

Welcome to the Gardens

The Gardens at Tatton have been a major element of the Tatton estate since the middle of the 18th century when the Parkland was re-designed and the Mansion rebuilt as the Egerton family fortunes flourished.

Today, its fifty acres reflect the inspiration of various members of the Egerton family and the changing fashions in Garden design over the last three centuries. Famous designers such as Joseph Paxton and Lewis Wyatt added variety and scope to the Gardens as they followed the trends and fashions of the time. This continued until the death of Maurice, the last Lord Egerton in 1958.

The climate is interesting due to the Garden's inland position (altitude 60m). Cold winters restrict many 'tender' plants to warm walls. Rainfall is low at 711mm but well distributed. The soil is acid pH 5.6.

The Gardens are open to the public throughout the year and are maintained by a team of skilled gardeners and volunteers.

We recommend you see:

- **The Gunnera Plant** *Gunnera manicata* in August. Of South American origin this is one of the largest and most spectacular herbaceous plants, also known as 'prickly rhubarb'. One leaf can grow to a spread of 4 metres.
- **The Topiary** - impressive all year round.
- **The Handkerchief Tree** *Davidia involucrata* in May, when its flowers resemble white paper tissues.
- The smell and colour in the **Rose Garden** during late July and early August.
- **Giant Redwoods** in the Arboretum which have soft bark and smell of antique furniture. In native habitat these can grow to a height of 100 metres.
- **Skunk Cabbage** *Lysichiton americanus* - named because of its smell of rotting flesh due to flies pollinating the plant. Smells strongest in April/May.
- **Harry Lauder Walking Stick** *Corylus contorta* named after its twisted stem all through the year.
- Highly scented flowering **Azaleas** in late June/early July on the White Walk.
- **The Rhododendrons** towards the end of May.
- The recently restored **Conservatory** (due to open Spring 2011).

TATTON PARK SOUVENIR GUIDE

This fully illustrated book details the fascinating history of the Tatton Park Estate, its various features, including the Gardens and the Egerton Family who made the Estate it is today. On sale in the shops.

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THE GARDENS



Everything you love to do

We hope you enjoy your visit to Tatton Park's gardens.

For your own safety and enjoyment we thank you for not swimming or paddling in the water and for taking your litter home.

Dogs, picnics, cycling and ball games are allowed in the parkland only.

Wheelchair visitors are advised to use the gravel and all weather paths marked in white on the map.









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Key to the Gardens

- 1 Walled Kitchen Garden
- 2 Rose Garden
- 3 Tower Garden
- 4 Broad Walk
- 5 Arboretum
- 6 Golden Brook
- 7 Japanese Garden
- 8 Choragic Monument
- 9 African Hut
- 10 Leech Pool
- 11 Maze
- 12 Charlotte's Garden
- 13 White Walk
- 14 Mercury Pool
- 15 Italian Garden
- 16 Conservatory
- 17 Fernery & Show House
- 18 'L' Border

- a Orchid House
- b Tomato House
- c Pot Plant House
- d Vinery
- e Pinery/Vinery
- f Peach Case
- g Fig House
- i Gunnera Plant
- ii The Topiary
- iii Handkerchief Tree
- vi Skunk Cabbage
- vii Harry Lauder Walking Stick

-  Lawns, open spaces, grass paths
-  Trees, Rhododendrons etc
-  Water
-  Gravel and all weather paths
-  Flower beds and borders
-  Buildings
-  No Access
-  Glass Houses

- A Toilets - Gents
- B Toilets - Accessible
- C Toilets - Ladies

