

your guide to

blooming tasmania

2023



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WELCOME

Welcome from the Premier of Tasmania



I doubt there is anywhere else in the world that offers the perfect mix of pristine wilderness and natural beauty matched by a collection of beautifully kept and presented gardens. People travel from all over the world to see the former and many are stunned to discover the diversity and beauty of Tasmania's gardens.

In a time where people more than ever have a growing appreciation and attraction to nature based experiences Tasmania is undoubtedly well placed to deliver.

Blooming Tasmania has become an essential lead element in highlighting what the State has to offer in the way of quality horticultural and botanical experiences.

I am so proud to welcome visitors back to our State as well as seeing locals exploring and discovering our State and appreciating our gardens.

I am very grateful to Blooming Tasmania and congratulate them for the excellent work it does to showcase our gardens, nurseries and history. I also congratulate and thank all those that allow people to access these experiences throughout our State.

Jeremy Rockliff
Premier of Tasmania



Welcome from Blooming Tasmania



When touring around Tasmania use this Guide to discover what our special place has to offer. Discover and experience the breadth and diversity of the gardens, accommodation & cafés and art in garden settings. These range from early colonial styles with exotic plants and sculptured structures; gardens steeped in history, tradition & hardship; gardens which highlight trees of the world; gardens which connect with our own Gondwanan story to natural wild gardens showcasing endemic, rare and sometimes endangered plants.

We now venture out with a different mindset and more caution. Connecting with nature and natural settings has positive effects on our mental and physical health and wellbeing so we welcome you in the replenishment of your spirit and connecting with the natural world and botanical experiences.

Blooming Tasmania is a not-for-profit, volunteer organization and a key player in Tasmania's Visitor Market and Garden Tourism. We work closely with tourism organisations, visitor information centers, the horticulture sector, event organisers' and other related organisations. Our members are here to assist you experience the best we have to offer during your travels through Tasmania.

Tasmania is Our Garden, come and breath the air.

Margaret Killen
Chair, Blooming Tasmania Association Inc.



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State Trails:

Icons have been placed next to member properties indicating significant bird populations, wildflowers and autumn foliage. Flowering times for many Tasmanian wildflowers are listed on page 6 of the brochure. For more information on bird watching, where to find Tasmanian wildflowers and to how experience Tasmania's autumn colours at their best contact:

Tasmanian Travel and Information Centres

<https://www.discovertasmania.com.au/travel-information/visitor-information-centres>

or

Parks & Wildlife Service, Tasmania

<https://www.parks.tas.gov.au>

Blooming Tasmania Member Trail Icons

Birds:



Autumn:



Wildflowers:



OPEN GARDENS

1 Arnolds Country Garden (North East)

Nestled in the foothills of Mt.Arthur, Lilydale is Arnolds Country Garden. The garden features perennial borders, woodland walks and a large lawn area surrounded by beautiful mature trees. It also has a small gift shop specialising in mosaic pots and garden art.

153 North Lilydale Rd.

Lilydale TAS 7268

Ph: 0418 951 355

W: www.arnoldsgarden.com

FB: [arnoldscountrygarden](https://www.facebook.com/arnoldscountrygarden)

In: [arnoldscountrygarden](https://www.instagram.com/arnoldscountrygarden)



4 Bridestowe Estate Lavender Farm (North East)

At over 100 years old, Bridestowe Estate is one of the world's largest privately owned lavender farms. Under an hours drive from Launceston, you will find our scenic location, experiencing the sight, smell and flavours of the world's finest lavender.

Open 7 days a week, from 9am to 5pm,
closed on Christmas Day - Winter hours apply.

Entry fees may apply.

296 Gillespies Rd, Nabowla P: (03)6352 8182

I: [bridestoweestate](https://www.bridestoweestate.com.au) F: [bridestowelavenderestate](https://www.bridestowelavenderestate.com.au)

E: info@bridestowelavender.com.au

W: www.bridestowelavender.com.au



5 Blenheim Gallery and Garden (North)

Blenheim Gallery and Garden is a unique Tasmanian experience set in a beautiful heritage country garden. A large garden with a stunning rural outlook and garden rooms defined by 180-year-old hedgerows. Perennial plantings with magnificent roses and trees. Sculptures by prominent Tasmanian artist are a highlight as well as the art gallery. 733 Cressy Road, Longford Tasmania 7301

Garden Open: Groups only tours guided September to April. Booking required. Entry \$25

M: 0419 584 667

W: www.blenheimgalleryandgarden.com.au

FB: www.facebook.com/blenheimgalleryandgarden

In: www.instagram.com/blenheim_galleryand-garden.com.au



3 Woolmers Estate (North)

Established in 1817 and nestled within the UNESCO World Heritage property lies house museum, farm buildings, wide lawns, significant trees, historic walled garden and rose garden. Heritage accommodation and modern art gallery and restaurant facilities.

Entry fees apply. Consult website for current operating hours and tour availability.

658 Woolmers Lane, Longford

P: (03) 6391 2230 W: www.woolmers.com.au



6 Government House Tasmania (South)

The Estate Gardens are the living history of Tasmania's colonial past. Features of the 15ha Victorian garden include formal perennial borders, ceremonial plantings, historic rose gardens, extensive production gardens and towering mature tree collection. Join us for one of the many garden tours, available all year.

P: (03) 6234 2611 W: www.govhouse.tas.gov.au



OPEN GARDENS

7 Inverawe Native Gardens (South)

Be inspired! Thousands of colourful native plants in a garden setting. Stunning views, history, poetry, sculpture and interpretive signs. Take tea on the terrace, be entertained by the extraordinary variety of birds.

Entry \$12 / Concession \$10 / Children \$4
(7 to 14 yrs)

Open 7 days September - May, 9.00am-6.00pm

Last entry 5.00pm.

1565 Channel Highway, behind the Margate Train.

15 minutes south of Hobart.

P: (03) 6267 2020. M: 0406 860 584

E: gardens@inverawe.com.au

W: www.inverawe.com.au



8 Marakoopa Café (North West)

A garden oasis with stunning views of Tasmania's wilderness. Sweeping flower beds, shady woodland area and productive garden. Open for tours by appointment with catering available. Enjoy live music and events in our grass amphitheatre. Wedding enquiries welcomed.

Accommodation available.

186 Mayberry Rd. Mayberry 7304 (near Mole Creek)

P: 0429 620 822

W: www.marakoopacafe.com.au

FB: [marakoopacafe](https://www.facebook.com/marakoopacafe)



9 The Tasmanian Arboretum (North West)

Walk among extensive labelled collections of Tasmanian plants, southern hemisphere conifers and deciduous trees from temperate areas of the world on 66ha. Wildlife, landscape and our Limestone Heritage make the site interesting and enchanting in all seasons.

Entry \$5. Kiosk hours may vary.

46 Old Tramway Road (off C146), Eugenana, near Devonport.

P: (03) 6427 2690

W: www.tasmanianarboretum.org.au



10 Port Arthur Historic Site (South)

The UNESCO World Heritage listed Port Arthur Historic Site holds spectacular heritage gardens. Showcasing plants from around the Empire as well as colonial cottage gardens, which were a bright, fragrant reminder of 'home', growing living links to the men and women who planted and tended them more than a century and a half ago.

Site entry fees apply. Tours, restaurant, cafe and gift shop open daily from 8am. Pre-bookings are essential.

6973 Arthur Highway

Port Arthur TAS 7182

Free Call: 1800 659 101

11 Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens (South)

Just a few minutes from Hobart, the Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens is a cool climate garden rich in history and home to a number of unique collections, including Australia's only Subantarctic Plant House. With 14 hectares to explore, visitors can book guided tours or enjoy the gardens at their own pace. Restaurant, takeaway and Botanical Shop are also on site.

Open 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Entry by donation. Queens Domain, Hobart TAS 7000

Ph (03) 6166 0451

W: www.rtbg.tas.gov.au



12 Tasmanian Bushland Garden (South)

Two hectares of display gardens featuring indigenous plants of SE Tasmania included in a 20 ha reserve with peaceful walking tracks, enhanced by sculptures and a landscaped quarry with waterfall. A delightful, natural experience. Picnic tables, toilets, barbeque available.

Free entry. Open daily - daylight hours.

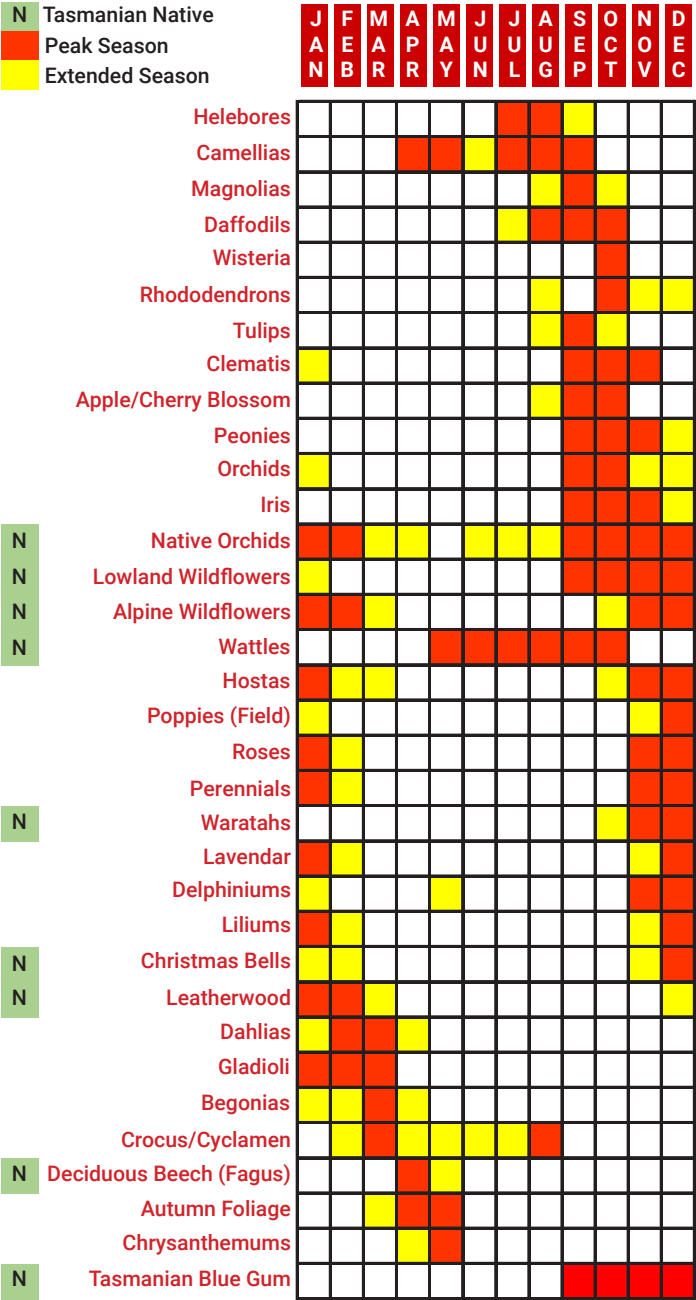
Tasman Highway, Buckland.

P: (03) 6239 1688

W: <https://sites.google.com/site/tasbushlandgarden/>



FLOWERING TIMES IN TASMANIA



Leatherwood – *Eucryphia lucida*
The Leatherwood is endemic to Tasmania and grows in wet rainforests from the centre to the western half of the state. It is famous for the special perfumed honey produced from its sweet nectar and is in flower in spring & summer.



Deciduous Beech, fagus, tanglefoot – *Nothofagus gunnii*
This small endemic tree once lived in Antarctica and is Australia's only cold climate deciduous plant. Before the leaves fall in winter, they go through a spectacular colour change in autumn from a rusty red to a brilliant gold. It can be seen in cooler gardens and Tasmanian National Parks.

Tasmania



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kilometres

BASS STRAIT



Please Note: Location Marker positions are approximate only.

OPEN GARDENS

13 Home Hill (North West)

Home Hill was the centrepiece of a 4.5 hectare property containing 2 hectares of apple orchard. Entered via the original drive, the now 2 hectare property retains the core of Dame Enid Lyons' original garden, including roses and garden 'rooms' defined by hedges.

77 Middle Road, Devonport 7310

(10 minutes' drive from the 'Spirit' ferry terminal).

T: (03) 6424 8055

W: www.nationaltrust.org.au/tas/

14 Clarendon Estate (North)

Clarendon survives in its original rural, parklike setting with an elm avenue and walled garden (former kitchen garden) and access to the South Esk River.

234 Clarendon Road, Evandale 7212

(15 mins drive south from Launceston Airport).

T: (03) 6398 6220

W: www.nationaltrust.org.au/tas/

15 Franklin House (North)

Relax under the shade of a 180-year-old oak tree, wander through the flower beds and Victorian kitchen garden and send the children in search of Patrick's Pails. Patrick Lambert was a 19th century gardener.

Gift shop. Tearooms.

413-419 Hobart Road, Launceston 7250

T: (03) 6344 7824

W: www.nationaltrust.org.au/tas/

16 Runnymede (South)

Original 19th century villa garden including a carriage drive surrounding the house, 1840's stables and coach house, cast iron fountain, historic trees and plantings.

61 Bay Road, New Town 7008

(15 minutes by car from Hobart CBD via the Brooker Highway).

T: (03) 6278 1269

E: Runnymede@nationaltrusttas.org.au

W: www.nationaltrust.org.au/tas/

GARDEN ACCOMMODATION

17 Marakoopa Café (North West)

Stay in our beautiful gardens with a choice of accommodations: Guest wing, Tiny house or Glamping. Feel free to wander the gardens and share our slice of paradise.

186 Mayberry Rd. Mayberry (near Mole Creek) TAS

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Open between 9:00am- 5:00pm from late September to October.

363 Table Cape Rd., Wynyard 7325
Free call 1800 179 113

20 The Succulent Store (South)

We are specialist cool climate succulent growers. Our plants are proudly grown in Tasmania. We endeavour to find, assess, evaluate and sell varieties suitable to the cool regions of Australia. We sell by mail order from our website or by appointment, please contact us.

P: 0418 504 074

E: thesucculentstore@gmail.com

W: www.thesucculentstore.com.au

21 Seed Street (Statewide)

Seed Street is an online Tasmanian seed company. Fill your garden with annual or perennial flowers. Harvest your tasty produce. Free postage with every order!

Find our selection online at www.seedstreet.com.au

Contact us via email info@seedstreet.com.au

ASSOCIATES & PARTNERS

22 Australian Garden History Society Tasmania Branch

The Australian Garden History Society promotes awareness and conservation of significant gardens and cultural landscapes through engagement, research, advocacy and activities. The Tasmania branch conducts garden visits and lectures throughout the year, to which visitors are welcome. Each year members may attend the annual National Conference, and tour historic gardens, held in various locations around the country.

W: www.gardenhistorysociety.org.au/

23 Australian Plants Society Tasmania Inc

We are part of an Australia-wide organisation of people interested in the propagation, cultivation and conservation of plants native to Australia. Groups meet in Hobart (Kingston), Launceston and Devonport. We encourage people to grow Australian, especially Tasmanian plants in all garden situations.

Full details may be found at:

W: www.apstas.org.au



Tasmanian Blue Gum – *Eucalyptus globulus*
This medium to tall tree is Tasmania's Floral Emblem and is found in the South and East of the state. It is one of the most widely grown Australian trees throughout the world and produces excellent timber.

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25 St David's Cathedral (South)

Blooming Church 2023:

Annual Floral Festival, 10-13 February .

Beautiful floral exhibits, Botanical art exhibition, Tea Rooms, Plants, Books, Tours, Music, Children's Garden, Craft & Gift Shop, Friday Festal Evensong & Sunday Concert. All Welcome.

Blooming Art Group:

Learn and develop botanical art skills. Meets first Saturday of the month. All welcome.

125 Macquarie Street

Hobart TAS 7000

P: (03) 6234 4900

E: office@saintdavids.org.au

W: <http://saintdavids.org.au/>

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PH: (03) 6427 2690

46 Old Tramway Rd, Eugenana TAS 7310

WWW.TASMANIANARBORETUM.ORG.AU



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Exotic Plant Pest Hotline: Freecall 1800 084 881

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