

KOA OPEN GARDENS DAY

Sunday 1st July, 2-6pm

Kennington gardens will be open to support this year's charity, Tools for Self-Reliance. Look for signs on the day indicating where there is a garden open and buy your ticket at the first garden you visit, where you will also be able to pick up a leaflet listing all the gardens, with a map showing their location and details of the location of teas and plant sales.

The combined charge of £5 gets you entry to all the gardens. Accompanied children 14 and under go free.

We expect the following gardens to be open, but check for updates nearer the time. For further information ring Oxford 326519.

1. Ian and Margaret Gardner, 5 The Paddock. Much-loved family-friendly garden surrounded by woodland trees and a good variety of flowers and shrubs.
2. June and John Maine, 204 Poplar Grove. Large south facing garden with grassed area, trees and deep borders of shrubs and flowers. A variety of relaxing spaces in which to enjoy the refreshments on offer.
3. St Swithun's Church Grounds. Junction of Kennington Rd and The Avenue. Flowerpot Gang is a team of volunteers who aim to offer a place of spiritual uplift, a haven for wildlife and play space for children, in the middle of Kennington. Large lawned areas with wildflower beds; rockery with grasses; contemplative garden and other areas still being developed.
4. Pauline and Alan Cross. 18 St Swithun's Road. Easy-care rear garden: pots and shrubs, summerhouse and greenhouse. Pretty front garden with shrubs, lawn, baskets and tubs.
5. Molly and John Dewey. 93 Bagley Wood Road. A woodland spring garden designed in the style of William Robinson. Planted soon after the house was built (1923), it contains some unusual species of shrubs and trees plus a circle of 13 Yew trees.
6. Halcyon and James Leonard. 40A Bagley Wood Road. Front garden with fruit trees, shrubs, "meadow" and plants that survive muntjac visits. Small enclosed courtyard and well stocked veg plot. We are enthusiastic composters and the whole garden aims to be wildlife friendly.
7. Rachel Locklin and Blair Lindsey. 52 Bagley Wood Road. Large messy family garden, still developing. Fruit, vegetables, flowers, shrubs, chickens and toys and weeds/ wild flowers. Opportunity to play garden games.
8. Alison and Brian Peedell. 206 Upper Road. Small, compact garden with lots packed in: pond, vegetable patch and cottage borders.
9. Norma and John Sweeney. 8 Edward Road. A mature garden in the process of being altered over the past two years to reflect the present owners' interest in a wide variety of plants with a strong emphasis on colour and form. With much work still to be done, we hope you will enjoy seeing what we have achieved so far.
10. Linda and Richard Marshall. 93 Upper Road. Large family garden with a bit of everything!
11. Marilyn Farr. 85 Upper Road. Plantswoman's garden packed with interesting flowers and shrubs. Large organic fruit and vegetable garden; pond; conservatory; grassy area under fruit trees.