



**WEST DEAN
GARDENS**

APPLE AFFAIR

**1 & 2 OCTOBER 2011
10.30am–5.00pm**

**APPLE DISPLAYS ● TOURS AROUND THE ORCHARD
THE BIG DRAW DRAWING COMPETITION
APPLE FUN AND GAMES ● WEST DEAN HOUSE OPENING
SURREALIST CONTEMPORARY ART EXHIBITION
COOKERY DEMONSTRATIONS ● MUSIC ● STALLS AND MORE!**

Welcome to our annual Apple Affair packed with stalls, activities and over 100 varieties of apple grown in the Victorian walled kitchen garden.

West Dean House will be open during the event so you can explore the state rooms in all their glory, which this year includes a NEW Surrealist art exhibition. Don't miss The Big Draw competition, where children and adults alike can show off their artistic skills.

**DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN GET YOUR ENTRY TICKET REFUNDED
IF YOU JOIN AS A FRIEND OF WEST DEAN TODAY**

There are toilets in five locations - all clearly sign-posted:

- (1) Portaloos by Entrance Kiosk (field)
- (2) On the east end of the College building (There is one disabled toilet here)
- (3) Portaloos at rear of College building (house)
- (4) In the corner of the Walled Garden yard
- (5) In the Gardens Shop (There is one disabled toilet here.
To avoid crowding in the building, please use our other toilets)

Drop by the West Dean Bookings and Information stand located near the entrance for further information or visit www.westdean.org.uk.

Apple Displays

Star of the show is the display of 100 different apple varieties selected from our own trees and displayed in the first tent you come to on the Picnic Lawn. Alongside this are John Nash (Retired Fruit Farmer), Gerald Edwards (RHS Fruit Group Chairman) and Peter Collet (local apple expert), who will be dispensing apple tastings, apple wisdom and attempting to identify your mystery apples! In addition, there is a small display of fruit in the thatched Apple Store located in the Walled Garden, plus an apple information display in the Apple Display Tent on the Picnic Lawn.

Tours around the Orchard

David Wilson, garden volunteer and apple impresario will be giving tours at 1pm and 3pm on both days. Meet at the sign opposite the Apple Display Tent on the Picnic Lawn.

Drawing Competition

The Big Draw drawing competition is taking place in the Classroom in the Kitchen Garden from 10.30am–4.30pm on both Saturday and Sunday. Our resident artist for the occasion is Richard Barnes, currently studying on West Dean Visual Arts full-time programme, and he will be on hand to assist if required, so do come and have a go! The competition is open to all ages, and prizes will be awarded after the event for the winning entries.

Apple Fun and Games

Don't miss the apple bobbing, face painting, pin the maggot on the apple, the bouncy castle and much more!

West Dean House Opening and the New Surreal Art Exhibition

A rare opportunity from 10.30am (last admission 4.30pm) to glimpse behind the façade of West Dean House (not normally open to the public). Follow the signs to the house front. Visitors to the Apple Affair will be able to view the Marble Hall, Tapestry Corridor, Old Dining Room, Music Room, Old Library, Oak Hall and Purple Landing, including the Doll's House. Also on view will be the pink satin Mae West lips sofa and lobster telephone (a collaboration between Edward James and Salvador Dali) and a Surrealist Contemporary Art Exhibition. Please note: there are a number of steep steps within the House. Assistance and support can be provided to disabled visitors.

Gardens Shop and Restaurant

An excellent range of herbaceous plants and herbs at 50% off, plus end of season sale, a wide range of gifts and books, and even something for Christmas – all available from the Gardens shop. Refreshments are available in the Gardens restaurant, as well as from various stallholders.

COOKERY DEMONSTRATIONS

Join food writer and West Dean food course consultant, Rosemary Moon, at the cookery tent for tasty demonstrations!

- 11.00 Save them for later** Rosemary preserves her apples in a sweet fruity chutney and a delicious lemony curd. Tips galore about home preserving.
- 12.00 Bangers and ... apples** A one-pot wonder packed with sausages, seasonal veg and apples, and a great autumn salad of roast squash, sausages and our favourite fruit.
- 1.00 Cider select** It's many years since we've held a cider tasting at the Apple Show. Cider's now the trendiest drink, so come and taste the differences. Over 18s only, please!
- 2.00 Sweet sensations** The fruit of temptation indeed! Rosemary cooks apple puds to forsake your diets for! They are not low-calorie... but who cares?
- 3.00 A chef and a pie** The Lavant Valley's chef Giles Thompson cooks apples his own chefy way, then tries to wrestle the Apple Pie crown from Rosemary, the home-cook, who has held the challenge trophy for the last two years. We both need your votes!
- 4.00 Curry tonight** Rosemary cooks a quick curry suitable for busy days, but with a seasonal, appley twist.

MUSIC

Fantastic live, mellow, folk music from *Wheels of the World*, *John Meriton*, *Chalk Hill Blue* and *Yonder* plus superbly selected supplementary recorded music from the discerning Mark Ringwood of Roots Around The World. Also watch out for the strolling Morris side!

STALLHOLDERS

WALLED GARDEN

Appledram Farm Products	01243 773828	Cider, apple juice, ginger cordial
Janet Carter	01403 753718	Honey and honey/beeswax products
Mary Mead	01903 782529	Handwoven pure silk and silk/cashmere scarves
Mia Bella Casa Limited	01903 507999	Stylish, eco-friendly, fair trade houseware and gifts
Premier Preserves/ Ewenique Sheep Tea Cosy	02392 697982	Homemade jams & hand knitted sheep tea cosies
Say Cheese	01273 814723	Artisan cheeses and 'posh' apple pies
West Dean Gardens	01243 818210	Locally grown apples and pears
Woodland Bowls	07702 341929	Wood bowls & small turned items made from English trees

STALLHOLDERS CONTINUED

PICNIC LAWN

Action in Rural Sussex	01273 473422	Promoting Sussex apples, local projects and growing advice
Back Door Shoes	08712 311781	Waterproof, lightweight decorated garden clogs
Ballards Brewery/Simply Garlic	01730 821362	Real ales - garlic/shallots
Better Tomorrows	01243 753812	Promotion of Home Composters & food waste digesters
Bush Vines	01243 378618	Distinctive wines from England and Spain
Cheese & Olives Ltd	07966 011280	Prepacked flavoured cheese
Chi - Africa Ltd	01243 783442	Handcrafted recycled metal sculptures and ethnic sundries
English Gardenware	01243 543804	Traditional gardening products
Fairy Cake Designs	01243 528407	English designed decorative tableware; tins, trays, retro signs & more
Forest Hogs Ltd of West Dean	07768 808782	Local venison and homemade cured hams
Fox Earth Tree Services	0800 2800 522	Trading Standards approved tree surgery company talk to the team
Fudge Factory	01778 345673	Homemade cream and butter fudge; homemade preserves
Ganesh Unlimited	01243 511052	Apple pressing demo, apple juice, apple fun, etc
Gourmet Med	07966 442980	Olives & bakery
H & A Nader - Lebanese Fine Foods	01903 892886	Authentic Lebanon products: oil, preserves, pickles, etc and wines
The History Bit	01243 537636	History/historical display
Hungry Guest Artisan Bakery	01243 539699	Artisan breads, cakes and pastries
Imbhams Farm Granary	01428 644088	Fresh milled & flaked cereal grains, muesli, flours, herb bread mixes
Jo's Jumpers	01428 645457	Fair-trade gifts and accessories incl. hats, bags, scarves and beads
Karen Ongley-Snook	01243 573411	Handmade glass, steel/glass garden instalations & funky bags/jewellery
Kittikrafts		Ceramic saucer-like food grater
Michelle Green	01243 811783	Hand-dyed/spun yarn, felt, needlefelt & hand painted silks
Mrs Mitchell's Kitchen and Garden	01980 863101	Cottage garden plants & handmade preserves
O'Hagan's Ltd	01243 649133	Barbequed and fresh sausages
Ouse Valley Foods	01273 891893	Jellies, jams, chutneys and curds
Paul Barnett Trees	01243 572431	Fruit/ornamental/native trees + planting/pruning service
Picnic & Hamper Company	0870 240 5190	Sweet & savoury tarts, cakes & biscuits, muffins, nuts & seeds
Riverford Organic's	01803 762059	Organic Box Scheme
RSPB	01767 680551	Conservation and environmental charity
Saskias Flower Essences	01453 884775	Health and wellbeing
Sedlescombe Organic Vineyard	0800 980 2884	Organic fruit juices, cider and wines
Silvermoon	01273 388737	Handmade contemporary and natural jewellery
Stratta	01323 732505	Fruit, flower; herb & apple vinegars, infused oils, unusual preserves
Sussex Wildlife Trust	01752 312105	Charity
Terra-Verte	01380 828655	Terracotta cookware, ceramic bowls, chimeneas And furniture
Tools and Trades History Society		Understanding hand tools, the trades and the people that use them
Twigwams	01730 269304	Country-style home accessories
West Dean CE Primary School	01243 811247	Refreshments, games, face painting, competitions