

PLACES TO VISIT

Sunday 7th June 2026

Some of the Suffolk National Collections and gardens that are opening especially for you to visit. Please use the contact details to make an appointment where indicated.

Woottens of Wenhaston



Pelargonium echinatum

Contact: Gill Stafford

www.woottensplants.com

This small nursery specialises in pelargoniums, irises and auriculas. It cares for many rare species and historic plants and holds the shared collection of *Pelargonium* (species, hybrids and scented-leaved) with Luci Skinner.

Opening times: 10 am to 12 noon

There are no toilet facilities on site

Cash donations please to Plant Heritage

Mickfield Hostas



Contact: Mel Collins

<https://mickfieldhostas.co.uk>

The nursery's collection began in 1981 with a gift from an American friend when there were only a few varieties for sale. Mickfield, in Stowmarket, now has 29 species and 2,041 cultivars.




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| Dianthus | |
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| <i>Malmaison Dianthus 'Princess of Wales'</i> | Perpetual Fl. <i>Dianthus 'Doris Allwood'</i> |
| Hullwood Barn Shelley IP7 5RE Cash donations please to Plant Heritage | Contact: Jim Marshall jimmalmaisons@gmail.com Opening times: Between 11am and 4pm |
| Iris | |
|  | Contact: Sarah Cook sarahmalmaisons@gmail.com Opening times: between 11am and 4pm Cash donations please to Plant Heritage |
| <i>Iris Benton 'Olive'</i> | |

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|  | <p>Robert Grimsey 07747160481 robertgrimseyactpc@gmail.com</p> <p>An established collection of Aesculus (Horse Chestnuts) from around the world. Many of the trees in this lovingly tended collection will be in bloom and make a breathtaking sight. In addition, Robert has created a Plantsman's Garden, designed and planted during Covid restrictions.</p> <p>Please contact before visiting</p> <p>Opening times: 2pm to 4pm</p> <p>Cash donations please to Plant Heritage</p> |
| <p><i>Aesculus indica</i></p> | |
|  | <p>Formerly The Place for Plants sales@placeforplants.co.uk Rupert and Sara Eley East Bergholt Place, CO7 6UP East Bergholt Place Garden, originally laid out by the present owner's Great Grandfather at the turn of the last century; renowned for its unusual collection of trees and shrubs including Camellias, Magnolias and Rhododendrons and its national collections of deciduous Euonymus, Toxicodendron and Rhus and situated in the Dedham vale close to the Stour Estuary, which gives it its mild microclimate.</p> <p>Opening times: 10am to 5pm Cash donations please to Plant Heritage</p> |
| <p><i>Euonymus myrianthus</i></p> | |
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| <p>Fuller's Mill Gardens (One of Perennial's Gardens)</p>  <p>Open to the public 11 am onwards</p> | <p>https://perennial.org.uk/gardens/gardens-menu/fullers-mill-garden</p> <p>West Stow Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP28 6HD</p> <p>Fullers Mill Garden is a tranquil waterside and woodland plantsman's paradise created by the late Bernard Tickner MBE (1924-2017).</p> <p>Open exclusively for Plant Heritage members between 10-11 am.</p> <p>Entrance fee of £10 per person in aid of Perennial</p> |
| <p>Columbine Hall</p>  | <p>Columbine Hall. Stowupland, Stowmarket, Suffolk IP14 4AT</p> <p>The moated medieval Manor House is surrounded by five acres of gardens including a parterre designed by George Carter, also a bog garden, walled kitchen garden, wildflower meadow, vistas and eye-catchers, two newly built bridges and creation of a new Italianate style walled garden.</p> <p>Open for Plant Heritage on Sunday June 7th 2026 10-4pm. Entry fee: £5 per person.</p> |
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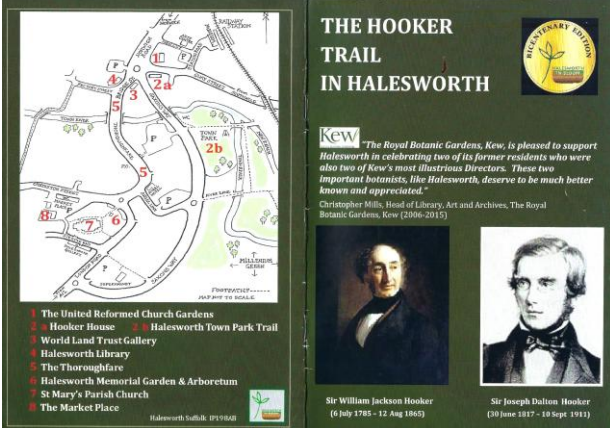
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| <p>Ireland's Meadow</p>  | <p>The Street Little Waldingfield Sudbury Suffolk CO10 0TF What3Words: revisits.pencil.beanbag Contact: Jennie Jordan 52jennie1@gmail.com</p> <p>Garden open between 10am and 12 noon</p> <p>Entrance Fee of £10 per head in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support at West Suffolk Hospital</p> <p>Parking and refreshments</p> |
| <p>National Garden Scheme</p> | <p>https://ngs.org.uk/gardens/in/bury-st-edmunds/</p> <p>Open Days on 7th June 2026 – please follow links for details</p> |
|  | <p>Holm House Drinkstone IP30 9FJ https://findagarden.ngs.org.uk/garden/34250/34250</p> <p>Holm House Garden House Lane Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 9FJ</p> <p>Refreshments: Tea, coffee & cake. Savoury snacks.</p> <p>Admission: £7.00 in aid of the NGS Opening times: 09:30-16:30</p> |
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|  | <p>5 Parklands Green Fornham St Genevieve Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP28 6UH</p> <p>https://findagarden.ngs.org.uk/garden/34196/34196</p> <p>Home-made teas. Admission: £6.00 in aid of the NGS Opening times 11:00-16:00</p> |
| <p>OTHER PLACES TO VISIT</p> | <p>Bury St Edmunds and beyond (There may be a small charge)</p> |
|  | <p>www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/bury-st-edmunds-abbey</p> <p>Abbey Gardens 22 Mustow St, Bury Saint Edmunds IP33 1XL Fourteen acres on the site of a former Benedictine Abbey</p> |
|  <p>THE HOOKER TRAIL IN HALESWORTH</p> <p><i>Kew</i> The Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, is pleased to support Halesworth in celebrating two of its former residents who were also two of Kew's most illustrious Directors. These two important botanists, like Halesworth, deserve to be much better known and appreciated.</p> <p>Christopher Miles, Head of Library, Art and Archives, The Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew (2006-2015)</p> <p>Sir William Jackson Hooker (6 July 1795 - 12 Aug 1865) Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker (10 June 1817 - 18 Sept 1913)</p> | <p>Visit the town of Halesworth to follow the trail dedicated to Sir William and Sir Joseph Hooker, both in their time directors of Kew Gardens, William being the first Director in 1841 when Kew Gardens came under state ownership.</p> <p>Both noted botanists, Joseph, born in Halesworth, embarked with James Clark Ross's Antarctic expedition.</p> |

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| <p>Euston Park The Euston Estate, Thetford, IP24 2QP www.eustonhall.co.uk</p> <p>Hardwick Heath Hardwick Lane, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk IP33 2QZ</p> <p>Kentwell Hall https://www.kentwell.co.uk/ Long Melford, Suffolk CO10 9BA</p> <p>NATIONAL TRUST Sutton Hoo. suttonhoo@nationaltrust.org.uk What3Words: education.statement.mornings TM2894749269</p> <p>Ickworth Estate ickworth@nationaltrust.org.uk The Rotunda, Horringer, Bury St Edmunds, IP29 5QE</p> <p>Melford Hall melford@nationaltrust.org.uk Long Melford, Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 9AA</p> <p>HISTORIC ENGLAND Culford Park Culford, West Stow, Suffolk IP28 6HG.</p> <p>Fornham Park Fornham Genevieve Bury St Edmunds IP28 6TS Walled gardens.</p> | |
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| <p>West Stow Hall Icklingham Road West Stow IP28 6EY</p> <p>SOME USEFUL WEBSITES</p> <p>English Heritage www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/bury-st-edmunds-abbey</p> <p>The Tourist Trail www.thetouristtrail.org/guides/suffolk-guides/a-guide-to-bury-st-edmunds/</p> <p>Visit Bury St Edmunds What's on at the Theatre Royal, cathedral, markets, cycling, walking, dog-friendly places visit-burystedmunds.co.uk</p> <p>Visit East of England www.visiteastofengland.com/post/spend-a-day-in-bury-st-edmunds</p> <p>What's on, West Suffolk https://www.whatsonwestsuffolk.co.uk/parks/</p> | |
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