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## Dear Garden Visitor

After the difficulties of 2020 and early 2021 we are delighted that 142 beautiful gardens including 1 new group and 25 new gardens have agreed to open for us this year. We are extremely grateful to our owners who enable us to raise the much needed funds for our beneficiaries. All the details including photographs of our gardens are on our website [www.ngs.org.uk](http://www.ngs.org.uk). Group garden names have been omitted from this slimline brochure, but are available on the website.

After the challenges of the past 2 years, we are looking forward to opening our gardens in a more normal manner. Difficulties can arise without warning, so we would advise that in order to avoid disappointment the website is consulted. This will contain all the up-to-date information including any pop-up openings. You can also follow Northants NGS on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

We are always looking for beautiful, interesting and quirky gardens to open for us, so if you have, or know of someone who has and would be interested in opening their garden then please contact any team member.

Thank you so much for your support and we look forward to seeing you at a Northamptonshire NGS garden in 2022.

David Abbott and Gay Webster. Joint County Organisers

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**Cover picture:** The Old Barn, Weedon Lois (Mr and Mrs Gregory)

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

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

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

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

🐕 Dogs on short leads welcome.

✳ Plants usually for sale.

🌿 **NPC** Plant Heritage National Collection Holder.

🏠 Gardens that offer accommodation.

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

🧺 Picnics welcome.

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

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

💳 Cashless payments available.

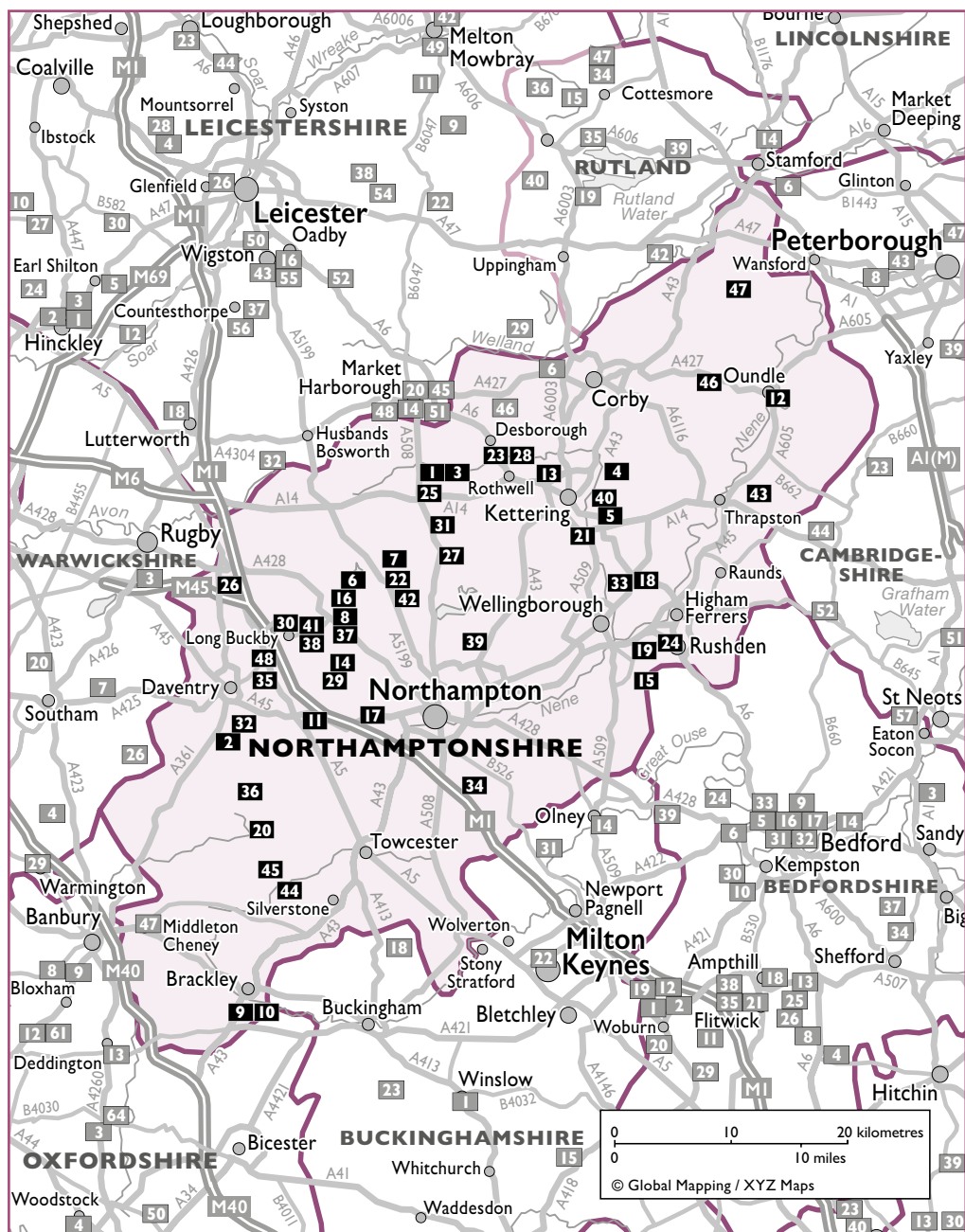
**Group visits** Group Organisers may contact the County Organiser or a garden owner direct to organise a group visit to a particular county or garden. See above for County Organiser details, or visit [www.ngs.org.uk](http://www.ngs.org.uk).

**Children** must be accompanied by an adult.

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

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

**Toilets are not usually available at private gardens.**



In 2021 the generous donation from the National Garden Scheme helped 12,000 unpaid carers to access the support they need, allowed 428 unpaid carers to take part in garden visits, respite and group activities with 50 more receiving crisis grants to support those in dire need.

All entries are subject to change. For the latest information check [www.ngs.org.uk](http://www.ngs.org.uk)

# OPENING DATES

Map locator numbers are shown to the right of each garden name.

## February

### Snowdrop Festival

#### Sunday 27th

◆ Boughton House 4  
67-69 High Street 18

## March

#### Sunday 20th

Woodcote Villa 48

## April

#### Friday 1st

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Saturday 2nd

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Sunday 3rd

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Sunday 10th

Flore Gardens 11  
Titchmarsh House 43

#### Sunday 24th

Briarwood 5

◆ Cottesbrooke Hall Gardens 7

◆ Kelmah Hall & Gardens 25

The Old Vicarage 35  
**NEW** Rosi's Taverna 40

#### Friday 29th

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Saturday 30th

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

## May

#### Sunday 1st

Great Brington Gardens 14  
Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Sunday 15th

Greywalls 15  
◆ Holden House & Gardens 22

#### Sunday 22nd

Badby Gardens 2  
Guilsborough Gardens 16  
**NEW** Maidwell Gardens 31

#### Saturday 28th

**NEW** Willow Cottage 46

#### Sunday 29th

Newnham Gardens 32

## June

#### Thursday 2nd

**NEW** East Haddon Gardens 8

#### Friday 3rd

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Saturday 4th

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Sunday 5th

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Saturday 11th

Titchmarsh House 43

#### Sunday 12th

Evenley Gardens 9  
Foxtail Lilly 12  
Harpole Gardens 17  
67-69 High Street 18  
1 Hinwick Close 21  
Spratton Gardens 42

#### Saturday 18th

Flore Gardens 11

#### Sunday 19th

Flore Gardens 11  
Hostellarie 23  
Kilsby Gardens 26  
16 Leys Avenue 28  
Rosearie-de-la-Nymph 39  
Weedon Lois & Weston Gardens 45

#### Sunday 26th

Arthingworth Open Gardens 1  
**NEW** 104 Irchester Road 24  
Rosearie-de-la-Nymph 39  
Wappenham Gardens 44

## July

#### Sunday 3rd

67-69 High Street 18  
**NEW** Little Brington Gardens 29

#### Friday 8th

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Saturday 9th

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Sunday 10th

Ravensthorpe Gardens 37  
**NEW** Willowbrook House 47

#### Saturday 16th

◆ Evenley Wood Garden 10

#### Sunday 17th

Nonsuch 33

#### Sunday 24th

Long Buckby Gardens 30

## August

#### Sunday 7th

136 High Street 19

#### Saturday 13th

◆ Lamport Hall 27

#### Sunday 14th

**NEW** Highfields 20  
**NEW** Maidwell Gardens 31

#### Sunday 28th

**NEW** 104 Irchester Road 24  
Old Rectory, Quinton 34

## September

#### Friday 2nd

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Saturday 3rd

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Sunday 4th

16 Leys Avenue 28  
Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Sunday 11th

Briarwood 5  
**NEW** Rosi's Taverna 40

#### Saturday 17th

◆ Coton Manor Garden 6

#### Sunday 25th

4 Skinyard Lane 41  
Woodcote Villa 48

#### Friday 30th

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

## October

#### Saturday 1st

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Sunday 2nd

Ravensthorpe Nursery 38

#### Sunday 16th

◆ Boughton House 4

## February 2023

#### Sunday 26th

67-69 High Street 18

## By Arrangement

Arrange a personalised garden visit on a date to suit you. See individual garden entries for full details.

Bosworth House 3  
Briarwood 5  
Dripwell House,  
Guilsborough Gardens 16  
Foxtail Lilly 12  
Glendon Hall 13  
Greywalls 15  
67-69 High Street 18  
136 High Street 19  
Hostellarie 23  
**NEW** 104 Irchester Road 24  
16 Leys Avenue 28  
19 Manor Close, Harpole  
Gardens 17  
The Old Bakery, Flore  
Gardens 11  
Old West Farm 36  
4 Skinyard Lane 41  
Titchmarsh House 43  
**NEW** Willowbrook House 47  
Wisteria House, Long  
Buckby Gardens 30  
Woodcote Villa 48

# THE GARDENS

## GROUP OPENING

### ■ ARTHINGWORTH OPEN GARDENS

Arthingworth, nr Market Harborough, LE16 8LA. 6m S of Market Harborough. From Market Harborough via A508, after 4m take L to Arthingworth. From Northampton, A508 turn R just after Kelmarsh. Park cars in Arthingworth village & tickets for sale in the village hall. **Sun 26 June (1.30-5).**

**Combined adm £7, chd free. Home-made teas by residents of the village at Bosworth House & village hall.** Refreshments in aid of Arthingworth Fund Raising Committee. Arthingworth has been welcoming NGS visitors for a decade. It is a village affair with eight to nine gardens opening and two pop-up tearooms with home baked cakes.

We now have some regulars who keep us on our toes and we love it. Come and enjoy the diversity, we aim to give visitors an afternoon of discovery. Our gardens have been chosen because they are all different in spirit and tended by young and weathered gardeners. We have gardens with stunning views, traditional with herbaceous borders and vegetables, walled and artisan. The village is looking forward to welcoming you. St Andrew's Church, Grade II\* listed will be open and the village is next to the national cycle path. Wheelchair access to some gardens.



## GROUP OPENING

### ■ BADBY GARDENS

Badby, Daventry, NN11 3AR. 3m S of Daventry on E-side of A361. **Sun 22 May (1-5). Combined adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas in St Mary's Church.**

Refreshments in aid of local charities.

Delightful hilly village with attractive old houses of golden coloured Hornton stone, set around a C14 church and two village greens (no through traffic). There are four gardens of differing styles; a wisteria-clad thatched cottage with a sloping garden and modern sculptures; a traditional garden featuring a spectacular view across fields to Badby Wood; an elevated garden with views over the village; and a secluded garden with five distinct areas, pond and fernery, patio, lawn, small orchard and formal vegetable garden. We look forward to welcoming you to our lovely village!



### ■ BOSWORTH HOUSE

Oxendon Road, Arthingworth, Nr Market Harborough, LE16 8LA. Mr & Mrs C E Irving-Swift, 01858 525202, cirvingswift@gmail.com. From the phone box, when in Oxendon Rd, take the little lane with no name, 2nd to the R. Visits by arrangement Apr to Oct for groups of 10 to 25. One hour tour by the owner. Adm £12, chd free. Home-made teas.

Approx 3 acres, almost completely organic garden and paddock with fabulous panoramic views and magnificent walled garden. The garden also inc herbaceous borders, orchard, cottage garden with greenhouse, vegetable garden, herbs and strawberries and spinney. Bring a bag for any cuttings. Partial wheelchair access.



### ■ ♦ BOUGHTON HOUSE

Geddington, Kettering, NN14 1BJ. Duke of Buccleuch & Queensberry, KT. 3m NE of Kettering. From A14, 2m along A43 Kettering to Stamford, turn R into Geddington, house entrance 1 1/2 m on R. What3words app - crispier. sensible.maps. **For NGS: Sun 27 Feb, Sun 16 Oct (1-5). Adm £6, chd £3. Pre-booking essential, please phone 01536 515731, email info@boughtonhouse.co.uk or visit www.boughtonhouse.org.uk for information & booking. Tea.** For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website.

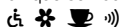
The Northamptonshire home of the Duke and Duchess of Buccleuch. The garden opening inc opportunities to see the historic walled garden and herbaceous border, and the sensory and wildlife gardens. The wilderness woodland will open for visitors to view the spring flowers or the autumn colours. As a special treat the garden originally created by Sir David Scott (cousin of the Duke of Buccleuch) will also be open. Designated disabled parking. Gravel around house, please see our accessibility document for further information.



### ■ BRIARWOOD

4 Poplars Farm Road, Barton Seagrave, Kettering, NN15 5AF. William & Elaine Portch, 01536 522169, elaine.portch@yahoo.com, www.briarwoodgarden.com. 1 1/2 m SE of Kettering Town Centre. J10 off A14 turn onto Barton Rd (A6) towards Wicksteed Park. R into Warkton Ln, after 200 metres R into Poplars Farm Rd. **Sun 24 Apr, Sun 11 Sept (10-4). Combined adm with Rosi's Taverna £6.50, chd free. Light refreshments. Visits also by arrangement for groups of 10 to 30.** A garden for all seasons with quirky original sculptures and many faces. Firstly, a south aspect lawn and borders containing bulbs, shrubs, roses and rare trees with year-round interest; hedging, palms, climbers, a wildlife, fish and lily pond, terrace with potted bulbs and unusual plants in odd containers.

Secondly, a secret garden with garden room, small orchard, raised bed potager and greenhouse. Good use of recycled and repurposed materials throughout the garden, inc a unique self-build garden cabin, sculpture and planters.



### ■ BRICKFIELD HOUSE

Rockingham Road, Cottingham, Market Harborough, LE16 8XS. See Leicestershire & Rutland

### ■ CASTOR HOUSE

Peterborough Rd, Castor, Peterborough, PE5 7AX. See Cambridgeshire

The £500,000 donated to Hospice UK by the National Garden Scheme in 2021 has enabled us to continue supporting over 200 hospices in the UK who have been at the forefront of the battle against COVID-19, reducing pressure on the NHS by dealing with thousands of additional patients, whilst continuing to care for people facing terminal and life shortening illnesses and their families.

**6 ♦ COTON MANOR GARDEN**

Coton, Northampton, NN6 8RQ. Mr & Mrs Ian Pasley-Tyler, 01604 740219, [pasleytyler@cotonmanor.co.uk](mailto:pasleytyler@cotonmanor.co.uk), [www.cotonmanor.co.uk](http://www.cotonmanor.co.uk). 10m N of Northampton, 11m SE of Rugby. From A428 & A5199 follow tourist signs. **For NGS: Sat 17 Sept (11.30-5). Adm £8, chd £3.50. Light refreshments at Stableyard Cafe. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website.**

Winner of The English Garden's The Nation's Favourite Gardens 2019, this 10 acre garden set in peaceful countryside with old yew and holly hedges and extensive herbaceous borders, containing many unusual plants. One of Britain's finest throughout the season, the garden is at its most magnificent in Sept and is an inspiration as to what can be achieved in late summer. Adjacent specialist nursery with over 1000 plant varieties propagated from the garden. Partial wheelchair access as some paths are narrow and the site is on a slope.

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**7 ♦ COTTESBROOKE HALL GARDENS**

Cottesbrooke, Northampton, NN6 8PF. Mr & Mrs A R Macdonald-Buchanan, 01604 505808, [welcome@cottesbrooke.co.uk](mailto:welcome@cottesbrooke.co.uk), [www.cottesbrooke.co.uk](http://www.cottesbrooke.co.uk). 10m N of Northampton. Signed from J1 on A14. Off A5199 at Creaton, A508 at Brixworth. **For NGS: Sun 24 Apr (2-5.30). Adm £10, chd £6. Home-made teas. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website. Donation to All Saints Church, Cottesbrooke.**

Award-winning gardens by Geoffrey Jellicoe, Dame Sylvia Crowe, James Alexander-Sinclair and more recently Arne Maynard. Formal gardens and terraces surround Queen Anne house with extensive vistas onto the lake and C18 parkland containing many mature trees. Wild and woodland gardens, a short distance from the formal areas, are exceptional in spring. Partial wheelchair access as paths are grass, stone and gravel. Access map identifies best route.

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**GROUP OPENING****8 NEW EAST HADDON GARDENS**

East Haddon, Northampton, NN6 8BT. A few hundred yds off the A428 (signed) between M1 J18 (8m) & Northampton (8m). On-road parking. Strictly no parking in Priestwell Court or on the properties. **Thur 2 June (1-5). Combined adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas at St Mary's Church. Refreshments in aid of St Mary's Church.** The pretty village of East Haddon dates back to the Norman invasion. The oldest surviving building is St Mary's, a C12 church. The village has many thatched cottages built in the local honey-coloured ironstone. Other features inc a thatched village pump and fire station which used to house a hand drawn pump and is now used as the bus shelter. The village is less than 10 mins from Coton Manor Gardens. Partial wheelchair access at Tower Cottage.

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**GROUP OPENING****9 EVENLEY GARDENS**

Evenley, Brackley, NN13 5SG. 1m S of Brackley off the A43. Gardens situated around the village green & in Church Ln. Follow signs around the village. Tickets available at each garden, to cover entry to all gardens. **Sun 12 June (2-6). Combined adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas in St George's Church (2.30-5pm).** Refreshments in aid of St George's Church. Evenley is a charming village with a central village green surrounded by many period houses (not open), an excellent village shop and The Red Lion pub which offers first class food and a warm welcome. Evenley gardens are a mix of established gardens and those being developed over the past 5 yrs. They all have mixed borders with established shrubs and trees. There are also orchards and vegetable gardens in some.

**10 ♦ EVENLEY WOOD GARDEN**

Evenley, Brackley, NN13 5SH. Whiteley Family, 07788 207428, [alison@evenleywoodgarden.co.uk](mailto:alison@evenleywoodgarden.co.uk), [www.evenleywoodgarden.co.uk](http://www.evenleywoodgarden.co.uk). ¾m S of Brackley. Turn off at Evenley r about on A43 & follow signs within the village to the garden which is situated off the Evenley & Mixbury road. **For NGS: Sat 16 July (10-4). Adm £6, chd free. Light refreshments. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website.** Please come and celebrate summer in the woods when the roses and lillies will have taken over from the azaleas and rhododendrons. A wonderful opportunity to see all that has been developed in the woods since Timothy Whiteley acquired them in 1980 with the continuation of his legacy. Morning tea or coffee, lunch with a glass of wine and home-made cakes will be available in the café. Please take care as all paths are grass.

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**GROUP OPENING****11 FLORE GARDENS**

Flore, Northampton, NN7 4LQ. Off the A45 2m W of M1 J16. SatNav NN7 4LS for car park. Coaches advice phone 01327 341225. **Sun 10 Apr (2-6). Combined adm £6, chd free. Sat 18, Sun 19 June (11-6). Combined adm £8, chd free. Home-made teas in Chapel School Room (Apr). Morning coffee & teas in Church & light lunches & teas in Chapel School Room (June). Donation to All Saints Church & United Reform Church, Flore (June).** Flore gardens have been open since 1963 as part of the Flore Flower Festival. The partnership with the NGS started in 1992 with openings every yr since, inc 2020 and 2021 following COVID-19 restrictions. Flore is an attractive village with views over the Upper Nene Valley. We have a varied mix of gardens, large and small, inc a new garden this yr. They have all been developed by friendly, enthusiastic and welcoming owners who are in their gardens when open. Our gardens range from the traditional to the eccentric providing year-round interest. Some have been established over many yrs and others have been developed more recently. There are greenhouses, gazebos, summerhouses and seating opportunities to rest while enjoying the gardens. The village Flower Festival is our main event on the same two days as the June opening and garden tickets will be valid for both days. Partial wheelchair access to most gardens, some assistance may be required.

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**12 FOXTAIL LILLY**

41 South Road, Oundle, PE8 4BP. Tracey Mathieson, 01832 274593, [foxtaillilly41@gmail.com](mailto:foxtaillilly41@gmail.com), [www.foxtail-lilly.co.uk](http://www.foxtail-lilly.co.uk). 1m from Oundle town centre. From A605 at Barnwell Xrds take Barnwell Rd, 1st R to South Rd. **Sun 12 June (10-4). Adm £4.50, chd free. Light salad style lunch.** Visits also by arrangement May to July for groups of 10 to 50.

A cottage garden where perennials and grasses are grouped creatively together amongst gravel paths, complementing one another to create a natural look. Some unusual plants and quirky oddities create a different and colourful informal garden. Lots of flowers for cutting and a shop in the barn. New meadow pasture turned into new cutting garden. Plants, flowers and gift shop.

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**13 GLENDON HALL**

Kettering, NN14 1QE. Rosie Bose, 01536 711732, [rosiebose@googlemail.com](mailto:rosiebose@googlemail.com). 1½m E of Rothwell. A6003 to Corby (A14 J7) W of Kettering, turn L onto Glendon Rd signed Rothwell, Desborough, Rushton. Entrance 1½m on L past turn for Rushton. **Visits by arrangement for groups of up to 30. Adm £5, chd free.**

Mature specimen trees, topiary, box hedges and herbaceous borders stocked with many unusual plants. Large walled kitchen gardens with glasshouse and a shaded area, well-stocked with ferns. Some gravel and slopes with wheelchair access via longer route.

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**GROUP OPENING****14 GREAT BRINGTON GARDENS**

Northampton, NN7 4JJ. 7m NW of Northampton. Off A428 Rugby Rd. From Northampton, turn 1st L past main gates of Althorp. Details & maps available at free car park. **Sun 1 May (12-4). Combined adm £7, chd free. Home-made teas.** Refreshments in aid of St Mary's Church, Great Brington.

Great Brington is proud of over 25 yrs association with the NGS and arguably one of the most successful one day scheme events in the county. Eight gardens will open this yr, they are situated in a circular and virtually flat walk around the village. Our gardens provide inspiration and variety; continuing to evolve each yr and designed, planted and maintained by their owners. The village on the Althorp Estate is particularly picturesque and well worth a visit, predominantly local stone with thatched houses, a church of historic interest, and walkers can extend their walk to view Althorp House. Visitors will enjoy a warm welcome with plants for sale, tea, coffee and cake available from 12pm-4pm. There are also secluded spots for artists to draw, sketch and paint. Small coaches for groups welcome by prior arrangement only, please email [friends\\_of\\_stmarys@btinternet.com](mailto:friends_of_stmarys@btinternet.com). Wheelchair access to some gardens.

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**15 GREYWALLS**

Farndish, Nr Wellingborough, NN29 7HJ. Mrs P M Anderson, 01933 353495, [greywalls@dbshoes.co.uk](mailto:greywalls@dbshoes.co.uk). 2½m SE of Wellingborough. A609 from Wellingborough, B570 to Irchester, turn to Farndish by cenotaph. House adjacent to church. **Sun 15 May (2-5). Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments.** Refreshments in aid of St Katharine's Church, Irchester. Visits also by arrangement for groups of 10 to 30.

Greywalls is an old vicarage set in 2 acres of relaxed country gardens planted for year-round interest, featuring mature specimen trees, an impressive Banksia rose, three large ponds, many stone features, wildflower meadow and a Highgrove inspired stumpery. The borders feature unusual plants and there is an outside aviary.

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**GROUP OPENING****16 GUILSBOROUGH GARDENS**

Guilsborough, NN6 8RA. 10m NW of Northampton. 10m E of Rugby. Between A5199 & A428. J1 off A14. Car parking at Guilsborough Surgery, on West Haddon Rd, NN6 8QE. Please park in the car park to avoid congestion in the village centre. **Sun 22 May (1-5). Combined adm £7.50, chd free. Home-made teas in the garden at Dripwell House.** Refreshments in aid of St Etheldreda's Church and the NGS.

Enjoy a warm welcome in this village with its very attractive rural setting of rolling hills and reservoirs. We have a group of eight contrasting gardens for you to visit this yr. Several of us are passionate about growing fruit and vegetables, and walled kitchen gardens and a potager are an important part of our gardening. Plants both rare and unusual from our plantsmen's gardens are for sale, a true highlight here. No wheelchair access at Dripwell House and The Gate House.

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**HAMMOND ARBORETUM**

Burnmill Road, Market Harborough, LE16 7JG.  
See Leicestershire & Rutland

**GROUP OPENING****17 HARPOLE GARDENS**

Harpole, NN7 4BX. On A45 4m W of Northampton towards Weedon. Turn R at The Turmpike Hotel into Harpole. Village maps given to all visitors. **Sun 12 June (1-6). Combined adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas at The Close.**

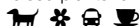
Harpole is an attractive village nestling at the foot of Harpole Hills with many houses built of local sandstone. Visit us and delight in a wide variety of gardens of all shapes, sizes and content. You will see luxuriant lawns, mixed borders with plants for sun and shade, mature trees, shrubs, herbs, alpinists, water features and tropical planting. We have interesting and quirky artifacts dotted around, garden structures and plenty of seating for the weary.

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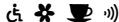


**18 67-69 HIGH STREET**

Finedon, NN9 5JN. Mary & Stuart Hendry, 01933 680414, [sh\\_archt@hotmail.com](mailto:sh_archt@hotmail.com). 6m SE Kettering. Garden signed from A6 & A510 junction. **Sun 27 Feb (10.30-3.30); Sun 12 June, Sun 3 July (2-6). Adm £3.50, chd free. Soup & roll in Feb (inc in adm). Home-made teas in June & July. 2023: Sun 26 Feb.** Refreshments in aid of Church & Chapel (June & July). **Visits also by arrangement Feb to Sept.** 1/3 acre rear garden of C17 cottage (not open). Early spring garden with snowdrops and hellebores, summer and autumn mixed borders, many obelisks and containers, kitchen garden, herb bed, rambling roses and at least 60 different hostas. All giving varied interest from Feb through to Oct. Large selection of home-raised plants for sale (all proceeds to NGS).

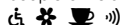
**19 136 HIGH STREET**

Irchester, NN29 7AB. Ade & Jane Parker, [jane692@btinternet.com](mailto:jane692@btinternet.com). 200yds past the church on the bend as you leave the village going towards the A45. Please park on High St. Disabled parking only in driveway. **Sun 7 Aug (11-4). Adm £3.50, chd free. Light refreshments.** Refreshments in aid of St Katharine's Church, Irchester. **Visits also by arrangement June to Sept.** Large garden developed by the current owners over the past 20 yrs. Various different planting habitats inc areas designed for shade, sun and pollinator friendly sites. Wildlife pond attracting large range of birds, insects and other creatures into the garden. Alpine houses, planted stone sinks and raised beds. Seasonally planted tubs adding bold summer colour. Wheelchair access mainly over grass with some gravel pathways.

**20 NEW HIGHFIELDS**

Adstone, Towcester, NN12 8DS. Rachel Halvorsen. The village of Adstone is midway between Banbury & Northampton, about 15m from each. **Sun 14 Aug (2-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Cream teas.**

Two sheltered mixed courtyard gardens with vibrant colours; windswept lawn borders and an all-white walled garden with extensive box hedging. Plantsman's garden. Collection of succulents. Cream teas on patio overlooking panoramic views over a ha-ha to 15 miles of unbroken countryside, lake and 100 acre Plumpton wood. Walk down to lake across a couple of fields to see wildlife and waterlilies.

**21 1 HINWICK CLOSE**

Kettering, NN15 6GB. Mrs Pat Cole-Ashton. J9 A14 A509 Kettering. At Park House r'about take 4th exit to Holdenby. Hinwick Close 3rd exit on R. From Kettering A509, at Park House r'about take the 1st exit to Holdenby, Hinwick Close 3rd exit on R. **Sun 12 June (12-5). Adm £3.50, chd free. Home-made teas & savouries.**

Refreshments in aid of Johnny's Happy Place, Kettering. In the past 10 yrs Pat and Snowy have transformed this space into a wildlife haven. The garden has numerous influences; seaside, woodland and English country garden. Ponds and waterfalls add to the delights. Vintage signs, numerous figures and seating areas at different vantage points are dotted throughout the garden.



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**22 ♦ HOLDENBY HOUSE & GARDENS**

Holdenby House, Holdenby, Northampton, NN6 8DJ. Mr & Mrs James Lowther, 01604 770074, [office@holdenby.com](mailto:office@holdenby.com), [www.holdenby.com](http://www.holdenby.com). 7m NW of Northampton. Off A5199 or A428 between East Haddon & Spratton. **For NGS: Sun 15 May (11-4). Adm £6, chd £4. Adm subject to change. Cream teas & light refreshments.** For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website.

Holdenby has a historic Grade I listed garden. The inner garden inc Rosemary Verey's renowned Elizabethan Garden and Rupert Golbery's Pond Garden and long borders. There is also a delightful walled kitchen garden. Away from the formal gardens, the terraces of the original Elizabethan Garden are still visible, one of the best preserved examples of their kind. Accessible, but contact garden for further details.

**23 HOSTELLARIE**

78 Breakleys Road, Desborough, NN14 2PT. Stella Freeman, 01536 760124, [stelstan78@aol.com](mailto:stelstan78@aol.com). 6m N of Kettering. 5m S of Market Harborough. From church & war memorial turn R into Dunkirk Ave, then 3rd R. From cemetery L into Dunkirk Ave, then 4th L. **Sun 19 June (2-5). Combined adm with 16 Leys Avenue £5, chd free.**

**Home-made teas & a gluten free option.** Refreshments in aid of Cransley Hospice & Marlow House Day Centre.

**Visits also by arrangement June & July for groups of 10 to 30.** Town garden that once was an allotment plot. The length has been divided into different rooms; a courtyard garden with a sculptural clematis providing shade, colour themed flower beds, ponds and water features, cottage garden and gravel borders, clematis and roses, all linked by lawns and grass paths. Collection of over 50 different hostas.

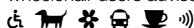
**24 NEW 104 IRCHESTER ROAD**

Rushden, NN10 9XQ. Mr Jason Richards, 07957 811173, [jrrushden@gmail.com](mailto:jrrushden@gmail.com), [www.getrevue.co/profile/jrrushden](http://www.getrevue.co/profile/jrrushden). From Irchester the house is at the top of the hill just after the green, by the Welcome Inn on the L. From Rushden Town Centre the house is on the R after Knuston Drive. **Sun 26 June, Sun 28 Aug (2-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments.** Visits also by arrangement May to Sept. An Edwardian home set in 1/2 acre with different levels of patio areas and surrounded by trees. A rose garden with English rose varieties everywhere inc climbers on walls, a rose frame and a very long pergola winding its way down to a pear tree with seating and borders. In each area of the garden there are seating places to eat or just enjoy different perspectives. The owner has developed an environmentally friendly rose spray which will be on sale. The garden is on a hill with wheelchair access to all main areas with non-slip ramps. Please contact us for disabled parking priority.

**Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments.** Visits also by arrangement May to Sept. An Edwardian home set in 1/2 acre with different levels of patio areas and surrounded by trees. A rose garden with English rose varieties everywhere inc climbers on walls, a rose frame and a very long pergola winding its way down to a pear tree with seating and borders. In each area of the garden there are seating places to eat or just enjoy different perspectives. The owner has developed an environmentally friendly rose spray which will be on sale. The garden is on a hill with wheelchair access to all main areas with non-slip ramps. Please contact us for disabled parking priority.

**25 ♦ KELMARSH HALL & GARDENS**

Main Road, Kelmarsh, Northampton, NN6 9LY. The Kelmarsh Trust, 01604 686543, [marketing@kelmarsh.com](mailto:marketing@kelmarsh.com), [www.kelmarsh.com](http://www.kelmarsh.com). Kelmarsh is 5m S of Market Harborough & 11m N of Northampton. From A14, exit J2 & head N towards Market Harborough on the A508. **For NGS: Sun 24 Apr (10-4). Adm £6, chd £3.50. Light lunches, cream teas & cakes in Sweet Pea's Tearoom.** For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website. Kelmarsh Hall is an elegant Palladian house set in glorious Northamptonshire countryside with highly regarded gardens, which are the work of Nancy Lancaster, Norah Lindsay and Geoffrey Jellicoe. Hidden gems inc an orangery, sunken garden, long border, rose gardens and, at the heart of it all, a historic walled garden. Highlights throughout the seasons inc fritillaries, tulips, roses and dahlias. Beautiful interiors brought together by Nancy Lancaster in the 1930s, in a Palladian style hall designed by James Gibbs. The recently restored laundry and servant's quarters in the Hall are open to the public, providing visitors the incredible opportunity to experience life 'below stairs'. Blue badge disabled parking close to the Visitor Centre entrance. Paths are loose gravel, wheelchair users advised to bring a companion.

**GROUP OPENING****26 KILSBY GARDENS**

Middle Street, Kilsby, Rugby, CV23 8XT. 5m SE of Rugby. 6m N of Daventry on A361. **Sun 19 June (1-5.30). Combined adm £7, chd free. Light refreshments at Kilsby Village Hall (1-5).** Refreshments in aid of Kilsby Village Hall.

Kilsby's name has long been associated with Stephenson's famous railway tunnel and an early skirmish in the Civil War. The houses and gardens of the village offer a mixture of sizes and styles, which reflect its development through time. We welcome you to test the friendliness for which we are renowned. Please visit [www.ngs.org.uk](http://www.ngs.org.uk) closer to the opening date to see which gardens will be opening.

**27 ♦ LAMPORHALL**

Northampton, NN6 9HD. Lamporth Hall Preservation Trust, 01604 686272, [events@lamporthall.co.uk](mailto:events@lamporthall.co.uk), [www.lamporthall.co.uk](http://www.lamporthall.co.uk). For SatNav please use postcode NN6 9EZ. Exit J2 of the A14. Entry through the gate flanked by swans on the A508. **For NGS: Sat 13 Aug (10-4). Adm £7, chd £4. Cream teas.** For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website. Home of the Isham family for over 400 yrs, the extensive herbaceous borders complement the Elizabethan bowling lawns, together with topiary from the 1700s. In Sept the 2 acre walled garden is full of colour, with 250 rows of perennials. Another highlight is the famous Lamporth Rockery, among the earliest in England and home of the world's oldest garden gnome. Wheelchair access on gravel paths within the gardens.



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

**28 16 LEYS AVENUE**

Desborough, NN14 2PY. Keith & Beryl Norman, 01536 760950, [bcn@stainer16.plus.com](mailto:bcn@stainer16.plus.com). 6m N of Kettering, 5m S of Market Harborough. From church & War Memorial turn R into Dunkirk Ave & 5th R into Leys Ave. **Sun 19 June (2-5). Combined adm with Hostellerie £5, chd free. Sun 4 Sept (2-5). Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments.** Refreshments in aid of Cransley Hospice (50%). Visits also by arrangement June to Sept for groups of 10 to 30.

A town garden with two water features, plus a stream and a pond flanked by a 12ft clinker built boat. There are six raised beds which are planted as a shady garden with sweet peas and dahlias. A patio lined with acers has two steps down to a gravel garden with paved paths. Mature trees and acers give the garden year-round structure and interest. Wheelchair access by two steps from patio to main garden.

**GROUP OPENING****29 NEW LITTLE BRINGTON GARDENS**

Main Street, Little Brington, Northampton, NN7 4HS. Off road parking can be found at the end of Folly Ln, Little Brington, NN7 4JR. **Sun 3 July (11-5). Combined adm £7.50, chd £5. Light refreshments.** Refreshments in aid of Brington & Whilton Pre-School (90%) & NGS (10%). For the first time eight gardens in the historic village of Little Brington, nestled in the Northamptonshire farmlands will open for the NGS. They offer a variety of shapes, sizes and styles, from more formal planting to relaxed cottage gardens, along with a variety of vegetable gardens on show too. Lots of colours on display with a mix of both familiar and unusual plants and flowers. Refreshments will be served and the village pub Saracens Head will also be open, book early as the pub is very popular. Come and enjoy the wonderful gardens and the pretty village setting. Full or partial wheelchair access to most gardens. Some have gravel driveways.

**GROUP OPENING****30 LONG BUCKBY GARDENS**

Northampton, NN6 7RE. 8m NW of Northampton, midway between A428 & A5. Long Buckby is signed from A428 & A5. 10 mins from J18 M1. Long Buckby Train Stn is 1/2m from centre of the village. Free car park at Cotton End on B5385 at the A428 end of village. **Sun 24 July (1-6). Combined adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas, ice creams & cold drinks.**

Eleven gardens in the historic villages of Long Buckby and Long Buckby Wharf, inc a new garden which features different areas inc a tropical area. The gardeners have been busy creating new borders, features and extensively replanting, offering our visitors something new to enjoy. We welcome visitors old and new to see our wonderful variety of gardens which offer something for everyone. The gardens in the group vary in size and style, from courtyard and canal side to cottage garden, some are established and others evolving. They inc water features, pergolas, garden structures and chickens, but the stars are definitely the plants. Bursting with colour, visitors will find old favourites and the unusual, used in a variety of ways; trees, shrubs, perennials, climbers, annuals, fruit and vegetables. Of course there will be teas

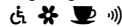
and plants for sale to complete the visit. Come and see us for a friendly welcome and a good afternoon out. Full or partial wheelchair access to all gardens, except 4 Skinyard Lane.

**GROUP OPENING****31 NEW MAIDWELL GARDENS**

Drayton Road, Maidwell, Northampton, NN6 9JF. From Market Harborough turn L off the A508 (or from Northampton turn R) & look for the yellow signs. **Sun 22 May, Sun 14 Aug (10-5). Combined adm £6, chd free.**

**Home-made teas at Wyatts.** Refreshments in aid of Maidwell Church.

A friendly village with horses exercising daily and often sheep being herded through. The gardens opening are varied from a completely organic garden with many flowering plants and vegetables to an open garden with architectural features, large shrubs and trees, and a small terraced garden with hidden paths, sculptures and obelisks made from prunings. Wheelchair access to two gardens, partial access to Nightingale Cottage.

**MIDDLETON CHENEY GARDENS**

Middleton Cheney, Banbury, OX17 2ST.

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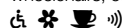
**NEVILL HOLT HALL**

Drayton Road, Nevill Holt, Market Harborough, LE16 8EG.

See Leicestershire & Rutland

**GROUP OPENING****32 NEWNHAM GARDENS**

Newnham, Daventry, NN11 3HF. 2m S of Daventry on B4037 between the A361 & A45. Continue to the centre of the village & follow signs for the car park, just off the main village green. **Sun 29 May (10.30-5). Combined adm £5, chd free. Light lunches & cakes in village hall.** Refreshments in aid of Newnham Church. Finally open again, we've missed you! Five plant-lover gardens set in a beautiful old village cradled by the gentle hills of south Northamptonshire. The gardens, set around charming traditional village houses, are packed with spring colour. For 2022, we are especially pleased to have a new garden opening. Spend the day with us enjoying the gardens, buying at our large plant sale, strolling around the village lanes and visiting our C14 church. Why not treat yourself to a tasty light lunch, scrumptious cakes and refreshments in the village hall. The old village and gardens are hilly in parts and while most gardens are accessible to wheelchairs, others are more restricted.



For the latest information check  
[www.ngs.org.uk](http://www.ngs.org.uk)

**☒ NONSUCH**

11 Mackworth Drive, Finedon, Wellingborough, NN9 5NL. David & Carrie Whitworth. Off Wellingborough Rd (A510) onto Bell Hill, then to Church Hill, 2nd L after church, entrance on the L as you enter Mackworth Drive.

**Sun 17 July (1-5). Adm £4, chd free. Drinks, cakes & biscuits.** ½ acre country garden within a conservation boundary stone wall. Mature trees, enhanced by many rare and unusual shrubs and perennial plants. A garden for all seasons with several seating areas. Wheelchair access on a level site with paved and gravel paths.

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**SPECIAL EVENT**
**☒ OLD RECTORY, QUINTON**

Preston Deanery Road, Quinton, Northampton, NN7 2ED. Alan Kennedy & Emma Wise,

[www.garden4good.co.uk](http://www.garden4good.co.uk). M1 J15, 1m from Wootton towards Salcey Forest. House is next to the church.

On-road parking in village. Please note parking on village green is prohibited. **Sun 28 Aug (10-4). Adm £10, chd free.** Pre-booking essential, please visit [www.ngs.org.uk](http://www.ngs.org.uk) for information & booking. Home-made teas. Lunches 11am-2pm to pre-order via garden website. Refreshments in aid of another charity. A beautiful contemporary 3 acre rectory garden designed by multi-award-winning designer, Anoushka Feiler. Taking the Old Rectory's C18 history and its religious setting as a key starting point, the main garden at the back of the house has been divided into six parts; a kitchen garden, glasshouse and flower garden, a woodland menagerie, a pleasure garden, a park and an orchard. Elements of C18 design such as formal structures, parterres, topiary, long walks, occasional seating areas and traditional craft work have been introduced, however with a distinctly C21 twist through the inclusion of living walls, modern materials and features, new planting methods and abstract installations. Pop-up shop selling plants, garden produce, local honey, home-made bread and bath products. Regional Finalist, The English Garden's The Nation's Favourite Gardens 2021. Wheelchair access with gravel paths.

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**☒ THE OLD VICARAGE**

Daventry Road, Norton, Daventry, NN11 2ND. Barry & Andrea Coleman. Norton is approx 2m E of Daventry, 11m W of Northampton. From Daventry follow signs to Norton for 1m. On A5 N from Weedon follow road for 3m, take L turn signed Norton. On A5 S take R at Xrds signed Norton, 6m from Kilsby. Garden is R of All Saints Church. **Sun 24 Apr (1-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas in orangery.**

The vicarage days bequeathed dramatic and stately trees to the modern garden. The last 40 yrs of evolution and the happy accidents of soil-type, and a striking location with lovely vistas have shaped the garden around all the things that makes April so thrilling, inc prodigious sweeps of primulas of many kinds and the trees in blossom. The interesting and beautiful C14 church of All Saints will be open to visitors.

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**☒ OLD WEST FARM**

Little Preston, Daventry, NN11 3TF. Mr & Mrs G Hoare, [caghoare@gmail.com](mailto:caghoare@gmail.com). 7m SW Daventry, 8m W Towcester, 13m NE Banbury. ¾ m E of Preston Capes on road to Maidford. Last house on R in Little Preston with white flagpole. Beware, the postcode applies to all houses in Little Preston. **Visits by arrangement May & June for groups of 10 to 30. Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.** Refreshments in aid of St Peter & St Paul Church, Preston Capes. Large rural garden developed over the past 40 yrs on a very exposed site, planted with hedges and shelter. Roses, shrubs and borders aiming for year-round interest. Partial wheelchair access over grass.

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**GROUP OPENING**
**☒ RAVENSTHORPE GARDENS**

Ravensthorpe, NN6 8ES. 7m NW of Northampton. Signed from A428. Please start & purchase tickets at Ravensthorpe Nursery. **Sun 10 July (1.30-5.30). Combined adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas in village hall.** Refreshments in aid of village hall. Attractive village in Northamptonshire uplands near to Ravensthorpe reservoir and Top Ardes Wood Woodland Trust which have bird watching and picnic opportunities. Established and developing gardens set in beautiful countryside displaying a wide range of plants, many available from the nursery that now only opens on NGS open days. Offering inspirational planting, quiet contemplation, beautiful views, water features and gardens encouraging wildlife. Disabled WC in village hall.

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**☒ RAVENSTHORPE NURSERY**

6 East Haddon Road, Ravensthorpe, NN6 8ES. Mr & Mrs Richard Wiseman. 7m NW of Northampton. First property on L approaching from A428. **Fri 1, Sat 2, Sun 3, Fri 29, Sat 30 Apr, Sun 1 May, Fri 3, Sat 4, Sun 5 June, Fri 8, Sat 9 July, Fri 2, Sat 3, Sat 4, Fri 30 Sept, Sat 1, Sun 2 Oct (11-5). Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments. Opening with Ravensthorpe Gardens on Sun 10 July.** Approx 1 acre garden wrapped around the nursery with beautiful views. Planted with many unusual shrubs and herbaceous perennials over the last 20-30 yrs to reflect the wide range of plants produced. Plants for sale. Wheelchair access with gradual slope to garden and nursery.

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**☒ ROSEARIE-DE-LA-NYPH**

55 The Grove, Moulton, Northampton, NN3 7UE. Peter Hughes, Mary Morris, Irene Kay, Steven Hughes & Jeremy Stanton. N of Northampton town. Turn off A43 at small r about to Overstone Rd. Follow NGS signs in village. The garden is on the Holcot Rd out of Moulton. **Sun 19, Sun 26 June (11-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas & light refreshments.**

We have been developing this romantic garden for over 15 yrs and now have over 1800 roses, inc English, French and Italian varieties. Many unusual water features and specimen trees. Roses, scramblers and ramblers climb into trees, over arbours and arches. Collection of 140 Japanese maples. Mostly flat wheelchair access via a standard width doorway.

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**40 NEW ROSI'S TAVERNA**

20 St Francis Close, Barton Seagrave, Kettering, NN15 5DT. Rosi & David Labrum. Approx 2m from J10 of the A14. Head towards Barton Seagrave, going through 3 sets of T-lights. At the 4th set turn R onto Warkton Ln. At the r'about turn L. Take the next 2 R's into St Francis Close. **Sun 24 Apr, Sun 11 Sept (10-4). Combined adm with Briarwood £6.50, chd free. Light refreshments at Briarwood.**

An established medium south facing town garden. Kitchen garden intermingles with flowers, shrubs, plenty of fruit trees, soft fruits and vegetables in raised beds. Cacti and succulents hold high importance in the greenhouse. A covered koi carp pond and a pyramid water feature are key elements in the garden. A unique taverna with mosaic flooring offers perfect shelter from sun, wind and drizzle.

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**41 4 SKINYARD LANE**

Long Buckby, Northampton, NN6 7QZ. William & Susie Mitchell, 01327 843426, mitchewi52@gmail.com. 8m NW of Northampton, midway between A428 & A5 Long Buckby is signed from A428 & A5. 10 mins from J18 M1. Take turning off High St into Hall Drive & Skinyard Ln is on the R. Please Note: No parking in lane. **Sun 25 Sept (11-4). Combined adm with Woodcote Villa £5, chd free. Home-made teas at Woodcote Villa. Opening with Long Buckby Gardens on Sun 24 July. Visits also by arrangement May to Sept for groups of 10 to 25. Visits can be combined with another village garden.**

Small ever evolving cottage style garden started in 2013. Plantaholics garden crammed with all sorts of plants. Hundreds of different plants from old favourites to the exotic. Replanted borders and new beds and rose arches.

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**GROUP OPENING****42 SPRATTON GARDENS**

Smith Street, Spratton, NN6 8HP. 6½m NNW of Northampton. To find car park, please follow yellow NGS signs from outskirts of village from A5199 or Brixworth Rd. **Sun 12 June (11-5). Combined adm £7, chd free.** Refreshments in aid of St Andrew's Church.

As well as attractive cottage gardens alongside old Northampton stone houses, Spratton also has unusual gardens, inc those showing good use of a small area; one dedicated to encouraging wildlife with views of the surrounding countryside; newly renovated gardens and those with new planting; courtyard garden; gravel garden with sculpture; mature gardens with fruit trees and herbaceous borders. Refreshments available in Norman St Andrew's Church. The King's Head Pub will be open, lunch reservations recommended.

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**STOKE ALBANY HOUSE**

Desborough Road, Stoke Albany, Market Harborough, LE16 8PT.

See Leicestershire & Rutland

**THORPE LUBENHAM HALL**

Farndon Road, Lubenham, LE16 9TR.

See Leicestershire & Rutland

**43 TITCHMARSH HOUSE**

Chapel Street, Titchmarsh, NN14 3DA. Sir Ewan & Lady Harper, 01832 732439, ewan@ewanh.co.uk, www.titchmarsh-house.co.uk. 2m N of Thrapston. 6m S of Oundle. Exit A14 at junction signed A605, Titchmarsh signed as turning E towards Oundle & Peterborough. **Sun 10 Apr (2-6); Sat 11 June (12.30-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas at parish church in Apr. BBQ lunch & teas at village fete in June.** Refreshments in aid of village charities. Visits also by arrangement Apr to June for groups of 5+. 4½ acres extended and laid out since 1972. Special collections of magnolias, spring bulbs, iris, peonies and roses with many rare trees and shrubs. Walled ornamental vegetable garden and ancient yew hedge. Some newly planted areas; please refer to the website. Collections of flowering trees and other unusual plants such as rare buddleias, philadelphus, deutzias and abelias. Wheelchair access to most of the garden without using steps. No dogs.

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**GROUP OPENING****44 WAPPENHAM GARDENS**

Wappenham, NN12 8SJ. 4m W of Towcester, 6m N of Brackley, 8m E of Banbury. Tickets & map available at each garden. Limited off street parking in village. **Sun 26 June (2-5). Combined adm £7.50, chd free. Light refreshments in the village hall.** Refreshments in aid of St Mary's Church & village hall. A fabulous collection of diverse gardens all set around beautiful 17th, 18th and 19th century Northamptonshire stone houses. Expect packed perennial borders, topiary, bulging vegetable gardens and productive orchards. The gardens range in size from several acres to ones that offer great ideas for smaller gardens. Two are designed by James Alexander-Sinclair.

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The National Garden Scheme is amazing, and the gardens are all beautiful. Their generosity is invaluable to the work of The Queen's Nursing Institute. During 2020 – 2021 National Garden Scheme funding supported over 1,400 Queen's Nurses to deliver virtual and hands-on, community care across England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

## GROUP OPENING

**43 WEEDON LOIS & WESTON GARDENS**

Weedon Lois, Towcester, NN12 8PJ. 7m W of Towcester. 7m N of Brackley. Turn off A43 at Towcester towards Abthorpe & Wappenham & turn R for Weedon Lois. Or turn off A43 at Brackley, follow signs to Helmdon & Weston. **Sun 19 June (1-6). Combined adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas at The Chapel, Weston.**

Two adjacent villages set in the rolling south Northamptonshire countryside with a handsome medieval church in Weedon Lois. The extension churchyard contains the grave of the poet, Dame Edith Sitwell who lived in Weston Hall (not open), marked with a gravestone by Henry Moore. We have two new gardens this yr, one a colourful garden with interesting perennials, a cutting bed, fruit and vegetables and the other where an enclosed and peaceful garden has been cleverly created out of a very steep site. There is also a long established plantsman's garden, herbaceous borders, vegetables, roses, woodland planting, a large wildlife pond and much more. So we hope you will join us for our open day, enjoy looking round our gardens, visit the plant stalls and tuck into our famous home-made teas. Not all gardens suitable for wheelchairs.

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**WESTBROOKE HOUSE**

52 Scotland Road, Little Bowden, Market Harborough, LE16 8AX.

See Leicestershire & Rutland

**46 NEW WILLOW COTTAGE**

55 Upper Benefield, Peterborough, PE8 5AL. Mrs Nathalie Tarbuck. From Oundle on A427 parking is located at Upper Benefield Cricket Club, 1st turning on the L as you enter the village. The garden is located opp Hill Farm. It's a short walk to the garden. **Sat 28 May (10-4). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas at Upper Benefield Cricket Club.** Willow Cottage is wrapped in a beautiful cottage style garden. Wander this 1/4 acre site and discover its hidden gems. Planted to be a haven for pollinators and wildlife. Herbaceous borders burst with a wide variety of plants. A large pond, several water features, established and newly planted trees. Meander through rose arches and find a spot to perch to soak up the stunning views. Partial wheelchair access via a slope to enter the garden.

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**47 NEW WILLOWBROOK HOUSE**

76 Park Street, Kings Cliffe, Peterborough, PE8 6XN. Dr Robert E Stebbings, 03330 116577, bob@stebbing-cons.ndonet.com. E of village on road to Wansford. Turn off A43 at Bulwick signed Kings Cliffe. Also signed from A47 just W of A1. **Sun 10 July (11-5).**

**Adm £5, chd free. Visits also by arrangement Feb to Sept for groups of up to 8.** Original walled 1/5 acre garden with Victorian fruit trees, is over 250 yrs old. New garden created by ecologist in 2018 to inc native and exotic plants to encourage wildlife. Bulbs and flowering scented shrubs from the New Year and continue through the yr. Garden inc gravel areas with acid and alkaline rockeries and meadow. About 20 magnolia; unusual trees and shrubs; fernery. Wheelchair access to most of garden with some slopes and narrow paths.

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**48 WOODCOTE VILLA**

Old Watling Street (A5), Long Buckby Wharf, Long Buckby, Northampton, NN6 7EW. Sue & Geoff Woodward, geoff.and.sue@btinternet.com. 2m NE of Daventry. From M1 J16, take Flore by-pass, turn R at A5 r'about for approx 3m. From Daventry follow Long Buckby signs, but turn L at A5 Xrds. From M1 J18 signed Kilsby, follow A5 S for approx 6m. **Sun 20 Mar (11-5). Adm £4, chd free. Sun 25 Sept (11-4). Combined adm with 4 Skinyard Lane £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Gluten free options. Opening with Long Buckby Gardens on Sun 24 July. Visits also by arrangement Mar to Sept for groups of 10 to 36. Adm inc home-made teas. Visits can be combined with another village garden.**

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