

Waxwings & Goldcrest, Nottingham Owners: Rob & Jill Carlyle



On the site of a derelict former mushroom farm, the six-acre gardens of the two properties have been developed for biodiversity, including woodland, a pond, meadow, vegetable gardens, lawns, borders and prairie beds. Home to 20 butterfly species, including Silver-washed Fritillary and Green Hairstreak.
Open Tuesday 27 July, 11am to 4pm. Refreshments for sale. Partial wheelchair access. Adults £4.
Address: Waxwings, Lamins Lane, Bestwood Village, Nottingham NG6 8WS.

Directions: Don't follow satnav. From Redhill Roundabout follow A60 North. After 300 metres turn left onto Lamins Lane. Property is one mile on the left. Limited parking on site, more available on lane.

Windmill Hill Wildlife Garden, Kent Owner: Judith Hathrill



Gardens dedicated to providing food, homes and shelter for wildlife. Flowers for pollinators, leaves for caterpillars, ponds, bee houses, wild undisturbed areas, small wildflower lawn and a container vegetable garden.
Open Sunday 1 August, 11am to 5pm. Plants, drinks and cakes for sale. Sorry no wheelchair access (steps). Assistance dogs only permitted. Adults £4.
Address: 68 South Hill Road, Gravesend, Kent DA12 1JZ.
Directions: Follow satnav to postcode. Property is close to

top of Windmill Hill, 1/2 a mile from Gravesend town, car parks and station. Unrestricted weekend on-street parking on all nearby roads.

West Bridgford, Nottinghamshire Owners: Nick & Jackie Sparrow



Mature suburban garden with many wild flowers providing nectar for Holly Blue, Orange Tip and Speckled Wood. Sit awhile in the garden and wait for the butterflies, and try to spot the Green Hairstreak!
Open Saturday 28 August, 1pm to 5pm. Plants, drinks and cakes for sale. Wheelchair access. Toilet. Dogs allowed. Adults £3.
Address: 20 Trevor Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham NG2 6FS.

Directions: The garden is 1/2 mile south of West Bridgford centre, on NCT number 6 bus route. Follow A606 turning into Burleigh Road. Turn right into Trevor Road. On-street parking.



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Luddington Grange, Warwickshire Owners: Stephen & Jean Loquens



A small grass and wildflower paddock with circling walkways throughout. Marbled Whites, Skippers, Meadow Browns, Gatekeepers, Peacock and Tortoiseshell butterflies are all frequent visitors.

Open Sunday 27 June, 10am to 5pm. Plants, drinks and cakes for sale. Wheelchair access. Toilet. Dogs allowed. Adults £3.

Address: Luddington Grange, Luddington, Stratford Upon Avon CV37 9SW.

Directions: Follow satnav to postcode, then look out for the arrows signposting you to the garden. Parking is available on the property.

Silver Birches, Loughborough, Leicestershire Owners: Ann & Andrew Brown



A tree-framed garden leading down to the River Soar. Well-stocked borders, planted for year-round interest for people and wildlife. The vegetable plot, fruit trees, wild riverside area and fernery provide plenty of nectar-rich flowers and food plants for bees, butterflies and other wildlife.

Open Sunday 11 July, 2pm to 5pm. Plants and homemade refreshments for sale. Limited wheelchair access. Adults \$4.

Address: Silver Birches, 82A Leicester Road, Quorn, Loughborough, Leicestershire LE12 8BB.

Directions: Garden is 400m from Quorn Village centre. Property is down a gravel drive between numbers 80 and 82. Park on Leicester Road. Please do not bring your car down the drive.

Vale End, Surrey Owner: Daphne Foulsham



Mature one-acre walled garden overlooking a wildflower meadow, mill pond and vegetable garden. Butterflies regularly visiting include: Peacock, Holly Blue, Gatekeeper (if lucky), Painted Lady and Silver Washed Fritillary.

Open Sunday 11 July, 1pm to 5pm. Plants and teas for sale. Dogs allowed on leads. Field parking, limited wheelchair access, toilet, picnickers welcome. Adults \$5.

Address: Vale End, Chilworth Road, Albury, Guildford, Surrey GU5 9BE.

Directions: 4 miles SE of Guildford. From Albury take A248 West for ¼ mile.

Nearby gardens of interest: RHS Wisley, 20 minutes.

White Cliff, The Front, Kent Owner: Lucy Love



Wildlife garden of chalk grassland, wildflower meadow, ponds and wild orchids. Chalk Hill Blue and Marbled White in abundance. A moth trap will be in operation.

Open Saturday 17 July, 1pm to 5pm. Coffee, tea, cakes and butterfly friendly plants for sale. Wheelchair access to main garden but not all areas. Toilet. Dogs allowed. Adults £3.

Address: White Cliff, The Front, St Margaret's Bay, Dover, Kent CT15 6HR.

Directions: Access is via a dirt track from St Margaret's Road

and Goodwin Road (drivable with care). Or, park on the beach and walk 15 minutes up the cliff path from Pines Gardens.

Yew Tree Grange, Derbyshire Owners: Chris & Sheila Ragg



A south-facing butterfly haven. Mini 'meadows' of various grasses for the 'browns' and Golden Skippers. Extensive nectar plants attract 22 butterfly species.

Open Saturday 17 and 24 July, 10.30am to 4.30pm

Refreshments for sale. No wheelchair access (hillside) or dogs/pets. Tours available (\$5 for 2 adults & children) booking essential: 07889413057 Entry only: adults £3.

Address: Yew Tree Grange, Northwood Lane, Darely Dale, Matlock, Derbyshire DE4 2HS.

Directions: Parking in front of grey double garage. Entrance via gate. For full directions from Matlock and Bakewell see BC website.

Royal Oak Cottage, Bedford Owner: Teresa Clark



A wildlife garden against a mature orchard backdrop. Neglected orchard trees have been pruned and all wood retained as log piles for insects or decoration. Formal areas contrast with relaxed long grass 'meadow' patches and cornfield flower borders, attracting a variety of butterflies.

Open Sunday 25 July, 1.30pm to 5pm Teas and plants for sale. Wheelchair access to most of the garden. No dogs. Adults \$4.

Address: 46 Wood End Road, Kempson, Bedford MK43 9BB.

Directions: From A421 take A428 toward Northampton Bromham. At Lidl roundabout turn left onto Ridge Road for 1/4 mile. At Gibraltar Corner staggered crossroads go straight ahead onto Wood End Lane. At Cross Keys turn left. Royal Oak Cottage is 400 yards on left. Park on Wood End Road.

All gardens provide free entry for children under 16.

If you would like to open your garden in 2022, email enquiries@butterfly-conservation.org

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