

**Sunday 5th March** **Open 11am – 4pm**

**CHESTNUT FARM**, West Beckham, Holt, NR25 6NX

This delightful 3 acre garden has been nurtured for over 50 years by the owners who have collected about 90 different types of snowdrops, some local for example Sheringham Park and some from further afield such as Turkey and Ukraine. The original clumps planted under the chestnut trees in front of the farmhouse have multiplied and been split up and between Christmas and late March the ground is literally covered with delicate white flowers. However, this is not just a paradise for galanthophiles as there are drifts of aconites, crocuses and other bulbs interspersed with hellebores and there is something new to see round every corner.

*Directions: South of the A148 between Holt and Cromer, follow signs.*

Adults £5; Children free

Dogs on leads welcome

Plants for sale

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**Sunday April 2nd** **Open 12 – 5 pm**

**GAYTON HALL**, Gayton, King's Lynn, PE32 1PL

20 acres of wonderful gardens to spend the afternoon in with over 2 miles of paths rambling between lawns and the lake with bridges leading over streams in and out of beautiful woodland at its best at this time of year. The paths are a mixture of bark, gravel and grass with good wheelchair access to most areas. The waterside beds are full of bulbs, primulas, hostas and gunneras. A variety of unusual shrubs and trees have been planted over many years and there are also more formal flower borders near the house.

*Directions: 6 miles east of Kings Lynn just off B1145.*

*At the far end of the village turn onto the B1153 at the crossroads and immediately right onto Back Street.*

*The garden entrance is on the left.*

Adults £5; Children free

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**Sunday 7th May** **Open 12 – 5pm**

**BECK FARM**, The Green, Brisley, NR20 5LN

An intensive acre of garden on the edge of Brisley Common, created from a field over a 30 year span. A spectacular line of 12 clipped Holm oaks divides the garden with formal lawn and borders from the beech hedge enclosed 'room' behind; and beyond to mixed borders, trees and topiary. Within the beech hedge rectangle are two small wildflower strips and additional fruit and vegetable planting. The main vegetable garden has raised beds and gravel paths where heat-loving plants self seed and the greenhouse and coldframes are very productive. Water and bog planting round two natural ponds and plenty of Spring flowering shrubs. Since last opening in 2019 the owners have purchased ½ acre of adjoining woodland currently being gently revitalised for nature. **2 beehives will be roped off but be aware if you have an allergy.** A Coronation Teddy Bears' Picnic will be taking place in the wood so please enter quietly.

*Directions: Turn off the B1145 in Brisley down the gravel road nearly opposite the pillbox to the east of Brisley Bell Public House.*

Adults £5; Children free

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**Sunday 11th June** **Open 12 – 5pm**

**BESTHORPE HALL**, Attleborough, NR17 2LJ

The gardens surround the Hall which is the remaining part of a much larger 16th century brick building. The approach is down a tree-lined drive and a modern water feature is in the centre of the forecourt. Two main garden areas are bounded by lovely old Tudor brick walls with decorative gateways and there are extensive lawns with cylindrical clipped yews. Yew buttresses divided some borders and there are spectacular trees throughout. Large mixed borders of shrubs and herbaceous flowers have been replanted over the past few years and there are masses of roses.

*Directions: 1 mile east of Attleborough on the Bunwell Road, next to Besthorpe Church. Signs will be in place.*

Adults £5; Children free

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**Sunday 25th June** **Open 12 – 5pm**

**SEVERALS GRANGE**, Wood Norton, Fakenham, NR20 5BL

This garden is the home of the well known nursery Hoecroft Plants and many of the unusual grasses and foliage plants they specialised in feature in the gardens which have been developed from bare fields over 30 years. The gardens of

about 2 acres are challenging with full sun to deep shade, wet pond to dry gravel and invading wildlife but there is a substantial variety of plants including alpines, herbaceous perennials, dwarf hostas and mature shrubs forming the backbone of the design, interspersed with grasses. New borders on the old nursery sales area are more formal giving a contrast to the rest, with an exciting mix of plants in blocks giving bold splashes of colour throughout the summer.

*Directions: About two miles north from Guist on the B1110 Holt road on the left.*

Adults £5; Children free

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**Sunday 2nd July** **Open 12 – 5pm**

**SALLE PARK GARDENS**, Salle, Reepham, NR10 4SF

The house, built in 1763, is surrounded by a Georgian style pleasure garden of formal lawns and topiary, rose gardens, specimen trees and shrubs, winter border, colourful Spring display and wild flowers, including an orangery with exotic planting. Behind a blanket of trees the door opens to the magical walled kitchen garden built in the 1780s, fully productive and retaining many original features with vine house, herbaceous borders, orchard and ice house.

*Directions: The garden entrance is on the left of the B1145 between Reepham and Cawston, please do not follow the postcode which takes you to the house which is not open.*

Adults £5; Children free

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**Sunday 1st October** **Open 11 – 4pm**

**CHESTNUT FARM**, West Beckham, Holt, NR25 6NX

Many readers of this leaflet will have visited the three acre garden at Chestnut Farm in the early Spring to see the snowdrops or in summer to see the borders but in Autumn it is a riot of colour and has not been opened at this time of year before. There are autumn crocuses, sedum, japanese anemones, chrysanthemums and dahlias in full flower together with many flowering shrubs and trees with autumn colours.

*Directions: South of the A148 between Holt and Cromer. Follow signs.*

Adults £5; Children free

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