



# New Zealand Gardens Trust Guide



Richmond, a Garden of International Significance at Carterton, Wairarapa.  
 Photo: Hamish Trouson

**W**ELCOME to *Weekend Gardener* magazine's fourth annual New Zealand Gardens Trust Guide.

Visit the New Zealand Gardens Trust gardens and be inspired by the planting skills, creativity, colour combinations, unique features, gardening styles, and the sheer majesty of beautiful landscapes.

The Trust's gardens listed here are divided into four categories: Garden of International Significance; Garden of National Significance; Garden of Significance; and Registered Garden.

Some of the gardens are world class with four being newly selected as Gardens of International Significance. Gardens of Significance have been critically evaluated by two assessors so that you will be in no doubt of their quality and all Registered Gardens have been visited by an assessor and must meet a minimum standard.

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## Gardens of International Significance



### Ayrlies

#### Founding Garden

**Address** 125 Potts Rd, Whitford, Auckland.

**Cost** Adult: \$15.

**Open** All year by appointment, Mon-Fri. Closed Sun.

**Contact** Ph: 09 530 8706; fax: 09 530 8451; [ayrliesgardens@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ayrliesgardens@xtra.co.nz); [www.ayrlies.co.nz](http://www.ayrlies.co.nz)

**Features** Coastal Garden, Plant Nursery, Herbaceous Border, Informal, Large Country Garden, Native Plants, Pergola Garden, Plant Collections, Rose Garden, Scented Garden, Water Feature(s), Water Garden(s), Wetland, Woodland Garden.



### Richmond

#### Founding Garden

**Address** 40 Wakelin St, Carterton, Wairarapa.

**Cost** Adult: \$10.

**Open** Appointment required.

**Contact** Ph: 06 379 8867; [melanie@boxwood.co.nz](mailto:melanie@boxwood.co.nz) [www.boxwood.co.nz](http://www.boxwood.co.nz)

**Features** Edible Garden, Formal, Rose Garden, Water Feature(s).



### Larnach Castle Garden

#### Founding Garden

**Address** 145 Camp Rd, Otago Peninsula.

**Cost** Adult: \$10; Children \$3.

**Open** 9am-5pm, Easter-mid Oct; 9am-7pm, mid Oct-Easter.

**Contact** Ph: 03 476 1616; fax: 03 476 1574; [larnach@larnachcastle.co.nz](mailto:larnach@larnachcastle.co.nz) [www.larnachcastle.co.nz](http://www.larnachcastle.co.nz)

**Features** Alpine Garden, Arboretum, Herbaceous Border, Informal, Formal, Plant Collections, Sculpture, Water Feature(s).



### Te Kainga Marire

**Address** 15 Spencer Place, New Plymouth, Taranaki.

**Cost** Adult: \$10.

**Open** 9am-6pm, Sept-April incl.

**Contact** Ph: 06 758 8693; fax: 06 758 8693; [valda@tekaingamarire.co.nz](mailto:valda@tekaingamarire.co.nz) [www.tekaingamarire.co.nz](http://www.tekaingamarire.co.nz)

**Features** Alpine Garden, Edible Garden, Fern Garden, Informal, Native Bush, Native Plants, Plant Collections, Sculpture, Theme Garden, Water Feature(s), Water Garden(s), Wetland.







## Hackfalls Arboretum

**Address** Tiniroto, Gisborne, Poverty Bay.

**Cost** Adult \$5

**Open** Dawn-dusk, all year.

**Contact** Ph: 06 863 7083; fax 06 863 7083; hackfalls.station@xtra.co.nz

## Harbourbank

**Address** 258 Matapouri Rd, Tutukaka, Northland.

**Cost** Adult \$5.

**Open** All year, from 9.30am, by appointment.

**Contact** Ph: 09 434 3705.

## Haunui Farm

**Address** 399 Whitford Park Rd, RD, Manurewa, Manukau.

**Cost** Adult: \$5.

**Open** All year. Appointment required.

**Contact** Ph: 09 530 8013; fax: 09 530 8690; admin@haunuifarm.co.nz

## Heritage Park

**Address** Haggity St, Kimbolton, Manawatu.

**Cost** Adult: \$7.

**Open** All day, year round.

**Contact** Ph: 04 905 4403; secretary@heritagepark.co.nz www.heritagepark.co.nz

## Highwic

**Address** 40 Gillies Ave, Epsom, Auckland.

**Cost** Admission free.

**Open** Wednesday-Sunday 10.30am-4.30pm.

**Contact** Ph: 09 524 5729; fax 09 524 5575; highwic@historic.org.nz

## Hopkirk's Gardens

**Address** 280 Upper Mangaehu Rd, Makahu, Taranaki.

**Cost** Adult: \$8.

**Open** Daylight-dark, year round.

**Contact** Ph: 06 762 3807.

## Hosking Garden

**Address** 19 Ranui Rd, Ngongotaha, Bay of Plenty.

**Cost** Adult: \$5.

**Open** Nov-May, 10am-4pm by appointment.

**Contact** Ph: 07 357 4500; phosk@hotmail.com

## Katikati Bird Gardens

**Address** 263 Walker Rd East, RD2 Katikati, Bay of Plenty.

**Cost** Adult: \$9; Senior \$8.50; Child \$4.

**Open** 10am-4.30pm, all year, weekends only June-Sept.

**Contact** Ph: 07 549 0912; fax: 07 549 0972; info@birdgardens.co.nz; www.birdgardens.co.nz

## Kenyon Garden

**Address** 26 Shelter Grove, New Plymouth, Taranaki.

**Cost** Adult: \$4.

**Open** 9am-5pm, Taranaki Festival or by appointment.

**Contact** Ph: 06 753 5648.

## Lockinge

**Address** 392 Tempsky Rd, Hawera, Taranaki.

**Cost** Adult: \$4.

**Open** Late Oct-early Nov, 9am-6pm. Appointment required.

**Contact** Ph: 06 272 6502.

## Ludbrook House

**Address** State Highway One, Ohaeawai RD2, Kaikohe, Northland.

**Cost** Admission free.

**Open** All year, 9am-4 pm.

**Contact** Ph 09 405 9846; fax: 09 405 9845; ludbrook@xtra.co.nz; www.ludbrook.co.nz

## Maranoa

**Address** 41 Mangapipi Rd, Rewa, Hunterville, Manawatu.

**Cost** Adult: \$5. Child: \$2.

**Open** 10am-6pm Sept-April. Appointment required.

**Contact** Ph: 06 328 6778; fax: 06 3286778; mcgrathhm@xtra.co.nz

## Oliver Garden

**Address** 377 Upper Stuart Rd, Stratford, Taranaki.

**Cost** Adult: \$4.

**Open** Taranaki Festival, 9-dusk or by appointment.

**Contact** Ph: 06 764 7444.

## Omaio

**Address** 194 Whitmore Rd, Matakana, North Auckland.

**Cost** Adult: \$10.

**Open** All year by appointment.

**Contact** Ph: 09 422 7443; fax 09 422 7243; lizmorrow@actrix.co.nz

## Openlands

**Address** 1064 Auroa Rd, Manaia, Taranaki.

**Cost** Adult: \$4.

**Open** 9.30am-dusk, late Oct-Christmas, by appointment.

**Contact** Ph: 06 274 5620; mills.openlands@xtra.co.nz www.openlands.co.nz

## Ostler's Garden

**Address** 190 Warwick Rd East, Stratford, Taranaki.

**Cost** Admission by donation.

**Open** 8am-dusk, late Oct-early Nov. Appointment required.

**Contact** Ph: 06 765 5611.

## Parkwood

**Address** 107 Old Te Kuiti Rd, Otorohanga, King Country.

**Cost** Adult: \$5.

**Open** 9am-6pm, Sept 1-May 31. Appointment required.

**Contact** Ph: 07 873 8831; fax: 07 873 8831.

## Pepped Warbeck

**Address** 660 Ohariu Valley Rd, Johnsonville, Wellington.

**Cost** Adult \$6.

**Open** 10am-5pm, Sept-Apr. Appointment required.

**Contact** Ph: 04 478 7586; fax: 04 478 7586; pepped.warbeck@xtra.co.nz

## Puketarata

**Address** 14 Ngawhini Rd, Hawera, Taranaki.

**Cost** Adult \$5.

**Open** Appointment required.

**Contact** Ph: 06 278 3081; fax: 06 278 8138; k&jhorner@xtra.co.nz

## Putt Garden

**Address** Surf Highway 45, Otakeho, Manaia, Taranaki.

**Cost** Adult: \$4.

**Open** Late Oct-early Nov, 9.30am-5.30pm. Appointment required.

**Contact** Ph: 06 274 8614.

## Rhodohaven

**Address** 31 Ward Rd, Hamurana, Rotorua, Bay of Plenty.

**Cost** Adult: \$5.

**Open** Sept-Dec by appointment.

**Contact** Ph: 07 332 3673; fax: 07 332 3673;

rhodohaven@hotmail.com  
homepages.ihug.co.nz/~rhodohaven

## Round Pond

**Address** 129 Rosser Rd, RD4, Hastings, Hawke's Bay.

**Cost** Adult: \$5; Senior: \$3; Child: \$2.

**Open** By appointment.

**Contact** Ph: 06 879 8735; fax: 06 879 4455; info@onyerbike.net.nz

## Sanderson Garden

**Address** 1961 Main South Rd, Manaia, Taranaki.

**Cost** Adult: \$4.

**Open** 9am-5pm Taranaki Rhododendron Festival or by appointment.

**Contact** Ph/fax: 06 274 8054

## Sentry Hill

**Address** 465 Makaretu Rd, Takapau, Hawke's Bay.

**Cost** Adult: \$4.

**Open:** Mid-April-end May, Oct 1-Nov 30 Appointment required.

**Contact** Ph: 06 855 6861; sentry.hill@xtra.co.nz

## St Margaret's Country Garden

**Address** 6 Dyke Rd, Karaka, South Auckland.

**Cost** Adult: \$5.

**Open:** 10.30am-4pm (closed Saturday) year round. Appointment required.

**Contact** Ph: 09 291 9163; rex.gazzard@bayleys.co.nz

## Te Puna Quarry Park

**Address** Quarry Rd, Te Puna, Tauranga, Bay of Plenty.

**Cost** Entry by donation.

**Open** All year, 8am-6pm.

**Contact** Ph: 07 552 5789; fax: 07 552 5789;

joandkeith@paradise.net.nz; www.quarrypark.co.nz

## Te Whanga

**Address** Te Kopi Rd, Masterton, Wairarapa.

**Cost** Adult: \$5.

**Open** 10am-4pm, year round. Appointment required.

**Contact** Ph: 06 372 7728; fax: 06 372 7798.

## Villa Tamahunga

**Address** 155 Omaha Valley Rd, Matakana, RD5, Warkworth.

**Cost** Adult: \$8.

**Open** Oct-Mar, 10am-4pm.

**Contact** Ph: 09 422 9004; bretttschneideman@hotmail.com

## Waitati Gardens

**Address** 485 Buffalo Rd, Coromandel Town, Coromandel.

**Cost** Adult: \$7.

**Open** Sep-May, dawn-dusk. Jun-Aug, 9am-5pm. Weekends by appointment.

**Contact** Ph/fax: 07 866 8659; waitatigardens@xtra.co.nz

## Wells Bay Gardens

**Address** Wells Bay, Cowes Bay Rd, RD1, Waiheke Island.

**Cost** Adult: \$10.

**Open** All year, by appointment.

**Contact** Ph: 09 372 8293; fax: 09 372 8293; tony@laity.co.nz

## Willow Glen

**Address** 934 Gordonton Rd, Gordonton, Hamilton, Waikato.

**Cost** Admission free.

**Open** 9am-4pm.

**Contact** Ph: 07 824 3691; fax: 07 824 3632;

keith@willowglen.co.nz; www.willowglen.co.nz

## Wrights Watergardens

**Address** 128 Mauku Rd, Patumahoe, Auckland.

**Cost** Adult: \$8; Senior: \$7; Child: \$4.

**Open** Sept 1-Mothers' Day, 10am-4.30pm.

**Contact** Ph: 09 236 3211; fax: 09 2363007;

wriwatgdn@xtra.co.nz; www.wrightswatergarden.co.nz

## Our Founding Gardens

- Auckland Domain Wintergarden
- Auckland Regional Botanic Gardens
- Ayrliess
- Christchurch Botanic Garden
- Dunedin Botanic Garden
- Efil Doog
- Glenfalloch Woodland Gardens
- Gore Public Gardens
- Government Gardens
- Hollard Gardens
- Joy Plants Garden
- Larnach Castle Garden
- Otari Wilton's Bush Native Botanic Garden
- Paloma Gardens
- Pukeiti
- Pukekura Park
- Queens Park
- Richmond
- Tikorangi, The Jury Garden
- Trotts Garden
- Trevor Griffiths Rose Garden
- Trelinnoe Park
- Waitangi National Trust Garden
- Westoe
- Woodbridge
- Woodlands Historic Homestead and Gardens
- Wylde Willow Garden
- Wrights Water Garden
- Speight Garden
- Woodend Garden

These gardens made lesser donations which the NZGT gratefully acknowledges.

- The Nikaus
- Garden of Joy
- Bannerman Park
- Butler Point Garden
- Flora-Vale Gardens
- Wahi Pai Garden



## Gardens of Significance

### Bannerman Park

**Address** Martin or Crew St, Gore, Southland.  
**Cost** Admission free.  
**Open** All year, dawn-dusk.  
**Contact** Ph 03 209 0330;  
fax 03 209 0357; info@goredc.govt.nz  
www.goredc.govt.nz  
**Features** Arboretum, Informal,  
Plant Collections, Water Feature(s),  
Woodland Garden.



### Hanafin Garden

**Address** 63 Chapter St, Christchurch, Canterbury.  
**Cost** Adult: \$8.  
**Open** By appointment.  
**Contact** Ph 027 436 1214; fax: 03  
365 1121; jacquie@hanafins.co.nz  
**Features** Herbaceous Border,  
Historic Garden, Pergola Garden,  
Rose Garden, Sculpture.



### Oamaru Public Gardens

**Address** Chelmer St, Oamaru, North Otago.  
**Cost** Admission free.  
**Open** All year.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 434 8060;  
csunit@waitaki.govt.nz  
www.waitaki.govt.nz  
**Features** Bedding Displays,  
Fern Garden, Formal,  
Glasshouse, Informal, Native  
Bush, Native Plants, Rose  
Garden, Sculpture, Theme Garden, Water Feature(s), Water  
Garden(s), Woodland Garden.



### Seaforth Garden

**Address** 144 Brickfield Rd, Hokitika, West Coast.  
**Cost** Adult \$5.  
**Open** Oct-Mar, 10am-4pm or  
by appointment.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 755 7844.  
**Features** Informal, Large  
Country Garden, Native  
Bush, Native Plants, Plant  
Collections, Water Feature(s),  
Woodland Garden.



### Tasman Bay Roses

**Address** 45 Chamberlain St, Motueka, Nelson.  
**Cost** Admission free.  
**Open** 10.30am-4.30pm  
daily.  
**Contact**  
Ph/fax: 03 528 7449;  
tbr@xtra.co.nz  
www.tbr.co.nz  
**Features** Arboretum,  
Bedding Displays, Cottage  
Garden, Formal, Plant Nursery, Herbaceous Border, Informal, Large  
Country Garden, Native Bush, Pergola Garden, Plant Collections,  
Rose Garden, Scented Garden, Woodland Garden.



### Timaru Botanic Gardens

**Address** cnr King and Queen St, Timaru, Sth Canterbury  
**Cost** Admission free.  
**Open** 8am-dusk, year  
round.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 687 7200;  
fax: 03 687 7206;  
enquiry@timdc.govt.nz  
**Features** Alpine Garden,  
Arboretum, Bedding  
Displays, Glasshouse,  
Fern Garden, Formal, Herb Garden, Herbaceous Border,  
Historic Garden, Informal, Native Bush, Native Plants, Plant  
Collections, Rose Garden, Scented Garden, Theme Garden,  
Water Feature(s), Water Garden(s), Woodland Garden.



### Tussix

**Address** 285 East Takaka Rd, RD1,  
Takaka, Nelson.  
**Cost** Adult: \$5.  
**Open** Daylight hours, Sept-Apr.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 525 8040;  
fax: 03 525 8040.  
**Features** Edible Garden, Large  
Country Garden, Native Plants, Rose Garden, Woodland  
Garden.



### Wylde Willow Garden

**Founding Garden**  
**Address** 132 North Taieri Rd, Abbotsford, Dunedin, Otago.  
**Cost** Adult: \$5.  
Appointment required.  
**Open** Sept-April.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 488 3988;  
wylde.willow@clear.net.nz  
**Features** Arboretum, Cottage  
Garden, Informal, Plant  
Collections, Rose Garden, Water  
Feature(s), Woodland Garden.



## Registered Gardens

### Akaunui

**Address** RD4, Ashburton, Canterbury.  
**Cost** Adult: \$8.  
**Open** All year, by appointment  
**Contact** Ph: 03 302 6854; fax: 03 302 6868;  
akaunui@clear.net.nz

### Aurum Wines Vineyard Gardens

**Address** 827 Cromwell-Wanaka Rd, Cromwell, Otago.  
**Cost** Adult: \$5; Seniors: \$3.  
**Open** Daylight hours, Oct - April, by appointment.  
**Contact** Ph 03 445 3620; fax: 445 3640;  
lawrence@aurumwines.com

### Breendenbroek

**Address** 96 Boundary Rd, Ashley, Rangiora, Canterbury.  
**Cost** Adult: \$8.  
**Open** All year, by appointment.  
**Contact** Ph 03 313 3268; fax 03 313 3268;  
kayandrudi@paradise.net.nz

### Ferndale

**Address** Kenepuru Sound, Marlborough.  
**Cost** Adult: \$5.  
**Open** 10am-4pm, mid-Oct - March 31, by appointment.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 573 4366; helengodsiff@xtra.co.nz

### Gore Public Gardens

**Founding Garden**  
**Address** Fairfield St, Gore, Southland.  
**Cost** Admission free.  
**Open** Dawn-dusk.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 208 8892; fax: 03 208 8875.

### Henderson Gardens

**Address** 5479 Kenepuru Rd, Waitaria Bay, Marlborough  
Sounds.  
**Cost** Adult: \$10, Child: \$8.  
**Open** By arrangement.  
**Contact** Ph: 04 293 2416; coull @ paradise.net.nz  
www.coullaccommodation.co.nz

### Hereweka Garden

**Address** 10 Hoopers Inlet Rd, RD2, Dunedin, Otago.  
**Cost** Adult: \$10.  
**Open** By appointment.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 478 0880; fax: 03 478 0600;  
drpetercooke@xtra.co.nz

### Homebush

**Address** Scenic Inland Route Highway 72/77, Darfield,  
Canterbury.  
**Cost** Adult: \$10; Senior: \$5.  
**Open** 10am-4pm, Oct to April. Appointment required.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 318 2785; fax: 03 318 1671;  
louisedeans@paradise.net.nz; www.homebushstables.co.nz



### Larchwood House Garden

**Address** 4 Dicker Rd, Tasman, Upper Moutere, Nelson.  
**Cost** Adult: \$5; Senior \$3.  
**Open** Oct-May, 2pm-4pm, by appointment.  
**Contact** Ph/fax: 03 526 6204; larchwood.house@paradise.net.nz  
www.larchwoodhousetasman.co.nz

### Longbeach

**Address** RD4, Ashburton, Canterbury.  
**Cost** Adult: \$7.  
**Open** All year. Appointment required.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 302 6646; fax: 03 302 6694;  
w.d.thomas@xtra.co.nz; www.longbeachestate.co.nz

### Ravenscar

**Address** 9 Taylor's Mistake Rd, Christchurch, Canterbury.  
**Cost** Adult: \$5.  
**Open** 10am-3pm.  
**Contact** Ph 03 326 7519; 03 326 7919; ravenscar@xtra.co.nz

### Te Wepu Native Garden

**Address** 154 Papanui Rd, Christchurch.  
**Cost** Adult: \$10.  
**Open** 10am-4pm, Sep 1-Apr 30, by appointment.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 355 5334; joker\_938@hotmail.com

### The Briars

**Address** Ahuriri Heights, SH 8, Omarama, North Otago.  
**Cost** Adult: \$5.  
**Open** 10am-4pm, year round.  
**Contact** Ph 03 438 9615; fax: 03 438 9655.

### The Giant's House – Linton

**Address** 68 Rue Balguerrie, Akaroa, Canterbury.  
**Cost** Child: \$6; Adult: \$12.  
**Open** 2-4pm, Apr 1-Dec 24; 12-4pm, Dec 26 - Mar 31.  
By appointment.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 304 7501;  
josiemartin@paradise.net.nz; www.linton.co.nz

### The Moorings

**Address** 50 Rugby St, Merivale, Christchurch.  
**Cost** Adult: \$10.  
**Open** By appointment.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 355 2052; fax: 03 355 2094;  
mclernon@inet.net.nz

### The Nikaus Country Garden and Farmstay

**Address** Waitaria Bay, RD2, Picton, Marlborough.  
**Cost** Adult: \$5.  
**Open** 10am-5pm, all year.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 573 4432; fax: 03 573 4432;  
info@thenikaus.co.nz; www.thenikaus.co.nz

### The Shambles

**Address** 52 Burn Cottage Rd, Lowburn, Cromwell, Central  
Otago.  
**Cost** Adult: \$5  
**Open** 10am-5pm, Thurs-Sun, Nov-March  
**Contact** Ph: 03 445 1283; KVJ1@xtra.co.nz

### Tudor Park

**Address** 21 Lawrence Rd, Ryal Bush, Invercargill.  
**Cost** Adult: \$3.  
**Open** Oct and Feb, 10am-7pm, or by appointment.  
**Contact** Ph: 03 221 7150; fax: 03 221 7150;  
tudorparksouth@hotmail.com; www.tudorpark.co.nz

Palmco, NZ's leading supplier of large field grown palms, has been awarded the New Zealand Gardens Trust (NZGT) Garden of National Significance status for its stunning Display Garden at Palmco's Nursery in Kerikeri, Bay of Islands.

Designed and developed by Palmco's resident landscape architecture and design team, this garden was inspired by the Supreme Award winning Palmco garden at the 2007 Ellerslie International Flower Show. The judges had this to say about the Palmco display garden

*"Palmco have created a very tasteful garden displaying a range of sub-tropical flora all put together with flair and soul. The construction and maintenance is of the highest order set off by magnificent stands of palms and cycads. The restrained pool plantings are an absolute delight. Some colour is provided by controlled plantings of day lilies of one colour and by hippeastrums providing excellent accents ... ground cover throughout the garden has been used effectively ... It was a great pleasure to visit."*



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The Palmco Display Garden and retail store is open for viewing weekdays and from 10am - 4pm Saturdays at 32 Wiroa Rd, Kerikeri, Bay of Islands, ph 09 407 9293.

From a single specimen palm to a full garden design and landscaping project Palmco can transform your garden whatever the style, size or location.

Contact Palmco Auckland located at 88 Merton Rd, Glen Innes.

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