



‘Secret squares to stunning city views’ – London Open Gardens 2024

- **100+ ‘hidden’ city gardens will welcome ticketholders THIS weekend only!**
- **A unique chance to explore beautiful green gems all weekend with guided tours, arts events and free entry for children.**
- **LOG funds the London Parks and Gardens charity to protect special historic green spaces for everyone.**

Happily the weather looks perfect to enjoy [over 100 secret or usually-closed gardens](#) uniquely open to ticketholders THIS weekend, 8-9th June 2024.

2024 marks the Silver Jubilee of public access to secret squares and gardens for all, raising funds to help protect these gorgeous ‘green lungs’ of London.

Over 25 years this much-loved event has grown from opening iconic locked London garden squares to letting the public enjoy exquisite roof gardens enjoyed by city bankers, historic institutions, community allotments and even the Prime Minister’s own garden! (*Downing St only accessible via a ballot*).

An exciting range of [walks, cycle tours and activities](#) in gardens for all ages are included – hurry to book the last few remaining spaces! Many gardens offer refreshments, plant sales, tours as well as a quiet place to relax. Our [online Garden selector](#) allows visitors to match their interests or location with a personal itinerary.

Nine exciting gardens join LOG this year for the first time or after a long break. **The Charterhouse Courtyard Gardens** on the edge of the city, showcases seven beautiful acres of garden space including Charterhouse Square and six courtyard gardens within the Tudor walls.

In Central London, the serene **Barkston Gardens** joins a suite of stunning squares uniquely un-locked for our event including **Hyde Park Square** and neighbouring **Gloucester Square**. Gloucester Square boasts an impressive new playground covering 1.6 acres which will be accessible throughout the weekend (Tickets are free for under 12s).

Roof gardens are a favourite for many and this year we're spoilt with half a dozen iconic high spaces showcasing our green capital from above.

New community gardens opening in 2024 include the **Spurgeon Estate Garden** in Lambeth, **Quill Street Allotments** in Gillespie Park and **Highbury Quadrant**, a beautiful hidden child friendly woodland area in the city.

In our anniversary year, we will also celebrate the gardens who opened back a quarter century ago. These include the cherished gardens of **Ladbroke Square**, **The Inner Temple**, **Cadogan Place South**, and many, many more.

Nathan Oley, Chair of London Open Gardens and Trustee of London Parks and Gardens commented: “

“What better way to celebrate our gorgeous green city, than to explore the parts other events cannot reach?! London Open Gardens’ silver jubilee is a unique celebration of London’s green lungs and LPG’s commitment to protect them for everyone.”

Tickets are now on sale at <https://londongardenstrust.org/>. Tickets for under 25s are half price and under 12’s go totally free! Those over 25 pay £22 for all weekend access to over 100 gardens. 25 fascinating walks and cycle tours with experts are available to ticketholders as an ‘added extra’ for a small fee but hurry to book as remaining places are very few! Full details and all terms available on the website.

[London Parks and Gardens](#) (the London Parks and Gardens Trust or LPG) protects our green capital. We help everyone to appreciate and access historic green spaces from our home at the iconic Duck Island Cottage in St James’s Park, SW1. This event enables LPG to deal with hundreds of planning applications that could impact public parks every year and it has secured significant protections for parks under threat as well as celebrating their essential contribution to people and planet throughout the year.

LPG is grateful to Caroline Aldiss, a resident of one of the garden squares who founded the Open Garden Squares event in 1998/9 with the support of English Heritage and LPG, and the hundreds of volunteers who make this event possible for everyone to enjoy. *ENDS*

Notes to editors:

- **Interviews, press and partnership opportunities are available – please contact 07740 346 636, nathan.oley@londongardenstrust.org or office@londongardenstrust.org**
- **Short films about LOG: (Non – Instagram): <https://vimeo.com/945010392?share=copy> (Instagram): <https://vimeo.com/947346881?share=copy>**
- **Event photographs are free to use (with credit)** and downloadable from: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Eoiw7wdT2GKqpoPBm9GrN0TUGPqgUfc1?usp=sharing> (Please if you need something specific not shown please email us – as below).
- **115+ gardens in 12 London Boroughs** – across London Transport zones 1 and 2 have confirmed that they will open on one, or both days of the weekend, 8-9 June 2024.
- **Over 25-year-olds** pay £22 (+booking fee), under 25s just £11 and under 12s go free. Full details of ticket prices and terms are available at <https://londongardenstrust.org/>

Event organiser, London Parks & Gardens (the trading name of London Historic Parks and Gardens Trust) is a registered charity (n^o 1042337) which protects our green capital, and a company limited by guarantee (n^o 2935176). We help everyone to appreciate and access historic green spaces from our home - the iconic Duck Island Cottage, St James’s Park, SW1. LPG is affiliated to the [Gardens Trust](#).