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Welcome to St Margaret's Glorious Gardens 2024

In this brochure, you will discover all the amazing gardens you can visit between April and August!

At St Margaret's Hospice Care, we know how important our gardens are to the health and wellbeing of our patients and their families, providing places of relaxation and reflection. St Margaret's has been at the heart of the Somerset community for over 40 years, delivery high-quality, compassionate, and responsive care to patients facing a life-limiting illness and their families. **100**% of the care and support we provide is free of charge, and to continue to deliver this exceptional level of care we must fundraise approximately **£5m** each year.

So, **thank you** to the garden owners, sponsors, and volunteers – this campaign simply couldn't go ahead without you. We hope you all enjoy the season of 2024, getting out and about, appreciating these wonderful gardens!



James Rimmer

James Rimmer St Margaret's Hospice CEO

Key



Refreshments



Dogs welcome on leads



Toilets available



Parking available



Garden is accessible to wheelchairs/pushchairs

Please bring <u>cash</u> with you. Children under 16 go free.

Glorious Gardens Raffle 2024

A chance to win some **fabulous prizes** and help raise vital funds for patients and their families across Somerset. Tickets are available to purchase at most St Margaret's Glorious Somerset Garden events. **Prizes include:**

- Membership for two and an afternoon tea at Hestercombe Gardens
- A joint membership for The Newt in Somerset
- Free passes to Forde Abbey and Gardens
- 2 course Dinner for two at the Lord Poulett Arms, Hinton St George

Winners will be announced on **Friday 27 September 2024** and published on **st-margarets-hospice.org.uk** For terms and conditions, please see your raffle ticket.

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Discover the breathtaking beauty of New Wood House's terraced garden, offering sweeping views of the picturesque Isle Valley. Recently restored to its former glory, this enchanting landscape boasts diverse areas, from the elegance of a formal Italian garden to the untamed wilderness of an orchard and arboretum. Admire majestic mature trees alongside rare varieties, including malus, oaks, and exotic American and Chinese shrubs. Immerse yourself in a world of natural wonder and botanical splendor.

Address: 19 The Beacon, Ilminster, TA19 9AH

Open: Saturday 13 April

Time: 2pm - 5pm

Admission: £5





FORDE ABBEY AND GARDENS

CHARD TA20 4LU - Tel:01460 220231 - www.fordeabbev.co.uk

30 acres of award-winning gardens with cascading lakes, ponds and herbaceous borders. Gardens are a delight throughout the year with naturalised wildflower meadows & topiary-lined vistas. Home to England's highest powered fountain. Coffee Shop, Gift Shop, Specialist Plant Nursery and pottery exhibition await you.



Embark on a whimsical journey through the idyllic gardens of the Blackdown Hills, where a warm welcome awaits from donkeys, Pekin bantams, and friendly pet sheep. At Croft House, explore spring shrubs, a tranquil woodland, and a bustling allotment garden nestled beside majestic lime trees. Follow the donkey paddock to Smithycroft Cottage, where fruit trees and a flourishing vegetable patch beckon. Delight in stunning borders adorned with alliums, hellebores, camassias, peruvian lilies, clematis, tulips, and foxgloves, while serene vistas offer havens for quiet reflection and rejuvenation.

Address: Chard, TA20 3NA & TA20 3LY

Open: Saturday 27 April | Time: 2pm - 4pm | Admission: £5









Limited

Limite





Step into the picturesque village of Hinton St George, where honey-colored stone houses and a Grade I listed church welcome you to quintessential English charm. Immerse yourself in the vibrant community, complete with a local shop and inviting pub. Explore nine enchanting gardens, each showcasing a unique style – from cozy cottage retreats to elegant courtyards adorned with water features, specimen trees, and historic walls. You'll be a provided with a small map on admission to guide you through these verdant landscapes.

Address: St George's Hall, Merriott Road, Hinton St George, TA17 8SL

Open: Saturday 4 & Sunday 5 May | Time: 1pm - 4.30pm (last admisson 4pm)

Admission: £8 for one day or £12 for both days.









Assistance dogs only

Southernhay

Address: High Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SE

Fig Tree Cottage

Address: Church Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SP

Studio Cottage

Address: Gas Lane, Hinton St George, TA17 8RX

Phoenix House

Address: Gas Lane, Hinton St George, TA17 8RX



The Old Malt House

Address: High Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SE

The Priory

Address: High Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SE

Hidden House

Address: 26 Green Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SQ

Darchester Cottage

Address: 29 Green Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SQ

No 36

Address: 36 Green Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SQ





Adorned with vibrant and fragrant plants, this garden cascades down the slope in a tapestry of colors and scents. Discover a tranquil pond nestled amidst the greenery, a greenhouse bursting with juicy tomatoes, crisp cucumbers, and citrus delights from lemon, lime, and orange bushes. Take delight in the petite vegetable garden, brimming with fresh produce. Their knowledgeable gardener awaits, ready to answer any questions and share the secrets of this sloping paradise.

*Parking limited on driveway. Road parking is available.

Address: Bay Hill, Ilminster, TA19 0AT

Open: Sunday 19 May

Time: 2pm - 5pm

Admission: £3









Court House, where 26 acres of magnificent gardens await your exploration. Wander through the new heritage orchard and find solace in Geoff's memory garden, a touching tribute to the owner's late partner. Delight in the abundance of wildlife that calls this haven home. Indulge in tea and cake served in the rustic charm of the Old Farmhouse kitchen within the barn. Browse plant stalls, peruse CDs and vinyl, or discover hidden treasures at the antiques stall.

Step into this 17th-century

Address: Court Lane, Stoford, Yeovil,

BA22 9UA

Open: Saturday 1 June

Time: 11am - 4pm

Admission: £4 suggested donation

(50% shared with Geranium Trust)













Multi-award winning gardens, proudly recognised for their beauty and transformation. Carved out of a once unusable hillside over seven years, these gardens now boast rockeries, a thriving vegetable patch, fruit trees, and a haven for wildlife. Admire over 40 varieties of roses in full bloom. Treat yourself to homemade cakes and drinks served on our tranquil enclosed patio.

Address: Glastonbury, BA6 8AL

Open: Sunday 9 June

Time: 10am - 4pm

Admission: f2







Since 2007, they've crafted a haven with wheelchair-friendly pathways and ample seating areas for all to enjoy. Delight in their vibrant wildflower area, a buzzing sanctuary for bees. Explore a diverse array of shrubs, fragrant roses, and climbing clematis adorning our landscape. Come, unwind in nature's embrace at Grovelands Gardens.

Address: 45 Grove Avenue, Yeovil,

BA20 2BE

Open: Sunday 23 June

Time: 1pm - 4pm

Admission: £3













South Petherton with six beautiful open gardens, each boasting its own unique charm. From spacious, well-established landscapes to a delightful garden showcasing 40 different roses, there's something for every nature enthusiast. Convenient roadside parking is available throughout the village, while the Coach House offers refreshing beverages. Toliet facilities are available at the William Blake Memorial Hall in Market Square.

Address: Starting at King's Pleasure, TA13 5BZ

Open: Sunday 23 June | Time: 2pm - 6pm | Admission: £8 covers all gardens









King's Pleasure

Address: 24 Silver Street, South Petherton, TA13 5BZ

Fives Wall

Address: Crown Lane, South Petherton, TA13 5DE

The Coach House

Address: 7 West Street, South Petherton, TA13 5DQ



Cedar Lodge

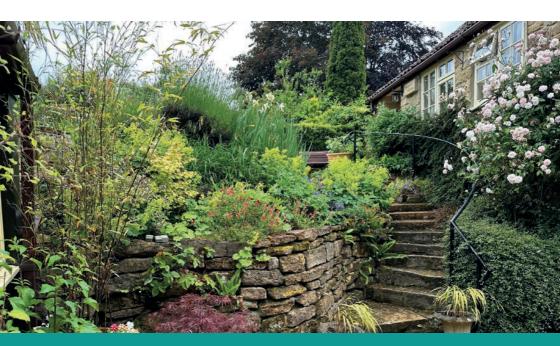
Address: West Street, South Petherton, TA13 5DQ

8 Moor Villas

Address: West Street, South Petherton, TA13 5DN

Moorland Cottage

Address: Moore Lane, South Petherton, TA13 5LS





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Address: St George's Hall, Merriott Road, Hinton St George, TA17 8SL

Open: Saturday 17 & Sunday 18 August | Time: 1pm - 4.30pm (last admisson 4pm)

Admission: £8 for one day or £12 for both days.









Assistance dogs only

Phoenix House

Address: Gas Lane, Hinton St George, TA17 8RX

Studio Cottage

Address: Gas Lane, Hinton St George, TA17 8RX

The Old Malt House

Address: High Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SE



Fig Tree Cottage

Address: Church Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SP

Hoopers Holding

Address: High Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SE

Sawmill Cottage

Address: Gas Lane, Hinton St George, TA17 8RX

Mulberry Cottage

Address: West Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SA

Farthings

Address: Abbey Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8RZ

Chancellors Cottage

Address: Church Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SP

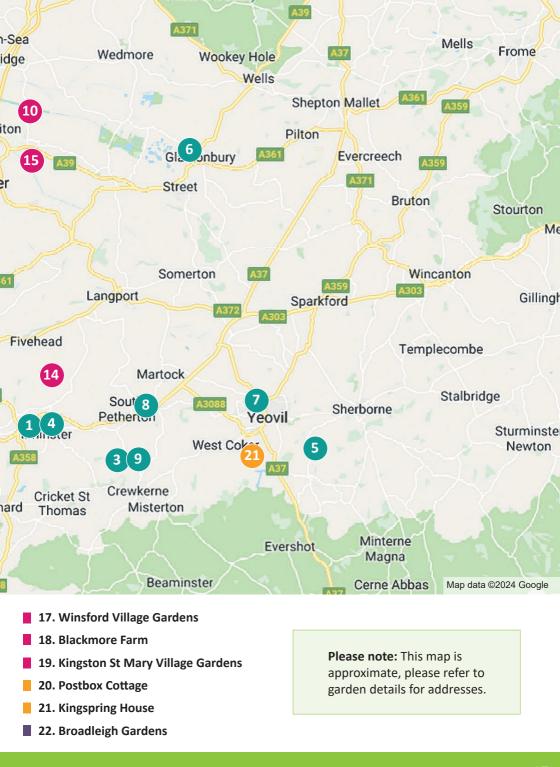
The Old Rectory

Address: Church Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8SP

The Allotments

Address: South Street, Hinton St George, TA17 8RX









This one-acre masterpiece has transformed from humble horse paddocks over 25 years into a breathtaking garden on the edge of the Levels. Marvel at a curated collection of inspiring specimen and orchard trees that stand as living testaments to nature's artistry. Amidst this verdant tapestry, discover an eclectic mix of annuals, perennials, and bulbs that add bursts of color and fragrance throughout the seasons as well as the small vegetable patch that supplies the house with fresh produce, completing this harmonious blend of beauty and utility.

Address: 8 Church Road, East Huntspill, TA9 3PG

Open: Sunday 12 May

Time: 11am - 4pm

Admission: f3







The enchanting 5-acre garden of Hollam House, nestled on a sundrenched slope at the southeastern edge of Exmoor National Park. Be captivated by a kaleidoscope of color as rhododendrons and thousands of bulbs burst into opulent bloom. Explore multi-level terraces adorned with rare trees and shrubs, meandering through a tranguil water garden, ponds, and meadow areas. Follow the gentle babble of a rill, immersing yourself in nature's splendor at every turn.

Address: Hollam House, Dulverton,

TA22 91H

Open: Friday 17 May

Time: 1pm - 5pm

Admission: £5











Escape to the serenity of Bedrock Barn's enchanting garden oasis, where vibrant rhododendrons and azaleas paint the landscape. Amidst graceful silver birch trees, discover the tranquility of three shimmering ponds and a breathtaking wildflower meadow. Wander through secluded gardens with vistas of the distant Quantocks, and follow secret paths to uncover hidden wonders. Indulge in cakes and cream teas under a marquee, serenaded by the soothing melodies of a cellist. You can even purchase one of the plants to take home a piece of this idyllic sanctuary.

Address: Taunton, TA4 2RT

Open: Sunday 19 May

Time: 2pm - 5pm
Admission: £5









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Discover 50 acres of beautiful gardens on your doorstep, steeped in history and brimming with wildlife.

Hestercombe.com

Cheddon Fitzpaine, Taunton. TA2 8LG.





Discover a collection of gardens nestled at the base of the Blackdown Hills, offering picturesque charm and diverse landscapes. Boasting abundant alliums, irises, and roses, alongside spacious lawns, flower beds, and greenhouses where homemade pizza awaits. Once neglected, these gardens are now flourishing wildlife sanctuaries, featuring informal borders teeming with pollinators and a tranquil pond watched over by an ancient apple tree. Organic fruit and vegetables are grown through innovative no-dig gardening, and a charming 'edge of woodland' area attracts birds. Explore these nurtured gardens with panoramic views, beloved peonies, and promising fruit trees, a testament to six years of dedication.

Address: Blagdon Hill, TA3 7SP, TA3 7SG & TA3 7SF

Open: Monday 27 May | Time: 1:30pm - 5pm | Admission: £6 for all 3 gardens













Pitts Cottage Gardens, a charming oasis just six years young. Adorned with meticulously planned herbaceous borders in captivating color themes, a quintessential pastel-colored Cottage Garden, where every corner is a delight to behold. The owner's passion for horticulture shines through as they strive to establish the RHS National Collection, boasting an abundance of Oriental Poppies set to dazzle in early June, alongside a splendid array of over 50 potted Hostas. Wander through the newly planted mixed Orchard, with the gentle clucking of bantam chickens and the playful antics of two affable miniature Kune Kune pigs, eager for a crisp apple, a crunchy carrot, or a friendly head scratch.

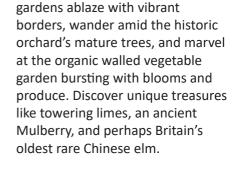
Address: Pitts Lane, Isle Abbotts,

Taunton, TA3 6RN

Open: Saturday 1 June

Time: 12pm - 4pm

Admission: f5



grounds: stroll through formal

Address: Cossington, Nr Bridgwater,

TA7 8LH

Open: Friday 21 June

Time: 12 - 4pm

Admission: £4













Explore the diverse garden featuring lawns, perennial borders, a meandering stream, and a productive vegetable area. Discover ornamental trees and shrubs alongside our charming chicken residents. Ascend to a wildflower area with stunning views of the Quantock Hills. Experience nature's beauty in every corner.

Address: Yarde Farm, Combe Florey,

Taunton, TA4 3JB

Open: Sunday 23 June

Time: 12pm - 5pm

Admission: £4









In the heart of Exmoor, 10 diverse gardens open their gates for exploration. From charming cottage gardens adorned with roses to wild and natural sanctuaries, there's something for everyone. Visit the village hall for maps and additional details, and indulge in a plant sale and homemade refreshments. Come, experience the beauty and warmth of Winsford Village gardens.

Address: Winsford Village Hall, Exford Road, Winsford, TA24 7JG

Open: Saturday 6 July

Time: 11am - 4pm

Admission: £5 for all gardens









Step back in time to the enchanting surroundings of Manor House, erected in 1486 by Sir Tremayll, esteemed advisor to Henry VII. Nestled amidst the breathtaking Quantock hills, its gardens, orchards, and fields blend formal elegance with natural charm. Honored with esteemed awards, including "Guest House of the Year" and four-time Gold winner of South West in Bloom, these gardens beckon for exploration, free to roam. Delve deeper with guided tours of the historic house, at £10 per adult and £5 per child. Hungry? Indulge in farmfresh delights from their shop's extensive menu. Come, experience a slice of history and nature's splendor.

Address: Blackmore Lane, Cannington, TA5 2NE

Open: Sunday 7 July, 21 July & 11 August | Time: 11am-4:30pm | All day Tours availble 11:45am, 2:15pm, 3:15pm daily | Admission: Free















Will you open your garden next season to the public to showcase your own glorious green space and raise money for our hospice?

Whether it's for one day or the whole season, the money you raise by sharing your garden, allotment, farm, or orchard will go straight to caring and supporting the people of Somerset living with an incurable condition, who need access to our care. From small courtyards to country estates, no garden is too big or small for people to enjoy.

Please get in touch with us at: gloriousgardens@st-margarets-hospice.org.uk or call 01935 709496.

Registered charity number: 279473





This charming village of Kingston St. Mary offers nine unique gardens to discover, from charming thatched cottages to intriguing follies. Relax in peaceful seating areas with stunning vistas at the foot of the Quantock Hills. Enjoy refreshments at Boweys. Join them for a special 'Moth Morning' at Boweys garden, both days from 8:30am to 9:30am. Dive into the world of moths as you peek inside their moth-friendly "trap" to see the night's catch. Don't miss this early morning adventure!

Address: Kingston St Mary, TA2 8HR

Open: Saturday 13 & Sunday 14 July | Time: 1pm - 5pm

Admission: £7 for all gardens

Additional information: Parking in church car park and on roads









Boweys

Address: Church Lane, Kingston St Mary, TA2 8HR

Beacons Close

Address: Church Lane, Kingston St Mary, TA2 8HR

Bell Cottage

Address: Church Lane, Kingston St Mary, TA2 8HR

Old School House

Address: Church Lane, Kingston St Mary, TA2 8HR



Thatch Cottage

Address: Church Lane, Kingston St Mary, TA2 8HR

Myrtle Cottage

Address: Church Lane, Kingston St Mary, TA2 8HR

The Burrells

Address: Kingston St Mary, TA2 8HW

Winpenny Orchard

Address: Winpenny Lane, Kingston St Mary, TA2 8JP

Winpenny Farm

Address: Winpenny Lane, Kingston St Mary, TA2 8JP





Nestled amidst the breathtaking Quantock landscape, this garden is a true gem, offering spectacular views and year-round beauty. Wander through the walled top garden, where unusual perennials, roses, and climbers thrive, adding bursts of color and fragrance. Explore the orchard area, alive with spring bulbs and a tranquil wildlife pond surrounded by flowering shrubs. Revel in late-season delights, from vibrant asters to graceful grasses. Relax in one of their inviting seating areas and soak in the magnificent views.

Address: West Bagborough, Taunton, TA4 3EF

Open: By appointment only







Admission: £5

Tel: **01823 430579 & 07384 576691** Email: **mvjoneswestbag@gmail.com**

21. Kingspring House
Yeovil
By appointment only



Welcome to Kingspring House and their expansive garden, a vibrant oasis boasting evergreens and year-round color. Marvel at flowering shrubs, heathers, and a plethora of bulbs in winter and spring. As summer and autumn unfold, delight in a symphony of shrubs, perennials, roses, dahlias, bulbs, and grasses. Explore vegetable and fruit beds, alongside a serene pond teeming with life. Embrace the tranquility of their patio and wall borders, where nature's beauty flourishes at every turn with a mix of shrubs, bulbs, perennials, and annuals.

Address: Higher Burton, East Coker, Yeovil,

BA22 9LL

Open: By appointment only

Admission: £4

Tel: **01935 864501**

Email: Kingspringhouse@gmail.com











Experience the changing seasons in this garden paradise. Spring unveils a sea of daffodils and tulips beneath blooming trees. May brings the elegance of irises, followed by the exotic allure of South African bulbs in July/August. September/ October dazzles with asters and colchicums. Don't miss this breathtaking journey through nature's kaleidoscope.

Address: Barr, Bishops Hull, Taunton, TA4 1AE | Bishops Hull is on the west of Taunton, just off the A38. At the P.O. take Shutewater Hill then turn into Frethey Lane. We are ¼ mile along the lane on the left. Park in the yard.

Open: Throughout the year- Monday to Friday 9am-4pm. Weekend by appointment only. Open until end of August

Admission: £3 charity donation. Telephone: 01823 270655







Additional information

- In order to ensure your safety at all the gardens featured in this brochure please take care at all times, especially near any water features, steps and slopes.
- Please supervise children at all times and keep dogs on leads in permitting gardens.
- Please keep to marked paths and parking is at your own risk.

We have done our best to ensure all the details in this brochure are correct, we do not take any responsibility for changes which occur due to circumstances beyond our control. We advise you visit our website before travelling for any updates:

st-margarets-hospice.org.uk/glorious-gardens

Please also note that our gardens cannot take card payments so please bring cash with you. Children under 16 go free to all our gardens.



4,818

people across our community were supported by St Margaret's

were patients with end-of-life care needs

family members and carers were also directly supported through our services



19,487

calls were made to our central referral centre and a further 13.590 calls managed by our adviceline



referrals were made to our Sunflower **Day Centres**



1,864

referrals were received by our Community Nursing team



Everything you need to help your garden spring to life this year!

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