Plant Diversity in Mediterranean Urban Parks and Gardens

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FUTURE EVENTS

GARDEN TOUR, NORFOLK, FOLLOWING THE AGM

**Sunday 10 to Thursday 14 July 2016**
Sue Bennison’s skill as a hands-on gardener and her wide experience of gardens and gardening in many parts of the world have enabled her once again to create a programme of excellence and variety. One of the most remarkable gardens is the East Ruston Old Vicarage. (Part of its exotic garden is pictured left). In this dry part of Britain there will be much of Mediterranean interest and relevance. Email for prices by clicking here. For information and to book click here.

CORIANDER CLUB AND MUSEUM OF THE ORDER OF ST JOHN AND ITS GARDEN

**Thursday 21 July 2016**
Located within Spitalfields City Farm, the Coriander Club grow a range of Bangladeshi vegetables including kudzu, mooli and arum. Maximum group 20. In the afternoon there is an optional visit to the Museum of the Order of St John and Herb Garden which tells the story of the order of the Knights of St John. The Knights Hospitallers, founders of St John’s Ambulance. The Herb Garden has Mediterranean planting designed by Alison Warr. Maximum group 15. The cost of each tour is £5. To express your interest in either tour please contact Denise Pawlett.

RHS WISLEY

**Thursday 15 September 2016**
Matthew Pottage, curator of RHS Wisley, will lead a group of our members on a tour of parts of Wisley’s gardens relevant to the Mediterranean on the morning of Thursday 15 September, starting at approximately 10.00 am. The tour will be followed by lunch in the restaurant. If you are interested please contact the organiser, Melvyn Jope.
Villa Oliva
Dar Al Hossoun, Taroudannt
LJS - REPLACED
We have designed a public garden in the heart of the Medina in Marrakech. The garden is located on the site of what was the Riad of the Governor of the Medina in the 19th century.

Part of the garden is a faithful reconstruction of an Islamic garden that could have existed in Marrakech in the 19th century. The smaller garden has been largely reconfigured and is a more romantic interpretation of a Moroccan garden, full of the sorts of flowers and colour that would not be found in the more traditional garden. The west courtyard has a citrus grove with underplanting of Stipa tenuissima, California poppy, Lavender and Tulbaghia.

Construction of the garden began in 2014 and was completed and officially opened to the public in spring 2016.

For more information on opening times & location, please visit Le Jardin Secret website.

A guide book about the garden was compiled and edited by Tom and will be available from Le Jardin Secret.

More details of the work can be viewed on our blog, click on the tag: Marrakech.
Patrimonio Verde

Parques en Madrid
Consulta los parques y los jardines de la ciudad de Madrid, los grandes pulmones verdes de la ciudad y de su patrimonio verde.

Parques históricos y singulares
Madrid posee un rico y extenso patrimonio verde, destacando sus parques y jardines, tanto los de carácter histórico como los de avanzado diseño jardíneo.

Parques forestales
Los parques forestales, en ocasiones antiguos cazaderos reales, conforman un manto verde en la trama urbana, unidos a través de auténticos corredores o pasillos verdes.

Rosaledas y colecciones botánicas
Madrid, con su antigua tradición jardinería, ofrece rosaledas y jardines botánicos donde se exponen numerosas variedades, tanto de flora autóctona como de flora cultivada.
Conservación: Dirección General de Gestión del Agua y Zonas Verdes. Área de Gobierno de Medio Ambiente y Movilidad

Superficie: 7.100 m²

- **Importe**
  Entrada gratuita

- **Actividades no permitidas**
  Fumar, jugar a la pelota, montar en bicicleta y entrar con perros sueltos.

- **Historia del Invernadero**
  Es un edificio que forma parte del conjunto arquitectónico que supone, el histórico Matadero Municipal y Mercado de Ganados. Proyectado y construido por el Arquitecto Don Luis Bellido y González entre los años 1908 y 1928. Conocido popularmente como "Nave de las Patatas" fue restaurado y rehabilitado para su uso como Invernadero en el año 1992.

  La remodelación del edificio ha conseguido una posición de relevancia dentro de la arquitectura industrial, tomando como modelo los valiosos invernaderos decimonónicos contenidos en los parques de Viena o Londres así como toda la Arquitectura del Hierro representativa del s. XIX.

**Titularidad**

Público. Ayuntamiento de Madrid
cedro digitato o ‘Mano di Budda’


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Citrus medica
“Digitata”

fingered citron

Originally from China, Japan and Indochina, where it was grown for many centuries for religious and ornamental purposes. It is assurgent with short thorns, and medium-sized dark green leaves which are elliptical in shape with purple buds. The flowers are purplish and the fruit is yellow. The thorny peel and navel, and the upper part is divided into numerous pointed spindle-shaped sections which look like fingers.
About us

Many of our once loved garden plants are quietly vanishing forever.

Once a garden plant is lost to cultivation, it's lost forever.

We keep rare plants growing...

As plants fall out of fashion or are superseded, vital genetic traits could simply vanish, unless they are taken into care and shared with others. If the expertise to grow and propagate them is also lost, our ability to properly conserve our unique garden flora is placed under significant threat.

Plant Heritage was formed to help minimise this risk across Britain and Ireland, to ensure our incredible diversity of cultivated plants, whether for food, medicine, ornament or heritage, remains available for the enjoyment and use of generations to come.

How do we achieve this?

• Holders of more than 600 National Plant Collections® around the UK search out and grow the widest range of their special interest plant group, identifying, documenting and conserving them in private gardens, allotments, nurseries, local parks, botanic gardens and historic estates.