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Explore the senses in spring!
Seasonal map



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Visitor Information

Opening times
Arboretum: 9am-5pm (last paid entry 4:30pm)
Welcome Building: 10am-4pm

Contact details
General Enquiries: Tel 0300 067 4890 (Mon-Fri)
Email: westonbirt@forestryengland.uk
School visits: 0300 067 4856

First aid, lost persons and lost property
Report to the Welcome Building. If it is an emergency and you are near the shop or restaurant please ask staff to radio the Visitor Services team.

Mobility scooters and wheelchairs
Electric mobility scooters and manual wheelchairs are available. Call: 0300 067 4861

Dogs
Well behaved dogs are welcome in Silk Wood. Dogs must be on leads around the car park, facilities, on the Stihl Treetop Walkway and the Downs. The Old Arboretum, Welcome Building and restaurant are dog-free zones (except assistance dogs).

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Welcome to Westonbirt

Originally planted by the wealthy Holford family in the mid-nineteenth century, today Westonbirt is one of the finest tree collections in the world, carefully laid out within a beautiful Grade I picturesque landscape.

This spring, explore the trees through your senses; visual feasts, scented wonders and tasty treats... follow the seasonal trails to find out more!

What to do today...

- **Join** a free guided walk
- **Explore** our seasonal trails or family activity trail
- **Find** which plants are looking their blooming best at the Welcome Building
- **Discover** a quiet spot to listen to the spring breeze

Interested in learning more?
Want to become a member?
Have a question?

Visit our Welcome Building to chat with our friendly volunteers
Open daily 10am - 4pm

Cover image: Hawthorns (*Crataegus* sp.) give mixed messages... their sickly sweet scent is a nod to deathly folklore, but their beauty and tasty leaves welcome in spring. Find out more on our seasonal trails...



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Entry to the ARB Show is included in the price of entry to the arboretum.

The ARB Show:
A celebration of the science of trees
Friday 15 - Saturday 16 May

Meet the experts who take care of the nation's trees at the ARB Association's annual Show! Talk to tree-care professionals, see exciting demonstrations, watch tree climbing competitions and learn more about the science of trees. And with a kids' tree climbing, a zip-line, climbing wall and other activities to get involved with, there's something for the whole family to enjoy!



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In February 2020 the Westonbirt Gift Shop was taken over by the Friends of Westonbirt Arboretum charity.

Every purchase directly contributes to supporting Westonbirt, The National Arboretum, so why not pop in and find a special something to help us continue looking after our collection of trees.

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Spring Events

For full details of all our events please see forestryengland.uk/westonbirt or ask in the Welcome Building.

Discover Westonbirt...
through our guided walks...

- Wonders of Westonbirt***
Seasonal highlights of Old Arboretum
Daily from 11am and 2pm
- Wildflower Walks***
First Tue of the month from 10.30am (starts 7th April)
- Great Oak Hall weekend tours**
Check fowa.org.uk for dates
- Special Themed Walks**
Find out more on our website, or at the Welcome Building
Every Sat, 11.30am and 2pm

- Get active...**
- Buggyfit**
Every Friday morning from 10.30am. £5 pay as you go
- Tree Climbing**
Fri 10 Apr, Wed 27 May, Sat 25 Jul, hours slots from 10am - 5pm £20 plus site admission fee

- Explore new art**
- Great Oak Hall Art Sales 10am to 4pm**
British Woodcarver's Association
9th to 15th April
Frances Whitman and Jayne Tricker
2nd to 10th May
- Carole Ingram and Gill Harkness**
23rd to 31st May

Enjoy family time through creative hands-on events...

- Awakening Woods***
Discover spring with microscopes and make spring crafts.
Sat 21 and Sun 22 Mar (Mothering Sunday weekend), 10.30am - 3.30pm
- Big Forest Find Discovery weekend***
Join us and venture out to spot minibeasts!
Sat 9 and Sun 10 May, 11am - 4pm
- Tastes of spring***
Take the taste test, create bee related crafts.
Tues 26 - Fri 29 May, 11am - 4pm
- Tots & Twigs Forest School**
Thu & Fri mornings and afternoon during term time. For prices see website
- Gruffalo Spotters Trail**
Download the app and search for clues to spot the Gruffalo.
Starts 13 Mar
Free after admission - pick up a pack for £3.50 from the Welcome Building

- Scent-sational spring***
Create a woodland perfume and make scented crafts.
Mon 6 - Thu 9 Apr, 11am - 4pm
- Spring symphony***
Spring sounds quiz and make instruments out of Westonbirt wood.
Tue 14 - Fri 17 Apr, 11am - 4pm

- Learn new skills**
- Spoon Carving**
Sat 7 Mar, Thu 23 Apr, Sun 7 Jun, 10am - 5pm
£75
- Windsor Chair Making Course**
Various week long dates from Apr - Oct, 9am - 5pm
£425
- Rustic Furniture Workshop**
Fri 22, Sat 23, Sun 24 May, Fri 19, Sat 20, Sun 21 Jun, Fri 17, Sat 18, Sun 19 Jul
9.30am - 6pm
£85 for 1 chair or stool (1 person), £170 for 1 bench (2 persons)
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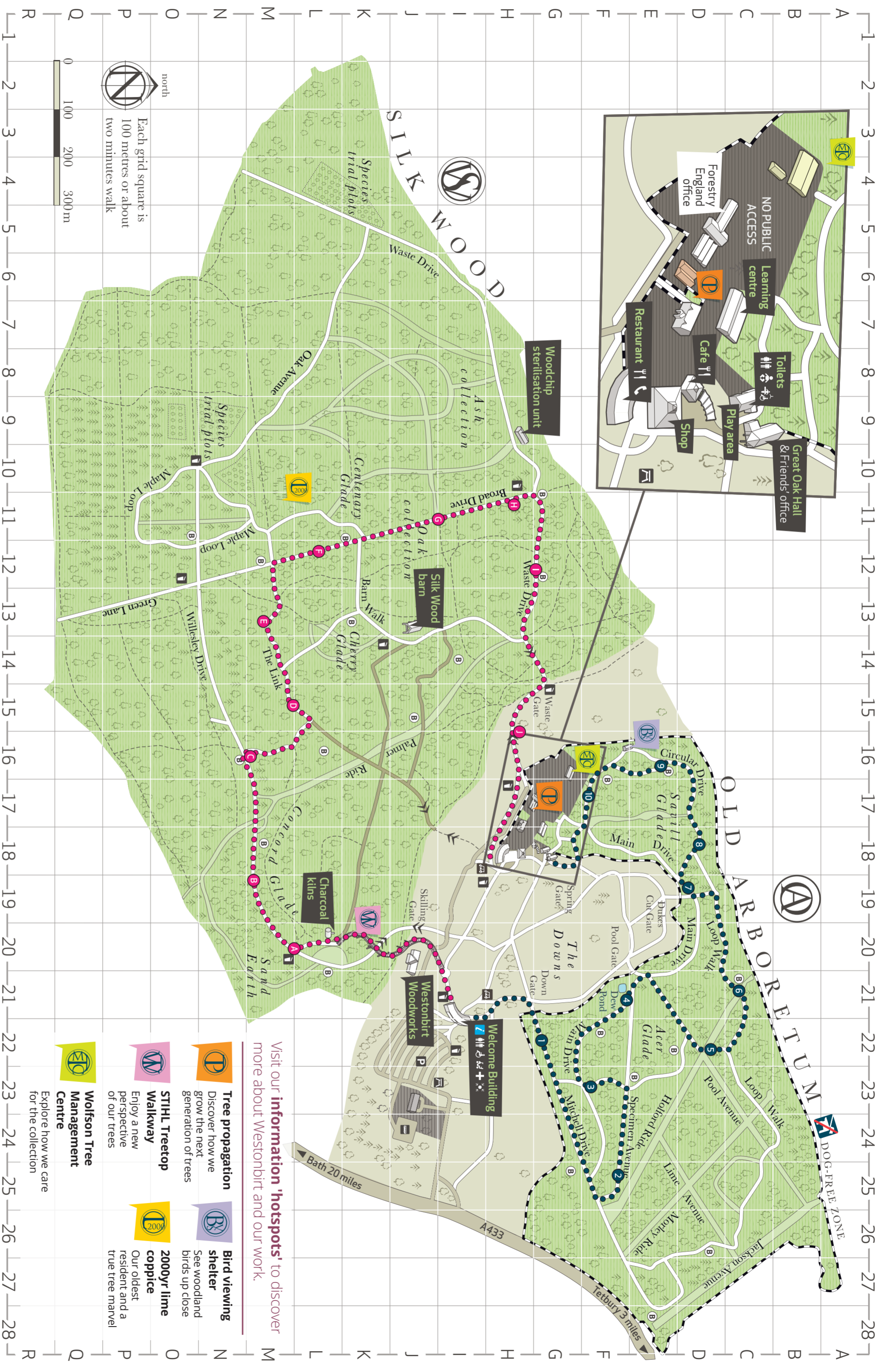


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SPRING trail map

Follow our trails to discover seasonal scents, nifty floral tricks and arboretum sounds!

- Old Arboretum spring trail
approx. 1.7 miles (allow 1.5-2 hrs)
- Silk Wood spring trail
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- ② Seasonal trail stops
- ⑨ Seasonal trail stops



Identifying a tree

- Tree identification number
- 08.0489
- 2006
- Calycanthus occidentalis
- Californian Allspice
- CALYCANTHACEAE
- USA
- Plant family
- Date of planting
- Country of origin

Key

- Hard path (wheelchair access)
- Woodchip path
- Unsurfaced (grass) path or ride
- Informal woodland path
- Dog-free zone (Old Arboretum)
- Steep slope
- Benches
- Collections / ornamental planting
- Native woodland / coppice
- No public access
- Information
- Lost persons
- First aid
- Picnic area
- Toilets
- Disabled toilets
- Baby changing
- Accessible toilet
- Parking
- Dog bins
- Mobility scooters
- Mobility shuttle pick-up
- Coach parking

Visit our **information 'hotspots'** to discover more about Westonbirt and our work.

- Tree propagation**
Discover how we grow the next generation of trees
- STIHL Treetop Walkway**
Enjoy a new perspective of our trees
- Wolfson Tree Management Centre**
Explore how we care for the collection
- Bird viewing shelter**
See woodland birds up close
- 2000yr lime coppice**
Our oldest resident and a true tree marvel



Celebrate spring at Westonbirt

Annual Membership
 £39 Single £76 Joint

Become a member at the Welcome Building

Families – discover more!

For families we have a special activity trail each season and a variety of play features.

Pick up a leaflet at the Welcome Building.

