



Visual Guide



Contact details



You can contact us via

Visitor information:

01665 511350 option 1

Email:

info@alnwickgarden.com

First aid or emergency helpline:

01665 511350 option 1

Lost property:

01665 511350 option 1



How to get here by public transport

Bus:

X15 Newcastle to Berwick - Alnwick Bus Station then 15 minute walk to Greenwell Road entrance. Playhouse bus stop 7 minute walk to Greenwell Road entrance.

X18 Newcastle to Berwick - Alnwick Bus Station then 15 minute walk to Greenwell Road entrance. Playhouse bus stop 7 minute walk to Greenwell Road entrance.

X20 Newcastle to Berwick - Alnwick Bus Station then 15 minute walk to Greenwell Road entrance. Playhouse bus stop 7 minute walk to Greenwell Road entrance.

Train:

Alnmouth Train Station is a 15 minute bus journey to Alnwick Bus Station then a 15 minute walk to Greenwell Road entrance.



Disabled parking



Postcode for car park:

NE66 1FJ (Denwick Lane)

Drivers displaying a blue badge can park here free of charge. If you do not have a blue badge and need to park here please speak to our member of staff on the gate or call 01665 511350 option prior to your visit.

The Accessible Car Park is next to The Treehouse and has multiple car parking spaces. The main car park is across the road.



Garden opening times



The Alnwick Garden opens at 10am every day off peak and 9am during peak (school holidays)

Visit www.alnwickgarden.com to check up to date opening times.

Please note, last entry to The Garden is 45 minutes before closing.

THE ALNICK GARDEN

THE CRUSADE OF THE DRAGONS
18TH - 26TH FEBRUARY 2023
VISIT THE GARDEN ENTRY: FREE BOOK ONLINE: WWW.ALNICKGARDEN.COM

Upgrade Your Visit!
Upgrade your day ticket to an annual pass or membership today and enjoy The Garden all year round!

Annual Pass
• Free entry for a year from date of purchase during normal opening hours.
• Free entry for up to 4 children (per adult) under the age of 16.
Friends Membership
• Free entry for one adult for individual membership or two adults for a family membership.
• Free parking.
• Exclusive offers and early access to ticket sales throughout the year.
Ask a member of staff for more information

Our Social Purpose
Behind the scenes of The Alnwick Garden there is a hardworking charity that seeks to support those in our community who need it most.

Wellbeing
• **ELDERBERRIES**
Purpose: To address the impact of loneliness and isolation for people aged 55 and over living in Northumberland. The programme aims to support people to age well in our community using NHS England guidance. 5 steps to mental wellbeing through connecting people, encouraging daily activity, learning new skills, sharing with others, and being mindful.
• **YOUNG GARDENERS**
Purpose: To provide an inclusive learning experience for young people with additional support needs and their families, using horticulture to improve confidence, communication and social skills.
• **COMMUNITY BRIDGE**
Purpose: To reduce food wastage whilst providing a positive social space for local visitors and the community to learn more about food, sustainable eating, growing your own and eating on a budget.
• **ROOTS AND SHOOTS**
Purpose: To reduce the prevalence of childhood obesity through learning about healthy eating and the importance of physical activity.
• **DRUGS EDUCATION**
Purpose: To prevent harmful drug use, allowing young people to make informed choices and consider safer options.

Education
• **CLIMATE ACTION PROGRAMMES**
Purpose: Develop climate & ecological emergency themes into our education and community engagement programmes, linked to curriculum, wellbeing and practical action. Educate and inspire business leaders to understand the climate crisis and how they can become changemakers.
Empowerment
• **SEEDS FOR SUCCESS (ENTERPRISE)**
Purpose: Provide a platform for people to develop the practical business skills required to start up their own business. Support with initiatives to allow beneficiaries to earn an income.
• **GROW INTO WORK (EMPLOYABILITY)**
Purpose: To empower people to secure better jobs and secure their future through developing skills and confidence. To provide young people with a sense of purpose and help them develop aspirations for future career pathways and opportunities.

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WWW.ALNICKGARDEN.COM
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Entrance gates



The main entrance to The Garden is through the gate shown below.

There are two ways to get to this gate. One is from our accessible car park and the other is from Alnwick Town entrance through Greenwell Road.



People who can help



There are lots of staff and volunteers who can help you on your visit.

Keep an watch our for anyone in The Alnwick Garden uniform and a lanyard.

Our staff are always there to help you if you're stuck, lost, worried or need somewhere quiet if you are feeling overwhelmed.

All of our staff also carry radios, which you may hear.



Accessibility at The Alnwick Garden

Wheelchairs & Scooters:

We welcome all types of mobility scooters and manual wheelchairs. We have a small number of them free of charge to hire by prebooking and calling 01665 511350 option 1. These can be in our accessible car park ready for your arrival.

Assistance Dogs:

All recognised guide, assistance, or service dogs, including assistance dogs in training, are welcome into The Alnwick Garden. We ask that they are recognisable, with a lead or harness that identifies them as working.



Toilets with wheelchair access



- Gun Shed
- The Pinery Gift Shop and Plant Centre
- The Pavilion Cafe
- The Pavilion Events Room
- The Treehouse



Places to eat



Cafes & restaurant on site:

- The Pavilion Cafe
- The Bakery
- The Potting Shed
- The Treehouse Restuarant

You are welcome to bring your own food and drink. There are plenty of picnic tables and benches around the site or you can have a picnic on the lawn in front of The Grand Cascade.



Suggested highlights



- The Grand Cascade
- The Poison Garden
- The Ornamental Garden
- The Cherry Orchard
- The Serpent Garden
- The Bamboo Labyrinth
- The Rose Garden



Quiet places

- The Ornamental Garden
- The Oldest Tree
- The Pond



Noises you might hear



The Alnwick Garden is a place where lots of different kind of activities take place. There can be children running around looking for clues throughout the year all across The Garden which may include some music or sound effects. You may hear the Grand Cascade fountain go off every hour and on the half past with its water display. The Serpent Garden has water features displaying all day with the largest one (Torricelli) squirting out of the ground every 20 minutes giving people a fright if they get wet in it. There are also, at different times of the year, gardeners carrying out their daily tasks such as leaf blowing, hedge cutting and cutting the grass. Next door to The Alnwick Garden is our Lilidorei play village. You may hear children enjoying themselves and the noise being carried in the wind.



Wildlife at The Alnwick Garden



There is a lot of wildlife you may see in The Garden. The main one are the ducks that live on our Pond. They visit the Pavilion daily hoping to get some food and we ask that people do not feed the ducks as they can jump up at you and human food is not good for them. Lots of different kinds of British birds can also be spotted around The Garden.

Occasionally if you are here on a quiet day you may see some deer roaming around.

There are also our bees in our Roots and Shoots Garden.



The Grand Cascade

The Grand Cascade is the first thing you see as you enter The Garden.

Every hour and half past it's display will go off using the 120 jets.

There are childrens tractors at the bottom for children to ride and enjoy collecting the water.



The Poison Garden

The Poison Garden offers free timed guided tours every day and you enter through the big black gates. If you need the tour tweaked to suit your needs please speak to one of the guides.

The Poison Garden is the only place we ask you to not touch, smell or taste the plants.



The Serpent Garden

There are 8 different kinds of water features all showing how water reacts to a different surface. The main feature is called Torricelli and erupts from the ground every 20 minutes soaking any person standing near.



The Rose Garden

The Rose Garden has over 200 David Austin roses bushes. This usually is at its best from June to September and every rose is places in there to compliment each other with the smell. The Duchess' Gate is situated in The Rose Garden and plays 8 different bird songs.



The Ornamental Garden

The Rose Garden has over 1600 European plants which all bloom at different times of the year and is planted in square flowerbeds. There are 16th century black Venetian gates at the entrance in the three arches. At the centre of The Ornamental Garden is a large source pool which has bubbles that pop and come to the surface with seats dotted around it.



The Cherry Orchard

The Cherry Orchard is home to 326 Taihaku cherry trees. This is known as the great white cherry with 7cm white blossom. These trees are in bloom at the end of April to the beginning of May. You can see what the orchard looks like on our blossom watch camera live on our website. There is a windy path taking you through the orchard and 50 swings dotted throughout.



The Treehouse

The Treehouse is just outside of the main garden and accessible to all by a wooden pathway. Inside The Treehouse is the restaurant with an open fire. It is best to book this in advance if you wish to visit as it is very popular. There is also The Potting Shed café to enjoy a light lunch. If you want a bit of adventure you can venture over the wobbly bridges which are fully accessible to wheelchairs.



The Bamboo Labyrinth

Enjoy the twists and turns of the labyrinth and see if you can find the stone map in the middle. This can be a dark area with children running around. There are also metal leaves slightly raised on the floor throughout.



The Roots and Shoots Garden

The Roots and Shoots Garden is just outside of the main garden and you enter it by the small gate next to Alnwick Castle entrance. There are different vegetable plots throughout, growing a range of herbs and vegetables. Some of these are raised beds. Many of our charitable programmes take place in here and we have our Bee Zero hut to explore and learn all out the bees which live in the hives here.



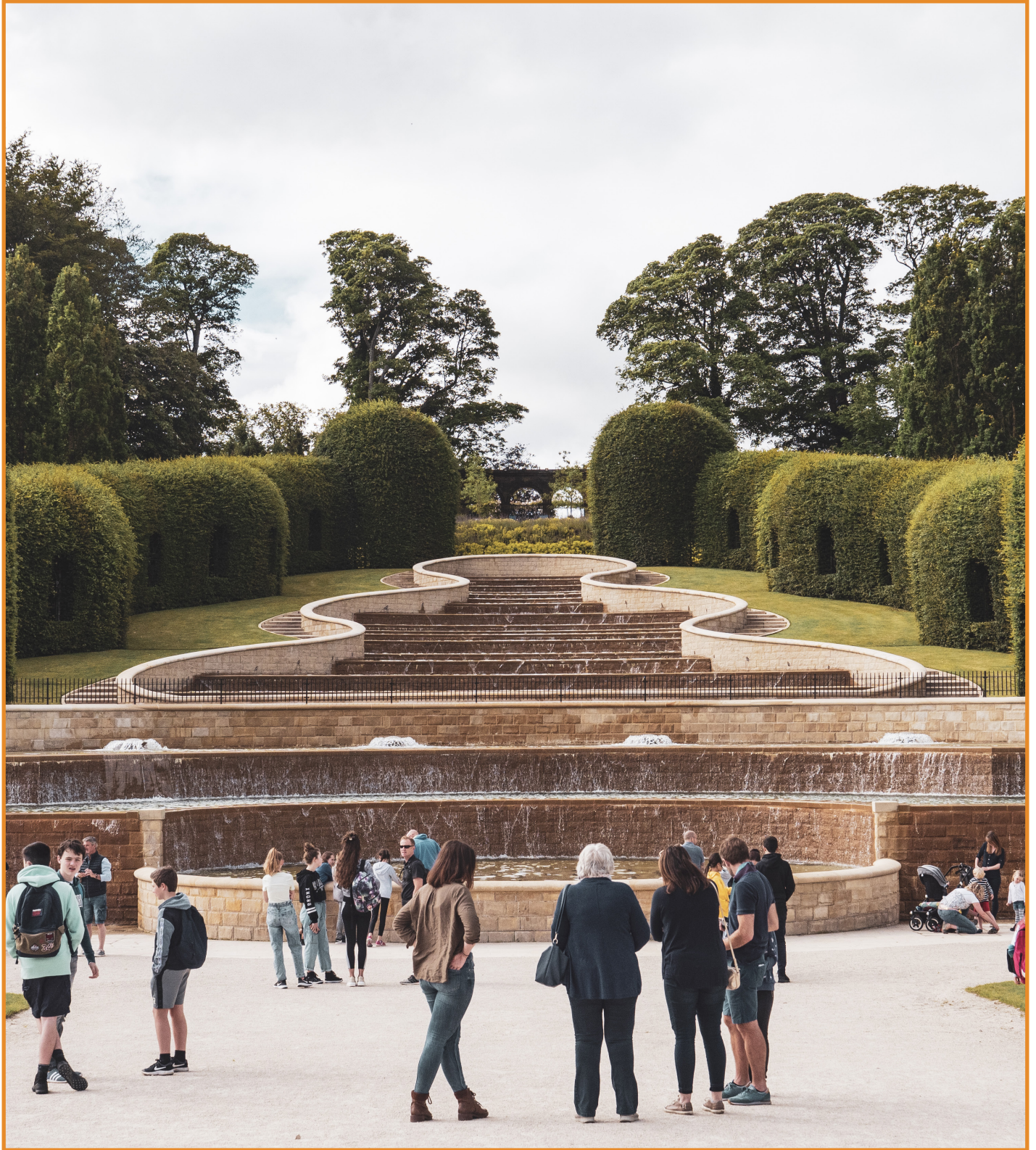
Forgotten Garden Adventure Golf

The Forgotten Garden Adventure Golf course consists of 13 holes with different giant creatures throughout. Wheelchairs can access the whole course and travel through the beehive tunnel. There is also a spider in there which will squirt water at you and a smoke machine underneath it.



Thank you

We hope you enjoy your visit to The Alnwick Garden



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