

EXHIBITOR PROFILES



Royal Horticulture Society

The RHS is the UK's gardening charity, helping people & plants grow. RHS Learning provides horticultural education, training, and qualifications for all levels, from beginners to professionals. They offer recognized certificates, apprenticeships, school workshops, and adult workshops.



Plumpton College

Plumpton College is a leading specialist land-based college in East Sussex, England, offering further and higher education courses in agriculture, horticulture, animal management, and wine production.



British Association of Landscape Industries

The British Association of Landscape Industries is the leading Trade Association representing all landscape professionals - from design, build and maintenance through to supply, training and education.



Animal & Plant Health Agency

We work to safeguard animal and plant health for the benefit of people, the environment and the economy.



National Trust

As Europe's biggest conservation charity, we look after nature, beauty and history for everyone to enjoy.



West Sussex Growers

Discover the West Sussex Growers Association, a leading horticultural network supporting innovation, sustainability, and careers in the local growing.



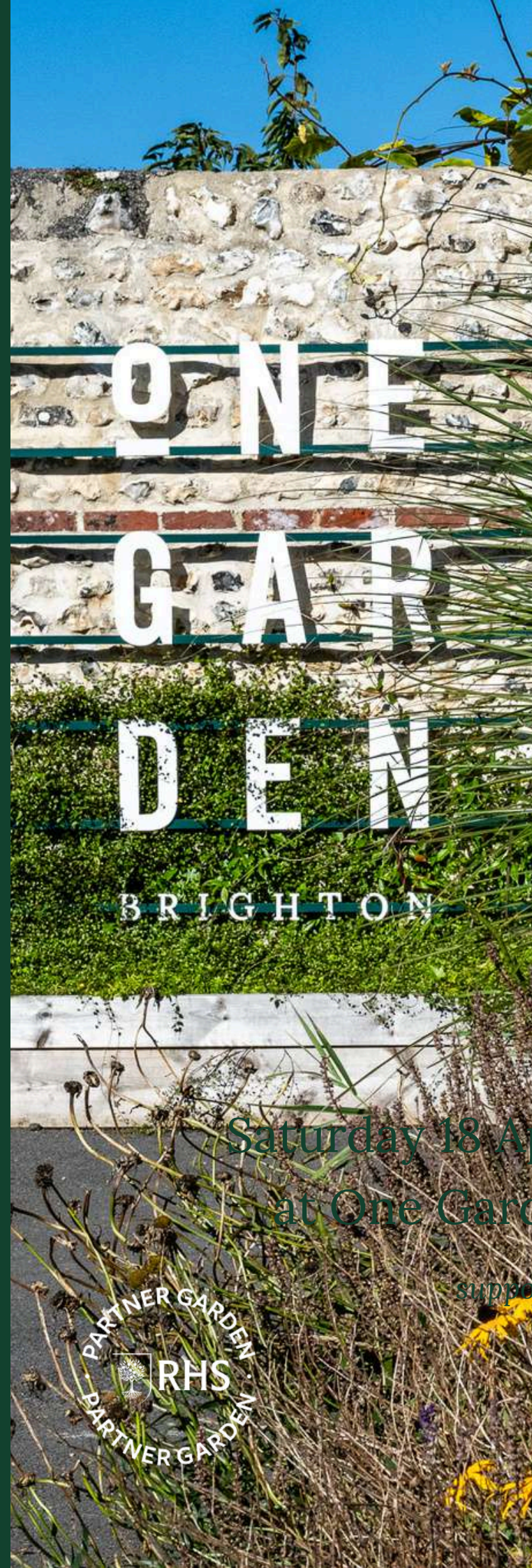
Joe Court Forestry

Joe Court Forestry Ltd is a leading forestry contracting company in the South offering all aspects of woodland management across the UK.



Sussex Butterfly Gardens

Discover Brighton's newest tropical butterfly garden, where learning comes to life. Launching at One Garden Brighton in May 2026.



Green Careers Open Day

at One Garden Brighton

Saturday 18 April | 10 - 2pm



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We are delighted to host the Green Careers Open Day at One Garden Brighton on Saturday 18 April 2026, supported by the RHS. The event will feature a variety of exhibitors showcasing employers and volunteering opportunities linked to horticulture careers. You'll also hear from industry professionals and students through guest talks offering advice and inspiration for your own career journey.

The day will feature a wide range of exhibitors to help you discover employers and career opportunities related to the horticultural sector.

The day is free to attend, and you can enjoy locally sourced coffee and freshly baked artisan goods from the Café and our beautiful walled garden.

PROGRAMME SPEAKERS STAGE

10:30 - 11:00 am	Kevin Gaston, Professor of Biodiversity & Conservation, University of Exeter
11:15 - 11:45am	Julia Behrens, Medical Herbalist, Herbal Consultant at Lectuer
12:00 -12:30pm	Chloe Sutcliffe RHS Science and Collections Sustainability Fellow
12:45 -13:15pm	Sophie Ridley RHS Edibles Team
13:30 - 14:00pm	Rachel Owen, Garden Designer

GUIDED TOURS AROUND THE WALLED GARDEN

Guided tours with our Head of Grounds and Gardens, Alex Waterfield & Head Gardener Peter Wood. Explore the concept, designs and plants in each of the 12 formal gardens at One Garden Brighton. Garden tours run at 10.30, 11.30, 12.30 & 1.30.

SPEAKER PROFILES



Kevin Gaston, Professor of Biodiversity & Conservation, University of Exeter

Professor Kevin J. Gaston is a distinguished researcher in Biodiversity and Conservation at the University of Exeter's Environment and Sustainability Institute (ESI), specializing in common ecology, nighttime ecology, and human-nature interactions. He is a leading expert with over 600 papers, directing the RENEW biodiversity program, and holds roles at DarkSky International and the NERC Council.



Rachel Owen, Garden Designer and Urban Forster Rachel Owen BA (Hons) MSc.

Rachel Owen is a garden designer with over 30 years' experience, specialising in creating sustainable, wildlife-friendly gardens from concept through to build. Her work focuses on biodiversity, responsible sourcing, and designing resilient, layered spaces using trees and structural planting to ensure long-term impact.



Chloe Sutcliffe, RHS Science and Collections Sustainability Fellow

Chloe is an environmental social scientist with a background in horticulture. She trained as a gardener with Garden Organic and at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, before combining her skills as a social researcher with her love of gardening in her current role at the RHS, where she conducts projects on sustainable gardening and behaviour change.

CAREERS TALK

Join a Q&A session on horticulture careers hosted by the team from Plumpton College at 12:30. This engaging session offers real insights from tutors and industry professionals, along with the opportunity to ask questions directly. You'll gain an understanding of how to get started in the industry, exploring different routes into horticulture such as college courses, apprenticeships, and degrees. The session will also cover funding options and explain how training works, helping you take your first steps towards a career in this field.

Whether you're just beginning to explore your options or already considering your next move, this is a great opportunity to find out what's possible and how to get there.

DEMONSTRATIONS WITH APPRENTICES FROM RHS WISLEY

Join apprentices from RHS Wisley for some live practical demonstrations and gardening tips with sessions at 11.00 & 1.00. There will be a chance to ask questions directly and gain insight into horticulture careers and training pathways.