



Camellias at
Buckland Abbey



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Find out more

The selection of events here is a small part of what's on offer. You can visit the events page of the website at nationaltrust.org.uk/whats-on and use the search function to find out everything that's going on near you, or at your favourite place.

Facilities and access information can be found on each place's homepage on the website, as can contact details if you require further information.



Events near you for spring 2020

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How to book

We have indicated where there is an event charge and where booking is necessary. Please note that normal admission charges apply unless you are a member. All children must be accompanied by an adult. And please check beforehand as to whether or not dogs are welcome. We do take every effort to ensure that all event details are correct at the time of going to press. The National Trust reserves the right to cancel or change events if necessary. **Tickets are non-refundable.**

Key to symbols



CORNWALL

Antony

Torpoint PL11 2QA

Glorious garden tours

Wed 8 & 15 Apr, 6 & 20 May, 2.30-4pm
Walk and talk with a gardener, including a rare opportunity to see the Bath House.

May half-term fun

Sun 24 - Thu 28 May, 12 noon-4.30pm
Extended opening times for the Bank Holiday and a programme of family fun including garden trails every day, den building and seed planting workshops.

Cotehele

Near Saltash PL12 6TA

Apple grafting weekend

Sat 22 & Sun 23 Feb, 11am-4pm
Learn how to graft an apple tree with more than 20 local apple varieties to choose from. No need to book, just drop in and take home a grafted tree.
£5 per grafted tree

Rena Gardiner: art and inspiration

Daily from Sat 7 Mar, 10am-5pm
Discover the work of print-artist Rena Gardiner within the landscape which inspired it and in the Breakfast Room see the process behind the pieces.

Tide and time at Cotehele

Daily from Sat 7 Mar, 11am-4pm
For the 400th anniversary of the Mayflower voyage we highlight objects connected to trans-Atlantic trade for an insight into the lives of the Edgcumbes and the influence of the Americas on their time.

Milling days at Cotehele Mill

Every Thu & Sun from 8 Mar, 11am-3pm
Adventure down to Cotehele Mill to see the waterwheel in action as a team of millers grind wheat into wholemeal flour. Pick up a bag for you to take home and bake with.

Daffodil festival

Sat 14 - Sun 22 Mar, 10am-4pm
See the collection of daffodils grown at Cotehele through displays of historic and new varieties, guided daffodil tours in the garden and daffodil sculptures.

Nancy Belle boat trips from Cotehele Quay

Various dates in Apr & May, see web
Climb aboard the 22ft 'Nancy Belle' and take a two-hour trip up the River Tamar past riverside woodlands, Calstock and towards Morwellham Quay.
Booking essential 01579 351346
£15

East Pool Mine

Near Redruth TR15 3NP

Engine House flowers

Tue 3 - Sat 7 Mar, 11am-4pm
Pick up a geranium plant to look after over summer and create a plant pot design. Return in September to enter the decoration competition and display your plant in Taylor's Engine House.

Chimney walk

Fri 20 Mar, 11am-2.30pm
Explore the surrounding area and experience the history of the mines and chimneys with expert Treve Harris.
Booking essential 01209 315027
£10 (includes pasty lunch)

Glendurgan Garden

Near Falmouth TR11 5JZ

Signs of spring children's trail

Sat 15, Sun 16 & Tue 18 - Sun 23 Feb
10.30am-4.30pm
Come and celebrate the start of spring in the garden. Plant a seed to take home with you and see how many things you can find with a spring spotter sheet.

Spring garden tours

Wed 4 & Sat 21 Mar, Wed 15 & 29 Apr, Sat 2 & Wed 13 May, 10.30am-12 noon
Meet one of the expert team of gardeners who will share their knowledge and expertise with you on this tour of the valley garden. Spaces are limited so early booking recommended.
Booking advisable 01326 252020

Silent Space

Wed 4, 11, 18 & 25 Mar, 12 noon-3.30pm
Discover the tranquillity of the orchard and enjoy a moment of contemplation and reflection in the School Room. For more information on the Silent Space scheme, visit silentspace.org.uk

Celebrating Mother's Day

Sat 21 & Sun 22 Mar, 11am-4pm
Pose for a family picture in a giant outdoor floral frame and join a posy making workshop to craft an extra-special gift for Mum.

The wonder of wildflowers

Sat 18 Apr - Sun 17 May (excluding Mon 20 & 27 Apr, 4 & 11 May) 10.30am-4.30pm
Come and see the garden looking at its best and celebrate the wildflower season at Glendurgan. Check Glendurgan's website and social media to keep up to date on the weekly highlights.

'50 things' challenge

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 10.30am-4.30pm
Families can get involved in a week of '50 things to do before you're 11¾' activities including seed planting, creating wild art and bird watching. How many activities can you tick off your list?

Godolphin

Near Helston TR13 9RE

Reeve Ceremony

Sun 2 Feb, 8-8.45am and 1-1.45pm
Take part in a Godolphin tradition with the annual Reeve Ceremony, practised for hundreds of years on Candlemas at dawn. Learn how the Godolphin family nearly lost everything in a snail race.

Bluebells at Godolphin

From late Apr throughout May, 10am-5pm
Marvel at the beautiful carpets of bluebells at Godolphin, indulge in scenes of natural beauty and discover how native species of bluebell are promoted across the garden and estate.

May half term: '50 things' fun 🌞

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 10am-5pm

Take off your shoes and feel mud between your toes as you tread the barefoot trail. Get creative with the mud pie kitchen and challenge yourself to other '50 things to do before you're 11¾' activities.

Lanhydrock

Near Bodmin PL30 5AD

Volunteer drop-in day

Sat 8 Feb, 11am-3pm

Could you help bring Lanhydrock's stories to life? Do you have a few spare hours you could invest in the plant nursery? Come along to a volunteer drop-in day at the reception building for a coffee and a chat to find out more.

Brilliant birds half-term trail 🌞

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 10am-4pm

Come and explore the Lanhydrock garden in winter, the perfect time to learn all about the feathered residents and tick off some of your '50 things to do before you're 11¾.'

Ranger day: '50 things to do before you're 11¾' 🌞

Sun 16 Feb, 10am-3.30pm

Family fun with the ranger team exploring the estate, helping to care for wildlife and getting creative in the outdoors. Wear sturdy footwear and warm clothing.

Estate guided walks

Thu 20 Feb, 19 Mar & weekly from 2 Apr, 2-3pm

Shake off the cobwebs and join the expert estate guides for an immersive walk through history. Warm clothing and sturdy footwear essential. Meet outside Park Café.

Ranger day: cut and burn

Sun 15 Mar, 10am-3.30pm

Join the rangers for a day cutting and burning rhododendron to help clear the invasive species from the woodland. No bonfire is complete without marshmallows, so these will be provided. Wear sturdy footwear and warm clothing.

Booking advisable 0344 249 1895

Bluebell walk and one pot lunch

Sun 26 Apr, 10am-1pm

A chance to explore the beautiful bluebells on the Lanhydrock estate with the ranger team, followed by a seasonal lunch in the restaurant. Date subject to change due to bluebell season.

Booking essential 0344 249 1895
Adult £12, child £7

Ranger day: bat patrol

Fri 8 May, 8.45-10.30pm

An evening walk with the ranger team, where you can discover some of the bat species that live at Lanhydrock. Bring warm clothing, sturdy footwear and a torch.

Booking essential, 0344 249 1895
Adult £6, child £3

Levant Mine & Beam Engine

Near St. Just TR19 7SX

Engine steaming

Daily, Mar - May, every 15 minutes, 11am-4pm (subject to availability)

Experience the thrilling sounds and smells of the mighty 1840's Beam Engine, which is still powered by steam.

Underground visits

Daily, Mar - May, check on arrival for times

Join a guided tour and walk in the miners' footsteps as you enter the Man Engine Tunnel, and head 10 metres below the surface.

Lizard and Penrose

Spring flowers on the Lizard

Tue 12 May, 10am-12 noon

A guided botanical walk along the cliffs at Kynance Cove. See some of the unique coastal and heath species, for which this area is famous.

£3

North Cornwall coast and countryside

Family scrub bash at Pentire Head, near Polzeath 🌞

Wed 19 Feb, 10am-3pm

This half term, can you lend us a hand cutting down gorse and blackthorn and burning it on the bonfire? We'll cook you up a jacket spud for lunch and toast marshmallows as a thank you for your efforts.

Booking essential 01208 863821

Build a bird box at Boscastle 🌞

Tue 7 Apr, 10am-3pm

Why not join the rangers to build a nest box to take home? Perfect for your garden or school playground, a nest box will attract wildlife and provide plenty of opportunity for nature spotting.

£5

Holywell beach clean

Wed 27 May, 10am-12 noon

Do you hate the thought of beach waste polluting the ocean and countryside? Why not join the rangers for a couple of hours, litter picking on the beach at Holywell?

Tintagel Old Post Office

Tintagel PL34 ODB

Cloam oven baking

Mon 17 - Fri 21 Feb, see web

See and smell the Cornish treats baking in the Victorian cloam oven. See website for times and dates of lightings.

Rag rug workshop

Wed 1 Apr, 11am-3pm

Easter-themed rag rugging drop-in workshop with the team of rag rug volunteers.

£3.50 (includes materials)

Flower festival

Mon 4 - Sun 17 May, 10.30am-5pm

Experience the sense of spring, through the array of flowers on display in the house and garden. Join us on Sun 10 May to make a posy (material charges apply).

Help a plant grow 🌞

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May

Families can create a mini container garden and complete one of the '50 things to do before you're 11¾.'

£1 (incudes materials)

Trelissick

Near Truro TR3 6QL

Spring children's trail 🌞

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 10am-5pm

Spring is around the corner and colour is beginning to emerge from the winter garden. Can you spot the signs of spring around the garden in the February half-term trail?

125th anniversary of the National Trust

Daily from Sat 14 Mar, 11am-5pm

The talented members of the Cornwall Craft Association present their work in an exhibition of uniquely personal art, exploring the significance of the special places the National Trust looks after in Cornwall.

Daffodil weekend

Sat 21 & Sun 22 Mar, 10am-5pm

At the annual daffodil weekend see the stables bursting with colour as daffodils are displayed by some of Cornwall's finest breeders and growers.

Mother's Day planting 🌸

Sun 22 Mar, 12 noon-3pm

Looking for a special gift to give your mum this Mother's Day? Decorate your own pot and plant a beautiful flower together.

£3.50

'50 things' half term 🌞

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 10am-5pm

Calling families to join us in the garden during May half term to take part in the '50 things' trail and complete some of the '50 things to do before you're 11¾' activities.

Trengwainton Garden

Near Penzance TR20 8RZ

February half term: trail & seed planting 🌞

Sun 16 - Thu 20 Feb & Sun 23 Feb

10.30am-5pm

Nature-inspired fun fitness trail, plus free seed planting: pot up some seeds, take them home and grow butterfly and bee-friendly flowers.

Ticked pink in March 🌸

Daily in Mar (weather permitting),

10.30am-5pm

March means magnolias and we'll help you find the best places to sit and admire their huge pink waxy blooms. A great outing for mum on Mother's Day.

May half term: make some art 🌞

Sun 24 - Thu 28 & Sun 31 May 10.30am-5pm

Make fallen flower kebabs with the brightly-coloured flowers and leaves you find on the ground, then join others in 'planting' your kebab to form an art installation.

Trerice

Newquay TR8 4PG

World Book Day

Sat 7 & Sun 8 Mar, 10.30am-5pm

Celebrate books and visit over the weekend for activities and storytelling. There will also be a selection of World Book Day titles available from the shop.

Tudor costume days

Mon 13 Apr & 25 May, 11am-1pm & 2-4pm

Step back in time and dress up with the Trerice Costume Group. They'll be opening up their wardrobes packed to the brim with Tudor dresses, ruffs and doublets suitable for the whole family.

Dinner and jazz evenings

Fri 17 Apr & 29 May, 7.30-10pm

Visit on a spring evening to enjoy local jazz quartet Melange and a two-course meal in the barn restaurant.

Booking essential 0844 249 1895

£28

Family archery 🌞

Fri 8 May, 11am-3pm

Are you up to the challenge of defending Trerice? Only a proven marksman (or woman) will do. Using Archery GB's family friendly 'arrows' kits have a go at archery in the mowhay.

May half term 🌞

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 10.30am-5pm

As spring leads to summer and the days get longer, explore the garden at Trerice with a trail, activities and storytelling scheduled throughout the week.

South Cornwall coast and countryside

Hemmick beach cleans

Sat 1 Feb, 7 Mar, 4 Apr & 2 May, 10-11am

Can you spare half an hour or so to help keep Hemmick beach looking beautiful, and safer for wildlife? We'll provide all the equipment.

No need to book, just meet on the beach

Roseland Community beach cleans

Mon 3 Feb, 2 Mar, 6 Apr & 4 May,

Porthcurnick 10am, Pendower 2pm

Soak up fantastic views and fresh air whilst helping to keep this beautiful beach clean. We'll provide all the equipment.

No need to book, just meet on the beach

St Anthony Head unearthed

Sun 5 Apr & 10 May, tours: 11am-12.30pm & 1.30-3pm

Hear the stories of how this off-the-beaten-track place played its part in defending our shores.

Booking essential 01872 501062

Suggested donation £5

Veryan Bunker tours

Mon 25 May, tours: 11am-12.30pm

& 1.30-3pm

Discover the cold war secrets hidden up on Nare Head. Join tours by local expert Lawrence Holmes and hear what went on in a nuclear bunker and the neighbouring starfish bunker.

Booking essential 01872 278234

(please note: volunteer's landline)
£5

West Cornwall coast and countryside

Mayon Lookout: wildlife watch point

Sun 1 Mar - Sun 31 May, 10am-4pm

The refurbished coastguard watch point sitting on Mayon Cliffs is great for spotting wildlife. Borrow some binoculars to spot birds, butterflies, seals and even some playful dolphins out in the wild Atlantic.

Buzzing bees 🌞

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr & Sat 23 - Sun 31 May,

11am-3pm

Visit Cape Cornwall to buzz around the wildflower meadows searching for the hidden bee posts to learn about the rare bees that call this special place home.

Cliffs full of colour along the Tin Coast

Mon 11 - Sun 24 May, dawn-dusk

You don't have to go to the woods to see bluebells. Between Botallack and Kenidjack Head the cliffs are a haze of bluebells and other wild flowers.

Guided dusk run

See web for dates and times

A gentle-paced trail run in the countryside at the Tin Coast, Mayon Cliffs and Godolphin, with head torches and a run leader guiding the way, followed by refreshments.

Booking essential 01736 761015

£10 (includes cake and hot drink)

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A la Ronde

Near Exmouth EX8 5BD

Grand opening

Sat 1 Feb, 11-11.30am

Join the property team and volunteers as A la Ronde celebrates the opening of the doors to the house for 2020.

Outdoor exhibition: kokedama forest

Daily, Sat 1 - Sat 29 Feb, 10.30am-5pm

Look up in the orchard as spring flowers hang from the trees, planted in the Japanese kokedama flower art form.

Winter wandering trail 🌞

Daily, Sat 1 Feb - Sat 28 March,

10.30am-4.30pm

Explore the estate at A la Ronde and have a go at the craft activities at each trail stop.

£2 per trail

World Book Day

Thu 5 Mar, 10.30am-5.30pm

The team at A la Ronde will be getting dressed up to celebrate World Book Day. Explore the pre-loved book shop and use your World Book Day tokens throughout March.

Arlington Court and the National Trust Carriage Museum

Near Barnstaple EX31 4LP

Brilliant bird trail 🌞

Sat 15 Feb - Sun 1 Mar, 10.30am-4pm

Find out more about the birds that live at Arlington on a trail through the estate to claim your prize.

£1 per trail

Volunteer recruitment drop-ins

Tue 10 & Sat 14 Mar, 11am-1pm

Pop in for a chat, meet the team and find out what volunteer roles you could get involved with at Arlington Court in 2020.

Blooming spring trail 🌸

Sat 28 Mar - Thu 9 Apr & Tue 14 - Sun 19 Apr, 10.30am-4pm

Pick up a trail and discover the spring blooms in the garden, look out for clues along the way to claim your prize.

£1 per trail

Spring lamb talks

Sat 4 - Mon 13 Apr, 3-3.30pm

Meet a new flock of spring lambs at a talk by one of the local farmers.

Donations welcome

Wet plate photography workshops

Sat 25 Apr & 16 May, 10am-5pm

Join local photographer Stephen Raff for a workshop on how to take photographs the old-fashioned way. Using traditional techniques, you'll be able to produce glass plate photographs to take home.

Booking essential 0844 249 1895

£150

Poetry trail 📖

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 10.30am-4pm

Look out for inspiration in the garden at Arlington Court, follow the trail and create your own poetry.

£1 per trail

Buckland Abbey

Yelverton PL20 6EY

February half-term fun 🎉

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 11am-4.30pm

There's so much for all the family to enjoy this half term at Buckland Abbey. From crafts to trails, walks to dressing up, it's a great place for an adventure.

£1 per trail

Volunteer recruitment weekend

Sat 29 Feb - Sun 1 Mar, 11.30am-2.30pm

Have you ever wanted to start volunteering, but weren't sure where to begin? This is a great opportunity to find out; drop in to discover how volunteers make Buckland so special.

Mother's Day 🌸

Sun 22 Mar, 11am-4.30pm

Why not treat your mum to a special day out at Buckland this year? Spend some precious time together as a family and create a unique gift for mum in the school room.

May half-term fun 🌸

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 11am-4.30pm

There's lots of fun to be had at Buckland this half-term, from trails to crafts and much more.

£1 per trail

Castle Drogo

Dartmoor EX6 6PB

Helping nature trail 🌿

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 11am-4pm

Explore the grounds and learn new ways to help look after nature.

Wild tribe 🐾

Sun 16 Feb & Sun 19 Apr, 11am-3pm

Join the ranger team for bushcraft activities for children aged 5-12.

New beginnings trail

Sat 28 Mar - Thu 9 Apr, 11am-4pm

Families can follow the trail around the grounds finding out about new life emerging in nature, from insects to animals.

Crafty castle capers 🎨

Tue 31 Mar, 7 Apr & 26 May, 11am-4pm

Get your hands dirty by joining in a variety of fun filled craft activities.

£1-£2 per activity

Volunteer taster days

Mon 27 Apr - Sun 3 May, 10.30am-2.30pm

Be part of Castle Drogo's story as it starts a new chapter after seven years of building work. Come along to give volunteering a try in a role which interests you.

Booking essential online

Buzzing about bees trail 🐝

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 11am-4pm

Follow Drogo's resident bees around the grounds visiting plants and places they like the best.

Coleton Fishacre

Kingsweare TQ6 0EQ

Nature's builders trail 🐛

Daily, Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb & Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 10.30am-5pm

This half term, follow the trail to find out which animals live in the garden and discover how they build their homes.

Mini talk on the architecture of Coleton Fishacre house

Tue & Fri, 18, 21, 25 & 28 Feb, 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, & 24 Mar, 3-3.15pm

Find out about the architectural features of Coleton Fishacre and how this tells the story of this 1920s house.

Wild Wednesdays 🌿

Wed 19 Feb & 27 May 2-4pm

Come to Wild Wednesdays as the ranger team lead '50 things to do before you're 11¾' activities in the garden.

Mini walk and talk on landscape design

Wed, 19 & 26 Feb, 4, 11, 18 & 25 Mar, 2-2.15pm

Find out about the landscaping design of the garden on a 15 minute walk and talk with the garden team.

Countryside walks with a ranger

Thu 20 Feb, Fri 20 Mar, Thu 23 Apr, Fri 22 May, 11.30am-2pm

Explore the rugged stretch of coastline in the company of a countryside ranger and find out about the work the team does to care for this special place.

125 ways to fundraise with us open days

Mon 2 Mar, 6 Apr, 4 May, drop in 11am-4pm

2020 is the 125th anniversary of the National Trust. We've pledged to raise £125,000 for special projects, so why not drop in and see how you can become a fundraiser?

Scabbacombe beach clean

Sat 28 Mar, 10am-12 noon

Can you help clear litter and plastic from the coastline? You can join the countryside rangers as they lead a beach clean on Scabbacombe beach.

All that jazz pop-up dance workshop

Wed 29 & Thu 30 April, 11-11.30am & 12 noon-12.30pm

Put your best foot forward to celebrate International Dance and International Jazz Day by learning to Charleston in the Saloon.

National Walking Month: a week of walks

Mon 4 - Sun 10 May, see web for times

To celebrate National Walking Month there'll be a week of walks in the English Riviera. From countryside rambles to garden tours, wellbeing focused or specialist themes, there'll be a walk for everyone.

East Devon coast and countryside

Apple tree pruning in the Old Bakery Orchard

Wed 5 Feb, 10am-3pm

Help give the trees at Branscombe a trim and learn about how pruning keeps them healthy, improving their productivity and making sure the branches are balanced.

Booking essential 01752 346585

Apple tree pruning in the Millennium Orchard

Wed 12 Feb, 10am-3pm

Pick up your loppers and secateurs and help the rangers care for the fruit trees growing in this orchard at Branscombe.

Booking essential 01752 346585

Dawn chorus walk

Sun 3 May, 5.30-8am

Rise early and take a morning stroll through the countryside with the rangers to celebrate nature's greatest symphony.

Booking essential 01752 346585

Finch Foundry

Near Okehampton EX20 2NW

Classic car day

Sat 25 Apr, 11am-4pm

Amazing cars of all ages. With so many on show you're sure to see something new, bold or beautiful. If you'd like to bring along your classic, please get in touch.

Motorcycle day

Sat 16 May, 11am-4pm

An astounding array of motorcycles from throughout the ages to the modern day on display on Foundry Meadow. All motorcycles welcome.

Greenway

Near Brixham TQ5 0ES

***Pre-booked parking essential**

Travelling trees trail* 🌳

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 10.30am-5pm

This half term explore Greenway's trees from over the seas and delve into the history of the garden.

Countryside walk with a ranger*

Fri 21 Feb, Thu 19 Mar, Fri 24 Apr, & Thu 21 May, 11.30am-1pm

Explore Greenway garden and the wider estate in the company of a countryside ranger and find out about the work that the team does to care for this special place.

Greenway spring festival*

Sat 21 - Sun 29 Mar, 10.30am-5pm

Help to celebrate the arrival of spring at Greenway with a festival of walks and talks.

See web for prices

Spring garden cocktail bar

Fri 27 Mar, 5-7pm

Take a guided walk around Greenway's spring garden after hours, followed by cocktails in the Vinery.

Booking essential 01803 842382

£10

Days out at Greenway by canoe

Thu 2 Apr & 28 May, 9.30am-4pm

Explore the river Dart by canoe with Heatree Activity Centre. Starting and finishing at Dittisham, learn new skills on the river with a rest break at Greenway. Canoe equipment and instructor provided.

Booking essential 01803 842382

£35

Laura's appointment with Petra: 125km charity trek*

Sat 2 May, 3-4pm

Volunteer Officer Laura followed in Agatha Christie's shoes and trekked 125km through Jordan to ancient Petra as part of the 125th anniversary of the National Trust fundraising campaign. She'll share her experiences in this exciting talk in the Walled Garden.

'I am the seed that grew the tree'* 🌳

Fri 8 May - Sun 14 Jun, 10.30am-5pm

Get closer to nature with an outdoor poetry exhibition of the book 'I Am the Seed That Grew the Tree' and family trail to explore the poems together.

Dawn chorus

Sat 9 May, 4.15am-8am

Hear the early morning bird song and take a walk on the Greenway estate with one of the countryside rangers, followed by breakfast.

Booking essential 01803 842382

£15 (includes hot breakfast rolls)

Killerton

Near Exeter EX5 3LE

'Active Minds and Busy Bodies'

Daily until 1 Nov, 11am-5pm

This year's fashion exhibition will be exploring the activities that were developed from the boredom of country house living, through iconic items from Killerton's historic fashion collection.

Tree tales garden trail 🌳

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 11am-4pm

Winter is coming to an end and the garden is springing back to life. Get to know the mighty trees in Killerton's garden as you follow the half-term trail.

Memory snowdrop weekend

Sat 7 & Sun 8 Mar, 11am-4pm

Plant a lasting memory for someone special. Each year with your help the gardeners create a spectacular display of snowdrops in the chapel grounds.

£1 donation per bunch

Family forest school 🌳

Sun 26 Apr & 31 May, 11am-3pm

Kids can get into nature with activities such as wild art, campfire cooking and woodland crafts.

National Mills Weekend

Sat 9 & Sun 10 May, 1-5pm

Clyston Mill is a hidden piece of history waiting to be discovered. Celebrate National Mills weekend with free entry to one of England's last remaining working watermills.

Free admission

Classic car day

Sun 17 May, 10am-5pm

Pit stop at Killerton and admire hundreds of rare and unique classic cars on display in the historic parkland. Soak up the atmosphere, browse craft stalls and tuck into delicious food.

Flora and fauna nature trail 🌿

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 11am-4pm

With a beautiful garden and acres of parkland, Killerton is home to many different species of wildlife. Wander the winding pathways and explore off the beaten track to see what you'll discover.

Knightshayes

Near Tiverton EX16 7RQ

A different side to the family home house tours

Mon - Fri, 2 Jan - 14 Feb & 24 - 28 Feb, 11am, 12.15pm, 1.30pm & 2.45pm

Find out about a different side to Knightshayes including the changes made when the National Trust began caring for it, and the work that goes on behind the scenes in the house.

Bookable on arrival in Visitor Reception

Tremendous trees trail 🌳

Sat 15 - Sun 23 Feb, 10am-4pm

Trees give us lots of clues when it comes to identifying them during the colder months. Join us this half term to find out what to look for.

£1.50 per trail (includes prize)

Seed swap

Sat 14 Mar, 11am-2pm

Bring along your surplus seeds to swap with other local gardeners and pick up some seeds from Knightshayes's collection of heritage vegetable and flower varieties to add to your own gardens.

Batty about bats trail

Sat 28 Mar - Thu 9 Apr & Tue 14 - Sun 19 Apr, 10am-4pm

Sort the fact from fiction when it comes to these elusive little creatures.

£2 per trail (includes prize)

How does the garden grow trail 🌱

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 10am-4pm

Tick off adventure number 41 of the '50 things to do before you're 11¾' by finding out how the garden grows and everything needed to make your own garden flourish.

£1.50 per trail (includes prize)

Craft: help a plant grow 🌱

Tue 26 - Thu 28 May, 2-4pm

Planting starts small. Learn about what you can plant, where, and when, and take home your own planted seed for your garden at home.

£2 per craft

Lydford Gorge

Near Tavistock EX20 4BH

Fun with fire 🌳

Tue 18 Feb & Sat 14 Mar, 12 noon-2pm

Light a fire without matches, then mix up some tasty dough to cook on a stick over the campfire.

£2.50

Apple pruning

Sat 22 Feb, 10.30am-12.30pm

Join the rangers for a hands-on morning in the orchard to learn the art of pruning apple trees.

Booking essential 01822 820320

Spring wild kitchen

Sat 25 Apr, 11am-2pm

One of four seasonal events throughout the year. Forage for wild garlic and seasonal edibles on a 45 minute ranger-led walk. Then cook a fresh pasta and pesto lunch over the camp fire.

Booking essential 0844 249 1895
£16

North Devon coast and countryside

Family bash and burn 🌱

Thu 20 Feb, 11am-3pm

The whole family can help to cut and burn gorse bushes at Morteheo this half term. Tools and training provided. Meet at Morteheo car park EX34 7DT.

Suitable for children aged 5+

Family walling day 🌱

Thu 25 May, 11am-3pm

Help the Morteheo ranger team to rebuild the drystone walls. Suitable for all the family, tools and tuition provided. Meet at Morteheo carpark, EX34 7DT.

Overbeck's

Sharpitor TQ8 8LW

A taste of Japan

Daily from Sat 8 Feb, 11am-5pm

A new self-led tour highlighting the fascinating plants that have been introduced from Japan. New interpretation and displays feature the horticultural techniques and tools used. 'Cloud pruning' demonstrations at selected times.

Afternoon tea and tasty treats 🌸

Fri 14 Feb & Sun 22 Mar, 11am-4.30pm

Take a seat in the old billiard room or on the terrace overlooking the Salcombe Estuary, to indulge in a mouth-watering selection of local food.

Booking essential 01548 845014

Various prices: see web

Easter family garden trail 🌱

Mon 30 Mar - Mon 13 Apr, 11am-4.30pm

To claim a palm tree seedling, budding plant hunters can explore the garden to complete the flora trail.

Child £3

Saltram

Near Plymouth PL7 1UH

Celebrating a Georgian treasure

Daily from Sun 1 Mar, 10am-5pm

This year you can experience the house a little differently. Showcasing the true treasures of its collection, Saltram will be presented in all its Georgian glory.

Introductory house tours

Daily from Sun 1 Mar, 11-11.30am & 11.30am-12 noon

Discover the world of the Parker family and how they developed a Georgian treasure.

Bookable on arrival in the welcome centre

Spring garden trail

Sun 1 - Fri 27 Mar, 10am-5pm

Celebrate the very best of spring in Saltram garden with a brand-new trail.

Pick up a trail from the welcome centre

Garden tours

Every Wed from 4 Mar, 11am-12 noon

Join one of the friendly and knowledgeable garden team to find out what it takes to keep the garden looking at its best.

Dazzling daffodils

Sun 1 Mar - Thu 30 Apr, 10am-5pm

With over ninety daffodil varieties planted at Saltram, now is the perfect time to see them in all their glory.

Trust10 trail run

Sun 22 Mar, 26 Apr & 24 May, 9-11am

A free, relaxed and friendly 10k run around Saltram park. This marked and marshalled course is held on the fourth Sunday of every month.

Grand reopening of the restored orange grove

Tue 19 - Sat 23 May, 10am-5pm

Enjoy the spirit of Chelsea closer to home at Saltram's very own show garden.

May half-term fun 🌱

Sat 23 - Sun 31 May, 10am-5pm

This half term why not pick up a '50 things to do before you're 11¾' booklet and get going on your tick list?

South Devon coast and countryside

Tree planting at South Down Farm 🌱

Fri 21 Feb, 2-4pm

How often do you get to do something which will last for hundreds of years? Come and help the rangers plant some trees in areas around South Down Farm.

Booking essential 01752 346585

Big Day Out on the Farm at East Soar

Sun 19 Apr, 11am-3pm

Meet the animals, explore East Soar's ponds and meadows and go on a hunt for bugs; just some of the activities planned for this joint event with the AONB.

Spring clean South Milton Beach

Wed 22 Apr, 11am-12 noon

Get hands-on, helping to care for special places, by joining the rangers to give this beautiful sandy beach a springtime clean.

Cadbury Easter Egg Hunts

Bring the whole family together for fun and nature-filled discoveries as you spot the first signs of spring at the places we care for. Follow bunny's clues and finish your adventure with a delicious, Cadbury chocolate treat.

Cadbury Easter Egg Hunts while stocks last.

CORNWALL

Antony

Wed 1 - Thu 2, Tue 7 - Fri 10 & Sun 12 - Mon 13 Apr, 12 noon-4.30pm

Follow the clues in the hunt around the garden.

£2.50

Boscastle

Fri 10 - Sun 12 Apr, 11am-3pm

Find out about the nature you can find at Boscastle, by following clues around the harbour.

£2.50

Botallack

Sat 28 Mar - Mon 13 Apr, 11am-4pm

Explore Botallack's wild cliffs and learn about the Cornish cough.

£2.50

Cotehele

Sat 28 Mar - Mon 13 Apr, 11am-4pm

Help Bunny find friends around Cotehele to make music in Nature's Band.

£2

Glendurgan

Sat 28 Mar - Mon 13 Apr (excluding Mon 30 Mar & 6 Apr) 10.30am-4.30pm

Explore Glendurgan this Easter holiday with a nature-themed Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt suitable for all ages.

£2

Godolphin

Sat 28 Mar - Mon 13 Apr, 10.30am-4pm

Get a hop in your step as you discover signs of spring at Godolphin.

£2.50

Holywell

Sun 12 Apr, 10.30am-3pm

Learn more about the coast on the Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt on this sandy beach between Newquay and Perranporth.

£2.50

Lanhydrock

Sat 28 Mar - Tue 14 Apr, 10am-4pm

Discover the Victorian obsession with all things creepy crawly and meet some of the minibests who make Lanhydrock their home today.

£3

Tintagel Old Post Office

Fri 10 - Mon 13 April, 10.30am-5pm

Explore the house to crack open clues.

£2.50

Trelissick

Sat 28 Mar - Mon 13 Apr, 10am-4pm

The spring garden is full of clues to find and puzzles to solve. It's time to put on your explorer's hat and get closer to nature.

£3

Trengwainton Garden

Sun 29 Mar - Thu 2 Apr, Sun 5 - Fri 10 Apr, & Sun 12 - Mon 13 Apr, 10.30am-4pm

Twist and turn your way around the garden with this wriggly worm trail. Discover fun facts about these hard-working underground recyclers.

£2.50

Trerice

Daily, 28 Mar - 13 Apr, 11am-4.30pm

Explore the Trerice garden, looking for signs of spring as you go.

£2

DEVON

Arlington Court and the National Trust Carriage Museum

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 10.30am-4pm

Take part in a nature trail across the garden at Arlington.

£2.50

Baggy Point

Sat 28 Mar - Mon 13 Apr, 10am-4pm

Get closer to nature by following this '50 things to do before you're 11¾' themed hunt out to Baggy Point.

Collect your map from the car park kiosk
£2.50

Buckland Abbey

Sat 28 Mar - Mon 13 Apr, 10am-4pm

Get ready for lots of fun and discovery as you spot the first signs of spring at Buckland Abbey.

£2

Castle Drogo

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 10am-4.30pm

Follow the journey of a seed through the grounds to claim your Cadbury prize.

£2.50

Coleton Fishacre

Thu 26 Mar - Sun 12 Apr, 10.30am-4pm

Follow the minibest eggs around the garden to claim your prize.

£2.50

Compton Castle

Tue - Thu, 1 - 16 Apr, 10.30am-4pm

Squirrels like acorns for an Easter treat. Can you help them find the colourful Easter acorns hidden around the garden?

£2.50

East Pool Mine

Sat 28 - Mon 30 Mar, Sat 4 - Mon 5 & Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 11am-4pm

Hop along to East Pool Mine for drop-in arts and craft workshops in the Boiler House and the Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt.

£2

Finch Foundry

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 11am-4pm

Have a mini adventure on a Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt.

£2.50

Greenway

Thu 2 - Sun 19 April, 10.30am-4pm

Become a wildlife detective and hunt for signs of animals in the garden.

Pre-booked parking essential
£2.50



Heddon Valley

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 11am-3pm

Follow Ranger Dan's trail through Heddon to discover more about its wildlife and nature. Start at the National Trust shop and head along the river.

£2.50

Killerton

Sat 28 Mar - Sun 19 Apr, 10am-4pm

Follow the fun hunt around the outdoors. On your way round, explore winding paths to find the Bear's Hut, ice house and Chapel.

£2.50

Knightshayes

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 10am-4pm

Complete the trail to find out more about the bats you can see at Knightshayes.

£2.50

Lydford Gorge

Sat 28 Mar - Sun 19 Apr, 10am-4.30pm

The gorge is alive with the music of nature. Rattle, bang and whistle around the orchard, then make a sound map of the gorge.

£3

Saltram

Sat 28 Mar - Mon 13 April, 10am-4pm

Hunt high and low for clues in the garden.

£2

Watersmeet

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 11am-3pm

From Watersmeet House follow the woodland route along the river and find the clues hidden in the Lyn Valley.

£2.50

Woolacombe

Fri 10 - Mon 13 Apr, 10.30am-3pm

What have the Easter bunnies hidden in Woolacombe dunes? This '50 things to do before you're 11¾' hunt takes you around Woolacombe to find clues.

Collect your map from the Tourist Information Centre
£2.50