

## Five things not to be missed this season

### 1. Dazzling daffodils

*The heralds of spring*

After a wet and gloomy winter these iconic spring bulbs help lift the spirits with their dazzling yellow, orange and white blooms.



### 2. Tempting tulips

*Intense petal colour and shapes*

Tulips are amongst the most popular of bulbs and at Hyde Hall you can find them throughout the garden.



### 3. Beguiling blue

*A meadowland delight*

A spectacular bulb with delicate starry blue flowers on long spikes that makes them ideal for naturalising in grassy areas.

### 4. Alluring alliums

*Big impact for spring*

Alliums provide vibrant colour and shape to the border, as well as being an excellent cut flower.



### 5. Spring workshops

*Learn something new*

Fuel your creativity and passion for gardening by booking onto one of our spring workshops.

What Now March/April, Sat 12 March  
Grow Your Own Veg (spring), Wed 16 March  
Essential Herbs, Fri 18 March  
Mini Vintage Flowers, Sat 19 March  
Spring Propagation, Wed 23 March  
Garden & Flower Photography, Mon 11 April  
Luscious Lawns, Thu 14 April  
Willow Weaving, Sun 17 April  
Plants for Challenging Conditions, Thu 21 April  
Starting from Scratch – Prop, Sat 23 April  
Mixed Media Painting, Sat 7 May  
Nature Awakes, Sun 8 May  
Gardening without a Garden, Thu 12 May  
Starting from Scratch – Fruit/Veg, Sat 14 May  
Pot-et-Fleur, Wed 18 May  
Painting with Watercolours, Fri 27 May



## Shopping at Hyde Hall

Find gorgeous gifts from our wide range of homeware, books, specialist foods, toiletries, toys and plants.



## Eating and drinking

No garden visit is complete without a tasty treat or two! Find delicious seasonal offerings in our restaurant housed within a magnificent thatched barn, or in our modern, light and airy café.



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- Free, personalised gardening advice – by phone, email or in person
- Priority booking, Members' days, and discounted rates for RHS Shows

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# What's on this Spring



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# What's on - Spring 2016

All events are free of charge with standard garden admission (unless otherwise stated).

## Sat 5 – Sun 6 March, 10am – 3pm Mother's Day Weekend

Treat your mum to a day out at Hyde Hall where you'll find a range of indulgent gifts to browse and buy from. Why not make it extra special and book an afternoon tea as well at a special price of just £15.95 (a saving of £2 per person, plus normal garden admission). Call us now on 01245 402 024.



## Mon 7 – Mon 28 March, 10am – 5pm International Garden Photographer of the Year Exhibition

View an amazing collection of award-winning photos from winners of the annual International Garden Photographer of the Year competition.



## Fri 25 – Mon 28 March

### Tasty Easter Treats

Celebrate Easter at Hyde Hall and enjoy some scrumptious foodie treats in the Barn Restaurant. On Good Friday you'll find a fish themed menu, while on Saturday, chocolate - both sweet & savoury - takes centre stage. On Easter Monday there will be a traditional roast lamb dinner.



## Mon 11 – Fri 15 April, 10am – 4pm National Gardening Week

The RHS is calling on gardeners to get 'Greening Grey Britain' for a healthy, happier nation! Come along this week and pick up ideas to get you started with our meet the gardener sessions, interesting facts about health and fitness associated with gardening and drop-in Tai Chi sessions.

## Fri 15 April, 10am – 5pm National Open Gardens Day

Immerse yourself into the delights of spring with a free day out at Hyde Hall.

## Fri 15 April, 2pm Adam Frost Book Signing

Meet RHS Chelsea Flower Show gold medal winner Adam Frost, author of the book, *Real Gardens*. This book can be used to inspire a complete makeover or just borrow a few ideas. Copies will be available to purchase in the Hyde Hall shop at the special price of £13.99.



## Sat 16 – Sun 17 April, 10am – 4pm Essex Plant Heritage Spring Fair

With around 30 specialist nurseries to choose from, this plant fair will be the perfect opportunity to stock up on plants for the season ahead.



## Sat 23 – Sun 24 April, 10am – 4pm Chrysanthemum Society

Join members of the Southern Group for talks, slideshows and plant sales.

## Fri 29 April – Mon 2 May, 10am – 4pm Essex Craft & Design Show

Take advantage of this amazing opportunity to pick up wonderful and unique gifts for friends and family – or just treat yourself!

## Sat 14 – Sun 15 May, 10am – 5pm Southend Art Club Exhibition

Enjoy an exhibition of art by members of the Southend Art Club.

## Saturday 29 May Outdoor Cinema Evening

As the sun goes down, enjoy the classic film *Grease*, by an idyllic lakeside setting. Arrival from 6.30pm. Picnics welcome. Cost: Adults £12, Under 16s £8. Booking essential via [www.essexoutdoorcinema.com](http://www.essexoutdoorcinema.com)



## Fun things to do for kids

Hyde Hall is made for fun and adventure; climb the Higgledy Hyde woodland tower, swing on the ropes, whizz on the slide, wiggle on the wobble board, do a garden trail or get crafty on one of our activity days.

## Wed 2 March & Wed 4 May 10.30am – midday Little Acorns Pre-School Gardening Club

This pre-school gardening and craft club encourages children to engage with the natural world around them. All activities are 'planty', 'arty' or 'crafty' and it's held on the first Wednesday of every month (but not during the school holidays).

## Tue 31 May – Fri 3 June 10.30am – 3.30pm

**Half Term Fun – Scouting for All**  
2016 sees the 100th anniversary of the Scouts and we are celebrating with an orienteering trail and den building. There's also art & craft workshops at £2 per child (bookable on arrival) and on Wednesday there will be an outdoor skills workshop.

## Sat 19 March – Sun 10 April 10am – 5pm

### Lindt Gold Bunny Hunt

Discover the magic of Easter and join the hunt to find the Lindt Gold Bunny. Hear the magical tinkle of the golden bell and spy the flash of Lindt Gold Bunny ears as you uncover clues to be rewarded with a delicious Lindt chocolate treat.

## Tue 29 March – Fri 1 April Mon 4 – Fri 8 April 10.30am – 3.30pm

### Easter Family Fun

Enjoy Easter themed art & craft workshops. Bookable on arrival at £2 per child. On Wednesday you can also enjoy bunnies & chicks.



## Sat 28 May – Sun 5 June 10am – 5pm

### Budding Gardeners Exhibition

Enjoy a number of mini-show gardens all designed and created by local school children. Be sure to vote for your favourite garden in the 'People's Choice' award.

## Mon 30 May, 10am – 4pm Family Wildlife Day

Get closer to nature and enjoy a range of activities that will help you learn all about the bugs and beasties in your garden and at Hyde Hall.



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