 30 trees. Inspired by the borrowed landscape with swathes of perennials around a circular lawn leading to a more structural feel around the terrace. Kitchen garden, developing gravel garden and invisible pergola. Many shaded seating areas and places to sit and relax.



51 THE CHASE, SW4 SW4 0NP. Mr Charles Rutherfoord & Mr Rupert Tyler, www.charlesrutherfoord.net. Off Clapham Common. Northside. Tube: Clapham Common. Buses: 137, 452, 77, 87, 345, 37. Sun 28 Apr (12-5). Evening opening Tue 30 Apr (5.30-8). Sun 16 June, Sun 18 Aug (12-5). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments. Open nearby 152a Victoria Rise & Royal Trinity Hospice on 28 Apr only.

Charles, past Chairman of Society of Garden Designers, and Rupert, Chairman of NGS, have created the garden over 40 yrs. Spectacular in spring when 2500 tulips bloom among camellias, irises and tree peonies. Scented front garden. Rupert's geodetic dome shelters seedlings, succulents and the subtropical. Roses, brugmansia, hibiscus and dahlias later in the season. New vegetable garden added in 2023.



In 2023, our donations to Carers Trust meant that 26,118 unpaid carers were supported across the UK.

GROUP OPENING

CHISWICK MALL GARDENS, W4 Chiswick Mall, Chiswick, W4 2PS. By car: Hogarth r'about turn down Church St or A4 (W), turn L to Eyot Gardens. Tube: Stamford Brook or Turnham Green, walk under A4 to river. Buses: 110, 190, 267, H91.

Evening opening Fri 31 May 6-8 Combined adm \pounds 12.50, chd free Wine.

FIELD HOUSE LONGMEADOW SWAN HOUSE

Sun 2 June 2-5 Combined adm £15, chd free.

CEDAR HOUSE Stephanie & Philippe Camu. Open on Sun 2 June

FIELD HOUSE Rupert King, www.fieldhousegarden.co.uk.

LONGMEADOW Charlotte Fraser.

MILLER'S COURT Miller's Court Tenants Ltd.

THE OLD VICARAGE Eleanor Fein.

ST JOHN'S George Spalton KC.

ST PETERS WHARF Barbara Brown.

SWAN HOUSE Mr & Mrs George Nissen.

Gardens on or near the Thames in historic Old Chiswick. You will visit a riverside garden in an artist's community, several large walled gardens, and a communal garden on the riverbank with well-planted borders and lovely views.

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CHOUMERT SQUARE, SE15 Choumert Grove, Peckham,

SE15 4RE. The Residents. Close to Peckham Car Park. Off Choumert Grove. Trains from London Victoria, London Bridge, London Blackfriars, Clapham Junction to Peckham Rye; buses 12, 36, 37, 63, 78, 171, 312, 345. Free car park in Choumert Grove. Sun 2 June (1-6). Adm £4, chd free. Savoury items, home-made teas & Pimms. Donation to St Christopher's Hospice. About 46 mini gardens with maxi planting in Shangri-la situation that the media has described as a floral canyon, which leads to a small communal secret garden. The day is primarily about gardens and sharing with others our residents' love of this little corner of the inner city, but it is also renowned for its demonstrable community spirit and a variety of stalls and live music. Wheelchair access; one tiny step to raised paved area in the communal garden.

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CHURCH GARDENS, UB9 Church Hill, Harefield, Uxbridge, UB9 6DU. Patrick & Kay McHugh, 01895 823539, churchgardensharefield@gmail. com, www.churchgardens.co.uk. From Harefield Village, continue for $\frac{1}{4}$ m down Church Hill. From A40 Uxbridge junction, follow signs to Harefield. Turn off Church Hill towards St Marv's Church. For NGS: Sun 8 Sept (11-5), Adm £5, chd £2, Pre-booking preferred, please visit www.churchgardens.co.uk for information & booking. Light refreshments. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website. Harefield's own secret garden, C17 Renaissance walled gardens on the outskirts of Harefield inc a geometrically designed organic kitchen garden. 60 metre long herbaceous borders, fruit cage, alpines, herb garden, vine mount and an orchard with rare arcaded wall. dating back to the early 1600s. Unique opportunity to view ongoing restoration project. Home-made cake, tea, coffee and alcohol will be available throughout the day and light lunches from 12pm. க் 🖨 💻

26 COLLEGE GARDENS, E4

Chingford, E4 7LG. Lynnette Parvez. 2m from Walthamstow. 15 min walk from Chingford Train Stn. Bus 97 from Walthamstow Central Tube Stn, alight at College Gardens, then short walk downhill. Sun 9 June (2-5). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas.

Large suburban garden, approx ²/₃ acre. Sun terrace leads to established borders and a variety of olimbing roses. Beyond this, wildlife pond and lawn, small woodland walk with spring plants and wildlife. A further area to the end with raised vegetable beds and a fruit cage.

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100 COLNE ROAD, TW2

Twickenham, TW2 6QE. Karen Grosch, 020 8893 3660, info@whettonandgrosch.co.uk, www.instagram.com/

karensroofgarden. 5 min walk from Twickenham Green. 12 min walk from Twickenham or Strawberry Hill Train Stn. Bus 406, H22 from Richmond Train & Tube Stn, alight Twickenham Green, then short walk. By road, turn off Staines Rd coming from M25/M3

& A416. Sun 7 July (11-6). Adm £7. Pre-booking essential, please visit www.ngs.org.uk for information & booking. Light refreshments.

Visits also by arrangement 17 June to 6 July for groups of 5 to 6. Please contact for larger

groups, weight limitations apply. Enchanting first floor roof garden above 1850s workers cottage with converted 1950s studios, and artist workshops to the rear. Wide spiral staircase leads to sheltered garden 9 x 8 metres, intensively planted and fully containerised. A mix of trees, shrubs, climbers, subtle annual perennial plant combinations and new 7 x 10 metre rear extensive roof area with biodiverse mix of sedums and wild flowers. Visits booked during week 17 June-7 July in conjunction with ArtsRichmond Open Studios Festival. Variety of work on show in downstairs studios: painting, prints, ceramics and sculpture.

GROUP OPENING

COURT LANE GROUP, SE21 Dulwich Village, SE21 7EA. South East London. Buses: P4, 12, 40, 176, 185 to Dulwich Library 37. Train Stn: North Dulwich, then 12 min walk. Ample free parking in Court Ln. Sun 30 June (2-5.30). Combined adm £10, chd free. Tea & cakes at 122 Court Lane. Light refreshments at 164 Court Lane.

122 COURT LANE Jean & Charles Cary-Elwes.

148 COURT LANE Mr Anthony & Mrs Sue Wadsworth.

164 COURT LANE James & Katie Dawes.

No. 164 was recently redesigned to create a more personal and intimate space with several specific zones. A modern terrace and seating area leads onto a lawn with abundant borders. and a beautiful mature oak. A rose arch leads to the vegetable beds and greenhouse. No. 122 has a countryside feel, backing onto Dulwich Park with colourful herbaceous borders and unusual plants. No.148 a spacious garden, developed over twenty yrs backs on to Dulwich Park. From the wide sunny terrace surrounded by tall, golden bamboos and fan palms, step down into a garden designed with an artist's eve for colour, form, texture and flow, creating intimate spaces beneath mature trees and shrubs with colourful perennials. Live jazz on the terrace, a children's trail, plant sales and a wormery demonstration at No.122. 🐇 💻 🔊

83 COWSLIP ROAD, E18

South Woodford, E18 1JN. Fiona Grant. 5 min walk from Central Line tube. Close to exit for A406. Sun 7 July (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

80ft long wildlife friendly garden, on two levels at rear of Victorian semi. Patio has a selection of containers with a step down to the lawn past a pond full of wildlife. Flowerbeds stuffed with an eclectic mix of perennials. Ample seating on patio and overspill seating in delightful adjacent garden.

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37 CRESCENT ROAD, BR3 Beckenham, BR3 6NF. Myra & Tim

Bright. 15 min walk from Beckenham Junction Stn. 227 bus route from Shortlands Stn. Street parking in adjacent roads. Sun 28 Apr (2-5.30). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas.

A romantic garden. In spring tulips abound amongst euphorbias and forget-me-nots. In summer, an abundance of geraniums, foxgloves and allium fill the front borders. Go past the potting shed, under the vine arch you arrive in the garden filled with herbaceous plants, roses and clematis, a magnet for bees and butterflies. Gravel paths lead to secret corners with seating.



GROUP OPENING

DE BEAUVOIR GARDENS, N1 100 Downham Road, Hackney,

N1 5BE. Tube stations: Highbury & Islington, then 30 bus; Angel, then 38, 56 or 73 bus; Bank, then 21, 76 or 141 bus. 10 min walk from Dalston Junction Train Stn. Street parking. LTNs operate in this area. Sun 2 June (2-6). Combined adm £10, chd free. Home-made teas at 100 Downham Road.

100 DOWNHAM ROAD Ms Cecilia Darker.

64 LAWFORD ROAD

72 MORTIMER ROAD Mr Stephen King.

1 NORTHCHURCH TERRACE

21 NORTHCHURCH TERRACE Nancy Korman.

Five gardens to explore in De Beauvoir, a leafy enclave of Victorian villas near to Islington and Dalston. The area boasts some of Hackney's keenest gardeners and a thriving garden club. New this year is 1 Northchurch Terrace which has a diverse range of potted shrubs, ferns and flowers. 21 Northchurch Terrace is a walled garden with a formal feel and deep borders which have recently been replanted, 72 Mortimer Road is a secluded romantic garden with colourful and wildflower planting. 100 Downham Road features giant echiums, two green roofs and a pond with a miniature Giverny-style bridge. 64 Lawford Road is a small cottage style garden with old-fashioned roses, espaliered apples and scented plants. 娄 里 测

7 DEANSWAY, N2

East Finchley, N2 0NF. Joan Arnold & Tom Heinersdorff, 07850 764543, joan.arnold40@gmail.com.

Hampstead Garden Suburb. From East Finchley Tube Stn exit along the Causeway to East End Rd, then L down Deansway. From Bishops Ave, head N up Deansway towards East End Rd, close to the top. Sun 5 May (12-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 17 Feb to 28 July for groups of up to 30. A garden of stories, statues, shapes and structures surrounded by trees and hedges. Bird friendly, cottage style with scented roses, clematis, mature shrubs, a weeping mulberry and abundant planting. Containers, spring bulbs and grapevine provide year-round colour. Developing secret, shady and wild woodland area with ferns and hostas. Cakes, gluten free cakes and plants for sale (cash preferred). Wheelchair access through side passage to patio. Assistance may be required with three shallow steps to the lawn and main garden.

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THE DELVES

37 Turpins Lane, Chigwell, IG8 8AZ. See Essex County Booklet or visit ngs. org.uk

68 DERBY ROAD, E18

South Woodford, E18 2PS. Mrs Michelle Greene. Nearest tube: South Woodford (Central Line). Buses: 20 & 179 to Chelmsford Rd. Close to Epping Forest & the Waterworks r'about. Sun 2 June (1-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

Old fashioned summer garden with two ponds, one for wildlife and one for goldfish. Tiny orchard, vegetable beds and rockery. Highlights inc American pokeweed and Himalayan honeysuckle. Many unusual plants with small plants for sale.

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DRAGON'S DREAM, UB8 Grove Lane, Uxbridge, UB8 3RG,

Chris & Meng Pocock. Garden is in a small lane very close to Hillingdon Hospital. Parking available next door. Buses from Uxbridge Tube Stn: U1, U3, U4, U5, U7. Buses from West Drayton: U1, U3. Sun 9 June (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

This is an unusual and secluded garden with two contrasting sections divided by a brick shed that has been completely covered by a rampant wisteria and a climbing hydrangea and rose. Other highlights inc rare dawn redwood tree and a huge *Gunnera manicata*. More features inc a Romneya poppy, ferns, rose and herb beds, tree peonies, acers and a pond. Refreshments inc home-made cakes, Malaysian curry puffs and café gourmand (tea or coffee, plus bitesized cakes).

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Our donation in 2023 has enabled Parkinson's UK to fund 3 new nursing posts this year directly supporting people with Parkinson's.



GROUP OPENING

103 & 105 DULWICH VILLAGE, SE21

SE21 7BJ. Train: North Dulwich or West Dulwich then 10-15 min walk. Tube: Brixton then P4 bus, alight Dulwich Picture Gallery stop. Street parking. Sun 9 June (2-5). Combined adm £10, chd free. Home-made teas at 103 Dulwich Village (adm inc tea, coffee & soft drink). Donation to Link Age Southwark.

103 DULWICH VILLAGE Mr & Mrs N Annesley. 105 DULWICH VILLAGE Mr & Mrs A Rutherford.

Two Georgian houses with large gardens, 3 min walk from Dulwich Picture Gallery and Dulwich Park. 103 Dulwich Village is a country garden in London with a long herbaceous border, lawn, pond, roses and fruit and vegetable gardens. 105 Dulwich Village is a very pretty garden with many unusual plants, old-fashioned roses, fish pond and water garden. Amazing collection of plants for sale from both gardens, please bring your own bags (cash preferred). Music provided by the Colomb Street Ensemble Wind Band. Regional Finalist, The English Garden Magazine's The Nation's Favourite Gardens 2023.

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ECCLESTON SQUARE, SW1

Pimlico, SW1V 1NP. The Residents of Eccleston Square, www. ecclestonsquaregardens.com. Off Belgrave Rd, nr Victoria Stn. Parking allowed on Suns. Sun 12 May (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas

Planned and developed by Thomas Cubitt in the 1830s, the 3 acre garden square is subdivided into sections with noteworthy collections of roses, camellias, ferns and tree peonies. The garden holds the National Collection of *Ceanothus* comprising over 70 species and cultivars, some of which are now rare. Notable important additions of unusual and tender plants are being grown and tested.

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EDWARDES SQUARE, W8 South Edwardes Square, Kensington, W8 6HL. Edwardes Square Garden Committee, www. edwardes-square-garden.co.uk. Tube: Kensington High St & Earls Court. Buses: 9, 10, 27, 28, 31, 49 & 74 to Odeon Cinema. Entrance in South Edwardes Square. Sun 14 Apr (12-5). Adm £6, chd free. Homemade teas.

One of London's prettiest secluded garden squares. $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres laid out differently from other squares with serpentine paths by Agostino Agliothe, an Italian artist and decorator who lived at No.15 from 1814-1820. This quiet oasis is a wonderful mixture of rolling lawns, mature trees and imaginative planting. Children's play area. WC near Holland Park, only a 5 min walk. Wheelchair access through main gate, South Edwardes Square.

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40 EMBER LANE, KT10 Esher, KT10 8EP. Sarah & Franck Corvi, 07803 111968, sarah.corvi@ngs.org.uk. ½m from centre of Esher. From the A307, turn into Station Rd which becomes Ember Ln. Sun 9 June (1-5). Combined adm with 9 Imber Park Road £6, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 10 June to 30 Sept for groups of 8 to 25.

A contemporary family garden designed and maintained by the owners with distinct areas for outdoor living. A 70ft east facing plot where the lawn has been mostly removed to make space for the owner's love of plants and several ornamental trees.

48 ERSKINE HILL, NW11 Hampstead Garden Suburb, NW11 6HG. Marjorie & David Harris, 020 8455 6507, marjorieharris@ btinternet.com. *Im from Golders*

Green. Nr A406 & A1. Tube: Golders Green. H2 Hail & Ride bus from Golders Green to garden, or 13, 102 or 460 buses to Temple Fortune (10 min walk). Free street parking. Visits by arrangement 5 May to 31 Aug for groups of 5 to 28. Adm £10, chd free. Tea & cake inc.

Colourful but restful bird and beefriendly organic and pesticide free cottage garden, wrapped around 1909 Arts and Crafts artisan's cottage in Hampstead Garden Suburb. Wide sunny borders stuffed with perennials, roses and clematis rampaging up through structures, shrubs and trees. Climber wrapped pergola, container vegetable plot, and greenhouse. Nest box, bee-friendly plants and quirky water feature. Pre-book dairy-free or gluten free cake and soya milk. Wheelchair access to terrace. Narrow paths. Single step from gate with ramp available. Handrail and step to lawn. No wheelchair access to WC.



72 EWHURST ROAD, SE4 Brockley, SE4 1AQ. Anna Crossley.

After the shops, just before the junction to Manwood Rd. Bus: 284 to door. Trains: Crofton Park (8 min walk), Catford or Catford Bridge (12 min walk via Ladywell Fields). Overground to Honor Oak Park (15 min walk). Sun

2 June (2-5). Adm £4.50, chd free. Tea, coffee & cake. Open nearby 29 Lowther Hill.

How do you make small gardens interesting, elegant and functional? This mid-Victorian terraced garden is a masterclass in design. Colour, form, climbing plants and texture are all at play to enable outside rooms to seamlessly flow from inside spaces. An enclosed courtyard sits at the heart of the house whilst the rear garden uses clever design lines to provide an intimate, verdant dining space. Design, form and function in a small urban space.

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FAIRMILE COMMON GARDENS Portsmouth Road, Cobham, KT11 1BG.

See Surrey County Booklet or visit ngs. org.uk

70 FARLEIGH ROAD, N16

Stoke Newington, N16 7TQ. Mr Graham Hollick. Short walk from junction of Stoke Newington High St & Amhurst Rd. LTNs operate in this area. Sun 30 June (10-6). Adm £4,

chd free. Home-made teas.

A diverse garden in a Victorian terrace with an eclectic mix of plants, many in vintage pots reflecting the owner's interests. A small courtyard leads onto a patio surrounded by pots followed by a lawn flanked by curving borders. At the rear is a paved area with raised beds containing vegetables.



1 FIFE ROAD, SW14

East Sheen, Mortlake, SW14 7EW. Mr & Mrs J Morgan. Bus routes 33, 337 stops are a 15 min walk away on Upper Richmond Rd. Mortlake Train Stn SWT approx 20 mins away. Please note we are at the Christchurch Rd end of Fife Rd. On street parking. Sun 23 June (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

Dominated by two large cedar trees the garden has undergone some changes since a redesign in 2013. A maturing oak tree stands in the wild garden with fruit trees and 'dead hedge'. A productive vegetable garden and greenhouse is managed with a no dig regime. Lawn is managed for No Mow May and borders with perennials and shrubs, sunny terrace close to the house.



GROUP OPENING

FOREST HILL GARDEN GROUP, SE23

Forest Hill, SE23 3DE. Off S Circular Rd (A205) behind Horniman Museum & Gardens. Forest Hill Stn, 10 min walk. Buses 176,185,197, 356, P4. Sun 19 May, Sun 23 June (12-5). Combined adm £9, chd free. Home-made teas at 53 Ringmore Rise, Hilltop & 25 Westwood Park. Donation to St Christopher's Hospice & Marsha Phoenix Trust.

7 CANONBIE ROAD June Wismayer. Open on Sun 19 May

Mary & Ben Bayliss. Open on Sun 19 May

THE COACH HOUSE, 3 THE HERMITAGE Pat Rae.

Open on Sun 19 May

HILLTOP, 28 HORNIMAN DRIVE Frankie Locke. Open on Sun 19 May

27 HORNIMAN DRIVE Rose Agnew. Open on Sun 23 June

35 NETHERBY ROAD Mr & Mrs K MacLennan. Open on Sun 23 June

53 RINGMORE RISE Valerie Ward. Open on Sun 23 June

25 WESTWOOD PARK Beth & Steph Falkingham-Blackwell. Open on Sun 19 May

The leafy suburb of Forest Hill is one of London's best kept secrets. Described by architect Norman Foster as 'a delightful pocket of South London', it is home to the award-winning Horniman Museum and Gardens, with its wholefood cafe, butterfly house and magnificent conservatory an added bonus for visitors. The gardens themselves are all located within easy walking distance of the museum, on what is reputed to be the highest hill in South London, Many boast spectacular views over the city. so you can enjoy your tea and cake while surveying the ever-changing London skyline. The gardens too are ever-changing, particularly as we try to adapt to climate change and the ecological emergency. In these uncertain times, join us for a day of

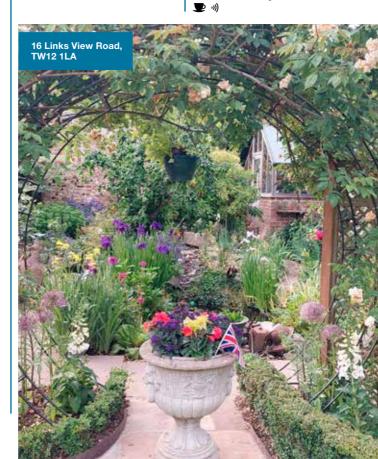
peace, contemplation and cake in our much-loved gardens. Plants for sale at 7 Canonbie Road.

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10 FURLONG ROAD, N7

N7 8LS. Gavin & Nicola Ralston. Tube & Train: Highbury & Islington, 3 min walk along Holloway Rd, 2nd L. Furlong Rd runs between Holloway Rd & Liverpool Rd. Buses on Holloway Rd: 21,43, 263, 393; other buses 4, 19, 30. Sun 19 May (2-5.30). Adm E5, chd free. Home-made teas. A green casis in the heart of a densely populated area, 10 Furlong Road is an open, sunny garden of considerable size for its urban location. Its owners extensively remodelled the garden in 2019, building on a foundation of trees, shrubs and roses, adding herbaceous

shrubs and roses, adding herbaceous planting, seating, winding brick path, pergola, raised vegetable bed and wildflower circle. Plenty of seating dotted around the garden.



GARDEN BARGE SQUARE AT TOWER BRIDGE MOORINGS, SE1 31 Mill Street, SE1 2AX. Mr Nick Lacey, www.towerbridgemoorings. org. 5 min walk from Tower Bridge.

Mill St off Jamaica Rd, between London Bridge & Bermondsey Stns, Tower Hill also nearby. Buses: 47, 188, 381, RV1. Sun 19 May (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas

Series of seven floating barge gardens connected by walkways and bridges. Gardens have an eclectic range of plants for year-round seasonal interest. Marine environment: suitable shoes and care needed. Small children must be closely supervised.

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◆ THE GARDEN MUSEUM, SE1 5 Lambeth Palace Road, SE1 7LB. The Garden Museum, 020 7401 8865, info@gardenmuseum.org.uk, www.gardenmuseum.org.uk.

Lambeth side of Lambeth Bridge. Tube: Lambeth North, Vauxhall, Waterloo. Buses: 507 Red Arrow from Victoria or Waterloo Stns, also 3, 77, 344, C10. For NGS: Tue 10 Sept (2-5). Adm £7, chd free. Light refreshments. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website. At the heart of The Garden Museum is our courtyard garden, designed by Dan Pearson as an 'Eden' of rare plants inspired by John Tradescant's journeys as a plant collector. Taking advantage of the sheltered, warm space. Dan has created a green retreat in response to the bronze and class architecture, conjuring up a calm. reflective atmosphere. Visitors will also see a permanent display of paintings, tools, ephemera and historic artefacts: a alimpse into the uniquely British love affair with gardens. The Garden Café is an award-winning restaurant. Tours with Head Gardener at 3pm and 4pm. Adm covers access to museum and garden. The museum and garden are accessible for wheelchairs.

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GARDEN OF MEDICINAL PLANTS, ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, NW1

11 St Andrews Place, Regents Park, NW1 4LE. Royal College of Physicians of London,

garden.rcplondon.ac.uk. Tubes: Great Portland St & Regent's Park. Garden is one block N of station exits, on Outer Circle opp SE corner of Regent's Park. There is no access via Peto Place. Mon 15 July (11-4). Adm £6. chd free.

We have over 1,000 different plants connected with the history of plants in medicine. These inc plants named after



physicians, plants which make modern medicines as well as those used for millennia, plants which cause epidemics. plants used in different medical traditions from all the continents of the world and plants from the College's Pharmacopoeia of 1618. Guided tours will be offered throughout the day by physicians explaining the uses of the plants, their histories and other stories. Books about the plants in the medicinal garden will be on sale alongside free leaflets. All the plants are labelled with their botanical names. Entry to the garden is at far end of St Andrews Place. Accessible paths around the garden. Some slopes. Wheelchair lift for WC. No parking on site. よッ

GOLF COURSE ALLOTMENTS, N11

Winton Avenue, N11 2AR. GCAA Haringey, www. aolfcourseallotments.co.uk.

gotrcourseallotments.co.uk. Junction of Winton Ave & Blake Rd. Tube: Bounds Green. Buses: 102, 184, 299 to Sunshine Garden Centre, Durnsford Rd. Through park to Bidwell Gardens. Straight on up Winton Ave. New LTN on Blake Rd, beware cameras. No parking on site. Sun 1

Sept (1-4.30). Adm £5, chd free. Pre-booking preferred, cash only on the day. Home-made teas & light lunches. Refreshments in aid of

Golf Course Allotments. Large, long established allotment with over 200 plots, some organic. Maintained by culturally diverse community, growing a wide variety of fruit, vegetables and flowers, enjoyed by bees. With picturesque corners, guirky sheds and tours of best plots. Newly created plot 147, a jewel not to be missed! A visit feels like a holiday in the countryside. Healthy, fresh allotment produce, chutneys, jams and honey for sale (cash only). Featured on BBC Gardeners' World. Wheelchair access to main paths only. Gravel and uneven surfaces. WC inc disabled.

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21 GOSPATRICK ROAD, N17 Tottenham, N17 7EH. Matthew Bradby, 07985 169471,

mattbradby@hotmail.com. London Zone 3. Tube: Turnpike Ln or Wood Green Stns. Train: Bruce Grove Stn. Bus routes: 144, 217, 231, 444 to Gospatrick Rd, or 123, 243 to Waltheof Ave, or 318 to Gt Cambridge Rd. Visits by arrangement 1 Mar to

26 June for groups of up to 12. Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments.

Diverse 40 metre plot with contrasting areas. A large weeping willow provides shade over fan palms, camellias, ferns and climbers. Fruit and herb garden inc Japanese banana, grapevine, olive, bay and loquat trees. Greenhouse and two ponds. A very tranquil and welcoming garden following organic principles.



17 GREENSTONE MEWS, E11 Wanstead, E11 2RS. Mrs T Farnham, 07761 476651,

farnhamz@yahoo.co.uk. Tube: Snaresbrook or Wanstead, 5 min walk. Buses: 101, 308, W12, W14 to Wanstead High St. Greenstone Mews is accessed via Voluntary Place which is off Spratt Hall Rd. Visits

by arrangement for groups of up to 8. Adm £5. Tea or coffee inc. Sandwiches & cake on request.

A 15ft sq slate paved garden. Sunken reused bath was a fish pond now a bog garden! Climbers clothe fences with hardy perennials grown from cuttings, vegetables and herbs in buckets. Height provided by established palm and arch covered with thornless blackberry and a grapevine. Ideas aplenty for small space gardening. Mudlarked rope and wood used for support. Regret, garden unsuitable for children. Wheelchair access through garage but limited turning space.



24 GROVE PARK, SE5 Camberwell, SE5 8LH. Clive Pankhurst, www.alternative-

planting.blogspot.com. Chadwick Rd end of Grove Park. Peckham Rye or Denmark Hill Stns, both 10 min walk. Good street parking. Sun 1 Sept (11-4.30). Adm £5, chd free.

Home-made teas. An inspiring exotic jungle of lush, big leafed plants and Southeast Asian influences transport vou to the tropics. Huge hidden garden created from derelict land that had been the bottom halves of two neighbouring gardens gives the wow factor and unexpected size. Lawn and lots of hidden corners give spaces to sit and enjoy. Renowned for delicious home-made cake and plant sale. We have been featured on TV on BBC Gardeners' World and BBC The Instant Gardener. Also featured in Garden News, The Independent and The Simple Things magazine. 1 * * 🖢 🖤

58 HALLIFORD STREET, N1 Canonbury, N1 3EQ. Jennifer Tripp Black. Tube: Highbury & Islington or Essex Rd. From Essex Rd, house numbers consecutive on LHS by 3rd

speed bump. Overground: Canonbury. Sun 16 June (12-5). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas. Vegan & full fat cakes. Donation to The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity

(Katie's Lymphoedema Fund). An English country garden in the heart of Islington. Lush planting: *Cytisus battandieri* 'Yellow Tail' tree, two apple trees, one quince. Bush and climbing roses, tulips, clematis, rhododendrons, exotic palms, cannas, abutilons, heucheras, salvias, cordelines and a hosta collection in pots. Small greenhouse and antique pergola. In summer the front garden welcomes you with special roses and agapanthus.

92 HAMPSTEAD WAY, NW11 Hampstead Garden Suburb, NW11 7XY. Ann & Tom Lissauer,

ann.goldman1@gmail.com. In square set back on Hampstead Way, between Finchley Rd & Meadway. 15 min walk from Golders Green Stn. Buses 13,102 & 460 on Finchley Rd, stop at Temple Fortune Ln & walk down Hampstead Way to the square. Sun 19 May (1.30-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement Mar to Sept for groups of up to 6.

An informal garden, interesting yearround, combining wildlife friendly planting with a passion for plants. Different areas provide a variety of habitats. These inc a wildlife pond and, where there used to be lawns, there are now meadows with mown paths and wild flowers. Shaded and sunny beds offer opportunities to grow a wide range of interesting plants.

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SPECIAL EVENT

+ HAMPTON COURT PALACE, KT8

East Molesey, KT8 9AU. Historic Royal Palaces, www.hrp.org.uk. Follow brown tourist signs on all major routes. Junction of A308 with A309 at foot of Hampton Court Bridge. Traffic is heavy around Hampton Court. Please leave plenty of time. the tour will start promptly at 6pm & will not be able to wait. For NGS: Evening opening Thur 25 Apr, Thur 18 July (6-8). Adm £18, chd free. Pre-booking essential, please visit www.ngs.org.uk for information & booking, Wine, For other opening times and information, please visit garden website. Donation to Historic Roval Palaces. Take the opportunity to join special National Garden Scheme private tours after the wonderful historic gardens have closed to the public. Spring walk during the tulip festival and July walk to enjoy the summer bedding in the remarkable gardens of Hampton Court Palace. Wheelchair access over some unbound gravel paths. 🥲 NPC 🗩

4 HANWORTH ROAD, TW13

Feltham, TW13 5AB. Maria Vail. 5 min walk from Feltham Train Stn. Opp Feltham Stn into Hanworth Rd. House on R after the school. Entrance through side gate on Cardinal Rd. Sun 19 May (1-4). Adm £4.50, chd free. Home-made teas. Appropriately designed garden surrounding a Victorian villa. Pollarded lime trees in the front garden and mature palm trees with colourful under planting. Many tender and unusual Mediterranean plants. Lawn with flower filled urns and pots, rockery and colourful borders. An eclectic mix of plants. ((r, 💭

Scan the QR code below to make a donation to the National Garden Scheme

37 HAROLD ROAD, E11

Leytonstone, E11 4QX. Dr Matthew Jones Chesters. Tube: Leytonstone, exit L subway, 5 min walk. Train: Leytonstone High Road, 5 min walk. Buses: 257 & W14. Parking at station or limited on street. Sun 16 June (1-5). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas.

50ft x 60ft pretty corner garden arranged around seven fruit trees. Fragrant climbers, woodland plants and shade-tolerant fruit along north wall. Fastigiate trees protect raised vegetable beds and herb rockery. Long lawn bordered by roses and perennials on one side, prairie plants on the other. Patio with raised pond, palms and rhubarb. Planting designed to produce fruit, fragrance and lovely memories. Garden map with planting plans inc. Adm inc tea and fruit drinks. Homemade cakes, muffins and preserves for sale.



39 HAZLEWELL ROAD, SW15 Putney, SW15 6LS. Kath & Alastair

Brown. 12 min walk from Putney Train Stn; 18 mins from East Putney Tube Stn. Buses: 14, 37, 93, 85 & 39 stop on Putney Hill, St John's Ave; 337 stop Putney Leisure Centre. Free parking Suns. Sun 2 June (2.30-5). Combined adm with 40 Chartfield Avenue £7, chd free. Light refreshments.

An 80ft x 40ft town garden with a surprisingly secluded feel provided by the shared landscape of gardens and mature trees. A naturalistic planting scheme of trees, shrubs and perennials in curved beds surround the lawn. The sunny patio, bordered by lavender and climbing roses, looks toward a water feature set in a perennial bed. At the rear a small shady patio is framed by trees and woodland planting.



84 HIGHAM STREET, E17 Walthamstow, E17 6DA. Paula Siqueira & Drew Durham, www. instagram.com/paula.siqueira. 15 min walk from Blackhorse Tube Stn. Sun 18 Aug (2-6). Adm £4, chd £1. Light refreshments. Open nearby 28a Worcester Road.

A low-maintenance garden that will take you on a journey through a wildlife friendly oasis into a small woodland hideaway. The large rainwater pond provides a great contrast to draught tolerant perennial flowers, ornamental grasses, trees and shrubs, all planted with a naturalistic style under a thick layer of gravel mulch. An olive tree set against a 4 metre ivy wall provides a strong focal point. OR codes will be provided to visitors, who will be able to scan with their phones and know more about the plants we've used, the inner workings of the pond rainwater collection and natural filtration, and also take a look at our garden before-and-after photos.



HIGHWOOD ASH, NW7 Highwood Hill, Mill Hill, NW7 4EX.

Mrs P Gluckstein. Totteridge & Whetstone on Northern line, then bus 251 stops outside Rising Sun/Mill Hill stop. By car: A5109 from Apex Corner to Whetstone. Garden opp The Rising Sun pub at top of hill on the R. Sun 12 May (2-6). Adm £6, chd free.

Home-made teas.

Created over the last 60 yrs, this $3\frac{1}{4}$ acre garden features rolling lawns, two large interconnecting ponds with koi, herbaceous and shrub borders and a modern gravel garden. A country garden in London for all seasons with many interesting plants and sculptures. May should be perfect for the camellias, rhododendrons and azaleas. Partial access for wheelchairs, lowest parts too steep.

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5 HILL CLOSE, NW11 Hampstead Garden Suburb, NW11 7JP. Leanne & Winston

Newman. 1m N of Golders Green. Off Hampstead Way between Meadway & Willifield Way, also off South Sq. No parking in Hill Cl. Tube: Golders Green then H2 Hail & Ride bus to bottom of Hill Cl. Sun 19 May (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

Delightful secluded garden of a unique Arts and Crafts house, where a central cedar tree is bordered by mature oak and poplars. The garden is at its best in the spring before the surrounding trees reach the full extent of their canopies. Planting inc a variety of acers, alliums, illacs, dicentra, ferns and persicaria. There is a ramp from the road to the front path and to the rear garden. (5 (32) (32)

20 HILLCREST, N21

Winchmore Hill, N21 1AT. Gwyneth & Ian Williams. North London. Tube: Piccadilly Line to Southgate, W9 to Winchmore Hill Green, a short walk via Wades Hill. Train: Great Northern Line to Winchmore Hill, turn R towards the Green, a short walk via Wades Hill. Sun 9 June (1.30-6). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas.

This pretty hill garden has a terrace with ironwork gazebos, wide stone steps descending to an evergreen pergola, dappled sunlight and quiet water feature. Rose arches, a meandering path and lawn with shrub and tree borders lead to small alpine rockeries, a summerhouse, a miniature wildlife pond and little garden with fruit trees. Refreshments inc herbal teas, non-dairy, vegan, and gluten free options.



26 HILLCROFT CRESCENT, HA9 Wembley Park, HA9 8EE. Gary & Suha Holmyard, 07773 691331, garyh@lawyer.com. ½m from

Wembley Park Stn. If held on Wembley event day, we can provide free parking permits. Turn R out of Wembley Park Stn walking down Wembley Park Dr, turn L into Manor Dr, Hillcroft Cres is 2nd on R. Sat 6, Sun 7 July (11-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

Small cottage front garden with arched entrance with cloud tree, wisteria, yucca, canna, hydrangeas, roses and lilies. Rear garden approx 70ft x 80ft with summerhouse, arbours and water features. Planting inc fig, apple, pear, olive, and soft fruit. Ten different flower beds each holding its own particular interest inc lilies, unusual evergreen shrubs, exotics, clematis and roses. Plenty of seating around the garden. Wheelchair access through side gate via driveway.



100 inpatients and their families are being supported at the newly opened Horatio's Garden Wales, thanks to the National Garden Scheme donations.

GROUP OPENING

NEW HOLLY GROVE GARDENS, SE15

Peckham, SE15 5DF. Peckham Rye Stn, 3 min walk. Turn L into Holly Grove & L past Green towards Bellenden Rd. Buses to Rye Ln, Peckham 12, 37, 63, 78, 197, 343, 363. Sun 26 May (1-5). Combined adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas at 29 Holly Grove.

 NEW
 26 HOLLY GROVE

 Sally Williams.

 NEW
 29 HOLLY GROVE

 Jessica Nicholas.

Two very different gardens in a quiet leafy Peckham road, benefitting from the shared backdrop of a high wall along their back acting as an elegant buffer and offering wind shelter to create a warm microclimate. No. 26 is a peaceful, lush green space, framed by mature trees and bamboo, and a simple perennial colour palette of deepest reds and orange, while at No. 29 grasses and lush evergreens lead visitors to an enchanting, informal, relaxed garden with a distinct cottage feel to it with arching roses and scrambling clematis.



HORATIO'S GARDEN, HA7

Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Brockley Hill, Stanmore, HA7 4LP. Horatio's Garden, www.horatiosgarden.org.uk. If driving enter the Hospital via Wood Ln, Aspire entrance. Park in Aspire car park & walk back the way you drove

in, taking the L before Wood Ln exit & follow the signs. Sun 12 May, Sun 15 Sept (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Vegan & gluten free options.

Opened in Sept 2020, Horatio's Garden London & South East located at the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore is designed by Tom Stuart-Smith. The garden is on one level with smooth paths throughout ensuring that it is easily accessible to patients in beds and wheelchairs. The essential design features inc a social space, private areas for patients to seek solitude or share with a family member or friend, the calming sound of flowing water, a garden room and a greenhouse. May is the perfect time to see the carpet of tulips and other bulbs. The Head Gardener Ashley Edwards will be on hand to answer any plant questions and give guided tours of this unique sanctuary. The whole site is designed for wheelchairs.

57 HUNTINGDON STREET, N1 Barnsbury, Islington, N1 1BX. Julian Williams, 07759 053001, julianandroman@me.com. Train: Caledonian Rd & Barnsbury. Tube: Kings Cross, Highbury & Islington or Caledonian Rd. Buses: Caledonian Rd 17, 91, 259, 274; Hemingford Rd 153

from Angel. Evening opening Thur 16 May (6-8). Adm £4, chd free. Wine. Opening with Barnsbury Group on Sun 2 June. Visits also by arrangement Mar to Sept for groups of up to 6.

A secluded woodland garden room below an ash canopy and framed by timber palisade supporting roses, hydrangea and ivy. An understorey of silver birch and hazel provides the setting for shade loving ferns, perennials and grasses. Oak pathways offset the informal planting and lead to a tranquil central space with bench seating and two container ponds to encourage wildlife.





THE HURLINGHAM CLUB, SW6 Ranelagh Gardens, SW6 3PR. The Members of the Hurlingham Club, www.hurlinghamclub.org.uk. Main gate at E end of Ranelagh Gardens. Tube: Putney Bridge (110yds). Local roads have restricted access. No parking on site. Sat 18 May (10-4). Adm £7, chd free. Pre-booking essential, please visit www. ngs.org.uk for information & booking. Light refreshments. Card payments only, no cash accepted.

Rare opportunity to visit this 42 acre jewel with many mature trees, 2 acre lake with water fowl, expansive lawns and a river walk. Capability Brown and Humphry Repton were involved with landscaping. The gardens are renowned for their roses. herbaceous and lakeside borders, and stunning bedding displays. The riverbank is a haven for wildlife with native trees, shrubs and wild flowers. Light refreshments on site weather depending. Free, ticket only, guided tour at 11am, tickets available at entrance. Wheelchair and pushchair access across the site, however smaller paths in borders are often laid to woodchip and not as accessible. 点 更 ∞

9 IMBER PARK ROAD, KT10 Esher, KT10 8JB. Jane & John McNicholas, 07867 318655,

jane_mcnicholas@hotmail.com. $\frac{1}{2}m$ from centre of Esher. From the A307, turn into Station Rd which becomes Ember Ln. Go past Esher Train Stn on R. Take 3rd road on R into Imber Park Rd. Sun 9 June (1-5). Combined adm with 40 Ember Lane £6, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 10 June to 30 Sept for groups of 8 to 25.

An established cottage style garden, always evolving, designed and maintained by the owners who are passionate about gardening and collecting plants. The garden is south facing with well-stocked, large, colourful herbaceous borders containing a wide variety of perennials, evergreen and deciduous shrubs, a winding lawn area and a small garden retreat.





SPECIAL EVENT

THE INNER AND MIDDLE TEMPLE GARDENS, EC4

Crown Office Row, Inner Temple, EC4Y 7HL. The Honourable Societies of the Inner & Middle Temples, www.innertemple.org.uk/ www.middletemple.org.uk. Entrance: Main Garden Gate on Crown Office Row, access via Tudor St Gate or Middle Temple Ln Gate. Please note the tour starts promptly at 11.30am.

Thur 6 June (11.30-3). Adm £55. Pre-booking essential, please visit www.ngs.org.uk for information & booking. Light refreshments.

Inner Temple Garden is a haven of tranguillity and beauty with sweeping lawns, unusual trees and charming woodland areas. The well known herbaceous border shows off inspiring plant combinations from early spring through to autumn. The awardwinning gardens of Middle Temple are comprised of a series of courtyards and a main garden which extends from the Medieval Hall to the Embankment. Adm inc conducted tour of the gardens by Head Gardeners. Light lunch in Middle Temple Hall, please advise of any dietary requirements. Please note this event is not suitable for children. Please advise in advance if wheelchair access is required.

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GROUP OPENING

KEW GREEN GARDENS, TW9 Kew, TW9 3AH. NW side of Kew Green. Tube: Kew Gardens. Train Station: Kew Bridge. Buses: 65, 110. Entrance via riverside. Sun 19 May (2-5). Combined adm £8, chd free. Evening opening Sun 26 May (6-8). Combined adm £10, chd free. Teas in St Anne's Church (19 May). Wine (26 May).

69 KEW GREEN

John & Virginia Godfrey.

71 KEW GREEN Mr & Mrs Jan Pethick.

73 KEW GREEN Sir Donald & Lady Elizabeth Insall.

The long gardens run for 100yds from the back of historic houses on Kew Green down to the Thames towpath. Together they cover nearly 1 acre, and in addition to the style and structures of the individual gardens they can be seen as one large space, exceptional in London. The borders between the gardens are mostly relatively low and the trees and large shrubs in each contribute to viewing the whole, while roses and clematis climb between gardens giving colour to two adjacent gardens at the same time.

Weight Stream Avenue, IG8 Woodford Green, IG8 9SZ. Mark

Game & Jane Brandon. Close to the N entrance of The Highams Park. 20 min walk from Highams Park Train Stn or Woodford Tube Stn. 200 metres from 275 bus stop. Sun 9 June (2-5).

Adm £4. Home-made teas.

A long and very green suburban garden sloping down from the back of the house towards the mature trees of Epping Forest. Tea house and tranquil area, ferns and bamboos, and roses; raised vegetable beds and greenhouse; herbaceous borders with high hedges; lawn with formal pond and rill; gravel garden. Front garden with steel edged path and cloud pruning.



KING HENRY'S WALK GARDEN, N1

11c King Henry's Walk, N1 4NX. Friends of King Henry's Walk Garden, www.khwgarden.org.uk. Buses: 30, 38, 56, 141. Behind adventure playground on KHW, off Balls Pond Rd, Mon 6 May (2-4.30). Adm £4.50, chd free, Home-made teas. Donation to Friends of KHW Garden. Vibrant ornamental planting welcomes the visitor to this hidden oasis leading into a verdant community garden with secluded woodland area. beehives, wildlife pond, wall trained fruit trees, and plots used by local residents to grow their own fruit and vegetables. Live music. Disabled access WC.

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53 LADY AYLESFORD AVENUE, HA7

Stanmore, HA7 4FG. Jadon. About 15 min walk from Stanmore Stn, off Uxbridge Rd, close to St John Church. H12 & 340 bus stops are 5 min walk from garden. Limited free parking nearby. Sat 27 July (11.30-5). Adm £5. Light refreshments. A compact tropical fusion garden

A compact tropical fusion garden

developed over the past 6 yrs, set in a 20 yr old development of a Battle of Britain, RAF base. This delightful gem of a corner garden with water features and a stunning display of plants and flowers, shows what can be achieved, even in a small space. Colours and textures blend effortlessly to create a harmonious space with exceptional attention to detail.

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LAMBETH PALACE. SE1 Lambeth Palace Road, SE1 7JU. The Church Commissioners. www.archbishopofcanterbury. org. Entrance via Main Gatehouse (Morton's Tower) facing Lambeth Bridge. Station: Waterloo. Tube: Westminster, Vauxhall all 10 min walk. Buses: 3. C10. 77. 344. 507. Evening opening Mon 20 May (5-8). Adm £6, chd free. Wine. Lambeth Palace has one of the oldest and largest private gardens in London. It has been occupied by Archbishops of Canterbury since 1197. Formal courtyard boasts historic White Marseilles fig planted in 1556. Parkland style garden features mature trees, woodland and native planting. There is a formal rose terrace, summer gravel border, scented chapel garden and active beehives. Please note: Gates will open at 5pm. last entry is 7pm and garden closes at 8pm. Garden Tours will be available. Wheelchair access with ramped path to rose terrace. Disabled WC. 년 🐂 🛠 🗩 开 🖉

12 LAURADALE ROAD, N2 N2 9LU. David Gilbert

A Mary Medyckyj, drgilbertprivate@gmail.com, www. davidgilbertart.com/garden. Muswell Hill / East Finchley. 300 metres from 102 & 234 bus stops. 500 metres from 43 & 134 bus stops. 10 min walk from East Finchley Tube Stn. Look out for NGS signs. Sun 8 Sept (1-6). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made

teas. Visits also by arrangement. Exotic, huge, featuring tropical and Mediterranean zone plants, now maturing well and extended with recent developments. Dramatic, architectural planting inc bananas, large tree ferns and rare palms weave along curving stone paths, culminating in a paradise garden. A modern take on the rockery embeds glacial boulders amid dry zone plants inc many succulents. Sculptures by artist owner.

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84 LAVENDER GROVE, E8 Hackney, E8 3LS. Anne Pauleau, 07930 550414,

a.pauleau@hotmail.co.uk. Walk from Haggerston or London Fields Train Stns. The nearest bus stop is the 394 in Lansdowne Dr, just round the corner. LTNs operate in this area. Sun 21 Apr (2-5). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas. Opening with London Fields Gardens on Sun 9 June. Visits also by arrangement 1 Apr to 16 Oct.

Courtyard garden with tropical backdrop of bamboos and palms, foil to clipped shrubs leading to wilder area. The cottage garden with mingling roses, lilles, alliums, grasses, clematis, poppies, star jasmine and jasmine. A very highly scented garden with rampant ramblers and billowing vegetation enchanting all senses. Tulips and daffodils herald spring. Fiery crocosmias and dahlias trumpet late summer. Children's quiz offered with prize on completion.



16 LINKS VIEW ROAD, TW12 Hampton Hill, TW12 1LA. Guy &

Virginia Lewis. South West London, nr Richmond & Kingston upon Thames. 5 min walk from Fulwell Stn. On 281, 267, 285 & R70 bus routes. Sat 25, Sun 26 May (2-4.30). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Open nearby 70 Wensleydale Road.

A surprising garden featuring acers, hostas and fern collection, and other unusual shade loving plants. Many climbing roses, clematis and herbaceous border, and pots of exotic plants. Rockerv and folly with shell grotto and waterfall to small pond and bog garden. Lawn and formal pond. Wild area with chickens and summerhouse. Greenhouse with succulent collection. A veranda with pelargonium collection. One very friendly dog. Plants for sale inc many succulents and greenhouse/ conservatory plants. Takeaway cake for sale. Wheelchair access with assistance.



GROUP OPENING

LONDON FIELDS GARDENS, E8

Hackney, E8 3JW. London Fields. 7 min walk from 149, 242, 243 bus stop, Middleton Rd. 10 mins from 30, 38, 55 stops on Dalston Ln. 7 mins from Haggerston Train Stn or 10 min walk through London Fields from Mare St buses. LTNs operate in this area. Sun 9 June (2-6). Combined adm £10, chd free. Home-made teas at 84 Middleton Road.

84 LAVENDER GROVE Anne Pauleau. (See separate entry)

36 MALVERN ROAD Kath Harris

53 MAPLEDENE ROAD Tigger Cullinan.

55 MAPLEDENE ROAD Amanda & Tony Mott.

84 MIDDLETON ROAD Penny Fowler.

92 MIDDLETON ROAD

Mr Richard & Dr Louise Jarrett.

A fascinating and diverse collection of gardens in London Fields within easy walking distance of each other. At 84 Lavender Grove there are twin south facing gardens, a courtyard with tropical backdrop, and a highly scented, romantic cottage garden. At 36 Malvern Road vou will find a little gem of rills and mirrors and forest pansies, 92 Middleton Road is elegant and serene with a circular theme inc roses, acers and examples of stone lettering. At 84 Middleton Road lies an unusually large secret garden where vou can wander down meandering woodland paths and forget you are in London. The other two are north facing with much the same space but totally different styles. 53 Mapledene Road is an established plantaholic's garden in five sections with not a spare unplanted inch. 55 Mapledene Road has a Moorish-inspired terrace leading to a wildlife garden with plants chosen to attract birds, bees and butterflies. A fabulous afternoon to see six such contrasting gardens.

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38 LOVELACE ROAD, SE21 Dulwich, SE21 8JX. José & Deepti Ramos Turnes. 10 min walk from either West Dulwich or Tulse Hill Stns. Buses: 2, 3 & 68. Sun 23 June (12-5). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas.

This gem of a garden has an all white front and a wildlife friendly back. The garden slopes gently upwards with curving borders, packed with an informal mix of roses, perennials and annuals. The garden is designed to be an easy to maintain oasis of calm at the end of a busy day. There are several smile inducing features like a dragon, the Cheshire cat and a stream.

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GROUP OPENING

LOWER CLAPTON GARDENS, E5 Lower Clapton, E5 0RL. 12 min walk from Hackney Central, Hackney Downs or Homerton Stns. Buses 38, 55, 106, 242, 253, 254 or 425, alight Lower Clapton Rd or Powerscroft Rd. Street parking. Sun 16 June (2-5). Combined adm £7, chd free. Home-made teas at 77 Rushmore Road. Open nearby 43 Roding Road.

8 ALMACK ROAD

Philip Lightowlers, 07910 850276, plighto@gmail.com. Visits also by arrangement 30 Mar to 14 Sept for groups of up to 15.

10 ALMACK ROAD Mr Ben Myhill.

77 RUSHMORE ROAD Penny Edwards.

Lower Clapton is an area of mid-Victorian terraces sloping down to the River Lea. These gardens reflect their owner's tastes and interests. 10 Almack Road is a long garden with architectural plants like trachycarpus palms and cordylines, a large pond and much Yorkstone and London brick. Next door at No. 8 is a similar space but divided into two rooms, one cool and peaceful the other with hot colours, succulents and greenhouse. 77 Rushmore Road has a fruit and vegetable garden and wildlife pond.

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29 LOWTHER HILL, SE23 Honor Oak, Forest Hill, SE23 1PZ. Marina & Graham Sheen. 10

mins from Honor Oak Stn. 13 mins from Catford Stns. 5 mins from 122,185,171,172 & P4 & P12 buses. Unrestricted street parking. **Sun 2**

June (1.30-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Open nearby 72 Ewhurst Road.

A sloping garden in two parts. Both are about 10 metre square with distinct characters. The front is more formal with a native hedge, clipped box, roses and colourful perennials, annuals and large pots. The back garden is a lush oasis of roses, grasses, euphorbias and geraniums mixed in with fruit trees and a small greenhouse for vegetables. Potted dahlias are a current passion.

MAGGIE'S, SM2 17 Cotswold Road, Sutton, SM2 5NG. Maggie's Centre, www.maggies.org. Maggie's at The Royal Marsden is located on the corner of Cotswold Rd via the staff entrance to The Royal Marsden. Sat 11 May (10-2). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas.

The garden surrounding the centre is designed by the world-famous Dutch Landscape Architect Piet Oudolf, who envisioned a dynamic landscape. The garden is divided into four interconnected zones. Piet has carefully chosen the plants according to how much sun each zone receives. We have the shaded, woodland, spring and summer zones, creating a powerful experience for the eyes. At 2pm, a free tour of the garden and Q&A with Marc, our gardener and Chris and Toby Marchant from Orchard Dene Nurseries. Chris and Toby grew all the plants and worked with Piet Outdolf in planting out the garden. Wheelchair access over raised paths. க் **1 🖌 💻** 测

MAGGIE'S WEST LONDON, W6 Charing Cross Hospital, Fulham Palace Road, Hammersmith, W6 8RF. Maggie's West London, www.instagram.com/maggies. west.london. Follow Fulham Palace Rd from Hammersmith Stn towards Charing Cross Hospital. The centre is on the corner of the hospital grounds of St Dunstan's Rd, and is painted tomato-orange. Sat 27 Apr (10-1). Adm £4, chd free.

The garden at Maggie's West London was designed by Dan Pearson in 2008. It is now a well established space offering therapy and peace to those affected by cancer each yr. The gardens surround the vivid orange walls of the centre. The path leading to the centre meanders through scented beds and mature trees. Visitors have access to various courtyards with a wonderful array of flora inc fig trees. grapevines and even a mature pink silk mimosa. Maggie's West London won the RIBA Stirling Prize for the best building designed by a British architect when first built. Wheelchair access to ground floor gardens and courtyards. Roof gardens not accessible. க் **1 🖌** 测

4 MANNINGTREE ROAD, HA4 Ruislip, HA4 0ES. Costas Lambropoulos & Roberto Haddon.

Manningtree Rd is just off Victoria Rd, 10-15 min walk from South Ruislip Tube Stn. Sun 18 Aug (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

Compact garden with an exotic feel that combines hardy architectural plants with more tender ones. A feeling of a small oasis inc plants like *Musa Basjoo, Ensete ventricosum* 'Montbeliardii' and a tree fern. Potted Mediterranean plants on the patio inc a fig tree, jasmines and two olive trees. Cakes, savouries, home-made jams and biscuits for sale.

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MARIE CURIE HOSPICE, HAMPSTEAD, NW3

11 Lyndhurst Gardens, Hampstead, NW3 5NS. Tracy Annunziato. North West London. Nearest tube: Belsize Park. Buses: 46, 268 & C11 all stop near the hospice. Sun 9 June (2-5). Adm £3.50, chd free. Light refreshments.

This peaceful and secluded two-part garden surrounds the Marie Curie Hospice, Hampstead. A garden, tended by dedicated volunteers, makes for a wonderful space for patients to enjoy the shrubs and seasonal colourful flowers. The garden has seating areas for relaxation either in the shade or sunshine with great views of the garden and in company with squirrels running through the trees. Step free access to garden and WC.





GROUP OPENING

MARKSBURY AVENUE GARDENS, TW9

Richmond, TW9 4JE. Approx 10 min walk from Kew Gardens Tube. Exit westbound platform to North Rd. Take 3rd L into Atwood Ave. Marksbury Ave is 1st R. Buses 190, 419 or R68 stop at S end of road. Sun 9 June (2-5). Combined adm £7, chd free. Home-made teas in The Barn Church (corner of Marksbury Ave & Atwood Ave).

26 MARKSBURY AVENUE Sue Frisby.

59 MARKSBURY AVENUE Clarissa & Michael Fletcher.

60 MARKSBURY AVENUE Gay Lyle.

62 MARKSBURY AVENUE Sarah Halaka.

65 MARKSBURY AVENUE Sue & Richard Gatenby.

Although of similar size, these five neighbouring gardens in Kew are all very different. At No.26 you will find many New Zealand natives. Fruit trees abound with plums, figs, apple, red and black currents, apricots, mulberry, feijoa, loguat and citrus, alongside a delicate chamomile lawn. Over the road at No. 59 the garden has evolved largely through own propagation and self-seeding. Shade is provided from a variety of ornamental trees which lead to a lower patio and small vegetable patch. No. 60 is a typical town garden where visitors can enjoy a fine display of patio roses, flowering shrubs and climbers inc numerous varieties of clematis displayed around a curved lawn. Next door at No. 62 is a family garden, created from scratch in 2018 with a brick edged lawn and yew topiary cones for structure. No.65 is an even newer garden designed in 2021 with symmetrical lines softened by old favourites plus contemporary grasses, cercis and canas.

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MHA THE WILDERNESS, CR9

Hall Grange Care Home, 17 Shirley Church Road, Croydon, CR9 5AL. Methodist Homes, www.mha.org. uk/get-involved/the-wilderness. 2m

E of Croydon. Situated behind MHA Hall Grange Care Home. The garden is accessed via a green gate to the R of care home & car park (for residents only). Street parking nearby. Buses: 466 & 130 plus 5 min walk. Sun 19

May (10-3). Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments.

MHA The Wilderness is a reformed heritage garden first created by Rev William Wilks, Vicar of Shirley and former secretary of the Royal Horticulture Society, between 1904 and 1923. In spring/early summer there are mature rhodendrons planted by Wilks, azaleas and Shirley poppies (bred by Wilks). At 2pm Lucy James, Head Gardener, will give a tour of the garden inc its history and development. Accessible path circles the entire garden, though on a slight incline.

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41 MILL HILL ROAD, W3 Acton, W3 8JE. Marcia Hurst, marcia.hurst@sudbury-house.

co.uk. Tube: Acton Town, cross zebra crossing on to Gunnersbury Ln, 2nd R to Mill Hill Rd. Sun 1 Sept (2-5). Adm £5. chd free, Home-made teas.

Visits also by arrangement May to Sept for groups of 5 to 15. Surprisingly secluded original garden with varied selection of plants, borders, topiary, lavender hedge and large lawn. Adjoining sunny new garden from 2019 with meadow, pond and gravel garden. Ample seating. Good selection of plants growing in the garden are for sale in pots with planting and growing advice from the knowledgeable plantaholic owner.





7 Armitage Close, Loudwater, Rickmansworth, WD3 4HL. See Hertfordshire County Booklet or visit ngs.org.uk

77 MUSWELL ROAD, FLAT 1, N10 N10 2BS. Ms Jennifer Granville.

Off Colney Hatch Ln. Highgate Tube then 134 or 43 bus to Queens Ave stop; Bounds Green Tube then 102 or 144 bus to Roseberry Rd stop; Free on street parking on Muswell Rd. Sun 7 July (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

The garden is two yrs old, inspired by the bedtime story 'The Little Green Gate' that opens onto Fairy Land, told to the owner by her grandfather. The garden comprises three linked decks, all providing a different mood and experience with a rose arch, wildlife pond and several green gates; bugs encouraged with architect designed bug hotel, fairies sometimes stay too. Sorry, no wheelchair access.

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THE MYSTERIES OF LIGHT ROSARY GARDEN, NW5

St Dominic's Priory (the Rosary Shrine). Southampton Road. Kentish Town, NW5 4LB. Raffaella Morini on behalf of the Church & Priory, 07778 526434, garden@raffaellamorini.com. Entrance to the garden is from Alan Cheales Way on the RHS of the church, next to the school. Sat 29 June (1-5). Adm £4.50, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 1 May to 15 Sept. A walled garden behind the Priory Church of Our Lady of the Bosary and St Dominic. commissioned by the Dominican Friars as a spiritual and meditative space representing the 'Mysteries of Light' of the Holy Rosary. The sandstone path marks out a Rosary with black granite beads, surrounded by flowers traditionally associated with the Virgin Mary: roses, lilies, iris, periwinkle, columbine. The garden is fully accessible with stone path and wheelchair friendly gravel path.



15 NORCOTT ROAD, N16 Stoke Newington, N16 7BJ.

Amanda & John Welch. Buses: 67, 73, 76, 106, 149, 243, 393, 476, 488. Clapton & Rectory Rd Train Stns. LTNs operate in this area. Sun 19 May (2-6). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas.

A large walled garden developed by the present owners over 40 yrs with pond, aged fruit trees and an abundance of herbaceous plants, many available in our plant sale. Bearing in mind the vagaries of climate change (and our ageing) last yr was one of watching or if you like 'wilding'. We like it, though it doesn't seem to mean any less time out there hard at work. We have plenty of room for people to sit, relax and enjoy their tea.



OAK FARM/HOMESTEAD, EN2 Cattlegate Road, Crews Hill, Enfield, EN2 9DS. Genine & Martin Newport. Few mins walk from Crews Hill Stn. Freedom Pass & Oyster Card valid. Follow NGS arrows. Be aware in ULEZ zone. J24 & J25 off M25. Sun 8 Sept (12-4). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas served in the barn

In the heart of Crews Hill is our 3 acre

garden and meadow. It has been reclaimed over 30 yrs from pig farm to relaxed planting, a haven for wildlife. Walled garden leads to vegetable plot, greenhouse, and orchard. Woodland walk, lawns and stone ornaments. Martin built the house, the brick walls and metal work. Abundant cyclamen in woodland in Sept. Arboretum and lovely country views. Wheelchair access to gardens over grass.



21 OAKLEIGH PARK SOUTH, N20 N20 9JS. Carol & Robin Tullo, 07909 901731,

robin.tullo@btinternet.com. Totteridge & Whetstone Tube Stn (Northern Line), 15 min walk or 251 bus. Oakleigh Park Train Stn, 10 min walk. Also buses 34 & 125 from High Rd. Plenty of street parking. Sun

16 June (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 1 Apr to 28 June for groups of 12 to 20. Mon-Fri in April

& June only. A late spring opening. A mature 200ft garden framed by a magnificent 100 yr old ash tree. Path leads to a pond area fed by a natural spring within landscaped terraced paving. Beyond is a herb and vegetable area, orchard with bulbs and wild flowers and the

working part of the garden. A mix of sunny borders, pond marginals and woodland shade areas with seating. Level wheelchair access to terrace and lawn. Path to pond area, but raised levels beyond.



THE OLD RECTORY, FAWKHAM Valley Road, Fawkham, Longfield, DA3 8LX.

See Kent County Booklet or visit ngs. org.uk

THE ORCHARD, W4 40A Hazledene Road. Chiswick.

W4 3JB. Vivien Cantor. 10 min walk from Chiswick Mainline Stn & Gunnersbury Tube. Off Fauconberg Rd. Close to junction of A4 & Sutton Court Rd. Evening opening Fri 6 Sept (5-7.30). Adm £8, chd free. Wine.

Informal, romantic ¹/₄ acre garden with mature flowering trees, shrubs and imaginative planting in flowing herbaceous borders. Climbers, fern planting, and water features with ponds, a bridge and waterfall in this ever-evolving garden. Exuberant late summer colour with dahlias, annuals and flowering shrubs.

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ORMELEY LODGE, TW10 Ham Gate Avenue, Richmond, TW10 5HB. Lady Annabel

Goldsmith. From Richmond Park exit at Ham Gate into Ham Gate Ave, 1st house on R. From Richmond A307 after 1¹/₂ m, past New Inn on R. At *T*-lights turn L into Ham Gate Ave. **Sun 16 June (3-6). Adm £5, chd**

free. Tea.

Large walled garden in delightful rural setting on Ham Common. Wide herbaceous borders and box hedges. Walk through to orchard with wild flowers. Vegetable garden, knot garden, aviary and chickens. Trellised tennis court with roses and climbers. A number of historic stone family dog memorials. Dogs not permitted.

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Edwardes Square, W8 6HL

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PADDOCK ALLOTMENTS & LEISURE GARDENS, SW20 51 Heath Drive, Raynes Park,

SW20 9BE. Paddock Horticultural Society. Buses 57, 131, 200 to Raynes Park Stn, then 10 min walk or bus 163. Bus 152 to Bushey Rd, 7 min walk. Bus 413, 5 min walk from Cannon Hill Ln. Street parking. Sat

22 June (12-5). Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments.

An allotment site not to be missed, over 150 plots set in 5½ acres. Our tenants come from diverse communities growing a wide range of flowers, fruit and vegetables. Some plots are purely organic, others resemble English country gardens. Winner of London in Bloom Best Allotment on four occasions. Plants and produce for sale. Ploughman's lunch available. Wheelchair access over mainly level paved and grass paths.

11 PARK AVENUE NORTH, N8 Crouch End, N8 7RU. Steven Buckley & Liz Roberts. *Buses:*

144, W3, W7. Tube: Finsbury Park or Turnpike Lane. Train: Hornsey

or Alexandra Palace. Sun 21 July (11.30-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Pre-booking essential, please visit www.ngs.org.uk for information & booking. Home-made teas.

An award-winning, exotic, 250ft garden, much developed in 2023. Dramatic foliage, spiky and lush, dominates, with the focus on palms, cycads, aloes, agaves, dasylirions, aeoniums, tree ferns, nolinas, bamboos, yuccas, bananas, cacti, puyas and hardy succulents. Trees inc orange, peach, Cussonia spicata and Szechuan pepper. Vegetables grow in oak raised beds and a glasshouse.

36 PARK VILLAGE EAST, NW1 Camden Town, NW1 7PZ. Christy

Rogers. Tube: Mornington Cres or Camden Town, 7 mins. Opp railway, just S of Mornington St bridge. Free parking on Suns. Sun 9 June (2-6). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas.

A large peaceful garden behind a sympathetically modernised John Nash house. Relandscaped in 2014, retaining the original mature sycamores and adding hornbeam hedges dividing a woodland area and orchard from a central large lawn, mixed herbaceous border and rose bank now with a newly planted seating area. Children enjoy an artificial grass slide. Musical entertainment provided by young musicians. Wheelchair access via grass ramp down from driveway to main garden (steeper than wheelchair regulations).



174 PECKHAM RYE, SE22 East Dulwich, SE22 9QA. Mr &

Mrs Ian Bland. Station: Peckham Rye. Buses: 63, 363, 12, 197, 484. Overlooks Peckham Rye Common from Dulwich side. Sun 2 June (2.30-5.30). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas. Donation to St Christopher's Hospice.

This oasis, the size of a tennis court has been opening for over 25 yrs and is currently full of contrasting foliage, heights and colours. Among the usual suspects you will find rarer pseudowintera and tetrapanax 'T. Rex', various arisaemas, dracunculus, a baby oven's wattle and a giant fleece flower. The plant sale is very popular or sit on the lawn with a cup of tea and the famed cake selection. Wheelchair access via side alley.

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5 PEMBERTON ROAD, KT8 East Molesey, KT8 9LG. Armi Maddison. Please enter the garden down the side path to R of house. Sun 30 June (2-5). Adm £5, chd

free. Light refreshments.

An artist's sheltered and secluded gravel garden, designed alongside our new build in 2015. Many grasses, pink, blue and white planting with occasional pops of bright colour, a galvanised drinking trough with bulrushes and water lilles, a large mature central acer tree, combine with several seating areas to extend the living space into this fabulous outdoor room. Has been featured in Modern Rustic, Homes & Gardens, House Beautiful and The Evening Standard plus others.

PETERSHAM HOUSE, TW10 Petersham Road, Petersham, Richmond, TW10 7AA. Francesco & Gael Boglione, www.petershamnurseries.com.

Station: Richmond, bus 65 to Dysart. Entry to garden off Petersham Rd, through Petersham Nurseries. Parking

very limited on Church Ln. Sun 21 Apr (11-4). Adm £7.50, chd free. Light refreshments.

Broad lawn with large topiary and generously planted double borders. Productive vegetable garden with chickens. Adjoins Petersham Nurseries with extensive plant sales, shop and café serving lunch, tea and cake.



1A PRIMROSE GARDENS, NW3 Hampstead, NW3 4UJ. Debra & Tim Craighead, dcraighead@me.com. Belsize Park. Convenient from Belsize & Chalk Farm Tube Stns (5 mins) or Swiss Cottage (12 mins). Also buses, 168, 268 & C11. Free parking on Suns. Sun 2 June, Sat 21 Sept (2-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments. Visits also by arrangement 13 May to 29 Sept for oroups of 10 to 35.

Hidden oasis in the heart of Belsize Park, cool and relaxing. Planted with various microclimates for surrounding buildings, walls, and desire for privacy. Mirrors help create sense of intrigue. Densely planted for texture: in May, foxglove, allium, clematis, ferns, grasses, and in Sept, gingers, salvia and pennisetum. A restricted colour palette of white, purple and pops of orange throughout the yr. Bird friendly with a sedum rooftop attracting bees and butterflies.



GROUP OPENING

PRINCES AVENUE GARDENS. N10

N10 3LS. Muswell Hill, Buses: 43 & 134 from Highgate Tube Stn; also W7, 102, 144, 234, 299. Princes Ave opp M&S in Muswell Hill Broadway & The Village Green pub in Fortis Green Rd. Sun 19 May (12-6). Combined adm £6. chd free. Home-made teas. Gluten free & vegan options.

17 PRINCES AVENUE Patsv Bailev & John Rance. 26 PRINCES AVENUE Tracev Marshall.

In a beautiful Edwardian avenue in the heart of Muswell Hill Conservation Area, two peaceful gardens off the bustling Broadway, both designed for relaxing and entertaining. The gardens are very different. No. 17 is a traditional garden; it is south facing, but shaded by large surrounding trees, inc a ginkgo. The garden features a superb hosta and fern display. No. 26 is a contemporary garden and north facing; it was designed and planted in spring 2023, keeping a number of mature trees and shrubs giving a well established feel. Live music at 17 Princes Avenue by the Secret Life Sax Quartet at 3pm and 4pm. Small step at number No. 17, help available on request.

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GROUP OPENING

RAILWAY COTTAGES, N22

2 Dorset Road, N22 7SL, Nr Alexandra Palace, Tube: Wood Green, 10 min walk. Train: Alexandra Palace, 3 mins. Buses: W3. 184. 3 mins. Free parking in local streets on Suns. Sun 7 July (2-5.30). Combined adm £5. chd free. Home-made teas at 2 Dorset Road.

2 DORSET ROAD Jane Stevens.

4 DORSET ROAD Mark Longworth.

14 DORSET ROAD Cathy Brogan.

22 DORSET ROAD Mike & Noreen Ainger.

24A DORSET ROAD Eddie & Jane Wessman. A row of historical railway cottages. tucked away from the bustle of Wood Green nr Alexandra Palace, takes the visitor back in time. The tranquil country style garden at 2 Dorset Road flanks three sides of the house. Clipped hedges contrast with climbing roses, clematis, honevsuckle, abutilon, grasses and ferns. Trees inc mulberry. guince, fig, apple and a mature willow creating an interesting shady corner with a pond. There is an emphasis on scented flowers that attract bees and butterflies and the traditional medicinal plants found in cottage gardens. No. 4 is a pretty secluded garden (accessed through the rear of No. 2) and sets off the sculptor owners figurative and abstract work. There are three front gardens open for view. No. 14 is an informal, organic, bee-friendly garden, planted with fragrant and useful herbs, flowers and shrubs. No. 22 is nurtured by the grandson of the original railway worker occupant. A lovely place to sit and relax and enjoy the varied planting. No. 24a reverts to the potager style cottage garden with raised beds overflowing with vegetables and flowers. Popular plant sale. Featured in the Sunday Observer 'Front Gardens'. 1 🖌 🐇 🗶 🖤

42 RISINGHOLME ROAD, HA3 Harrow, HA3 7ER. Brenda White.

Wealdstone/Harrow Weald, Buses: 258. 340.182.140 Salvatorian College/St Joseph's Catholic Church, Wealdstone, Tube/train: Harrow & Wealdstone Stn (10 min walk or bus). Road opp the Salvatorian College. Sun 5 May, Sun 1 Sept (2-5). Adm £5. chd free. Home-made teas.

A stunning, paved 100ft long garden packed with plants, divided into different themed areas inc a raised bed vegetable garden, a large aviary, beehive and summerhouse. A shady garden that makes the most of every space!



43 RODING ROAD, E5 E5 0DN. Ms Tanya Barrett.

Homerton. 6 min walk from Homerton Overground Stn or buses 236, 276, 308 alight nr or on Homerton High St. If coming from Lower Clapton Gardens it is a 10 min walk. Sun 16 June (2-5), Adm £3, chd free, Open nearby Lower Clapton Gardens.

A small, west facing Victorian terrace

garden with a curved lawn surrounding two mixed borders (one sunny, one semi-shade) of climbers, shrubs, perennials and annuals. Mainly blue pinks and white inc roses, clematis, salvias and unusual perennial geraniums. Also a patio area with a large number of pots inc scented pelargoniums. An ongoing work in progress as planted only 10 yrs ago. Refreshments are available at Lower Clapton Gardens. There are also lots of wonderful cafés on Chatsworth Rd. a 5 min walk away. ·)))

SOCIETY ALLOTMENTS, SW15 162 Dover House Road, Putney, SW15 5AR. Roehampton Garden Society, www.

roehamptonallotments.co.uk. Bus: 430, Elmshaw Rd stop. Train: Putney Mainline. Putnev High St. then take 430 bus. Street parking. Sun 21 July (2-5). Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments.

176 allotment plots established in the 1930s, set within the Dover House Estate, a Conservation area in a garden suburb environment. Our plot holders come from diverse communities and grow a wide variety of vegetables, fruit and flowers. Fresh produce and plants will be on sale, as well as refreshments from our Potting Shed located in a lovely floral communal garden. Wheelchair access over mainly level paved paths and uneven grass paths. Accessible WC on site.

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In 2023, National Garden Scheme funding for Perennial supported a helpline service which provided advice, information and frontline support to around 800 people working in horticulture.

ROOFTOPVEGPLOT, W1 122 Great Titchfield Street, W1W 6ST. Miss Wendy Shillam, 07597 438666, coffeeinthesquare@me.com,

www.rooftopvegplot.com. Fitzrovia. Located on the 5th floor, flat roof of a private house. Ring the doorbell marked Shillam & Smith to be let into

the building. Sat 6, Sun 7 July (11-6). Adm £6, chd £3. Pre-booking essential, please visit www.ngs. org.uk for information & booking. Home-made teas.

A nutritional garden with views across London, where fruit and vegetables grow amongst complementary flowers in six inches of soil, in raised beds on a flat roof. Trellis and greenhouse tomatoes. This is a tiny garden, so tours are restricted to six visitors. Home-made cakes, and growing and nutritional tips from Wendy Shillam, a clinical nutritionist and health writer with an extensive knowledge of green nutrition. Featured in the following books: My Tiny Plot, Lia Leendertz, London Guide to Urban Gardens, Urban Homesteading, Rachel Kaplan.

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ROYAL TRINITY HOSPICE, SW4 30 Clapham Common North Side. SW4 0RN. Royal Trinity Hospice, www.royaltrinityhospice.london/ our-gardens. 8 min walk from Clapham Common Tube, Buses: 35, 37, 345, 137, 249 & 322 (137 stops outside). Sun 17 Mar, Sun 28 Apr, Sun 19 May, Sun 15 Sept (11-4). Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments.Open nearby 51 The Chase & 152a Victoria Rise on 28 Apr only. Our front gardens feature wisteria, shrubs and trees. The rear landscaped gardens inc two lawns with herbaceous borders either side of a path that leads to the Koi pond.

There is lots of year-round colour in the gardens from annuals, perennials, roses and shrubs. In 2023 we added lots of new perennials and shrubs with autumn colours. Wheelchair access via ramps and pathways.



31 RYECROFT ROAD, SW16 Streatham, SW16 3EW. Chrissy & Pete Silver. Nr Crown Point. Mainline: Streatham & West Norwood Stns. Buses: 68, 196, 249, 417, & 468 all to Crown Point. Sun 26 May (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Large sunny garden, open aspect with far-reaching views toward the North Downs from a roof terrace. Herbaceous border around a large lawn, vegetable patch, small woodland area, rockery with Mediterranean planting. Old-fashioned roses both front and back. Lovely old Yorkstone paths help to divide the garden into smaller, cosier areas.

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28A ST AUGUSTINE'S ROAD, NW1

Camden Town, NW1 9RN. Ricky Patel, rickypatelfilm@gmail.com. 10-12 min walk from Camden Stn, 15 min walk from Kings Cross Stn, 15 min walk from Caledonian Rd Stn. Visits by arrangement 15 June to

15 Sept. Step from a wide, quiet street into a tropical paradise! This young garden away from busy Camden is only a few yrs old but looking lush and well established thanks to the plants that moved here with the new owner inc bananas, ginger, cannas, tetrapanax and bamboos. A green fingered, self-taught plant lover's garden with an emphasis on impressive foliage and interesting texture.





7 ST PAUL'S PLACE, N1 Islington, N1 2QE. Mrs Fiona Atkins. 50 metres W & N of the junction of St

Paul's Rd & Essex Rd in Islington. Sat 25 May (12-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Cream teas.

The main feature of the walled garden is a pond with natural planting to encourage pollinators and birds. It is a working garden; many of the plants have been grown from seed in the small greenhouse, compost is made from waste and leaves from surrounding trees and water is collected in water butts for the pond. A large terrace features a white wisteria and container planting.



27 ST PETERS SQUARE, W6 British Grove, W6 9NW. Oliver & Gabrielle Leigh Wood, 07810 677478,

oliverleighwood@hotmail.com. Tube to Stamford Brook, exit station & turn S down Goldhawk Rd. At T-lights continue ahead into British Grove. Entrance to garden at 50 British

Grove, 100yds on L. Sun 12 May (2-6). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement.

This long, secret space, is a plantsman's eclectic semi-tamed wilderness. Created over the last 12 yrs it contains lots of camellias, magnolias and fruit trees. Much of the hard landscaping is from skips and the whole garden is full of other people's unconsidered trifles of fancy inc a folly and summerhouse.



19 ST PETER'S STREET, N1

N1 8JD. Adrian Gunning. Angel, Islington. Tube: Angel. Bus: Islington Green. Sun 2 June (3-6.30). Adm £5, chd free.

Charming, secluded town garden with climbing roses, trees, shrubs, climbers, pond, patio with containers and a gazebo with a trompe l'oeil mural.

57 ST QUINTIN AVENUE, W10 W10 6NZ. Mr H Groffman, 020 8969

8292. Less than 1m from Ladbroke Grove or White City Tube Stn. Buses: 7, 70, 220 all to North Pole Rd. Sun 7, Sun 21 July (2-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 7 July to 31 Aug. Award-winning 30ft x 40ft garden with a diverse selection of plants inc shrubs



for foliage effects. Patio with colour themed bedding material. Focal points throughout. Clever use of mirrors and plant associations. New look front garden, new rear patio layout, and new plantings for 2024 with a good selection of climbers and wall shrubs. This yr's special display will feature another inspiring colour theme.

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5 ST REGIS CLOSE, N10 Alexandra Park Rd, Muswell Hill, N10 2DE. Mrs S Bennett & Mr E Hyde, 020 8883 8540, suebearlh@yahoo.co.uk. 2nd L in Alexandra Park Rd coming from Colnev Hatch Ln. 102 & 299 bus from Bounds Green Tube to St Andrew's Church or 102 from East Finchley. Buses 43 & 143 stop in Colnev Hatch Ln. Short walk. Follow NGS signs. Parking on side roads inc coaches. Sun 28 Apr, Sun 30 June, Sun 4 Aug (2-6.30), Adm £5, chd free, Home-made teas & gluten free option. Visits also by arrangement

Apr to Oct for groups of 10+.

Cornucopia of sensual delights. Artist's garden famous for architectural features and delicious cakes. Baroque temple, pagodas, Raku tiled mirrored wall conceals plant nursery. American Gothic shed overlooks Liberace terrace and stairway to heaven. Maureen Lipman's favourite garden; combines colour, humour, trompe l'oeil with wildlife friendly ponds, waterfalls,

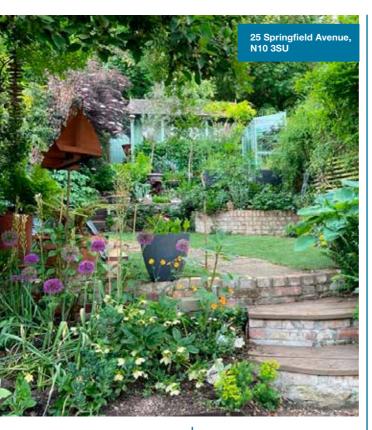
weeping willow, lawns and abundant planting. A unique experience awaits! Unusual architectural features inc Oriental tea house overlooking carp pond. Mega plant sale and open studio with ceramics and cards (cash only). Gold winner of Haringey in Bloom 2023 'Best Back Garden'. Featured on BBC Gardeners' World ITV Britain's Best Back Gardens with Alan Titchmarsh. More 4 All Gardens Great and Small, ITV No Mow May. Magazines inc RHS The Garden. Books inc Great Gardens of London, Ornament in the Small Garden. Wheelchair access not suitable for everyone, please check with owners for details.



11 SHORTGATE, N12 North Finchley, N12 7JP. Jennifer O'Donovan. Bus: 326, alight at the green on Southover, follow signs. Tube: Woodside Park, exit from northbound platform, follow signs. Parking: surrounding roads, not in Shortgate. Sun 30 June (1.30-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

This corner plot is a spacious and elegant garden. It has sunny herbaceous beds, a neat vegetable patch, shade bearing trees with tranquil seating and a greenhouse busy with plants. Developed over 35 yrs, there wasn't even one tree when the owner arrived.





SOUTH LONDON BOTANICAL INSTITUTE, SE24

323 Norwood Road, SE24 9AQ. South London Botanical Institute, www.slbi.org.uk. Mainline: Tulse Hill. Buses: 68, 196, 322 & 468 stop at junction of Norwood Rd & Romola Rd. Sun 28 Apr (2-5). Adm £5, chd

free. Home-made teas. Donation to South London Botanical Institute.

London's smallest botanical garden is open again after major refurbishment to our building. Spring highlights inc unusual bulbs, ferns, flowering trees and early roses. Wild flowers flourish beside medicinal herbs. Scented, native and woodland plants are featured, growing among rare trees and shrubs. There is a small dye plant bed and a collection of succulents in our greenhouse. Our small cafe will be serving home-made teas. Featured in <u>Country Life 'London Life'.</u>

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SOUTH WIND 23 Doctors Lane, Chaldon, Caterham, CR3 5AE. See Surrey County Booklet or visit ngs. org.uk

41 SOUTHBROOK ROAD, SE12 Lee, SE12 8LJ. Barbara Polanski, polanski101@yahoo.co.uk.

Southbrook Rd is situated off S Circular, off Burnt Ash Rd. Train: Lee & Hither Green, both 10 min walk. Bus: P273, 202. Please enter via side access & look out for the balloons! Sat 1, Sun 2 June (2.30-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

Visits also by arrangement 15 June to 7 July for groups of 10 to 25.

Developed over 14 yrs, this large garden has a formal layout with wide mixed herbaceous borders full of colour, surrounded by mature trees, framing sunny lawns, a central box parterre and an Indian pergola. Ancient pear trees festooned in June with clouds of white Kiftsgate and Rambling Rector roses. Discover fish and damselflies in two lily ponds. Many sheltered places to sit and relax. Enjoy refreshments in a small classical garden building with interior wall paintings, almost hidden by roses climbing way up into the trees. Orangery, parterre, gazebo and wall fountain. Side access for standard wheelchairs. Gravel driveway and one step.



SPENCER HOUSE, SW1 27 St James' Place, Westminster, SW1A 1NR. RIT Capital Partners. www.spencerhouse.co.uk. From Green Park Tube Stn, exit on S side, walk down Queen's Walk, turn L through narrow alleyway. Turn R & Spencer House will be in front of you. For opening times and information, please visit garden website. Originally designed in the C18 by Henry Holland (son-in-law to Lancelot 'Capability' Brown), the garden was among the grandest in the West End. Restored since 1990 under the Chairmanship of Lord Rothschild, the garden with a delightful view of the adjacent Royal Park, now evokes its original layout with planting suggested by early C19 nursery lists.

GROUP OPENING

SPITALFIELDS GARDENS, E1 E1 6QE. Nr Spitalfields Market. 10 min walk from Liverpool St Stn, Aldgate East Tube, Shoreditch High St Train Stn. Sat 8 June (10-4). Combined adm £12, chd free. Home-made teas at The Rectory (2 Fournier Street), Town House (5 Fournier Street) & 29 Fournier Street.

30 CALVIN STREET, FLAT 1 Susan Young.

29 FOURNIER STREET Juliette Larthe.

THE RECTORY, 2 FOURNIER STREET Jack McCausland.

37 SPITAL SQUARE Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings.

Discover a unique selection of secluded gardens in Spitalfields, just a stone's throw from the buzz of Spitalfields Market. The feel of a country garden behind the Church offering fabulous teas and music, a small courtyard garden behind one of the fine French Huguenot houses of the C17, a small paved garden unconstrained by its high boundary walls and another undaunted by the shade of the surrounding tall buildings. Each garden has adapted to its particular urban space with vertical and horizontal beds, inspired planting, pots, statuary and architectural artefacts. The Rectory, 2 Fournier Street is Regional Finalist, The English Garden Magazine's The Nation's Favourite Gardens 2023.

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25 SPRINGFIELD AVENUE, N10 Muswell Hill, N10 3SU. Heather

Hampson & Nigel Ragg. From main r'about in Muswell Hill, down Muswell Hill towards Crouch End. Springfield Ave 1st on L. No. 25 is opp the steps to Grosvenor Gardens. Sun 9 June (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Homemade teas.

Be pleasantly surprised by this city garden! Magical, packed with colour, fragrance, rambling roses and quirky ideas to stimulate conversation and imagination. A visual delight with three terraces, each with an individual atmosphere that lead to the summerhouse with a backdrop of mature trees. Plenty of spots to sit and enjoy scrumptious tea and cakes. Good plant sale. The summerhouse is somewhere to rest and view the owner's art works for sale in aid of the NGS. NB this is a steep garden, on different levels with uneven steps.

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106 STATION ROAD, TW12 Hampton, TW12 2AS. Diane

Kermack. From Hampton Stn, turn L along Station Rd, past St Theodore's Church, opp the green. Access to garden via the garden gate on the adjacent side road Station Cl. Sat 20, Sun 21 July (11-5). Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments.

An apiary garden with six busy hives which will be of special interest to beekeepers. Bushy front garden with vegetable plot and perimeter flower bed. Walk through past swimming pool, greenhouses, seating and many pots. Informal back garden featuring many beehives. Pond, chickens and informal flower beds. SUSSEX COTTAGE, TW3 128 Whitton Road, Hounslow, TW3 2EP. John Meinke. Hounslow Stn, 5 min walk. 281 bus passes outside. Unrestricted parking on local roads. Sun 2 June (1-5). Combined adm with 116 Whitton Road £8, chd free. Home-made teas.

A surprising garden with a number of unique features, many of which date back to the 1920s. The garden is on several levels, and features a stone bridge, pond and air raid shelter. There are many well established trees which gives the garden a woodland feel. Traditional planting inc roses, lavender, peonies, acanthus and philadelphus.

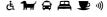
93 TANFIELD AVENUE, NW2 Dudden Hill, NW2 7SB. Mr James Duncan Mattoon, 07504 565612. Nr Dollis Hill, Willesden & Wembley. Nearest station: Neasden (Jubilee line), then 10 min walk; or various bus routes to Neasden Parade or Tanfield Ave. Sun 21 July (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement June to Sept for groups of up to 15.

Intensely exotic Mediterranean and subtropical paradise garden! Sunny deck with implausible planting and panoramic views of Harrow and Wembley, plunges into incredibly exotic, densely planted oasis of delight, with two further seating areas engulfed by flowers, such as, acacia, colocasia, eryngium, hedychium, plumbago, salvias and hundreds more in vigorous competition! Birds and bees love it! Previous garden was Tropical Kensal Rise (Doyle Gardens), featured on BBC 2 Open Gardens and in Sunday Telegraph. This garden featured in Garden Week and Garden Answers magazine. Steep steps down to main garden.



TEMPLE LODGE CLUB. W6 51 Queen Caroline Street. Hammersmith, W6 9QL. The Rev. Nigel Lumsden, 020 8748 8388, Booking@templelodgeclub.com, www.templelodgeclub.com/aboutus/#history. Queen Caroline St is opp Broadway Shopping Centre which contains tube & bus stations. Piccadilly, District & Hammersmith & City lines. Buses: 9, 10, 27, 33, 419, 72, H91, 190, 211, 220, 267, 283, 295, 391, Fulham Palace Rd exit. Temple Lodge entrance via Gate Restaurant Courtyard. Sat 14 Sept (12-5). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments.

Artist Sir Frank Brangwyn's former home, studio and walled garden. Discover an oasis in the heart of London. Perennials and grasses with long seasons of interest provide changing colour, movement and structure through seasons. Garden designed by Tom Ryder. Old carved stone unearthed and set aside during recent garden renovations are repurposed and are on display. Explore to the rhythmic sound of the flow form water feature. Temple Lodge Club is also a thriving and unique questhouse and has a vegetarian restaurant (booking recommended). Wheelchair access through adjacent car park of St Vincent's Care Home. Garden does feature steps and sloped paths.





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6 THORNHILL ROAD, N1

Islington, N1 1HW. Janis Higgie. Barnsbury. Tube: Angel or Highbury & Islington. Train: Caledonian & Barnsbury. Bus: to Liverpool Rd. Sat 15 June (12-5). Adm £4, chd free.

Home-made teas. 150ft Islington garden, designed and planted over the last 30 yrs. This fully accessible family garden draws inspiration from the owner's antipodean roots. A brick path guides visitors past lawns, raised beds, a water feature, fire bowl and a creative mix of plants from around the globe (inc kowhai and hoheria trees with many shade tolerant plants). This garden has a lot, even the kitchen sink! Completely wheelchair friendly.

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27 THORPEWOOD AVENUE, SE26 Sydenham, SE26 4BU. Barbara

Nella. ¹/₂ m from Forest Hill Stn. Off the S Circular (A205) turning up Sydenham Hill nr Horniman Gardens, or Dartmouth Rd from Forest Hill Stn. Buses: 122, 176, 312 to Forest Hill Library. Sun 30 June (1.30-5). Adm £6. chd free, Home-made teas.

This ½ acre sloping garden blends a cool English woodland look with hotter Mediterranean styles and, with its bamboos and bananas, travels even further afield, all the way to the Antipodes. A particular joy lies in the garden's heart where woodland opens out to reveal a sunny glade packed with alpine delights. Barbara is a compulsive plants person, so come prepared to buy some interesting plants.



TORRIANO COMMUNITY GARDEN, NW5

Torriano Avenue, NW5 2ST. Mrs Elisa Puentes. Kentish Town. Train station: Camden Road. 10 min walk along Camden Rd to Torriano Ave. Buses: 29, 253. Walk along Torriano Ave & garden is on R opp the primary

school. Sun 16 June (12-4). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

This beautiful 1 acre community garden, designed and built in 2003 by the residents helped by the Army, has amazing features with a variety of flowers. The design of the flower beds have the numbers 2003. This beautiful space is fully wheelchair accessible and open for all to enjoy even if you do not live on the estate. Our garden is maintained and cleaned by residents and is open all year-round.

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9 TRAFALGAR TERRACE, HA1 Harrow, HA1 3EU. George Reeve, www.instagram.com/ thehillsjunglegarden. Harrow-on-the-Hill Stn; 10 min walk via Churchfields & path to Trafalgar Terrace. Free roadside parking on West St; L onto Nelson Rd to end, L to 9 Trafalgar Terrace following NGS signs. Sat 7 Sept (1-5). Adm £5, chd free. Pre-booking essential, please visit www.ngs.org.uk for information & booking. Light refreshments. Small jungle and tropical themed garden with big leaf plants down to

small succulents. The garden is a tranquil space with running water and views up to Harrow's famous St Mary's Church. We look forward to welcoming you to our piece of paradise.

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31 TRELAWN ROAD, SW2 SW2 1DH. Mr M Simmons & Mr

D Waddock. Brixton. From Brixton Underground Stn, turn L along Effra Rd towards Sainsbury's. Walk past Halfords & Trelawn Rd is 2nd road on L. Buses 2, 3, 37, 196, 415. Sun 9 June (1-5). Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas inc gluten free & vegan options.

A small city garden designed to give the illusion of space with a winding path and hidden vistas. Crammed with plants, dominated by perennials, roses, ferns and exotics. There is no lawn, but several seating areas from which to contemplate the space.

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TROUTBECK High Street, Otford, Sevenoaks, TN14 5PH.

See Kent County Booklet or visit ngs. org.uk

24 TWYFORD AVENUE, N2 N2 9NJ. Rachel Lindsav &

Jeremy Pratt, 07930 632902, jeremypr@blueyonder.co.uk. Twyford Ave runs parallel to Fortis Green, between East Finchley & Muswell Hill. Tube: Northern line to East Finchley. Buses: 102, 143, 234, 263 to East Finchley. Buses 43, 134, 144, 234 to Muswell Hill. Buses: 102 & 234 stop at end of road. Garden signed from Fortis Green. Sun 21 July (2-6).

Adm £4, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement for groups of up to 20.

Very sunny, 120ft south facing garden, planted for colour. Brick edged borders and many containers packed with traditional herbaceous and perennial cottage garden plants and shrubs. Shady area at rear. Experimental gravel area that is never watered. Some uneven ground. Water feature. Greenhouse. Many places to sit and think, chat or doze. Local honey and bee products on sale.





86 UNDERHILL ROAD, SE22 East Dulwich, SE22 0QU. Claire & Rob Goldie. Between Langton Rise & Melford Rd. Station: Forest Hill, Buses: P13, 363, 63, 176, 185 & P4. Evening opening Fri 16 Aug (7-9.30). Adm £7, chd free. Wine. Sun 18 Aug (2-6). Adm £4.50, chd free. Home-made teas. A generous family garden packed with surprises around every corner. Opening for the first time in Aug shows the garden off in its more jungle appearance with hot and spicy tones from the cannas and chocolate sunflowers to the hot pinks of salvias and Houttuynia cordata. Lots of variegated foliage to sparkle in the sunshine and the rain; pittosporum, cornus and vinca major. The garden is near The Horniman Garden which is free and within walking distance or a short bus ride.



30 URLWIN STREET, SE5 Camberwell, SE5 0NF. Mrs Judith

Gregory. Close to junction of Albany St & Camberwell Rd. Nearest tube station is Elephant & Castle, 15 min walk. Buses 12,148,176,171, 42, 40, 35, 68, 468. From the bus stop Urlwin St, which is a continuation of Albany St, 5 min walk. Access to garden from private road Horsman St. Sun 28 July (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Homemade teas.

Lovingly created out of a wilderness over 16 yrs this immaculate garden reflects the elegance of the Georgian house (not open), in a quiet street off busy Camberwell. Structure is key and unusual trees and shrubs are kept well shaped. Water Illies thrive in a goldfish pond with golden Orfe and Shubunkin. An unexpected gate leads to a deeply planted gravel garden. Don't miss the trompe l'oieil corner.



152A VICTORIA RISE, SW4

Clapham, SW4 0NW. Benn Storey, www.instagram.com/ thenorthsouthgarden. South West London. Entry via basement flat. Closest tube Clapham Common. Bus 77, 87, 137, 156, 345, 452. Sun 28 Apr (12-5). Adm £4.50, chd free. Open nearby Royal Trinity Hospice.

In its 8th yr this terraced garden is 21 metres long by 8 metres wide. Planting ranges from the lush greens of the courtward to the frothy insect

of the courtyard to the frothy, insect friendly plants of the main level, to the espalier fruit trees and vegetables of



the productive levels. A copper beech hedge hides a cozy arbour seat and fire pit at the top of the plot, out of view from surrounding neighbours.

13 WAITE DAVIES ROAD, SE12

Lee, SE12 ONE. Janet Pugh. Just off A205 South Circular. Lee Train Stn, 11 min walk. Hither Green & Grove Park Stns, 20 min walk. Bus route 261 stops close by. Buses 202 & 160 stop nearby. Usually free roadside parking. Sun 2 June (2-5.30). Combined adm with 15 Waite Davies Road £5, chd free, Home-made teas.

A colourful and welcoming front garden leads you down steps to a bright and peaceful, gently maturing garden. The soft sound of a discreet water feature adds to the calm atmosphere with attractive massed planting in a palette of pinks, purples and creams. Offerings of a rich selection of cream cakes add to the charm.

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15 WAITE DAVIES ROAD, SE12

Lee, SE12 ONE. Will Jennings. Just off the A205 South Circular. Lee Train Stn, 11 min walk. Hither Green & Grove Park Stns, 20 min walk. Bus route 261 stops close by. Buses 202 & 160 stop nearby. Usually roadside parking. Sun 2 June (2-5.30). Combined adm with 13 Waite Davies Road £5, chd free. Hidden behind a Victorian terrace is a tiny yet immaculately presented English garden. A huge Malvern Hills rambling rose gently billows over a willow painted shed, foxgloves spring up beneath a crab apple tree, and box hedging frames the scene. Nearby, the soft pink petals of climbing rose The Generous Gardener nod gracefully over a sunbaked stone patio. Featured in The English Garden magazine.

WARREN MEWS, W1 Fitzrovia, W1T 5NQ. Rebecca

Hossack. 2 mins from Warren St Tube Stn. Entrance to garden on Warren St, W1T 5NQ. Sat 22 June (11-4). Adm by donation. Home-made teas.

Tucked away behind bustling Tottenham Court Road is the enchanting garden of Warren Mews. On first glance, it is impossible to tell that the plants in this verdant garden have no access to the earth. Warren Mews is a place where pots of paradise flowers, window boxes bursting with geraniums and containers of olive trees rule the street. Eclectic container planting with an Australian influence. The Rebecca Hossack Art Gallery is a 5 min walk away. Mews is fully accessible and entirely cobbled.



9 WARWICK CLOSE, TW12 Hampton, TW12 2TY. Chris Churchman, 07802 470313, cc@cquester.co.uk. 2m W of Twickenham. 2m N of Hampton Court.

overlooking Bushy Park. 100 metres from Hampton Open Air Swimming Pool. Sat 10 Aug (10.30-5). Adm £4,

chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 1 June to 2 Aug for groups of 7 to 20. Bookings must be made a min of 1 month in advance.

A small suburban garden in South West London. Front garden with espaliered American lime trees, featuring roses, lavender and stipa. Shade garden with rare ferns and herbaceous. Rear garden has recently added canal water feature, rectangular lawn with prairie style plantings crossed with subtropical species. Roof top allotment to garage (the garotment).



THE WATERGARDENS, KT2 Warren Road, Kingston-upon-

Thames, KT2 7LF. The Residents' Association. 1 m E of Kingston. From Kingston take A308 (Kingston Hill) towards London; after approx ¹/₂ m turn R into Warren Rd. No. 57 bus along Coombe Lane West, alight at Warren Rd. Roadside parking only. Sun 28 Apr, Sun 20 Oct (1.30-4).

Adm £5, chd free.

Japanese landscaped garden originally part of Coombe Wood Nursery, planted by the Veitch family in the 1860s. Approx 9 acres with ponds, streams and waterfalls. Many rare trees, which in spring and autumn provide stunning colour. For the tree lover this is a must-see garden. Gardens attractive to wildlife. Major renovation and restoration have taken place over the past yrs revealing a hitherto lost lake and waterfall. Restoration works ongoing. Unsuitable for those unsteady on their feet.

70 WENSLEYDALE ROAD, TW12 Hampton, TW12 2LX. Mr Steve

Pickering. 9 min walk from Hampton Stn. From Hampton Stn, E on Station Rd towards Oldfield Rd, L onto Tudor Rd, R onto Wensleydale Rd, L to stay on Wensleydale Rd. Sat 25, Sun 26 May (1-5). Adm £4, chd free. Open nearby 16 Links View Road.

Small traditional garden in classic layout with greenhouse, summerhouse, pergolas, patio and rockery with an emphasis on year-round colour. Many evergreen shrubs and perennials. Wisteria over pergola flowers in spring. David Austin Desdemona rose repeat flowering on the patio. Greenhouse containing succulents and many flowering plants. All created by the amateur gardener owners. Wheelchair access only to one section of rear garden, nearest the house. (+ +))

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Sanderstead, CR2 0SB. See Surrey County Booklet or visit ngs. org.uk

WEST LODGE PARK, EN4

Cockfosters Road, Hadley Wood, EN4 0PY. Beales Hotels, 020 8216 3904, janegray@bealeshotels.co.uk, www.bealeshotels.co.uk/ westlodgepark. *1m S of Potters Bar. On A111. J24 from M25 signed Cockfosters.* Sun 19 May (2-5); Sun 20 Oct (1-4). Adm £7.50, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement Apr to Oct for groups of 10+.

Open for the NGS for over 40 yrs, the 35 are Beale Arboretum consists of over 800 varieties of trees and shrubs inc National Collections of hornbeam cultivars *Carpinus betulus*, Indian bean tree *Catalpa bignonioides*, swamp cypress *Taxodium distichum*. Network of paths through good selection of conifers, oaks, maples and mountain ash, all specimens labelled. Stunning collection within the M25. Guided tours available. Breakfasts, morning coffee and biscuits, afternoon tea, restaurant lunches, light lunches, dinner all served in the hotel. Please see website for details.

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A small, romantic, traditional garden inspired by Edwardian country gardens. Approx 85ft long with a manicured and striped lawn. Planting inc peonies, myrtle, clematis, old roses, fennel, lavender, and crab apples. The lawn is cut using a Ransomes Aiax (one on display at The Garden Museum). Hazel features at the end of the garden and was planted in 1900 (the house is called Hazeldene). ((ر، 🖵



East Molesey, KT8 9EW. Jan & Ken Heath, janheath61@gmail.com. Less than 10 min walk from Hampton Court Palace & station, very easy to find. Sun 2 June (2-6). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 3 June to 16 June. Romantic, secluded and peaceful

garden of two halves designed and maintained by the owners. Part is shaded by two large copper beech trees with woodland planting and fernery. The second reached through a beech arch with cottage garden planting, pond and wooden obelisks covered with roses. Beautiful octagonal gazebo overlooks pond, plus an oak framed summerhouse designed and built by the owners. Extensive seating throughout the garden to sit quietly and enjoy your tea and cake. Inspirational garden in 'Love your Garden' with Alan

Titchmarsh (May 2023). க் 🖨 💻 测

39 WOOD VALE, SE23 Forest Hill, SE23 3DS. Nigel

Crawley. Entrance through Thistle Gates, 48 Melford Rd, Train stations: Forest Hill & Honor Oak Park. Victoria Stn to West Dulwich, then P4. Buses: 363 Elephant & Castle to Wood Vale/Melford Rd; 176, 185 & 197 to Lordship Ln/Wood Vale, Sun 14 Apr (1-5). Home-made teas. Evening

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Diverse garden dominated by a gigantic perry pear forming part of one of the East Dulwich orchards. View our displays of aricula and pulsatilla. The emphasis in the garden is on its inhabitants: white comfrev and pear blossom keeps the bees busy in the spring. There are clumps of narcissi around the old apple tree and pots of hyacinths, fritillary, early tulips and semponium and other succulents. Surprising green oasis in Forest Hill. Close to Sydenham Woods, Horniman Gardens and Camberwell Old Cemetery, Level wheelchair access, but rough terrain in the lane.

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7 WOODBINES AVENUE, KT1 Kingston-upon-Thames, KT1 2AZ. Mr Tony Sharples & Mr Paul

Cuthbert. Take K2, K3, 71 or 281 bus, From Surbiton, bus stop outside Waitrose & exit bus Kingston University Stop. From Kingston, walk or bus from Eden St (opp Heals). Sun 2 June (12-5). Combined adm with 15 Catherine Road £7, chd free. Light refreshments.

We have created a winding path through our 70ft garden with trees, evergreen structure, perennial flowers and grasses. Wide herbaceous borders, an ancient grapevine, a box hedge topiary garden, large silver birches and a hot summer terrace provide contrast.



28A WORCESTER ROAD, E17 Walthamstow, E17 5QR. Mark & Emma Luggie. 12 min walk from Blackhorse Road Tube Stn. Just off Blackhorse Ln. On street parking. Sun 18 Aug (2-6). Adm £4, chd free. **Open nearby 84 Higham Street.**

Typical Walthamstow terraced back garden, turned into a lush tropical

oasis of foliage with a small stream and pond. Small and large leaves mix with floral accents and varying leaf textures from ferns, colocasia and bananas supported by a framework of larger established trees, jasmine, and tree ferns. A small gravel path leads you to a small seating area to reflect, or sit on the patio and enjoy.



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Aug (2-6). Adm £5, chd free.

Tiny, guirky, prize-winning garden extensively planted with an eclectic mix inc hosta collection, and many unusual and tropical plants. Plantaholics paradise. Many surprises in this unique and very personal garden. 娄 🔊

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Three Wheels, 55 Carbery Avenue, Acton, W3 9AB, Reverend Prof K T Sato, www.threewheels.org.uk/ zen-garden. Tube: Acton Town, 5 min walk, 200vds off A406, Sat 8, Sun 9 June (2-5). Adm £3.50, chd free. Matcha tea £3.

Pure Japanese Zen garden (so no flowers) with 12 large and small rocks of various colours and textures, set in islands of moss and surrounded by a sea of grey granite gravel raked in a stylised wave pattern. Garden surrounded by trees and bushes outside a cob wall. Oak framed wattle and daub shelter with Norfolk reed thatched roof. Talk on the Zen garden between 3-4pm. Buddha Room open to public.

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