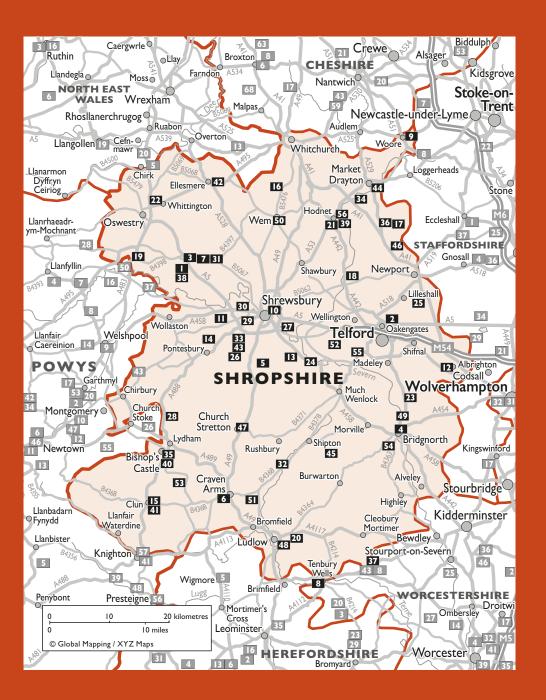
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# **OPENING** DATES

All entries subject to change. For latest information check www.ngs.org.uk

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

#### **February**

#### **Snowdrop Openings**

#### Sunday 11th

Millichope Park

#### **April**

Wednesday 3rd	
Hundred House Hotel	23
Saturday 6th  Cherry Tree Arboretum	9
<b>Sunday 14th</b> Edge Villa	14

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#### Saturday 20th Upper Farm Garden Sunday 21st

#### Upper Farm Garden Saturday 27th

# Ruthall Manor

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<b>Sunday 2nd</b> The Old Vicarage, Clun Stanley Hall Gardens	41 49
Friday 7th Lilleshall Home Farm	25
<b>Saturday 8th</b> The Leasowes, Cound Ruthall Manor	24 45
<b>Sunday 9th</b> The Bramleys Eaton Mascott Hall Ruthall Manor	5 13 45
Wednesday 12th  ◆ Goldstone Hall Gardens	17
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◆ David Austin Roses	12
Four Winds	16
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Sunday 16th	
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# THE GARDENS

#### APPLEDORE

Kynaston, Kinnerley, Oswestry, SY10 8EF. Lionel Parker. Just off A5 on Wolfshead r'about (at Oswestry end of Nesscliffe bypass) towards Knockin. Then1st L towards Kinnerley. Follow NGS signs from this road. Thur 18. Fri 19. Sat 20 July, Thur 10, Fri 11, Sat 12 Oct (10-4). Adm £7, chd free. Homemade teas.

Appledore adjoins neighbouring garden Offcot. It has gone through extensive changes and is managed by Tom Pountney from Offcot. Both gardens are opening together this year so that visitors can see a developing 'edible garden' with six large beds for a wide range of fruit and vegetables, all grown organically. To encourage pollinators, the garden also has a wildlife pond and a small wildflower meadow.



#### **BEAUFORT**

Coppice Drive, Moss Road Wrockwardine Wood, Telford, TF2 7BP. Mike King,

www.carnivorousplants.uk.com. Approx 2m N from Telford town centre. From Asda Donnington, turn L at lights on Moss Rd, 1/3 m, turn L into Coppice Drive. 4th Bungalow on L with solar panels. Sat 25 May (10-5). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments. Teas, coffees, soft drinks and cakes available.

If carnivorous plants are your thing, then come and visit our National Collection of Sarracenia (pitcher plants); also over 100 different Venus flytrap clones (Dionaea muscipula), Sundews (Drosera) and Butterworts (Pinquicula) - over 6000 plants in total. Large greenhouses at Telford's first carbon negative house: a great place to visit - kids will love it! Visitors are asked to wear a face covering in the greenhouses, please. Regret, greenhouses are not wheelchair accessible.



B BRAMBLE COTTAGE Shotatton, Ruyton XI Towns, Shrewsbury, SY4 1JG. Brigette and Adam Wilson, 07739 182315, brigette.wilson14@gmail.com. 1m W of Ruyton Village towards Shotatton. Visits by arrangement May to Oct.

Bramble Cottage is a mainly topiary garden created and looked after by us for the last 26 years. We have box parterres and a formal rose garden as well as yew topiary. It is a  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an acre site in Shropshire with a yew topiary avenue, lots of box balls and new topiary in development. In addition, we have vew, box and beech hedges and all things topiary.

48 BRAMBLE RIDGE

Bridgnorth, WV16 4SQ. Heather, 07572 706706. heatherfran48@gmail.com. From Bridgnorth N on B4373 signed Broseley. 1st on R Stanley Ln, 1st R Bramble Ridge. From Broseley S on B4373, nr Bridgnorth turn L into Stanley Ln, 1st R Bramble Ridge. Sat 29 June (11-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments. Visits also by arrangement Apr to Sept for groups of 20 to 30. Steep cottage-style garden with many steps: part wild, part cultivated. terraced in places and overlooking the Severn Valley with views to High Rock and Queens Parlour. The garden features shrubs, perennials, wildlife pond, summerhouse and, in the wilderness area, wildflowers, fruit trees and a sandstone outcrop. I love my garden very much and am looking forward to sharing it with other people. \* • "

#### **5** THE BRAMLEYS

Condover, Shrewsbury, SY5 7BH. Toby & Julie Shaw. 3m S of Shrewsbury, Through Condover towards Dorrington, Pass village hall follow road round, cross the bridge, in approx 100 metres there is a drive on L. Parking limited, please park at school & walk down to garden. Sun 9 June (11-5). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas.

A large country garden extending to two acres with a variety of trees and shrubs, herbaceous borders and a woodland with the Cound Brook flowing through. A courtyard oasis welcomes you as you enter the garden with far reaching views over open countryside. Wheelchair access around most of the garden, although not for the woodland area.

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BROOCHES HOUSE Park Lane, Craven Arms, SY7 9AB. Anthony & Julia Wood. 1m out of Craven Arms, From Craven Arms take the B4368 towards Clun, as

you leave the town turn L to Rowton, go under Railway Bridge and you will see a turning on your R. Follow signs up grass track to parking. Sun 23 June (12-5), Adm £5, chd free, Home-made teas.

The house and gardens have been created by the present owners over 40 years. A traditional layout with mixed herbaceous borders. rose beds, lawns and terraces with beautiful views towards the Stretton Hills. Further five acres recently acquired with kitchen and soft fruit sections, wildlife pools, and large areas of wildflower meadows with grassland walks. The majority of the gardens and wildflower meadows can be accessed by wheelchairs but some gravel paths.

Ruyton XI Towns, SY4 1LR, Roger



#### **D** BROWNHILL HOUSE

& Yoland Brown, 01939 261121, brownhill@eleventowns.co.uk. www.eleventowns.co.uk. 9m NW of Shrewsbury on B4397. On the B4397 in the village of Ruyton XI Towns. Sun 19, Tue 21 May, Tue 25 June (10-6.30). Adm £5, chd free. Pre-booking essential, please visit www.ngs.org. uk for information & booking. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 15 Apr to 14 July. A unique two acre hillside aarden with many steps and levels bordering River Perry. Visitors can enjoy a wide variety of plants and styles from formal terraces to woodland paths. The Good Garden Guide said 'It has to be seen to be believed'. The lower areas are for the sure-footed while the upper levels with a large kitchen garden and glasshouses have many places to sit and enjoy the views. Kit cars on show.



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#### **③ ◆ BURFORD HOUSE GARDENS**

Burford House, Burford, Tenbury Wells, WR15 8HQ. British Garden Centres, 01584 810777, pbenson@ britishgardencentres.com, www. britishgardencentres.com/burfordhouse-garden-centre. 1m W of Tenbury Wells on A456. Follow signs for Burford House Garden Centre off the A456. For NGS: Sat 25. Sun 26 May, Sat 31 Aug, Sun 1 Sept (10-4.30). Adm £5, chd £5. Cream teas in Burford House. Cafe open nearby on site for breakfast, lunch & teas. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website.

The garden is being restored by the Garden Angels (volunteers) under the leadership of the newly appointed Head Gardener. Four acres of sweeping lawns bordered by the River Teme, and serpentine borders, set in the beautiful Teme Valley, around an elegant Georgian House (open for teas). Designed by the late, great plantsman, John Treasure and featuring over 100 varieties of clematis in addition to a myriad of plants in wonderful combinations and colours. Garden centre offers a comprehensive range of plants, gifts and outdoor leisure. Well behaved dogs on lead welcomed.



#### D CHERRY TREE **ARBORETUM**

Cherry Tree Lane, Woore, CW3 9SR. John & Liz Ravenscroft. cherrytreearboretum.org. 1/2m M of Woore on the Nantwich Road. Off the A51 Nantwich Rd in Woore, Shropshire just N of the village centre. Signs directing you along Cherry Tree Ln to its end. Sat 6 Apr, Sat 11 May, Sat 21 Sept, Sat 26 Oct (10.30-4). Adm £10, chd free. Pre-booking essential. please visit www.ngs.org.uk for

Cherry Tree Arboretum was created in 2006 on 50 acres of unspoilt, lightly-farmed pastureland scattered with mature oaks by John and Liz Ravenscroft. It is located on a hilly area overlooking the Cheshire plain with views to the Pennines in the north, the Peckforton Hills to the northwest and the Breiddons to the southwest on the Welsh borders. The garden is a showcase of specimen trees with magnolias, peonies,

information & booking. Light

refreshments.

dahlias, lilacs, deciduous azaleas and North American oaks throughout. A series of trails and paths run between meadows and native wildflowers in the arboretum. Many of the trees are rare and unusual. It also contains 19 of England's Champion Trees and a staggering 793 Champion Trees in Shropshire. It is not usually open to the public and it is a privilege to have it added to the NGS portfolio.



#### 10 12 COLLEY CLOSE

Shrewsbury, SY2 5YN, Kevin & Karen Scurry. Heading down Telford Way from the police stn take the 2nd exit off the r'about onto Oswell Rd. Take the 1st R into Colley Cl. **Evening opening Fri 28 June** (4-9). Adm £4, chd free. Light refreshments. A selection of cakes and drinks available. This garden has three ponds inc a large koi pond and waterfall, wildlife pond and goldfish pond all surrounded by interesting planting. A large collection of specimen bonsai trees accent the koi pond giving an oriental feel to the garden. The front garden has a large collection of grasses. Good wheelchair access and many seating areas to view the garden from many different angles. 

**III** CRUCKFIELD HOUSE Shoothill, Ford, SY5 9NR. Geoffrey Cobley, 01743 850222, geoffcobley541@btinternet. com. 5m W of Shrewsbury. A458 from Shrewsbury, turn L towards Shoothill. Visits by arrangement 1 June to 3 Aug. Adm £10, chd

free. Tea & cakes only available to larger groups.

An artist's romantic three acre garden, formally designed, informally and intensively planted with a great variety of unusual herbaceous plants. Nick's garden, with many species' trees, shrubs and wildflower meadow, surrounds a lake with bog and moisture-loving plants. Ornamental kitchen garden. Rose and peony walk. Courtyard fountain garden, large shrubbery and extensive clematis collection. Extensive topiary, and lily



#### **II** → DAVID AUSTIN **ROSES**

Bowling Green Lane, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, WV7 3HB. Jo Knight,

www.davidaustinroses.co.uk. On Shrops border in Albrighton. 8m NW of Wolverhampton. Brown tourist signs will provide directions from M54 J3, from Wolverhampton on the A41 or from Shifnal on the A464. The entrance to the Plant Centre is on Old Worcester Rd. immed off Bowling Green Ln. For NGS: Sat 15, Sun 16 June (9-5). Adm £10, chd free. Light refreshments in the Garden Room or dine in the onsite restaurant. For other opening times and information, please visit garden website. Be part of an exclusive summer open weekend at the world-renowned. award-winning gardens of David Austin Roses. Soak up the scent of their six themed gardens and experience over 700 beautiful rose varieties, which inc the National Collection of English Roses. The David Austin open weekend runs in partnership with Stoke-based potter Emma Bridgewater and the duos 'Bring Me Sunshine' charity mug adorned with the vibrant sunshinecoloured namesake rose. Visitors will be treated to live music, garden games and typically English tea-time treats amongst the roses. Meander through the new plant centre shopping area and much-loved gift shop to take home a piece of the magic of David Austin.



#### **III** EATON MASCOTT HALL

Eaton Mascott, Cross Houses, Shrewsbury, SY5 6HG, Mr W. Blum Gentilomo. 7m S of Shrewsburv. About 7m S of Shrewsbury on A458 2nd R past Cross Houses, thereafter follow signs. Sun 9 June (11-4.30). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made

A six acre garden consisting of  $1\frac{1}{2}$ acre walled garden with extensive rose collection. Emphasis on symmetry with pergolas, water features and cross views. Bamboo walk and acer collection, specimen trees. 4½ acre woodland garden with walks and alimpses of parkland and surrounding countryside, plus ferns, azaleas and rhododendrons. Wheelchair access possible if accompanied by helper.





#### III EDGE VILLA

Edge, nr Yockleton, Shrewsbury, SY5 9PY. Mr & Mrs W F Neil, 01743 821651, billfneil@me.com. 6m SW of Shrewsbury. From A5 take either A488 signed to Bishops Castle or B4386 to Montgomery for approx 6m then follow NGS signs. Sun 14 Apr, Sun 18 Aug (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 14 Apr to 18 Aug for groups of 10+.

Two acres nestling in South Shropshire hills, Self-sufficient vegetable plot. Chickens in orchard, foxes permitting. Large herbaceous borders. Dewpond surrounded by purple elder, irises, candelabra primulas and dieramas. Large selection of fragrant roses. Wendy house for children. Extensive plant and book sales in aid of NGS charities. Visitors can stay in the

garden for as long as they like. Some gravel paths.



#### III THE FERNS

Newport Street, Clun, SY7 8JZ. Andrew Dobbin, 01588 640064, andrew.clun@outlook.com. Enter Clun from Craven Arms. Take 2nd R signed into Ford St. At T-junc turn R for parking in the Memorial Hall car park (100 yds). Retrace steps to T-junc. The Ferns is on L. Sun 12 May, Sun 11 Aug (12-6). Adm £5, chd free. Visits also by arrangement 31 Aug to 18 Oct for groups of up to 20.

A formal village garden of  $\frac{3}{4}$  acre. approached via a drive lined with crab apple and pear trees. On the right is the autumn garden, giving fine views of the surrounding hills. From the

front courtyard garden a path leads through double herbaceous borders full of late summer colour, to further rooms, of yew, beech and box. There is also a rear courtyard with tender exotics. Lily pond and statuary. Refreshments available in Clun.



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#### III FOUR WINDS

Gilberts Lane, Whixall, Whitchurch, SY13 2PR. Lynne Beavan,

lynne.beavan@googlemail.com.
3m N of Wem. B5476 through Quina
Brook turn L onto Coton Park/
Gilbert's Ln. Follow road bearing L at
junc. From Whitchurch: B5476 turn
R past Bull & Dog take 1st L past
social centre then L Gilbert's Ln. Fri
14, Sat 15 June (10.30-4). Adm
£5, chd free. Home-made teas.
Homemade cakes and scones.
Gluten free options available.
Visits also by arrangement in June
for groups of up to 20.

About an acre garden backed by 150 year old oak trees. The six year old garden planted by the owner, is looking more mature and with many new features. Fruit trees, ornamental trees, silver birches, shrub beds, hedges, pergolas with roses and wisteria, perennial beds. A wildlife area with natural pond. A peaceful but colourful garden to wander in. Easy

parking in field. Not all of the garden is wheelchair accessible. Some paths too narrow, uneven lawn.



#### III → GOLDSTONE HALL GARDENS

Goldstone, Market Drayton, TF9 2NA. John Cushing, 01630 661202,

enquiries@goldstonehall.com, www.goldstonehall.com. 5m N of Newport on A41. From Shrewsbury A53, R for A41 Hinstock & follow brown signs & yellow NGS signs. For NGS: Wed 15 May, Wed 12 June, Wed 10 July, Wed 14 Aug, Wed 11 Sept (11-5). Adm £8, chd free. Home-made teas. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website.

Five acres with highly productive beautiful kitchen garden. Unusual vegetables and fruits - alpine strawberries, heritage tomatoes, salad, chillies, celeriac. Roses in Walled Garden from May; double herbaceous in front of old English garden wall at its best July and August; sedums and roses stunning in September. Winner of the prestigious Good Hotel Guide's Editor's Choice Award for Gardens. Lawn aficionados will enjoy the stripes. Extensive kitchen garden, box hedge growing sign. Majority of garden can be accessed on gravel and lawns.



#### **I** GROOMS COTTAGE

Waters Upton, Telford, TF6 6NP. Joanne & Andi Butler, 07484 236893, joanneharding1@yahoo.co.uk,www. instagram.com/groomscottagegarden. No parking at the property due to restricted access. Parking available on the verge opp the church or in



the village hall car park. Sat 22, Sun 23 June (11-4). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement June to Aug for groups of up to 40. Please discuss refreshments when booking.

A cottage garden around ½ an acre in size comprising mixed herbaceous borders and an abundance of English roses. Highlights inc water features, pergolas, oriental garden, hosta garden, alpine and herb beds and a productive vegetable garden and greenhouse. Many established trees and shrubs and shady plant area. New "secret garden" should be ready for opening in 2024. Some gravel areas not accessible for wheelchair users. Parking on the road, with access down the tarmac drive.

#### **II**☑ **III** GWYNT NEWYDD

3 Penygarreg Rise, Pant, Oswestry, SY10 8JR. Douglas and Jane Wood, 07967 283721, douglas.woods@ngs.org.uk. 5m S of Oswestry. A483 S from Oswestry towards Welshpool. Follow signs when in Pant Village, turning opp shop. Visits by arrangement 27 July to 31 Aug for groups of 10 to 20. Parking very restricted, car share if possible. Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

Average size garden to the side and rear of detached bungalow in a quiet close. Acer trees, borders with mixed herbaceous perennials, cannas, hostas, ferns, phlox, greenhouse with succulents. Small area with raised vegetable beds, fruit trees and ornamental trees.



#### 20 HENLEY HALL

Henley, Ludlow, SY8 3HD. Helen & Sebastian Phillips, www.henleyhallludlow.com. 2m E of Ludlow. 1/2 m from A49. Take A4117 signed to Clee Hill & Cleobury Mortimer. On reaching Henley, the gates to Henley Hall are on R when travelling towards Clee Hill. Sun 12 May (10-5). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas. Coffee and homemade cakes available. Henley Hall offers a mixture of formal and informal gardens. The historic elements inc a formal lawn, stone staircase with balustrades, a ha-haand an ornate stone arched bridge with decorative weirs over the river Ledwyche, created in 1874. Other highlights inc walkways along the banks of the river and woodland

paths. The listed Orangery will serve as a 'pop-up' tearoom at the garden opening. Some parts of the garden are accessible by wheelchair.

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#### **2** ♦ HODNET HALL GARDENS

Hodnet, Market Drayton, TF9 3NN. Sir Algernon & The Hon Lady Heber-Percy, 01630 685786, secretary@hodnethall.com, www.hodnethallgardens.org. 5½m SW of Market Drayton. 12m NE Shrewsbury. At junc of A53 & A442. Tickets available on the gate, on the day. For NGS: Sun 7 July (11-5). Adm £9, chd free. Light refreshments in the Garden Restaurant. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website.

The 60+ acres of Hodnet Hall Gardens are amongst the finest in the country. There has been a park and gardens at Hodnet for many hundreds of years. Magnificent forest trees, ornamental shrubs and flowers planted to give interest and colour from early spring to late autumn. Woodland walks alongside pools and lakes, home to abundant wildlife. Productive walled kitchen garden and historic dovecot. Maps are available to show access for our less mobile visitors.



# HORATIO'S GARDEN The Robert Jones & Agnes

Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital, Gobowen, Oswestry, SY10 7AG. Horatio's Garden, www.horatiosgarden.org.uk. From A5 follow signs to Orthopaedic Hospital; park in Visitor Car Park A by hospital. Once parked, facing main hospital entrance turn R at mini r'about & follow yellow NGS signs to entrance gate. Sat 1 June (12-4). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made

Beautifully designed by Bunny Guinness and delightfully planted, Horatio's Garden Midlands opened to great acclaim in September 2019. Partly funded by the National Garden Scheme, the garden offers a therapeutic place of peace for patients, their loved ones and NHS staff spending time in the Midland Centre for Spinal Injuries. Featuring raised beds, beautiful specimen trees, multi-purpose garden room, gorgeous glasshouse, and a pretty rill running the length of the garden.

this is a horticultural sanctuary like no other. Very good wheelchair access throughout.



# HUNDRED HOUSE HOTEL Bridgnorth Road, Norton,

Telford, TF11 9EE. Henry Phillips, 01952 580240, reservations@ hundredhouse.co.uk, www.hundredhouse.co.uk. 10 mins from Ironbridge, Shropshire. Situated on the A442 in the village of Norton. Midway between Bridgnorth & Telford. Wed 3 Apr, Wed 1 May, Wed 3 July, Wed 4 Sept (11-4). Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments. Coffee, cakes and three menus on offer in our restaurant. Please see our website for details. Visits also by

arrangement 2 Jan to 30 Dec for

groups of 15 to 50.

An acre of gardens crafted over 35+ years, complete with sculptures, stonework and working herb and kitchen garden. From March onwards, you will find over 5000 bulb flowers inc tulips, hyacinths, daffodils, alliums, blossoming trees and dancing pond flowers. Summer brings a variety of flowers, inc David Austin roses, glant agapanthus, dahlias, clary, foxgloves, fuchsias and arum lilies. Please see website for restaurant booking and information.



## THE LEASOWES, COUND Cound, Shrewsbury, SY5 6AF.

Robert & Tricia Bland, 07802 667636, rjbbland1@outlook.com. 7m SE of Shrewsbury. On the A458 SE of Shrewsbury, 500m to the E of the Riverside Inn adjoining Oakleys, the lawnmower business. Sat 8 June (10-4.30). Adm £6, chd

free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 15 Mar to 30 Nov for groups of 15 to 25. No refreshments available for groups. Riverside Pub is close by. Within the super structure of mature larches and interconnected ponds, a wide range of rhododendrons and azaleas have been planted as well as shade appreciating trees and shrubs over 10 acres. A large offering

of roses of all descriptions provide

colour throughout the formal gardens.



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#### 25 W LILLESHALL HOME FΔRM The Incline, Lilleshall, Newport,

TF10 9AP. Connie Sansom. Follow signs for Lilleshall National Sports Centre, our entrance is off the sports centre drive, which will be signposted. Fri 7 June (10-4). Adm £5. chd free. Light refreshments. A beautiful country farmhouse garden with far-reaching views across the Shropshire countryside. The garden is split into several areas inc the walled back garden, pool garden and patio, tennis court lined with hydrangeas, pergola, formal rose beds, herbaceous border, croquet lawn, pond, orchard, greenhouse and veg patch. Home farm is also home to horses, sheep, chickens, a goat and a pig. There will also be a small plant sale. There is a wheelchair accessible route around the garden, but it will involve some areas of grass and gravel.



#### 20 LONGDEN MANOR Plealey, SY5 0XL, Karen

Lovegrove. From Shrewsbury take C150 Longden Rd. On entering Longden Village, opp The Tankerville Arms & Village Shop on L, turn R into Manor Ln. Sun 12 May (10-4). Adm £5, chd free, Home-made teas.

Large estate garden with lots of character and interest: woodland walks and grass paths: humorous topiary; wide variety of specimen trees: rhododendrons and azaleas: wildflowers: restored water garden: panoramic vistas of surrounding countryside; holly garden. Also, giant Jenga, skittles and croquet - a great place for all the family to visit. Topiary trail for children inc giraffe, pelican. otter, kingfisher, shark, gorilla and a goose.



#### 20 LONGNER HALL

Atcham, Shrewsbury, SY4 4TG. Mr & Mrs R L Burton, www.longner.co.uk. 4m SE of Shrewsbury. From M54 follow A5 to Shrewsbury, then B4380 to Atcham. From Atcham take Uffington Rd. entrance \( \frac{1}{4} m \) on L. Sun 19 May (2-5), Adm £6, chd free, Homemade teas.

A long drive approach through parkland designed by Humphry Repton. Walks lined with golden yew through extensive lawns, with views over the Severn Valley. Borders containing roses and herbaceous

shrubs, also an ancient vew wood. Enclosed one acre walled garden open to NGS visitors. Mixed planting, garden buildings, tower and game larder. Short woodland walk around old moat pond which is not suitable for wheelchairs.



#### **28** LOWER BROOKSHILL

Nind, nr Lvdham. SY5 0JW. Patricia & Robin Oldfield, 01588 650137, robin.oldfield@live.com. 3m N of Lydham on A488. Take signed turn to Nind & after 1/2 m sharp L & follow narrow road for another  $\frac{1}{2}$ m. Sat 13, Sun 14 July (1-5). Adm £6, chd free. Cream teas.

Ten acres of hillside garden and woods at 950ft within the AONB. Begun in 2010 from a derelict and overgrown site, cultivated areas now rub shoulders with the natural landscape using fine borrowed views over and down a valley. Inc brookside walks, a 'pocket' park, four ponds (inc a Monet lily pond), mixed borders and lawns, cottage garden and wildflowers. Lovely picnic spots. Cash only at gate.



### 20 NEW 107 MEADOWBOUT

Bowbrook, Shrewsbury, SY5 8QB. Sue and Mark Smith, 07736 837427,

sue1706@outlook.com. 2m S of Shrewsbury. On the estate follow Squinter Pip Way until you see Meadowbout Way on R. You will see the NGS sign at the end of the straight section. Visits by arrangement 15 June to 8 Sept for groups of up to 12. Adm £6, chd free. Light refreshments.

Our oasis is a small town garden completed in a tropical style. There are several examples of plants native to other shores but which are happy in the space we have created. With over 200 plants inc tree ferns, bananas, palm trees and cottage garden plants arranged around a variety of seating areas, our visitors have a perpetual sense of being on holiday. Direct access to the garden via a side gate.



#### **BO** MERTON

Shepherds Lane, Bicton, Shrewsbury, SY3 8BT. David & Jessica Pannett, 01743 850773. iessicapannett@hotmail.co.uk.

3m W of Shrewsburv. Follow B4380 from Shrewsbury past Shelton for 1m. Shepherd's Ln turn L garden signed on R. Or from A5 bypass at Churncote r'about, turn towards Shrewsbury, 2nd turn L is Shepherds Ln. Visits by arrangement June to Sept for groups of up to 25. Discuss refreshments when booking, Adm £5, chd free. Mature  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre botanical garden with a rich collection of trees and shrubs inc unusual conifers from around the world. Hardy perennial borders with seasonal flowers and grasses plus an award winning collection of hosta varieties in a woodland setting. Outstanding gunneras in a waterside setting with moisture loving plants. Wheelchair access over level paths and lawns.



#### EII THE MILL HOUSE

Mill Lane, Ruyton XI Towns, Shrewsbury, SY4 1LR. Debbie Sargent & Jeffrev Ewin. SE of Ruyton X1 Towns. Mill Ln can be found on leaving the village just before Platt Bridge, Parking in Mill Ln, 7 mins walk from garden. Disabled parking at the house. Sun 23 June (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

Four acre garden situated alongside the River Perry. Herbaceous borders inc roses, peonies and climbers. Terrace, sloping lawns, and unusual trees in a naturalised woodland. Ancient mill pond. Vegetable garden. Wildlife friendly. Uneven ground and some sloping pathways. Adjacent to Arboretum with national collection of Betula.



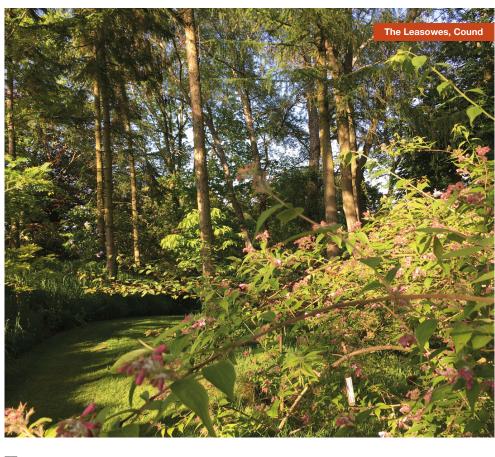
#### **B2** MILLICHOPE PARK

Munslow, SY7 9HA. Mr & Mrs Frank Bury, www.millichopepark.com. 8m NE of Craven Arms. Off B4368 Craven Arms to Bridgnorth Rd. Nr Munslow then follow yellow signs. Sun 11 Feb (2-5); Sun 5 May (2-6); Sun 13 Oct (2-5). Adm £6, chd free. Regret no refreshments in February.

Historic landscape gardens covering 14 acres with lakes and cascades dating from C18, formal terraces, woodland walks and wildflowers. Snowdrops feature in February, bluebells in May, and autumn colours in October. Please note, we regret the Walled Garden and Wildegoose Nursery will not be opening jointly on these days.







#### BE MOAT HALL

Annscroft, Shrewsbury, SY5 8AZ, Martin & Helen Davies. 01743 860216, helenatthefarm@ hotmail.co.uk. 3m S of Shrewsbury. Take the Longden road from Shrewsbury to Hook a Gate. Our lane is 2nd on R after Hook a Gate & before Annscroft. Single track lane with passing places for ½m. Sun 4 Aug (1-5). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 24 Feb to 28 Sept. An acre garden around an old farmhouse within a dry moat. Well organised and extensive kitchen garden, fruit garden and orchard for self-sufficiency. Colourful herbaceous borders; stumpery; raised cut flower borders; <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> acre pond nearby with oak gazebo; many interesting stone items inc troughs, cheese weights, staddle stones some uncovered in the garden. Plenty of seating areas

on the lawns for enjoying the garden.

Wheelchair access: mostly lawn with one grass and one concrete ramp: kitchen garden has 2' wide paved paths. Paved path to the pond and



#### 17 MORTIMER ROAD

Buntingsdale, Market Drayton, TF9 2EP. Martin & Stella Clifford-Jones, 07484 327979, stellaandmartin@ngs.org.uk. What3Words app - undivided. orbited.apprehend. Access only via Tern Hill A41. N on A41, as you enter Tern Hill take first R into Hedley Way, or going S turn L into Hedley Way after mobile home sales site. Sun 30 June (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement Apr to Oct. A wildlife-friendly garden with

plantaholic owners. There are two

ponds, a small meadow, a raised

alpine bed and a huge range of plants to give year round interest. Most importantly, there are several delightful places to sit whilst enjoying your tea and cake. Wheelchair access to some of the garden with one small step linking the two sections.



#### BE THE MOUNT Bull Lane, Bishops Castle, SY9 5DA, Heather Willis, 07779 314609, adamheather@btopenworld.com. Off A488 Shrewsbury to Knighton Rd. At top of the town, 130 metres up Bull Ln on R. No parking at property. Free parking in Bishops Castle. Sun 16 June (1.30-5.30). Adm £6, chd free. Open nearby The Old Vicarage, Bishops Castle. Visits also by arrangement 1 Apr to 29 Sept for groups of 5+. An acre of garden that has evolved over 24 years, with four lawns, a rose bed in the middle of the drive with pink and white English roses, and herbaceous and mixed shrub borders. There are roses planted throughout the garden and in the spring daffodils and tulips abound. Two large beech trees frame the garden with a view that sweeps down the valley over fields and then up to the Long Mvnd. Wheelchair access easy to most parts of the garden itself, but not to WC which is in the house up steps.

## 1 MOUNT PLEASANT COTTAGES

Lockley Wood, Market
Drayton, TF9 2LS. Chris &
Clive Brown, 01630 661470,
chrisbrownemk@yahoo.co.uk.
Lockley Wood, near Hinstock. From
Newport turn off A41 at Hinstock.
Follow A529. At x-roads in Lockley
Wood turn L. Garden 1st property
on R. From Market Drayton, A529
towards Newport. In Lockley Wood
turn R at x-roads. Sun 14 July (2-5).
Adm £5. Home-made teas. Visits
also by arrangement 15 June to 26
July for groups of up to 30.
The garden extends to ½ acre.

The garden extends to ½ acre, situated in a rural location. The main garden comprises a long border and island beds with cottage style planting, all colour themed to flow throughout the seasons. Box and yew punctuate the planting. Other features inc a fish pond and productive vegetable plot. The back garden is planted predominantly with shade tolerant plants.



#### **BZ** NEEN VIEW Neen Sollars, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 9AB, Ian & Chris Ferguson, 07485 795079, chrisianfurg@gmail.com. 3m from the Market Town of Cleobury Mortimer, From A456 past Mamble, turn R at Neen Sollars, follow lane to Live & Let Live for parking. From Cleobury take the Tenbury Rd. turn L & L again then up the hill to Neen View gardens. Wed 8, Wed 15 May (12-5). Adm £5, chd free. Refreshments at pub. Regret, cash only. Visits also by arrangement Apr to June.

A woodland garden with stunning panoramic views of the Clee Hills and Teme Valley. Mature trees inc: azaleas, camellias and rhododendrons. Wildlife ponds and wildflower meadow. There are plenty of seats to enjoy the views. Walking around you will find a ruined bothy and Japanese stream garden.





#### BB OFFCOT

Kynaston, Kinnerley, SY10 8EF. Tom Pountney. Just off A5 on Wolfshead r'about (at Oswestry end of Nesscliffe bypass) towards Knockin. Then take the 1st L towards Kinnerley. Follow NGS signs from this road. Thur 18, Fri 19, Sat 20 July, Thur 10, Fri 11, Sat 12 Oct (10-4). Adm £7. Home-made teas.

A cottage garden with lots of winding pathways leading to different focal points. The garden is packed with a wide range of evergreen and deciduous trees and shrubs and underplanted with herbaceous perennials. There is a natural looking pond with a running stream feeding into it. A haven for wildlife. So many different areas to see and enjoy inc the garden bar.



# BD THE OLD RECTORY, HODNET

Hearne Lane, Hodnet, Market Drayton, TF9 3NG.
Sarah Riley, 01630 685671, rileys55@icloud.com. ½4 m NW of the village of Hodnet. SatNav takes you to the end of Hearne Ln. Bear L, on the single track road, up the hill towards the trees. Visits by arrangement 15 Feb to 15 Sept for groups of up to 20. Adm £6, chd free. Tea.

Set in farmland,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  acres of gardens, created over 45 years by John and Elizabeth Ravenscroft, surrounding the Grade II listed old rectory. Formal gardens, a walled garden, man-made stream, large pool with stepping stones, lawns and wilder wooded areas. Collections of azaleas, magnolias, peonies. New owners (4 years) are enjoying editing and developing the garden.



# THE OLD VICARAGE, BISHOPS CASTLE

Church Lane, Bishops Castle, SY9 5AF. Helen & Jerry Robinson. Nr the junc of Church St & Kerry Ln, directly behind St John's Church. Pedestrian access through the main gate on Church Ln or through the garden gate to the rear of St John's churchyard. Sun 16 June (1-6). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas. Open nearby The Mount. Extending to just over 1½ acres, the gardens inc lawns surrounded by perennial beds and mature shrubs, a pond, orchard, rose garden and a romantic ruin, remains of the lost C13

church. Tending toward the wild, the garden is full of colour; foxgloves, wisteria, rhododendron, alliums and ornamental trees. Sales by local artists and craftsmen throughout the garden. Level access over gravel drive and lawns.



# Vicarage Road, Clun, SY7 8JG. Peter & Jay Upton, 01588 640775, jay@salopia.plus.com. 16m NW of Ludlow. Over bridge at Clun heading towards Knighton (parking in public car park by bridge); walk up to church, turn L into Vicarage Rd; house on R next to church. Sun 2 June (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Visits also by arrangement May & June for groups of up to 30. A revived, old vicarage garden: a slow retrieval and recovery revealing a wealth of features and elastic decease by elastic persones.

a slow retrieval and recovery revealing a wealth of features and plants chosen by plantsmen vicars: buddleia globosa fascinates bees and butterflies; glorious oriental poppies fascinate visitors. 'The Tree', an enormous Leyland cypress (5th biggest girth in the world); the most dramatic feature is a formal wisteria allee with alliums - a symphony of mauve and purple.

#### 40 OTELEY

Ellesmere, SY12 OPB. Mr RK Mainwaring, www.oteley.com. 1m SE of Ellesmere. Entrance out of Ellesmere past Mere, opp Convent nr to A528/495 junc. Sun 5 May (11-4). Adm £6, chd free. Light refreshments.

Explore 10 acres running down to The Mere with stunning views. Walled kitchen garden, architectural features, many old interesting trees. Rhododendrons, azaleas, wild woodland walk and views across Mere to Ellesmere. First opened in 1927 when the National Garden Scheme started.

#### THE PADDOCK

Annscroft, Shrewsbury, SY5 8AN. Ian Ross. On road from Annscroft to Hanwood/Plealey 200 yds from the Xrds. Parking is at The Farriers SY5 8AN - on the road from Annscroft to Exfords Green. Sat 12 Oct (11-5). Adm £6, chd free. Home-made teas.

A mini arboretum in which 70 trees are tagged - some of which are rare. The collection inc 12 different acers and a cluster of six Gingko bilobas. A waterfall cascades through three levels. As the new owner since 2001, I see myself as the custodian of an impressive small garden. Wheelchair access is available by paths and grass to most of the garden.



#### 44 NEW RIVERSIDE

Berrisford Road, Market Drayton, TF9 1JH. Mrs Susan Harrison. Market Drayton. Enter Market Drayton on Newcastle Rd, turn into Great Hales St and then L into Berrisford Rd. Sun 19 May, Sun 30 June, Sun 15 Sept (12-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas.

The garden is  $\frac{3}{4}$  acre, with different planting areas. We have hydrangeas, hostas, woodland walk, hot garden and herbaceous borders with white garden with loggia. Plus an old and large wisteria and a very old climbing rose. Gravel drive but mainly level paths.



#### 25 RUTHALL MANOR

Ditton Priors, WV16 6TN. Mr & Mrs G T Clarke, 01746 712608, clrk608@btinternet.com. 7m SW of Bridgnorth. At Ditton Priors Church take road signed Bridgnorth, then 2nd L. Garden 1m. Sat 27, Sun 28 Apr, Sat 18, Sun 19 May, Sat 8, Sun 9 June, Sat 6, Sun 7 July (12.30-5.30). Adm £7, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 2 Apr to 30 Sept for groups of 15 to 50.

Offset by a mature collection of specimen trees, the garden is divided into intimate sections, carefully linked by winding paths. The front lawn flanked by striking borders, extends to a gravel, art garden and ha-ha. Clematis and roses scramble through an eclectic collection of wrought-iron work, unique pottery and secluded seating. Designed and planted by present owners since 1960. A stunning horse pond with primulas, iris and bog plants. Jigsaw puzzle sale. Wheelchair access to most areas of garden.



#### 40 SAMBROOK MANOR

Sambrook, TF10 8AL, Mrs E Mitchell, 01952 550256.

eileengran@hotmail.com . Between Newport & Tern Hill. 1m off A41. In the village of Sambrook. Sun 7 July (12-5). Adm £5, chd free. Homemade teas.

Deep, colourful, well-planted borders offset by sweeping lawns surrounding an early C18 manor house (not open). Wide ranging herbaceous planting with plenty of roses to enjoy; the arboretum below the garden, with views across the river, has been further extended with new trees. The waterfall and Japanese garden are now linked by a pretty rill. Lovely garden to visit for all the family. Wheelchair access to most areas. Woodland area may be difficult.



#### 1 SCOTSMANSFIELD Burway Road, Church Stretton, SY6 6DP. Peter Vickers & Hilary

Taylor. Scotsmansfield is on L, c.200m up Burway Rd (quite steep). Approach Church Stretton from A49. At Sandford Rd/ High St ict, turn R & then L, up Burway Rd. No parking. Easthope Rd car park available SY6 6BL. Shuttle bus running from here. Sat 22 June (11-5), Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments.

Terraced garden of <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> acre, renewed over a decade after long neglect. Attached to E wing of 'Scotsmansfield' (not open), built 1908. Celebration of favourite plants, with colour, shape, texture, scent, light, shade and plentiful wildlife. Trees, fernery, lily pond, mixed borders, yew hedges, lavish roses. Areas of tranquillity and intimacy, occasions of drama and long views of surrounding woods and hills. Partial

access via steep gravelled paths to some areas. Wheelchair users will need support from a competent and fit assistant.



#### GROUP OPENING

## 48 THE SECRET GARDENS AT

STEVENTON TERRACE Steventon Terrace, Steventon New Road, Ludlow, SY8 1JZ. Kevin & Carolyn Wood. Gardens are located behind row of terraced cottages. Easily accessible from A49: on-street parking; Park & Ride stops outside the garden. Sat 22 June (12.30-4.30). Combined adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas, Ice cream also available.

Discover some very secret gardens hidden behind a row of Victorian terraced cottages in Ludlow. A 1/2 acre south facing garden that has been developed over 30 years. It has been divided into different sections which inc a rose garden, herbaceous borders, koi fish, chickens, polytunnel and greenhouse and a Mediterranean





#### 49 STANLEY HALL GARDENS Bridgnorth, WV16 4SP, Mr & Mrs M

**J Thompson.**  $\frac{1}{2}m$  N of Bridgnorth. Leave Bridgnorth by N gate B4373; turn R at Stanley Ln. Pass Golf Course Club House on L & turn L at Lodge. Sun 2 June (2-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Regency and later landscaped garden with rhododendrons, woodland walks. fish ponds and fine trees in parkland setting. Dower House (Mr and Mrs C Wells): four acres of specimen trees. contemporary sculpture and walled vegetable garden South Lodge (Mr Tim Warren): Hillside cottage garden. Wheelchair access to the main gardens.



#### 50 SUNNINGDALE

9 Mill Street, Wem, SY4 5ED. Mrs Susan Griffiths, 01939 236733, sue.griffiths@btinternet.com. Town centre. Wem is on B5476. Parking in car park at Barnard St. The property is opp the purple house below the church. Some on-street parking on High St. Coaches can drop off at the main gate. Sun 22 Sept (11-3). Adm £4, chd free. Visits also by arrangement Feb to Oct for groups

#### of 6 to 60. Refreshments can be ordered in advance.

A ½ acre town garden. Wildlife haven for a variety of birds inc nesting gold crests. A profusion of excellent nectar rich plants means that butterflies and other pollinators are in abundance. Interesting plantings with carefully collected rare plants and unusual annuals means there is always something new to see. Large perennial borders, with exotic climbers, designed as an all year-round garden. Koi pond and natural stone waterfall rockery. Antique and modern sculpture. Sound break yew walkway. Wheelchair access the garden is on the level but with several steps mostly around the pond area; paths are mainly gravel or flags; flat lawn.



#### **50** TOWER HOUSE

Bache, Craven Arms, SY7 9LN. Lady Spicer, 01584 861692, nicspicer@yahoo.com. 7m NW of Ludlow. B4365 Ludlow to Much Wenlock. Turn L after 3m (Bache, Burley), garden at top of hill after 11/2 m. B4368 Craven Arms to Bridgnorth, Turn R at Xrds after  $1\frac{1}{2}$  m immed fork L, garden after  $\frac{3}{4}$  m. Sat 18 May (11-5.30). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Visits also by arrangement 1 Apr to 15 July.

A folly built in 1838 with a two acre garden created by the present owner over 50 years. On a perfect site with views over the Corve Dale, with veg, herbaceous borders, a small parterre and pond. Wheelchair access a little rough in the wood.

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#### **JD** UPPER FARM GARDEN

Rushton, Telford, TF6 5AG, Pete & Paul Turpin-Ottley. 3m from M54 Wellington. Exit 7 M54 take Little Wenlock/Wrekin turn. In 1m at bollards R for Uppington. In 2m at junc, turn L for Eaton Constantine. In ½ m R for Charlton Hill. See NGS signs on your L for Garden and Parking. Sat 20, Sun 21 Apr (11-4); Thur 20, Fri 21 June (1-8); Sat 10, Sun 11 Aug (11-6); Sat 5, Sun 6 Oct (11-4). Adm £6. Home-

Farmhouse Garden with views of the Wrekin and the Stretton Hills. Comprising several garden 'rooms' connected by gravelled walkways interspersed with ample seating opportunities. Unusual features inc a raised scree terrace, a rose pergola and bed with 40 varieties of English

shrub roses, a two sided herbaceous walk, an elevated viewing deck, a cactus house and self-sufficient allotment beds.



#### **□** ♦ WALCOT HALL

Lydbury North, SY7 8AZ. Mr & Mrs C R W Parish, 01588 680570. enquiries@walcothall.com, www.walcothall.com. 4m SE of Bishop's Castle. B4385 Craven Arms to Bishop's Castle, turn L by The Powis Arms in Lydbury North. For NGS: Sun 26, Mon 27 May (1.30-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden website. Arboretum planted by Lord Clive

of India's son. Edward in 1800. Cascades of rhododendrons and azaleas amongst specimen trees and pools. Fine views of Sir William Chambers' Clock Towers, with lake and hills beyond. Walled kitchen garden, dovecote, meat safe, ice house and mile-long lakes. Russian wooden church, grotto and fountain, tin chapel. Relaxed borders and rare shrubs. Lakeside replanted and water garden at western end re-established. Outstanding Ballroom where excellent teas are served.



#### WESTWOOD HOUSE

Oldbury, Bridgnorth, WV16 5LP. Hugh & Carolyn Trevor-Jones. Take the Ludlow Rd (B4364) out of Bridgnorth. Past the Punch Bowl Inn. turn 1st L. Westwood House signed on R. Sun 28 Apr (2-5). Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. A country garden, well designed and

planted around the house, particularly known for its tulips and use of colour. Sweeping lawns offset by deeply planted mixed borders; pool garden and lawn tennis court: kitchen and cutting garden, with everything designed to attract wildlife for organic growth. Far reaching views of this delightful corner of the county and woodland walks to enjoy. Reasonable wheelchair access but there are gravel paths and some steps.



#### **BE WINDY RIDGE**

Church Lane, Little Wenlock, TF6 5BB. George & Fiona Chancellor. 2m S of Wellington. Follow signs for Little Wenlock from N (JT, M54) or E (off A5223 at

#### Horsehav). Parking signed. Do not rely on SatNav. Sat 15, Sun 16 June (12-5), Adm £7, chd free, Homemade teas.

Universally admired for its structure. inspirational planting and balance of texture, form and all-season colour. the garden more than lives up to its award-winning record. Developed over 35 years, 'open plan' garden rooms display over 1000 species (mostly labelled) in a range of colourthemed planting styles, beautifully set off by well-tended lawns, plenty of water and fascinating sculpture. Workshops on Garden Design. Planting and Maintenance will be held during the summer. For further information email fiona.chancellor@ ngs.org.uk. Wheelchair access via some gravel paths but help available.



#### 50 ♦ WOLLERTON OLD HALL Wollerton, Market Drayton, TF9 3NA. Lesley & John Jenkins, 01630 685760.

info@wollertonoldhallgarden.com,

www.wollertonoldhallgarden.com. 4m SW of Market Drayton. On A53 between Hodnet & A53-A41 junc. Follow brown signs. For NGS: Thur 5 Sept (11-5). Adm £9, chd £1. Light lunches available from 12.00; afternoon tea and cream teas from 14.00. For other opening times and information, please phone, email or visit garden

Four acre garden created around C16 house (not open). Formal structure creates variety of gardens each with own colour theme and character. Planting is mainly of perennials many in their late summer/early autumn hues, particularly the asters. Ongoing lectures by gardening personalities, designers and technical experts. Mondays (not B/Hols)Tuesdays and Wednesdays reserved for garden club visits. Partial wheelchair access.



