



## NEWS RELEASE

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### GLOUCESTERSHIRE GARDENS OPEN IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2023

**NUMBERS AGAINST GARDENS ARE THOSE IN THE  
2023 COUNTY BOOKLET THAT WILL BE DISTRIBUTED IN THE NEXT WEEKS**

WHILE WE ANTICIPATE THAT THERE WILL BE FEWER CANCELLATIONS THIS YEAR, WE CONTINUE TO ADVISE ALL GARDEN VISITORS TO CHECK THE NATIONAL GARDEN SCHEME WEBSITE BEFORE SETTING OUT. <https://ngs.org.uk>

## JANUARY

**Sunday 29th**

**36: Home Farm, Newent Lane, Huntley, Huntley GL19 3HQ**

Mrs T Freeman, 01452 830210 [torillfreeman@gmail.com](mailto:torillfreeman@gmail.com).

Open 11-4, Adm £4, chd free.

Visits also by arrangement Jan to Apr for groups of up to 30.

Set in elevated position with exceptional views. 1m walk through woods and fields to show carpets of spring flowers. Enclosed garden with fern border, sundial and heather bed. White and mixed shrub borders. Stout footwear advisable in winter. Two delightful cafés within a mile. Dogs allowed. Not wheelchair accessible.

## FEBRUARY

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup>**

**23: Downton House, Gloucester St, Painswick, GL6 6QN**

Ms Jane Kilpatrick, 01452813861, [info@janekilpatrick.co.uk](mailto:info@janekilpatrick.co.uk).

*Entry to garden is via Hollyhock Lane only. Please note: NO cars in Lane. Park in Stamages Lane village car park off A46 below church, or in Churchill Way, 1st L off Gloucester St B4073.* Visits also by arrangement 1 Feb to 15 Sept for groups of 8 to 20. Weekdays only.

Open 10.30 – 3, Adm £5, chd free. Light refreshments. Coffee and homemade cake from Lucy and her Horsebox. The owner is co-author of *'The Galanthophiles: 160 Years of Snowdrop Devotees'* (2018, Orphans Publishing). The walled 1/3 acre garden in the centre of Painswick provides the perfect setting for her collection of *Galanthus* cultivars. In addition, naturalised drifts of *G. nivalis* and *G. atkinsii* flourish amongst winter-flowering shrubs, cyclamen, *Iris reticulata* and *Polystichum* ferns.

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>**

**23: Downton House – as above**

## **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>**

### **36: Home Farm – as above**

### **72: Trench Hill, Sheepscombe GL6 6TZ**

Celia and Dave Hargrave, 01452 814306, [celia.hargrave@btconnect.com](mailto:celia.hargrave@btconnect.com)

Open 11– 4, Adm £5, chd free. Home-made teas. Gluten free and dairy free usually available. Refreshments in aid of other charities chosen by hosts. Visits also by arrangement 13 Feb to 31 Aug for groups of up to 35. If coming by coach this must be approved by the owners because of size.

Approximately 3 acres set in a small woodland with panoramic views. Variety of herbaceous and mixed borders, rose garden, extensive vegetable plots, wildflower areas, plantings of spring bulbs with thousands of snowdrops and hellebores, woodland walk, two small ponds, waterfall and larger conservation pond. Interesting wooden sculptures, many within the garden. Cultivated using organic principles. Children's play area. 2022 Featured on Gardeners' World TV programme – tulips – also in National and local Magazines. Mostly wheelchair accessible but some steps and slopes.

## **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>**

### **20: Cotswold Farm, Duntisbourne Abbots, GL7 7JS**

John and Sarah Birchall, [www.cotswoldfarmgardens.org.uk](http://www.cotswoldfarmgardens.org.uk)

Open 11 – 3, Adm £7.50, chd free. Light refreshments. Refreshments in aid of WI and A Rocha. Donation to A Rocha.

This beautiful Arts & Crafts garden overlooks a quiet valley on descending levels with terraces designed by Norman Jewson in the 1930s. Enclosed by Cotswold stone walls and yew hedges, the garden has year-round interest including a snowdrop collection with over 80 varieties. The terraces, shrub garden, herbaceous borders and bog garden are full of scent and colour from spring to autumn. Rare orchid walks. Picnics welcome. Wheelchair access to main terrace only (no wheelchair access to WCs).

## **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>**

### **20: Cotswold Farm – as above**

### **72: Trench Hill – as above**

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## **About National Garden Scheme**

The National Garden Scheme gives visitors unique access to over 3,500 exceptional private gardens in England and Wales, and raises impressive amounts of money for nursing and health charities through admissions, teas and cake.

Thanks to the generosity of garden owners, volunteers and visitors we have donated a total of £58 million to nursing and health charities, and made a donation of over £3 million in

2022. Founded in 1927 to support district nurses, we are now the most significant charitable funder of nursing in the UK and our beneficiaries include Macmillan Cancer Support, Marie Curie, Hospice UK and The Queen's Nursing Institute.

The National Garden Scheme doesn't just open beautiful gardens for charity – we are passionate about the physical and mental health benefits of gardens too. We fund projects which promote gardens and gardening as therapy, and in 2017, we launched our annual Gardens and Health Week to raise awareness of the topic.

To find your perfect garden, visit **[ngs.org.uk](https://ngs.org.uk)**, download the National Garden Scheme app or purchase the National Garden Scheme's *Garden Visitor's Handbook*, which is published annually and available via **[ngs.org.uk/shop](https://ngs.org.uk/shop)** and at all good book retailers.