

Garden Descriptions

Port Eliot House, Port Eliot Estate, St Germans, Saltash, PL12 5ND Tuesday 13th June 2.00 p.m.

Humphrey Repton's first foray into Cornwall, and one of only two Grade I gardens in Cornwall, Port Eliot is one of the great historic landscapes in the south-east of the county. The house sits in a formal landscape, with woodland garden beyond. There is an impressive range of garden structures, notably a superb orangery.

<http://www.porteliot.co.uk/theGardens.php> <https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1000426>

Annual General Meeting at Duchy College, Rosewarne, Camborne, TR14 0AB Thursday 15th June 6.00 p.m.

Cornwall's training ground for horticultural students (among others) provides a wonderful environment for learning about plants, from seed to maturity, including courses on garden planning, construction and planting. There are, greenhouses, propagation areas, a working nursery and at every turn there are unusual plants.

<https://www.cornwall.ac.uk/location-pages/rosewarne-campus.html>

Trenarth, Constantine, Falmouth, TR11 5JN Thursday 22nd June 6.00 p.m.

Planted for year round interest, with unusual specimens and a sense of fun, the gardens at Trenarth are based around a Georgian fronted farmhouse and its walled garden. There are some established shrubs and an orchard, but the vast majority of the garden been planted in the last 25 years, and covers a wide range of elements – yew rooms, with rockery and herbaceous beds, a bog garden, and a holm oak avenue.

<http://www.trenarthgardens.com/garden.html>

Bochym Manor, Cury Cross Lanes, Helston, TR12 7AZ Friday 7th July 6.00 p.m.

The basic structure of the 17th century garden survives alongside the house. Both were updated in the mid-19th century, with a lovely woodland garden with Picturesque elements. In 2015 the new owners faced a mammoth task after the previous owner wilfully removed or destroyed significant features of both house and gardens. They have approached this with verve and tenacity and are creating a new, early 21st century garden, that respects and builds on the earlier landscape.

www.facebook.com/Bochym-Manor-Events-721396434602111

Morrab Gardens, Penzance, TR18 4DA Wednesday 19th July 2.00 p.m.

One of Cornwall's premier municipal gardens, Morrab sits at the heart of Penzance and is a fine example of the Victorian urge to provide an open space for benefit of the local workers and Penzance's tourist industry added another audience. Reflecting this, Morrab boasts a wealth of sub-tropical planting "where tourists may fancy themselves in the tropics or on Mediterranean shores"

www.morrabgardens.org

Trengwainton, Madron, Penzance, TR20 8RZ Thursday 7th September 2.00 p.m.

The extensive landscape of Trengwainton was laid out in the early 19th century but the developments of the 1920s by Col. Edward Bolitho are what gave the garden its present character, based initially in large part on Kingdon Ward's plant hunting. A later stream garden provides a showcase for bog plants and the walled gardens are home to many tender plants.

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/trengwainton-garden> <https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1000657>