Get Growing Garden Trail
Saturday 6 & Sunday 7 June 2015

Bristol’s secret fruit & veg growers open their garden gates and community plots for the 5th annual Get Growing Garden Trail

Part of the build-up to BIG Green Week 2015
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Plot your own Trail trip using the map inside. You'll also need a smartphone, SatNav or A–Z to find your way around the city. Use the symbols to plan lunch stops or a day out with the kids, or read a bit more to just pick-out projects which interest you.

## Blaise Castle Walled Garden
Blaise Castle Walled Garden, Henbury Rd BS10 7QS
Find us next to Blaise House Museum, to the left of the front of the building (number 1 bus or parking next to Blaise Café)
11am–4pm Saturday & Sunday
blaisecommunitygarden.org.uk
1700's walled garden in Blaise Estate. Presently under restoration by volunteers, growing flowers, fruit, vegetables and building amenities. Toilet next to Blaise Café. ACTIVITIES: Making a miniature ‘magic’ garden, colourful bunting, sowing seeds. BBQ midday, to just pick-out projects which interest you.

## Easton Community Garden
Gordon Road, Easton/Whitehall. Access lane is between Nos. 58 & 60. Nearest postcode BS5 7DR
11am–4pm Saturday & Sunday
eastoncommunitygarden.org.uk
Facebook: Easton Community Garden
We are a community group growing vegetables and raising animals for produce to support our families high quality, high welfare, locally produced, fresh food. ACTIVITIES: Meet the farm animals. Pet’s Corner. Seed sowing in newspaper pots. Plant and produce sales. Children’s activities. BBQ and refreshments. Cake sale. Members on hand to give urban smallholding advice.

## Bristol East Allotment Association
bristoleastallotments.co.uk

## Bell Hill Allotments
Garfield Rd, St George BS5 7LX
1–4pm Saturday & Sunday
Bell Hill Allotments is a small allotment site containing 39 plots. The site is very wildlife-conscious, has an area set aside as a wildlife area, plus a large pond along with many small ponds on plots. There are a variety of crops grown by plot holders including fruit trees and vegetable varieties.

## Kingsway, St George BS5 BNS
Enter via lane opposite Kingsway precinct.
10am–1pm Saturday
Hope Allotment site is made up of three small sites in one area. Plot holders grow a large selection of crops.

## St Aldeans Allotments
Nicholas Lane, St George BS5 8TB
9am–1pm Saturday
A large site worked by 99 members. Fantastic views over the city plus areas dedicated to wildlife. The site was part of the St George in Bloom gold pennant-winning entry to ENAs 2014. Our on-site shop sells many gardening goods at low prices.

## The Farm Allotments
Cousins Lane, St George BS5 8JU, off Air Balloon Rd
9.30am–1pm Saturday
A large site with plots of all sizes and a great variety of produce, grown by many methods including no dig, organic and traditional. This site is undergoing a revamp so there are some plots which are not attended.

## Bramble Farm Community Smallholding
From Redcatch Road, enter Stockwood Crescent and we are postcode midground around the crescent. Walk through the private heads on to Northern Slopes Park and turn right. Signs will lead the way!
Sat Nav postcode BS4 1AW
11am–5pm Saturday & Sunday
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Our kitchen garden is a haven of peace where we grow veg, fruit and flowers collectively. We are open every Thursday and gardeners share the harvest at the end of the day. The site was designed on Permaculture principles and has thrived since 2001. There is a cob-built rain shelter, compost loo, ponds and places to rest and gaze. ACTIVITIES: Tours of the garden showing ‘no-dig’ cultivation, compost beds, composting, water harvesting and outdoor stove. Refreshments, plants, seedlings and comfrey juice to buy. Sadly we are not fully accessible to people with very limited mobility.

## Elm Tree Farm
Park Road, Stapleton BS16 1AA
11am–4pm Sunday
We are a 12.5 acre site where we train adults with learning disabilities in horticulture. We run training sessions throughout the year. Top up your knowledge to support education, health and well-being and social welfare, locally produced, fresh food. ACTIVITIES: Learn traditional skills such as basketry, jam making and horticulture.

## Feed Bristol
181 Frenchay Park Rd (on the corner with Stoke Lane)
Stapleton BS16 1HB
12–5pm Saturday
www.feedbristol.org.uk
Feed Bristol is Avon Wildlife Trust's 5 acre community farm animals. Pet's Corner. Seed sowing in newspaper pots. Plant and produce sales. Children's activities. BBQ and refreshments. Cake sale. Members on hand to give urban smallholding advice.

## Fishponds Community Orchard
On the large allotment site off Thingwall Park, Fishponds, Plot 180. Entrance is via allotment gates.
12–5pm Sunday
Transport: 47, 48, 49 buses to Chipping Sodbury/ Emersons Green, Bath/Bristol cycle path (exit Avice Rd)
The orchard is in a lovely spot alongside the 70 acres of green space of Eastville Park and the Frome Valley. Established in 2005, it is managed organically and has some really well grown trees of fruit, soft fruit and a willow dome. ACTIVITIES: Hear about developing and running a Community Orchard, its produce and cider making. Refreshments and local produce.

## The Golden Hill Community Garden
Entrance through the allotment gates at the bottom of Monk Rd BS7 8NE
12–4pm Saturday
07506 905 394  ghcgarden@gmail.com
www.thegoldenhillcommunitygarden.com
Come and see our beautiful and productive garden and the gorgeous Bishopston Bale House – our new straw bale eco house. Our garden is packed packed with innovation – wall built out of recycled tetra paks; the Tower of Power solar pump providing recycled water to over 200 allotment plots and an edible forest. Wheelchair accessible including toilet, disabled parking available on request. ACTIVITIES: Cakes and plants for sale. Tours, chats, and pond dipping. Plus a chance to get your hands dirty with some volunteering.

## GREENS Community Market Garden (HMEAG)
Molesworth Allotments, Molesworth Drive (between house nos 79 & 81), Wiltwood BS16 1BQ
10.30am–3pm Saturday
www.hmeag.org.uk/Community_Food_Growing
Volunteers at two community allotment sites. The produce is used in nutrition and cooking courses, and is also sold to local people, at low cost, through our Food For All Co-operative. ACTIVITIES: Meet the growers and take a tour of the garden & orchard (including the compost loo). Buy some plants or produce. Snacks and cream teas on sale, plus healthy food tasters made by our volunteers using our produce. Find out about our plans for a Roundhouse on our second site at Bourchier Gardens.

## Fishponds Community Orchard
Meet outside the Cartwheel Pub, Oatlands Avenue, Hengrove & Whitchurch Community orchard
10am–1pm Saturday
A Future Perfect public art commission. Artist David Thorpe in consultation with local residents has designed an Orchard to provide abundant fruit for the community and a space for the Producer and Friends of Hengrove and Whitchurch Community Orchard to hear more about our plans for planting the Orchard in November, and Sharing the Harvest – a series of workshops to learn traditional skills such as basketry, jam making and horticulture. ACTIVITIES: Apple cake and juice provided.

## Inferno Organic Community Orchard
Walk down lane beside 22 Kings Drive BS7 8JP
1–5pm Thursday
www.community-orchard.org.uk
A pioneering, member-managed orchard, inspiring fruit growing as a way to grow community, wellbeing, and local sustainable food. ACTIVITIES: Home Orchard Plot – see plans for our new back garden orchard project. Orchard Rots Bristol exhibition. Learn the stories of heritage apples. Find out how a community group transformed this marginal land into a beautiful and fruitful urban oasis. Homemade cakes, refreshments, produce and plants for sale.

## Incredible Edible Bristol
Access is available at all times to all Incredible Edible Bristol plots, but volunteers will be on site at the times listed. Incredible Edible Bristol invite you to come and harvest anything that’s ready for picking!
http://ediblebristol.org.uk/

## Castle Park
Alongside cycle path between park and river, Castle Park BS1 5TA
2–5pm Saturday
Please will be able to talk about Incredible Edible and what’s going on and where, as well as how to get involved.

## Edible Fishponds
Outside the Co-op on Straits Parade BS16 2LE
10am–1pm Saturday
There’ll be a chance to talk to all the people involved in the project from the draft, to have a walk around both beds which are quite large, and a conversation about what’s like growing by the side of the road.

## Edible Horfield Common
 Beds at the far end of the bowling green behind the Ardgard Community building BS6 7YL
1–4pm Sunday
An opportunity to hear about the project, what’s being grown and chat with those involved.

## Millennium Square
Meet outside the Co-op on Straits Parade BS16 2LE
10am–1pm Saturday
Come and talk about the project in Millennium Square, the city centre Urban Growing Trail and how to get involved.

More information at:
www.bristolfoodnetwork.org
This document contains detailed information about various community gardens and allotment spaces in Bristol, including descriptions of their activities, locations, and contact information. The gardens and allotments are part of the Bristol Community Gardening Network, which aims to support and promote community gardening across the city. The document highlights the diversity of these spaces, which range from small orchards and vegetable patches to larger projects like the Bedminster Patchwork community allotment and the Bedminster Garden Village. The activities range from workshops and craft sessions to guided tours and open days, all aimed at fostering community engagement and promoting healthy eating and environmental awareness. The document also includes details on how to find these spaces, with maps and contact information provided for each one.
The Get Growing Garden Trail has been put together by the Bristol Food Network with the support of the Bristol Food Policy Council.

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*Communal growing days:* Volunteers are welcome on Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays 9.30am–4pm; Fridays 9.30–12pm. Phone to see if we’re here on Saturday: 0117 917 7270

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*Workdays:* 10am–4pm Wednesdays

**Metford Road Community Orchard**  
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**Patchwork Community Gardening Group**  
*Patchwork:* 6.30pm last Thursday of the month, April–September

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**Bristol Good Food**

“Bristol Good Food” is a simple message developed by the Food Policy Council. We believe that ‘Good Food’ is vital to the quality of people’s lives in the city. As well as being tasty, healthy and affordable, the food we eat should be good for nature, good for workers, good for local businesses and good for animal welfare. Show your support by signing the Good Food Charter at:

www.bristolfoodpolicycouncil.org

The trail is part of the build-up to BIG Green Week 2014 (6–21 June) – Bristol’s international festival of good living and better ideas. Find more listings at:

www.biggreenweek.com

…and is a Chelsea Fringe event:

www.chelseafringe.com

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