Get Growing Garden Trail

Saturday 4 & Sunday 5 June 2016

Bristol’s secret fruit & veg growers open their garden gates and community plots for the 6th annual Get Growing Garden Trail
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Plot your own Trail trip using the map inside. You’ll also need a smartphone, SatNav or A-Z to find your way around the city. Use the symbols to plan lunch stops or a day out with the kids, or read a bit more to just pick-out projects which interest you.

1 Andy’s Haven
The Polytunnel, The Park Opportunity Centre, Daventry Road, Knowle BS4 1DQ
11am–3pm Saturday
www.theparkknowle.org.uk/tenants.php?id=andy’s-haven
Andy’s Haven produces food for the local community that is sold through The Park in Knowle West. Come along and see two polytunnels and outside space brimming with produce as well as a huge collection of chickens and turkeys that are reared each year for eggs and meat.
ACTIVITIES: Tea and coffee, plus plants for sale and animals to visit.

2 Blaise Castle Walled Garden
Blaise Castle Walled Garden, Henbury Rd BS10 7QS
Find us next to Blaise House Museum, to the left of Blaise Castle Walled Garden, Henbury Rd BS10 7QS
www.blaisecommunitygarden.org.uk
Next to Blaise Café.
ACTIVITIES: Making a miniature ‘magic’ space at the heart of Purdown and Eastville, with a great eco house. Our garden is packed packed with innovation – the gorgeous Bishopston Bale House – our new straw bale toilet; disabled parking available on request.

3 Bramble Farm Community Smallholding
From Redcatch Road, enter Stockwood Crescent and we are midpoint around the crescent. Walk through the privet hedges on to Northern Slopes. Park and turn right. Signs will lead the way!
Sat Nav postcode BS4 1AW
11am–5pm Saturday & Sunday
http://theoldlibrary.org.uk
1798’s walled garden in Water Lane Estate. Presently under restoration by volunteers, growing flowers, fruit, vegetables and building amenities. Toilet next to Blaise Café. Making a miniature ‘magic garden’, colourful bunting, growing seeds. BBQ midway, refreshments, plants for sale.

4 The Old Library, Eastville
Muller Road, Bristol BS6 6XP
1–4pm Saturday
southlockeaze@gmail.com · http://theoldlibrary.org.uk
New for 2016, we are a 100% volunteer-run community space at the heart of Purdown and Eastville, with a great outdoor space awaiting transformation. ACTIVITIES: Sow pumpkins, having a go at growing the tallest sunflower, plant-up hanging baskets and raised beds. Seedlings for swap and sale. Refreshments and home made cakes available – bring a picnic blanket. Seeds and tools provided.

5 Elm Tree Farm
Park Road, Stapleton BS6 1AA
11am–4pm Sunday
www.lwfarm.org.uk
We are a 12.5 acre site where we train adults with learning difficulties in horticulture. We produce a wide variety of fruit, veg and plants which we sell to the public. ACTIVITIES: Come and join us for our Open Day – we are having a BBQ and cakes, you can meet the animals (pigs, lambs, chickens, ponies) and there will be plenty of games for the children. Demonstrations throughout the day and plants/produce for sale.

6 The Community Farm
Denny Lane, Chew Magna BS40 8SZ
418 Frenchay Park Rd (on the corner with Stoke Lane)
10am–4pm Saturday
www.thecommunityfarm.co.uk
Come and see one of our Community Farmer Days in action and meet the people behind the pancakes! The Community Farm is owned by more than 500 members of the local community. We grow and sell organic food via a box delivery service, and involve people in growing and learning about the food they eat through volunteering and other activities. The way we farm supports nature, providing natural habitats and food sources for wildlife to help increase biodiversity. So while you’re eating well, so are the birds and animals around you. Hot drinks available throughout the day.

7 Fishponds Community Orchard
Gordon Road, Easton/Whitehall BS5 7DR. Access down lane between the houses nos 55 & 60 opposite Rose Green Centre. ‘Easton Community Garden’ sign indicates where to turn off the Bristol to Bath railway path. 12–4pm Saturday & Sunday
www.eastoncommunitygarden.org.uk
We are a beautiful volunteer-run collaborative kitchen garden. Local people are welcomed on a drop-in basis every Thursday throughout the year and take home a share of the produce. The project was started in 2001 and has thrived as a demonstration permaculture site ever since. We do have a shelter in case it rains and a compost loo. ACTIVITIES: Tours of the garden showing ‘no-dig’ method, composting, maintaining fertility, water harvesting, ponds and our chimney stove. Cakes made by our volunteers, with tea and squash.

8 Feed Bristol
181 Frenchay Park Rd (on the corner with Stoke Lane)
Staple Hill BS16 1BB
12–5pm Saturday
www.feedbristol.org.uk
Feed Bristol is Avon Wildlife Trust’s 5 acre community project, growing organic food in a wildlife friendly way to support education and health and well-being and social enterprise. We support groups with different needs and running training sessions throughout the top year. Top up your garden from our wildlife nursery. ACTIVITIES: Explore how nature helps us grow, sample delights from our ‘herbal and delicious’ cafe; sensational seasonal BBQ and live music. FREE fun activities for all the family.

9 The Golden Hill Community Garden
Entrance through allotment gates at the bottom of Monk Road BS7 8NE
11am–3pm Saturday
07506 805 394 · ghcgarden@gmail.com
www.thegoldenhillcommunitygarden.com
Come and see our beautiful and productive garden and the gorgeous Bishopston Bale House – our new straw bale eco house. Our garden is packed packed with innovation – well built out of recycled tetra pak; the Tower of Power with recycled water to over 200 allotment plots and an edible forest. Wheelchair accessible including toilet, disabled parking available on request. ACTIVITIES: Plants for sale, pond dipping, pizza, tea and cake.

10 Lawrence Weston Community Farm
Saltmarsh Drive BS11 0NJ
9.30am–4.30pm Saturday & Sunday
www.community-orchard.org.uk
10.30am–3pm Saturday
0117 938 1128 · ian@lwfarm.org.uk
www.lwfarm.org.uk
Community-run gardens growing root veg, fruits and squashes. Friendly place to visit with animals to see as well – sheep, goats, pigs, chickens. ACTIVITIES: Advice available and some plants and produce available to buy. Cafe should be open but ring ahead to confirm.

11 Leight Court Farm
Pill Road, Abbas Leigh BS8 3RA
Take the A369 Porthead road out of Bristol. Just beyond Abbas Leigh village, take the right hand turn for Leight Court. 11am–4pm Sunday
mail@leighcourtfarm.org.uk · https://leighcourtfarm.org.uk
We at Leight Court Farm have been growing vegetables for our organic box scheme since 1999 from the Victorian walled garden at Leight Court. We are also open by appointment. ACTIVITIES: Tours of the garden, orchard and paddock where our chickens are housed. Refreshments and homemade cake will be provided.

More information at:
www.bristolfoodnetwork.org
try gardening and enjoy eating the produce. The garden is in four raised beds, giving local people the opportunity to participate in the aims of our project. The garden is open to all throughout the weekend. Activities: Plant a pot of salad. Cakes for sale.

Redland Green Amenities

Next to Redland Green Farm, Redland BS6 7HF
12-5pm Saturday
Abilities towards growing fruit and vegetables on individual plots and in deep beds in our communal orchard. Contact advice as for Mattford Road (see 17). Activities: Refreshments and advice.

St George Park Community

St George Park, Church Road, St George BS5 7AA
Gardening group on the old bloodstream between the tennis courts and the lake.
10am-12noon Saturday (access available all the time, but volunteers on site 10-4pm on Saturday)
www.sustainableredland.org.uk/i-do/metford-road-community-orchard /
http://i-do/metford-road-community-orchard/

Gardening Group Dean Lane Orchard

On the corner of Dean Lane and Woodrow BS1 1B5
2-4pm Saturday (access available all the time, but volunteers on site 10-4pm on Saturday)
beemogardenpatchwork@gmail.com
http://beemogardenpatchwork.tumblr.com
www.facebook.com/BedminsterPatchworkThe Patchwork Community Gardening Group is a group of local residents who are working to transform a neglected patches of land around Bedminster and Southville, with the aim of bringing our neighbourhoods back to life for residents and wildlife. This orchard is a new addition – we planted it in the summer of 2015. Activities: Plant a pot of salad.

Woolwoodford Community

Gardening Group Ashurst Street

Incredible edible Bristol invites you to join a guided walk of the Urban Food Trail. The walk will start at Millennium Square and end up at Grow Bristol’s site on Fedder Road, where the aquaponics units will be open for people to tour. There will be lots of opportunities to find out more about all the projects involved as we walk along the Trail. The guided walk is free, but must be booked via Eventbrite. www.bristolfoodnetwork.org/blog/annual-bristol-get-growing-garden-trail/

Woodlawn Community

Gardening Group Disley Road

In the Ashton Parc area of Southmead (access available all the time, but volunteers on site 2-4pm on Saturday)

Woodman's Way City Farm

Philip Street, Bedminster BS3 4EA
9am-5pm Saturday & Sunday
Visit www.woodmanswaycityfarm.org.uk
Experience learning in the heart of the city. Activities: All day Saturday – garden-based activities for families. Note: Our open days may coincide with public events - please check our website for further details.

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Walking tours

Incredible edible walk
Start: Millennium Square, Canway Way BS1 5DE
11am Saturday 4 June – Free
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North Bristol tour
Start: The Old Library, Easliehill, Meller Rd BS5 6XP
11am Saturday 4 June – £5 per person
Led by Steve England, this tour takes in The Old Library, Easliehill, the Woolford Trust Edible Woodland on South Puckham, Bim Tree Farm (who will be welcoming the tour even though they aren’t officially open on Saturday), then on to Feed Bristol. Approximate distance: 3 miles. Booking via Eventbrite. www.bristolfoodnetwork.org/blog/annual-bristol-get-growing-garden-trail/
If you’d like to Get Growing, why not join one of the regular workdays at a growing group near you?

**Blaise Walled Kitchen Garden**
Workdays: 10am–1pm Saturdays
Open days: 11–3pm 1st Sunday of the month

**The Community Farm**
Community Farmer Days: 18 June, 2 & 16 July, 13 August, 10 & 24 September, 8 & 22 October, 12 November

**Easton Community Garden**
Workdays: 11–4pm Thursdays (5pm summer)

**The Old Library, Eastville**
Volunteer day: 10am–2pm 1st Saturday of the month

**Feed Bristol**
Communal growing days: Volunteers are welcome on Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays 9.30am–4pm; Fridays 9.30am–12pm.
Phone to see if we’re here on Saturday: 0117 917 7270

**Golden Hill Community Garden**
Workdays: 10am–4pm Wednesdays

**HHEAG** (see garden no.11)
Wasteland to Wonderland: 10am–1pm Weds, Bourchier Gardens
Friday Gardening Group: 10am–1pm, Molesworth Allotments

**Metford Road Community Orchard**
Workdays: 3rd Sunday of the month all year round, plus 1st Sunday between March & October, arrive between 11.30am and 12pm.

**Patchwork Community Gardening Group**
Patchwork: 6.30pm last Thursday of the month, April–September.

**Trinity Community Gardens**
Gardening for health: 11am–1pm and 2–4pm Tuesdays.
Booking essential: 0778 752 0837
Weekly community days: 12–4.30pm Wednesdays. Open to all.

**Woodcroft Community Orchard**
Workdays: 1st Saturday of the month

Access: Community growing sites often have uneven ground, and sometimes the approach roads or tracks may also be uneven. If you have particular access requirements, please contact the individual groups where you would like to visit, for information specific to your needs.

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