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Welcome

The magnificent 180 acre Sir Harold Hillier Gardens is world famous for its arboretum and gardens.

Open all year, the Gardens offers beauty and inspiration throughout the seasons. Outstanding attractions include: the iconic 250m long double summer border, Pond, Bog Garden and one of the largest Winter Gardens in Europe.

Established by the distinguished plantsman Sir Harold Hillier in 1953, it is home to 14 National Collections, over 400 Champion Trees and 42,000 plants from temperate regions. It is one of the most important modern plant collections in the world.

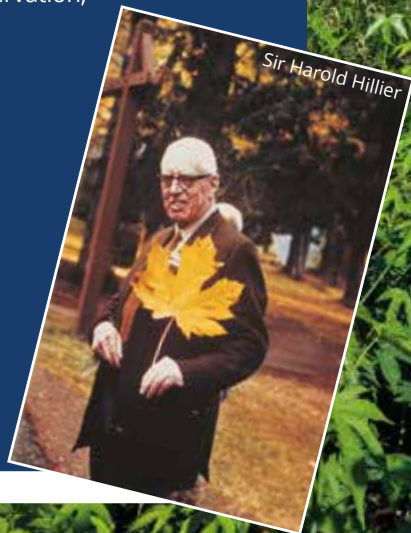
HISTORY

The Gardens were left under the sole trusteeship of Hampshire County Council in 1977. Run as a charity, the Gardens are continually developed to further Sir Harold's philosophy of horticulture, conservation, education and recreation.

There is something different to see in the Gardens everyday. Whether it is the changing season or a new exhibition, trail or workshop there are always things to do for the whole family.

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Sir Harold Hillier

Play & Explore

Members' Kids go free!

Whatever your age the Gardens are an amazing place to visit all year round.

Try out the exciting children's play features:

- Woodland Tree House
- Hilltop Timber Assault Course
- Super Snake Swing
- Bamboo Tunnels
- Wobbly Bridge
- Jurassic Gunnera Boardwalk

Or why not visit the "nature play" area in the woods.

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EXHIBITIONS,
TOURS, TRAILS,
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and more...



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SCULPTURE EXHIBITION ART IN THE GARDEN

Continues from Saturday
11 May - Sunday 13 October,
10am - 5pm

Stunning sculptures are attractively presented in the beautiful setting of this world famous 180 acre Garden. Featuring award winning, local, new and established British sculptors and artists from overseas.

Be inspired by all the wealth of creativity of this year's Art in the Garden sculpture exhibition. Whether it is an abstract, modern or figurative sculpture, there is always something to please everyone. This is a selling exhibition and a fabulous opportunity to buy a unique piece of art for your home or garden.

FREE with garden admission



FAMILY FAMILY ART TRAIL

Continues from Saturday 18
May - Wednesday 17 July

Every year our collection of youth art set in and near the Education Garden, grows and changes. Come and see what local young talent has to offer and spot some of our favourite artwork in the wider garden.

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Garden admission fees apply.

Download and print your trail at home for **FREE**

or

Available from the ticket desk for 50p



ART EXHIBITION HAMPSHIRE ARTISTS' CO-OPERATIVE

Continues from Tuesday 18
June - Wednesday 3 July,
10am - 5pm*

Members of the Hampshire Artists' Co-operative and invited guests will be taking part in this forthcoming exhibition at Sir Harold Hillier Gardens. There will be contemporary art, ceramics, paintings, textiles, drawings, printmaking, sculpture, jewellery and glass.

Cards and unframed work will also be on sale.

There is something of interest for everyone to come and see.

*exhibition closes at 3pm on the last day

FREE entry to the exhibition

DINING

PROSECCO CREAM TEA

Monday 1 July – Sunday 14 July

Celebrate Wimbledon Fortnight with a lovely cream tea with New Forest strawberries, accompanied with a chilled small bottle of Prosecco. No need to book.

Price: £9.95p/p

For more details call
01794 369319



Demfest 2019

Sunday 7 July, 11am – 4pm

Demfest returns to the Gardens for a fifth year. This unique festival embraces dementia awareness. The day will feature inspirational and innovative ideas including educational and research speakers. Join in with the activities whilst being entertained by talented musicians. Last year people attended from all over Hampshire - those with dementia, their carers and family, health professionals and those expressing an interest. A great day out which, this year, will be bigger and equally inspiring.

FREE entry to the festival

ART EXHIBITION

**RED HOT PRESS
PRINTMAKERS**

Friday 5 July – Thursday 1 August,
10am – 5pm*

Red Hot Press returns with another exhibition featuring some of the best printmaking in the region. These exhibitions are always popular and well worth a visit.

This exhibition, featuring work by members of Red Hot Press, is a chance to see a huge range of printmaking techniques.

All work for sale, including unframed prints and cards.

*exhibition closes at 3pm on the last day

FREE entry to the exhibition



CONCERT

SUMMER SOUL SPECTACULAR

Friday 12 July & Saturday 13 July,
7.30pm – 10.30pm approx.

Ticket Price: £18

**BOTH DATES
SOLD OUT**



PHOTOSHOOT

**SEASONAL FAMILY
PHOTOSHOOT**

Saturday 13 July
& Sunday 14 July

10.15am – 11.15am
11.45am – 12.45pm
1.30pm – 2.30pm
3pm – 4pm



Caroline Jenkins Photography can offer you a wonderful photoshoot opportunity to capture special moments with your family that you can treasure forever. No awkward posing, no stress, just relaxing in a natural environment in these stunning Gardens. This professional photoshoot makes for a fantastic present for family and friends. You will be sent 5 high res images with the option to buy more. 1 hour sessions available.

Price: £150 per family including day entry to the Gardens

Booking is essential

COURSE

**YOGA IN
THE GARDENS**

Mondays 15, 22, 29 July and 5, 12 & 19 August, 6.30pm - 7.45pm

Stretch your body and calm your mind through yoga taught outside in the tranquil Gardens by Carolyn Ryan (qualified Iyengar yoga teacher).

Suitable for beginners, you will learn the basic standing, sitting and recuperative poses. Those with experience are welcome and will benefit by working at a deeper level in the poses.

Over the 6 weeks you will gradually increase your stamina and notice an improvement in your flexibility.

Don't forget to bring your yoga mat. Minimum age of 16 years.

Price: £60p/p for 6 weeks

Booking is essential



WORKSHOP

PAINTING WITH YARNS

Saturday 20 July - SOLD OUT

New date added:

Sunday 21 July,
10am – 4pm

A woven tapestry workshop day, using a simple frame loom (which you can keep) and colourful yarns. Learn to weave a "notebook" of traditional and 3D tapestry techniques. Suitable for beginners and improvers.

At the end of the day, you will have a sampler to use as a reference for exploring your own woven designs. Taught by Hilary Charlesworth who has over 30 years of experience teaching woven tapestry and other textile skills. She is a member of the British Tapestry Group.

Booking is essential

Price: £66p/p includes lunch and refreshments

**ONLY LIMITED
PLACES LEFT
ON SUNDAY
21 JULY**

PROPAGATION WORKSHOP

**HOW TO GROW YOUR
OWN PLANTS!**

Friday 26 July, 10am – 3pm

Ever wanted to create your garden from scratch, including growing the plants?

In this hands-on workshop with in-house expert botanist, Barry Clarke, you will learn all the basics on how to propagate plants from cuttings and division. We will look at a large range of trees, shrubs, herbaceous plants and bulbs and give you the opportunity to try out some of those techniques. Take home a mini slice of the Gardens with this informative and practical workshop. Suitable for 'budding' horticulturists.

Booking is essential

Price: £62p/p includes a light lunch and refreshments



FAMILY

The Alphabet Fairies Garden Trail

Saturday 20 July – Sunday 8 September

The Flower Fairies are back! Last year's visit to the Gardens was so much fun they've told all their friends to come along too. Now it's the turn of the Alphabet Fairies and they're looking forward to meeting you. We have a feeling the Fairies might even share their magical kingdom with us!

Inspired by Cicely Mary Barker's classic illustrations, this interactive trail is suitable for all ages.

Trail booklets cost £5 and come with a beautiful gift (excludes admission to the Gardens).

The Gardens are open from 10am to 6pm, last trail admission entry is 4pm. No need to book. All children must be accompanied by an adult. See website for information about visiting us and prices: www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/hilliergardens/visitus

Price: £5 per child

Garden admission fees apply



ADULTS

GARDEN BOTANICALS TASTING EVENT

In partnership with
The Hiltingbury Still

Friday 16 August, from 7pm

Inspired by this year's Alphabet Fairies Garden Trail, join us for an evening stroll around the arboretum, enjoying a sampling of food and drink along the way. Come and try apple schnapps, sloe gin and limoncello and a variety of tasty edible treats. The selected botanicals are all favourites from seasonal fruits and flowers.

Book now and let the magic be-GIN!

Price: £25 p/p includes tasters and nibbles

Booking is essential,
call 01794 369319

FLOWER FAIRIES™

Summer Holiday Activities

FAMILY

POND DIPPING

Tuesdays and Thursdays during Hampshire School Holidays

Tuesday 23 July – Thursday 5 September, drop in between 1pm - 4pm

What is lurking in our ponds?

Join us for pond dipping and see what is in our Education Garden ponds. Can you find diving beetles, nimble pond skaters and slimy snails?

All equipment is provided. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Garden admission fees apply. No need to book.

Price: £2 per child

DINING

BUCKETS OF FUN

Wednesday 24 July – Tuesday 3 September

We are offering Chicken Goujons, Vegan Quorn Nuggets and Sustainable Fish Cakes with chips in a bucket and a drink. Served in the Pavilion Restaurant at lunchtime. No need to book.

Price: £4.95 per child



FAMILY

ARCHAEOLOGY ACTIVITY – STONE AGE

Friday 26 July, 1.30pm - 4pm

Be an archaeologist for the day and join us at our purpose-built trench in the woods to get muddy and find hidden treasures from ages past. Study some Stone Age artefacts to work out what they were used for. You'll be surprised! Learn about the Stone Age in more detail by living the life of our ancestors through a variety of hands on activities around the fire. Find out how they started fires, made shelters, hunted for animals and cooked food.

Suitable for ages 4-12 years. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Booking is essential

Price: £12.75 per session (for 1 child and 1 adult)

FAMILY

CLIMB A TREE

Friday 26 July & Friday 30 August

Highly skilled and friendly instructors can help you* reach new heights within an oak tree's canopy using ropes, knots and karabiners, while being securely attached in a harness at all times. Children must be accompanied by an adult into the Gardens.

*Suitable for 6+ years; length of session 55 minutes.

Booking is essential, price includes Gardens admission for 1 child & 1 adult.

For more dates, prices and booking visit: www.bigtreclimbing.co.uk



FAMILY

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE HOLIDAY CLUB

Selected dates throughout the summer: 31 July & 1, 6-8, 14-16, 20-22 & 27-29 August

(Dates can be booked individually)

9.30am – 3.30pm

The Ofsted registered Outdoor Learning Company will be returning to the Gardens, for another outdoor adventure club. Children will enjoy a day of experiencing a range of challenging and fun activities in the woods and around the Gardens. Suitable for 5 – 11 year olds. Booking is essential

For more information, prices and for bookings visit: www.theoutdoorlearningcompany.co.uk/booking



FAMILY

BUTTERFLY DAY

Friday 2 August, 10am – 4pm

Tours: 11am, 12noon, 2pm and 3pm

Last admission: 3.30pm (for craft activities and butterfly games)

A fun day of butterfly themed activities run in conjunction with Butterfly Conservation and timed to coincide with the peak of butterfly activity. The day includes a number of guided walks along Centenary Border looking at butterflies and the plants which attract these delightful insects. There will also be butterfly themed craft activities and games designed for children throughout the day. Donations from this event will be used by the Education Service to support our work with families and children and the Butterfly Conservation. No need to book.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Price: Suggested donation £1.50p/p (Garden admission fees apply).



FAMILY

ARCHAEOLOGY ACTIVITY – ROMANS

Friday 2 August, 1.30pm - 4pm

Be an archaeologist for the day and join us at our purpose-built trench in the woods to get muddy and find hidden treasures from ages past. Study some Roman artefacts to work out what they were used for. You'll be surprised! Learn about the Romans in more detail by living the life of our ancestors through a variety of hands on activities around the fire. Find out how they started fires, made shelters, cooked food and used natural materials to adorn themselves.

Suitable for ages 4-12 years. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Booking is essential

Price: £12.75 per session (for 1 child and 1 adult)

IN ADDITION

- During the morning identify night flying moths on show that have been trapped overnight.
- Butterfly Badge Making*
- Face Painting*

* additional charges apply for these activities



ART EXHIBITION

ARTLOOK

Saturday 3 August – Sunday 18 August, 10am – 5pm*

Artlook returns to Sir Harold Hillier Gardens for a summer exhibition of their work. Artlook is a group of artists based in Hampshire and Wiltshire. Their work is diverse in subject matter including landscapes, still life, figurative and abstract. A collection of watercolour, acrylics, oils, pastel, pencil and prints. The group also produce a wide range of unframed work and greetings cards.

*exhibition closes at 3pm on the last day.

FREE entry to the exhibition



DINING

SAUSAGE FEST – STREET FOOD SUNDAY

Sunday 4 August, from 12noon

Sample the world in a bun with an international selection of tasty hot dogs and great sides.

Hosted outside in the scenic courtyard this lunchtime event one is a series running throughout the summer.

Prices vary per dish, no need to book, but come early to avoid disappointment.



FAMILY

BUSHCRAFT: NATURAL CRAFTS

Monday 5 August, 1.30pm - 4pm

Join us in the woods and be creative with nature! Use a variety of techniques and natural materials, including clay, to make your very own "mud man" (or woman!) that you can take home. Learn some simple weaving too.

Suitable for ages 4-12 years. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Booking is essential

Price: £12.75 per session (for 1 child and 1 adult)



DINING**PAELLA & TAPAS TASTING - STREET FOOD SUNDAY**

Sunday 11 August, from 12noon

Enjoy the highlights of Spanish cuisine cooked live in the scenic courtyard this lunchtime event is one in a series running throughout the summer.

Prices vary per dish, no need to book, but come early to avoid disappointment.

**FAMILY****BUSHCRAFT: NATURAL CRAFTS 2**

Monday 12 August, 1.30pm - 4pm

Come have fun with colour! We will collect material in the Gardens and then move to our bushcraft site in the woods and work around the fire, where we will explore how natural materials can be used to colour textiles. You will also dye thread and create your own bracelet.

Suitable for ages 4-12 years

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Price: £12.75 per session (includes 1 adult and 1 child)

DINING**FLAVOURS OF THAILAND - STREET FOOD SUNDAY**

Sunday 18 August, from 12noon

Back by popular demand! Pinyada Sirichana & Nittaya Najanbu return to lead the team in preparing a selection of South East Asian specialities.

Hosted outside in the scenic courtyard this lunchtime event is one in a series running throughout the summer.

Prices vary per dish, no need to book, but come early to avoid disappointment.

**ART AND PHOTO EXHIBITION**

50 / 50

Tuesday 20 August – Sunday 15 September, 10am – 5pm*

Bringing together eight creative people from two distinct artistic fields, painting and photography, produces a varied, high quality exhibition of engaging artwork that always proves a rewarding visit.

*exhibition closes at 3pm on the last day.

FREE entry to the exhibition

FLORAL DISPLAY**SUMMER SENSATION**

Saturday 24 August – Monday 26 August

A stunning array of cut summer flowers collected from the Gardens will be on display in the beautiful surrounds of Jermyn's House.

FREE but garden admission fees apply

DINING**STREET VEGAN - STREET FOOD SUNDAY**

Sunday 25 August, from 12noon

Lean, clean & green cuisine that goes that extra bit further than vegetarian.

Hosted outside in the scenic courtyard this lunchtime event is one in a series running throughout the summer.

Prices vary per dish, no need to book, but come early to avoid disappointment.



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Family Summer's End Picnic with Fireworks

Saturday 31 August

Concert 7pm - 9.15pm approx.

Celebrate the end of the summer with the talented 75 piece orchestra and singers, Pops Incorporated UK. Internationally known having performed in Washington USA, Canada and Disney Land also the Royal Festival Hall London. They will be performing well known hits and vocals for the whole family, taking inspiration from West End shows, films and a good helping of well-known contemporary music for all to dance and sing along.

This open-air picnic concert concludes with a spectacular firework finale.

A brilliant family evening out with free children's entertainment, circus skills and pond dipping, all set in the beautiful Gardens. Face painting will also be available at an extra charge. Gates open at 6pm for you to enjoy your picnics. The Restaurant and Munch Buggy will be also selling refreshments and snacks on the night.

Booking is essential

Price: Adult: £20 / Child (2-16yrs): £11.50



SCULPTURE EXHIBITION ART IN THE GARDEN

Continues from Saturday
11 May - Sunday 13 October,
10am - 5pm

See page 7 for more details.

FREE with garden admission



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ART AND PHOTO EXHIBITION 50 / 50

Continues from Tuesday 20
August - Sunday 15 September,
10am - 5pm*

See page 19 for more details.

*exhibition closes at 3pm on the last day.

FREE entry to the exhibition



SEPTEMBER

**FAMILY
ART TRAIL**

Tuesday 4 September
– Friday 11 October

Every year our collection of youth art set in and near the Education Garden, grows and changes. Come and see what local young talent has to offer.

Download and print your trail at home for **FREE**

or

Available from the ticket desk for 50p

**GUIDED TOUR
SUMMER EVENING
GARDEN TOUR**

Thursday 5 September, 6pm

Come for a fascinating seasonal guided evening tour of the Gardens led by our horticultural expert. Return to enjoy a glass of sparkling wine at Jermyn's House.

Booking is essential

Price: £15.50p/p

**WORKSHOP
THE ART OF QUILLING**

Sunday 8 September,
10am – 4pm

Quilling is an art form that involves the use of paper strips that are rolled, shaped and glued together to create a decorative design. This workshop will show you how to create coils of paper and manipulate these into different shapes and scrolls which are arranged to create a picture. Suitable for beginners.

Price: £61p/p including lunch and materials

Booking is essential



**ART WORKSHOP
SEASCAPES, CLIFFS AND
CURLING WAVES IN
WATERCOLOUR**

Sunday 15 September,
10am – 4pm

Using watercolours or acrylics with mixed media, revive treasured memories of delightful beach holidays with professional artist Wendy Jelbert. We will try out sweeping sand-dunes, cliffs reflecting in the surf, and curling crystal waves. We will explore the many ways of enriching your paintings, by creating new effects with pastels, resists, texture pastes and adding various exciting painting techniques.

Help and discussions at every stage with step by step projects suitable for all abilities. A materials list is supplied.

Price: £61p/p including lunch

Booking is essential



**LAST NIGHT OF
THE PROMS
– PICNIC CONCERT**

Saturday 7 September
Concert 7.30pm
– 10.15pm approx.

Bring your picnic and enjoy the fantastic Southampton Concert Orchestra in the return of The Last Night of the Proms to the Gardens. Featuring music by Elgar, Parry, John Williams and many more with all the usual Last Night favourites of Land of Hope and Glory, Rule Britannia and Jerusalem.

This open-air classical concert finishes with a firework finale which you will not want to miss! Gates open from 6pm

Booking is essential

www.audleyvillages.co.uk/hillier

Price: Adult: £20 / Child (2-16yrs): £11.50

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ART EXHIBITION

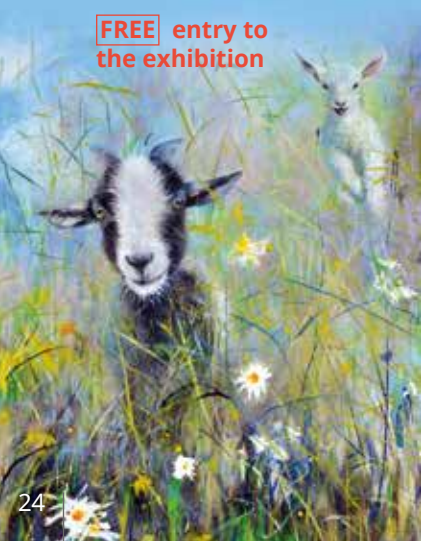
A PASSIONATE NATURE

Tuesday 17 September – Wednesday 25 September, 10am – 5pm*

We are excited to welcome the award-winning artist Lynne Davies to the Gardens for this brand-new exhibition. Lynne is greatly inspired by nature and wildlife with her paintings and prints being collected all over the world. She was recently invited to become a signature member of 'Artists for Conservation'. Lynne is passionate about animal welfare and she also enjoys being privately commissioned to paint pets. Commissions, Originals, Limited Edition prints and greetings cards available.

*exhibition closes at 3pm on the last day.

FREE entry to the exhibition



WILLOW WORKSHOP

FRAME BASKET MAKING

Saturday 21 September, 10am – 5pm

Make a beautiful bowl-shaped basket with a willow or hazel wood handle. Perfect for fruit, eggs, vegetables or a small stylish shopper. Learn how to weave from nature's most sustainable materials. Although suitable for those with no experience a full day of weaving can be tiring. No previous skills necessary, although some manual dexterity and patience will be needed. Suitable for beginners.

Price: £77p/p including lunch and materials

Booking is essential



DINING

MURDER MYSTERY

Friday 27 & Saturday 28 September, 7.30pm

A fantastic night of mystery and sleuthing with this popular annual event where we are entertained by the Miscellany Theatre Group.

Enjoy a wonderful supper while working out exactly whodunit (plus how and why).

Drink upon arrival, followed by three course dinner and coffee.

Price: £39p/p

Booking is essential, call 01794 369319

ART EXHIBITION

CREATIVE FUSION

Friday 27 September – Thursday 10 October, 10am – 5pm*

This exhibition will comprise a breadth of work which includes drawing, painting, printmaking, collage and sculpture.

The work shown encompasses a wide range of styles from the figurative to the totally abstract.

*exhibition closes at 4pm on the last day.

FREE entry to the exhibition



BOTANICAL ART

WORKSHOP

AUTUMN FRUITS AND BERRIES IN WATERCOLOUR

Saturday 28 September, 10am – 4pm

In this season of mists and mellow fruitfulness, botanical artist Candida Groom will show you how to paint shiny fruits and berries, furry leaves and prickly stems. Suitable for beginners or those with some experience.

A materials list is supplied.

Price: £61p/p including lunch

Booking is essential



Outdoor Learning

CPD

Designed for NQT teachers, PGCE students and those interested in ecological or environmental outreach. Join Education Officer Carla Thomas-Buffin, using the beautiful Gardens as an outdoor classroom whilst following the National Curriculum.

WORKING SCIENTIFICALLY WITH MINIBEASTS & HABITATS

Saturday 5 October, 10am – 12.30pm or 1.30pm – 4pm

Find out more about identifying, classifying and grouping creatures in a variety of habitats including pond, meadow and woodlands.

LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Saturday 12 October, 10am – 12.30pm or 1.30pm – 4pm

Improve your skills in the outdoor classroom and learn how to lead your group outdoors, as well as increasing your repertoire of engaging new activities.

These beginner's sessions are run in conjunction with the Maths and Science Learning Centre at the University of Southampton. To book a place e-mail mssl@oton.ac.uk or call **02380 598810**

Session price: £35p/p
(£30 for students)

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More topics available in November, see page 34



EXHIBITION FUNGI WEEKEND

Saturday 5 October and Sunday 6 October, 10am - 3pm

With walks in the Gardens and a display in the Education Centre the diversity of garden and woodland fungi will be shown to you by experts from the Hampshire Fungus Recording Group. Past walks have revealed over 80 different types of fungi.

Field trips at 10.30am and 2pm will be bookable on the day on a first come basis price: £2.50p/p

FREE entry to the exhibition with garden admission



ART WORKSHOP

TAWNY OWL IN COLOURED PENCILS

Wednesday 9 October, 10am – 4pm

An introduction to coloured pencils with professional artist Karen Coulson, exploring the techniques required to complete the picture of a Tawny Owl. A line drawing to trace will be provided if required. Suitable for all abilities. All materials supplied to use within the session.

Price: £61p/p including materials and lunch

Booking is essential

GUIDED TOUR

CHAMPION TREES TOUR WITH BREAKFAST

Saturday 12 October, 8.30am

We are home to over 400 champion trees - the tallest, widest, oldest of their species. This is one of the largest collections of champion trees in the British Isles.

Our Head Arborist Jon Hammerton, will share the fascinating history of our tree collection. An expert in the field, he spent over 20 years looking after many important collections around the world including; the tree collection at Royal Botanic Gardens Kew, Gibraltar Botanic Gardens and royal residences. Not forgetting his starring role on the BBC2 series The Trees That Made Britain.

Starting with a home cooked breakfast, Jon will then take you on a tour to discover hidden gems and some ancient giants. Learn about these magnificent trees and some of our rarest and threatened species in the collection too, the tour will last approx. 1 ½ hours.

Don't forget to wear your walking boots!

Booking is essential

Price: £21.95p/p includes breakfast



EMBROIDERY WORKSHOP**ESPALIER APPLE TREE**

Saturday 12 October, 10am – 4pm

This charming tree is worked using Ribbon Work and Creative Stitch. It contains a variety of techniques including silk wrapped beads. The silk ribbon that you will work with is hand-dyed and so very individual. The end result is a very appealing and attractive tree. This class is suitable for all standards.

Price: £93p/p including lunch and material kit worth £28

Booking is essential

**ART EXHIBITION****OUR WORLD IMAGINED**

Saturday 12 October – Tuesday 22 October, 10am – 5pm*

Our World Imagined is an exhibition from a diverse group of artists who express their feelings about the natural world in many ways.

Delicate watercolour, glorious oil, bold acrylic and gentle pencil drawings, sit alongside artwork created from multicoloured felted wool. The wonderful use of colour which forms the rich palate of the world around us is captured in paintings of atmospheric seascapes to majestic portraits of wildlife. From the humble small woodland rodent to magnificent forest mammals.

All artwork is for sale, including unframed originals, prints and greetings cards. Daily demonstrations from the participating artists.

*exhibition closes at 3pm on the last day.

FREE entry to the exhibition

SHOW**SWEET ON HONEY**

Saturday 19 & Sunday 20 October

Come and see the best the Hampshire Beekeeping Association has to offer at their annual honey show. Children's activities will be available (a small charge applies).

The show opens on Saturday following judging (approx. 1.30pm) until 5.30pm. Open Sunday 10.30am until 4pm.

Why not buy a jar of local award-winning honey to take home?

FREE entry with normal garden admission

**TEXTILE EXHIBITION****MATERIAL WORLD**

Saturday 26 October – Wednesday 20 November,
10am – 5pm (in October)
10am – 4pm* (in November)

The popular Material World textile exhibition returns again to the Gardens this autumn.

This annual exhibition displays a wide variety of needlework, embroidery, felting and textile art which are all for sale.

*exhibition closes at 3pm on the last day.

FREE entry to the exhibition

**FAMILY****SEASONAL FAMILY PHOTOSHOOT**

Saturday 19 October & Sunday 20 October

10.15am – 11.15am
11.45am – 12.45pm
1.30pm – 2.30pm
3pm – 4pm

Caroline Jenkins Photography can offer you a wonderful photoshoot opportunity to capture special moments with your family that you can treasure forever. No awkward posing, no stress, just relaxing in a natural environment in these stunning Gardens. This professional photoshoot makes for a fantastic present for family and friends. You will be sent 5 high res images with the option to buy more. 1 hour sessions available.

Price: £150 per family including day entry to the Gardens

Booking is essential



Half Term Holidays



FAMILY

HALLOWEEN FAMILY TRAIL

Saturday 12 October –
Sunday 3 November

Join us for creepy fun in the Gardens on this spooky self-guided trail. Survive our tricks and receive a treat!

Garden admission fees apply. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Collect your trail map from the Ticket Desk.

Price: £2.50 per trail

FAMILY

CLIMB A TREE

Thursday 31 October

Reach new heights within an oak tree's canopy.



Children must be accompanied by an adult into the Gardens.

*Suitable for 6+ years; length of session 55 minutes.

Booking is essential, visit:
www.bigtreeclimbing.co.uk

FAMILY

HALLOWEEN BUSHCRAFT

Monday 28 October,
10am - 12.30pm or
1.30pm - 4pm

It's almost Halloween, so come and join us for a session of craft, fun, spooky songs and stories around the fire. Make popcorn and toast a marshmallow. Learn how to start a fire safely too.

Suitable for ages 4-12 years

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Booking is essential

Price: £12.75 per session (includes 1 child and 1 adult)

DINING

SPOOKY HALLOWEEN MENU

Monday 28 October –
Thursday 31 October

To coincide with all the Halloween activities in the Gardens we are offering a spooky menu at lunch time in the Pavilion Restaurant. No need to book



FAMILY

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE HOLIDAY CLUB



Tuesday 29 October &
Wednesday 30 October
9.30am – 3.30pm

The Ofsted registered Outdoor Learning Company will be returning to the Gardens, for another outdoor adventure club. Suitable for 5 – 11 year olds.

Booking is essential, visit:
www.theoutdoorlearningcompany.co.uk/booking

FAMILY

ARCHAEOLOGY ACTIVITY – SAXONS

Tuesday 29 October, 1.30pm - 4pm

Be an archaeologist for the day and join us at our purpose-built trench in the woods to get muddy and find hidden treasures from ages past. Study some Saxon artefacts to work out what they were used for. You'll be surprised! Learn about the Saxons in more detail by living the life of our ancestors through a variety of hands on activities around the fire. Find out how they started fires, made homes, cooked food and used natural materials to adorn themselves.

Suitable for ages 4-12 years. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Booking is essential

Price: £12.75 per session (for 1 child and 1 adult)

FAMILY

PUMPKIN CARVING

Wednesday 30 October and
Thursday 31 October

Bookable timed sessions between,
10am – 11am and 1pm – 4pm

Come and carve a pumpkin. We are here to help!

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Garden admission fees apply.

Price: £5 per child (includes 1 pumpkin)

Booking is essential



TEXTILE EXHIBITION

MATERIAL WORLD

Continues from Saturday
26 October – Wednesday
20 November,

10am – 4pm* in November

Material World features a wide range of needlework, embroidery, felting and textile art which are all for sale.

*exhibition closes at 3pm on the last day.

Free entry to the exhibition



EMBROIDERY WORKSHOP

CHRISTMAS ROBIN

Saturday 2 November, 10am – 4pm

This little Xmas Robin holding a sprig of mistletoe in his beak is worked in coloured threads using the historical technique of Blackwork along with some additional creative stitch. This is a counted thread technique and you will learn a number of Blackwork patterns and how to shade the bird using various threads. This class is a fun way to start the festive season and is suitable for all.

Booking is essential

Price: £90p/p including lunch and material kit worth £20

PHOTOSHOOT

CHRISTMAS FAMILY PHOTOSHOOT

Saturday 2 November

10.15am – 11.15am

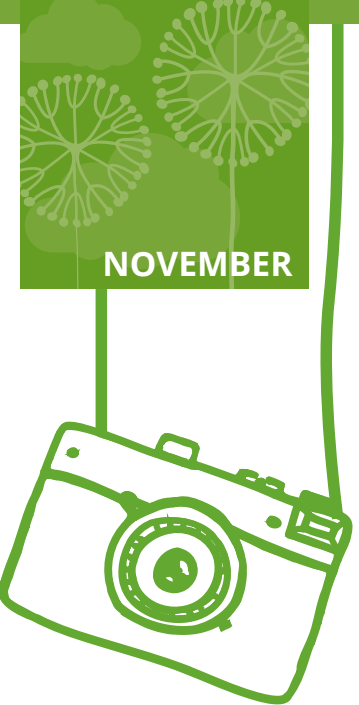
11.45am – 12.45pm

1.30pm – 2.30pm

Caroline Jenkins Photography can offer you a wonderful photoshoot opportunity to capture special moments with your family perfect for your own Christmas cards or gifts. No awkward posing, no stress, just relaxing in a natural environment in these stunning Gardens. This professional photoshoot makes for a fantastic present for family and friends. You will be sent 5 high res images with the option to buy more. 1 hour sessions are available.

Price: £150 per family including day entry to the Gardens

Booking is essential



WORKSHOP

AUTUMN COLOUR GARDEN PHOTOGRAPHY

Sunday 3 November, 10am – 1pm

This garden photography workshop is lead by local photographer Gordon Brown ARPS.

The first part will be a practical session in the Gardens, Gordon will give you guidance on how to analyse and approach a scene and also how to compose pictures using camera settings and lenses. The second part will be an interactive group discussion and debrief of your images with advice and guidance on processing and composition lead by Gordon.

Don't forget to bring your camera!

Booking is essential

Price: £33p/p including tea / coffee and entry to the Gardens for the day



FAMILY**I-SPY WINTER IS COMING**

Monday 4 November –
Friday 29 November

What do you know about cones and conifers? Come and collect a cone or two on this family self-guided trail! Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Normal garden admission fees apply.

Download and print your trail at home for free

or

Available from the Ticket Desk for 50p



Outdoor Learning

CPD**ENGLISH IN THE GARDENS**

Saturday 9 November, 10am - 12.30pm

Be inspired by the beautiful Gardens and examine how we use language to express the world around us. We will look at the links between science and English in the early years, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 curriculum.

Booking details below

MATHEMATICS IN THE GARDENS

Saturday 16 November 2019, 10am - 12.30pm

This is a hands-on session in the Gardens explore mathematical ideas that can be used by early years and primary teachers. We will look at the links between mathematics and science.

BOOK YOUR PLACE

Run in conjunction with the Maths and Science Learning Centre at the University of Southampton this is a new course designed for NQT teachers, PGCE students, and those interested in ecological or environmental outreach.

To book a place e-mail mslc@soton.ac.uk or call 02380 598810

**Session price: £35p/p
(£30 for students)**

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WORKSHOP**THE ART OF CHRISTMAS QUILLING**

Sunday 10 November, 10am – 4pm

Local tutor Carolyn Taylor runs this friendly workshop which will get you in the Christmas spirit. Quilling is an art form that uses strips of paper that are rolled and shaped into a decorative design. You will learn how to make a paper quilled 3D (free hanging) Christmas decoration. Suitable for beginners.

Booking is essential

Price: £61p/p including lunch and materials

**EXHIBITION****POP-UP UPCYCLING MARKET**

Friday 22 November –
Sunday 24 November, 10am – 4pm*

For one weekend only, find unique repurposed and revamped furniture by Jean Interiors. With a variation of styles from shabby chic to steam punk you can find something amazing and practical for your own home.

Browse handmade items by 'Occasionally Vintage' including rustic slate hearts, beautiful light up bottles and unique plaques.

And don't miss 'Quirky Bird' with a range of carefully crafted hand knitted goods.

*exhibition closes at 3pm on the last day.

[FREE] entry to the exhibition

WORKSHOP**UPCYCLING A SMALL ITEM**

Saturday 23 November, 10am – 4pm

Learn how to Up-cycle and refresh tired furniture on this creative workshop with Jeans Interiors.

An item will be provided for you to transform into a unique piece for you to practice your design and painting skills and then take home at the end of the day.

The workshop will cover:

No need to bring anything just, come and get creative!

Booking is essential

Price: £69p/p including all materials and lunch

Includes Lunch

- Prep
- Planning a Design
- Using Chalk Paint Products
- Stencilling
- Distressing
- Protecting

**WORKSHOP****MODERN CALLIGRAPHY**Saturday 30 November
10am – 3pm

This creative workshop will introduce you to the wonderful world of calligraphy, learn how to use a nib and ink to write in beautiful modern lettering.

Starting with an introduction on letterforms and principles of how the nib works. With lots of demonstrations and warm up exercises you'll be writing words in no time.

You will also have the opportunity to have a go at using watercolour and gold with pen in a variation in styles.

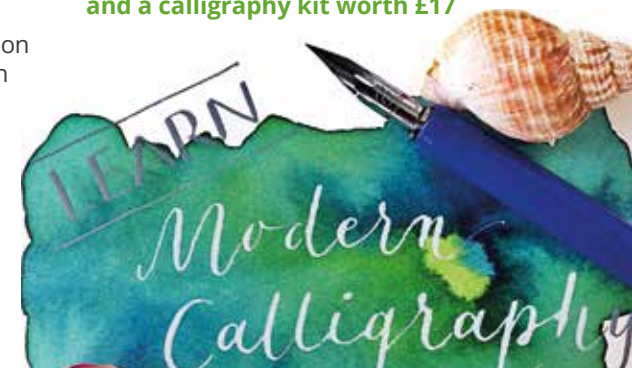
Try your hand at applying your skills on cards, envelopes, bookmarks or even

place names. Perhaps you'd like to start practising for a special event like a wedding or new baby. This workshop is suitable for absolute beginners as well as those looking to improve their skills further.

All equipment and materials are included, so that you can continue your practice at home.

Booking is essential

Price: £85p/p including lunch and a calligraphy kit worth £17

**JEWELLERY EXHIBITION****WINTER JEWELS**Wednesday 27 November – Sunday 5 January,
10am – 4pm*

We are delighted to welcome the ACJ Wessex group of jewellers back again for their 8th Christmas contemporary jewellery selling exhibition.

Over 25 carefully selected studio jewellery makers from the group will be participating in this popular exhibition, providing the unmissable opportunity for you to make unique Christmas gift purchases.

There will be a free prize draw for a £100 voucher to spend on jewellery at the exhibition.

*exhibition closes at 3pm on Christmas Eve and on the last day. Closed Christmas Day & Boxing Day.

FREE entry to the exhibition

**GUIDED TOUR****CHRISTMAS GARDENERS' BREAKFAST AND TOUR**

Saturday 30 November, 8.30am

Enjoy a wonderful breakfast with porridge or cereals. Followed by a cooked breakfast with Fluffet Farm eggs, local sausages or kedgeree.

After breakfast join our Head Gardener for an exclusive guided tour of the Gardens.

You will be led on a tour featuring seasonal highlights of the Winter Garden and beyond.

Price: £24.50p/p

Booking is essential



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For more information see page 36

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FREE entry to the exhibition

FLORAL DISPLAY WINTER WONDER

Saturday 7 December – Sunday 8 December

Showcasing striking bark and scented flowers, this display will be a welcoming sight in this colder month. Early bulbs will also feature in the display at the festively decorated Jermyn's House.

FREE but garden admission fees apply

WORKSHOP CHRISTMAS DOOR WREATH

Thursday 12 December, 10am – 12.30pm & 1.30pm – 4pm

Join our Head Gardener and learn how to produce a beautiful natural Christmas floral door wreath. A wide selection of unusual foliage, berries, fruits and unusual stems will be supplied fresh from the Gardens.

Price: £45p/p including all materials

Booking is essential



DINING

CHRISTMAS LUNCHES

Monday 2 December – Friday 20 December
(Weekdays only)

From only £19.50p/p for two courses & coffee or £23.50p/p for three courses and coffee.

For full details see our website.

Booking is essential

DINING

CHRISTMAS SUPPER WITH MISCELLANY

Friday 6 December & Saturday 7 December, 7.30pm

Christmas Supper with seasonal entertainment from Miscellany Theatre Group.

For full details see our website.

Price: £39p/p

For more information and bookings, call 01794 369319



WORKSHOP

CHRISTMAS CHOCOLATE MAKING

Saturday 14 December, 10am – 12pm or 2pm – 4pm

Make your own Christmas chocolates with Chocolate Craft. Run by professional chocolatiers, this is a perfect opportunity to make a handcrafted Christmas gift.

Using high quality chocolate and a fine range of ingredients for flavouring, you will make delicious chocolates and decorate your own lolly to take home (if you don't eat them first).

Either on your own* or with a friend** you will have a great day creating, decorating, having fun and tasting!

Booking is essential

Price: *£42.50p/p - 1 lolly and a box of 21 chocolates or

****£47.50 for two people - 2 lollies and a box of 21 chocolates**





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THE SNOWMAN™ AND THE SNOWDOG WINTER TRAIL

Saturday 30 November – Sunday 5 January

This Christmas we promise to bring you magic and snow (whatever the weather!).

Inspired by Raymond Briggs's much-loved classic, this wonderful wintry adventure is suitable for children of all ages.

Guides cost £5 and come with a special The Snowman™ and the Snowdog gift (excludes admission to the Gardens).

The Gardens are open from 10am to 5pm, last trail admission is 3pm. On Christmas Eve we close at 4pm with last trail admission at 2pm. We are closed Christmas Day and Boxing Day.

No need to book. All children must be accompanied by an adult. See website for information about visiting us and prices:
www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/hilliergardens/visitus

Price: £5 per child
Garden admission fees apply
www.thesnowman.com

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The Gardens are a great day out destination for clubs and societies.

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A message to members:

Are you receiving your E-newsletter from us? If not, you can sign up at any time by giving us your email address and consent by:

Email us your contact details to info@hilliergardens.org.uk or speak to the team when you visit us next.

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- Children go free**
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To join:

Call: 01794 369317 (lines open all week, 10am to 4pm)

Go online: www.hants.gov.uk/shop

Visit the Ticket Desk

Terms and Conditions:

† Partner gardens may change, parking charges may apply. *Free entry to valid card holder/s only during normal opening hours, complimentary guest entry passes are only valid at Sir Harold Hillier Gardens (SHHG). Admission charges may apply for children at partner gardens. **Free entry for under 17s to SHHG when accompanied by a member.

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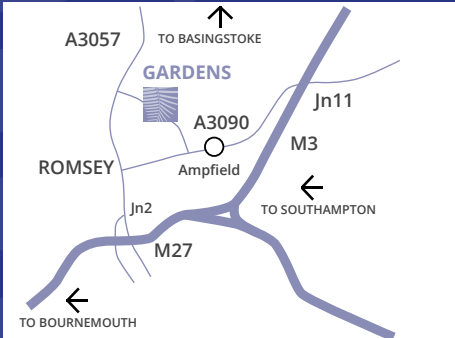
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BY CAR

-M3 exit at junction 11 follow signs to Winchester then follow "The Hillier Gardens" brown signs on the A3090.

- M27 exit at junction 2, follow signs to Romsey (A3090) and then follow "The Hillier Gardens" brown signs.

FREE PARKING

BY BUS

Route 66 (Stagecoach Bus) - Winchester to Romsey. Stopping outside the entrance.

BY TRAIN

The nearest station is Romsey.

OPEN DAILY

(except Christmas Day and Boxing Day)

10am – 6pm (5pm in Nov – March)

Last entry one hour before closing

ADMISSION

See our website for the latest prices.

www.hilliergardens.org.uk

Group discount available for 10 or more

ACCESS

The Gardens are accessible with an all-ability path network, accessible WCs and parking for the registered disabled.

Registered disability assistance dogs are only welcome.

A wheelchair hire service is available (pre-book in advance).

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