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THE NEW SOLUS FIRE BOWL WITH DUAL FUNCTIONALITY

Officially launching at RHS Chelsea 2018, the Solus Decor Hemi 36" Fire Bowl with Table & Drinks Ring is the definitive garden feature for a social outdoor space.

This updated version of the popular Hemi fire bowl boasts dual functionality: a fire pit with drinks ring, or as a full table by inserting the 'middle'. It is currently a contender in the RHS Chelsea, New Garden Product of the Year category.

The Hemi 36" with drinks ring adds not only an aesthetic focal point to a garden,

but gives dispenses heat, ambience, and the ability to extend time in the garden.

The British climate is at the best of times difficult to forecast and this fire feature allows enjoyment of the garden after the sun goes down or on cooler days, when sitting outdoors may not otherwise be possible. On brilliant sunny days, a full table is very practical and allows it to be used like any other coffee table. Solus fire bowls are designed to be experienced first-hand. If you are planning on visiting RHS Chelsea 2018, please do pay Solus a visit.

Solus has been designing and manufacturing of fire pits and tables for over ten years. Initially based in Canada, they expanded to the UK in 2016. Feedback from clients inspired the Solus design team to think of multi-functionality to

accommodate the requests often received by garden landscapers. The overall trend, as far the garden is concerned, is for products that require less maintenance and enhanced functionality. The all-metal drinks ring/table came about from interactions with current Hemi fire bowl customers who wished to make more use of their fire pit.

Measurements:

900 mm (diameter) x 515 mm (height)
UK stock purchase for four colours and two ignition sources: NG and LPG
Price (inclusive of VAT and UK delivery) £4395

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SLEEK, SIMPLE DANISH DESIGN FOR YOUR GARDEN

The Danes have a long tradition of cooking outside and are also known for their sleek and simple designs. The Dancook 2018 range of barbecues and firepits showcases both gastronomy and beautiful design with its latest range of stylish cookware.

These include: The Dancook 9000 fireplace (firepit), the perfect gathering point in your garden that will enable you to have fireside cosiness and a barbecue too.

With the Dancook 9000 you can use both wood and charcoal. Standing 50cm high, the fireplace is very safe with edges that do not get hot. The bonfire is stainless steel with the cooking grid made out of 6mm chromium-plated steel – which makes for a better distribution of the heat. The fireplace is also a cosier alternative to a

terrace heater and is much easier to move around.

The firepit retails at £149.99 - and measures H 50 cm, W 78cm (54cm cooking area), D74cm. The Dancook 9000 also has a host of accessories to meet all social and cooking needs. These include a stainless steel 'table top' which turns the firepit into a useful table when not being used for heating or cooking. The Dancook 1501 charcoal kettle barbecue/kitchen combines form and function in this mini outdoor kitchen which combines a kettle BBQ with a stylishly simple worktop and wooden base. The stainless steel, aluminium and wooden design is perfect for entertaining. The large worktop is ideal for preparing and serving food, while the trolley design allows it to be easily moved around the garden.

The Dancook 1501 measures H 109cm, W 109cm, D 77cm and has a cooking area of 58cm x 58cm that can accommodate 16 burgers. With a two-year warranty the barbecue retails at £449.99.

Materials used in Dancook's kettle barbecues are quality stainless steel and aluminium. The liner collects grease and ashes, and because of this the combustion air is pre-heated, increasing the cooking effect by

up to 50%.

Dancook's 1900 kettle barbecue is manufactured in one piece. The stainless-steel liner is set in a 'floating' ring of steel. This double wall ensures heat is retained, fuel efficiency and ease of cleaning. For added convenience and versatility there's a detachable side table for prep space while grilling. Dimensions are H 104cm x D 79cm x W 74cm. Retail price is £299.99

The Dancook 1400 Kettle barbecue has an extra-thick 6mm chrome plated grid - durable and ideal for holding larger, heavier cuts of meat and poultry. Three air vents - control the temperature with the turn of a finger. The barbecue has wheels for easy movement. Dimensions are H: 99cm x D 60cm x W63 cm. The Dancook 1400 retails at £189.99.

The full Dancook range and accessories plus delicious recipe ideas, can be viewed on Dancook's website www.dancook.dk Dancook products can be bought from BBQ specialists and garden centres nationwide, and online at Internet Gardener and Keen Gardener



BROILING HOT SUMMER

New range for 2018 to Suit
Every Type of Garden, Home
and Lifestyle

America's #1 gas grill brand Char-Broil® is launching exciting new BBQ models to its UK range for 2018, all of which combine cutting-edge innovation, top performance and fantastic design. Innovations include the new Kamander Kamado-style grill – the most versatile charcoal product for smoking, baking and grilling; a new Platinum Line BBQ Series, with 304-type premium stainless-steel construction and cooking grates; a new Convective Line in a modern and robust design with cast-iron grates for perfect sear marks; and a traditional charcoal Bullet Smoker.

For more information visit www.charbroil.eu



MAKE SPACE FOR SUMMER!

As we head to warm summer days and long evenings, adaptable furniture that works both inside and out could be the answer for turning outdoor spaces into part of the living environment.

Creating a design led look with easily movable, lightweight furniture can provide extra seating outside for barbecues, unexpected visitors or relaxed summer evenings chatting with friends as the sun goes down.

Alison Chatten, interiors specialist and designer at leading soft-fill furniture and furnishings manufacturer, the Bazaar Group, said: "With any indoor-outdoor living area, finding pieces that harmonise with your interior style, yet add a bit of vibrancy to your thriving outdoor space isn't easy.

"The 'urban palm house' trend feels spectacular both as a dramatic indoor lounge area that beckons you in, or as a sophisticated jungle-inspired garden area that friends won't want to leave.

"The Icon Urban Palm Collection is ideal to create that warm and welcoming suite, and has the added advantage of being easily moved, so people can adapt your spaces whenever extra seating space is needed."

Here are Alison's tips for choosing the perfect indoor-outdoor furniture:

- Look for furniture which is comfortable for different activities. For example, the Oria Armchair is a comfortable seat which is great for relaxing with a book, or for a supported position while you enjoy something off the barbecue.
- To create that perfect outdoor vibe, go for bright and attractive furniture with complimentary accessories such as cushions and soft throws.
- Choose furniture that is easy to keep clean. The Icon range uses comfortable, tactile materials which are designed to be wiped-clean.
- Cushions, throws and relaxed soft seating should be easy to pick up and take outside when the occasion calls for it.
- Water-resistant fabrics are important in case of sudden downpours.
- Footstools and pouffes can add extra seating, take up less space and even be used as a side table.

Icon is part of the Bazaar Group, a leading soft furnishing manufacturer based in Northumberland. As well as Icon, the Bazaar Group's brands include Leda, Eden Learning Spaces and Bambeano.

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Alfresco living is no longer reserved for fleeting summer days, too few and far between. There's a hot new trend for elaborate outside spaces that can be used all year round. Outdoor sofas allow for relaxed garden entertaining, and that's before we've even got started on outdoor kitchens, bars, fireplaces, TVs and hot tubs! It's all about embracing the Mediterranean lifestyle and making exterior spaces beautiful and useful, whatever the season.



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BOUTIQUE CAMPING
KID'S TEEPEE EMBROIDERED TENT - PINK
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groundsheet and three wooden poles to keep it sturdy, there'll be no end to the adventures in this monochrome retreat.

Keep them entertained for hours on end with the kid's teepee embroidered tent. Featuring a pink panel that has been adorned with pretty flowers, this wigwam is the perfect place to play hide and seek, tell stories and build forts.

Bring a splash of colour to their bedroom along with hours of fun with the kid's teepee tent in lemon. Proving that kids' accessories can be just as cool as their grown-up counterparts, this gorgeous canvas teepee has been crafted from natural wooden poles, soft canvas fabric and finished with colourful pastel binding. This play tent would make a great garden hideaway, or the perfect spot for a teddy bears picnic whilst the 'big kids' have an alfresco dinner.

KID'S TEEPEES NOW AVAILABLE AT BOUTIQUE CAMPING!



BOUTIQUE CAMPING
KID'S TEEPEE TENT WITH STARS - NAVY
£79.00 www.boutiquecamping.com

Glamping experts, Boutique Camping, have brought their extensive knowledge of building beautiful bell tents to the play room with their new range of kid's tepee tents.

These mini tents celebrate good old-fashioned role play, which is critical for a child's development. Available in an array of designs and colourways, you are sure to find the perfect play den for your little one.

Spark their imagination and encourage them to reach for the stars with this kid's teepee tent with stars. The cool, two-tone design has been scattered with their own mini milky way and finished with a window, making it feel just like their own little house! With its own comfy

NATIONAL TRUST LAUNCHES NEW £10 JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP TO ATTRACT NEXT GENERATION



National Trust

The National Trust has launched a new membership to inspire the next generation of heritage and countryside lovers for less than £1 a month.

The new £10-a-year junior pass for five-17 year olds offers youngsters the opportunity to visit hundreds of different types of places cared for by the Trust.

With children able to visit with any responsible adult, the new pass will also provide plenty of possibilities for days out to support the nation's army of grandparents and relatives who are regularly called on to assist parents with child care.

Sharon Pickford, membership director said:

"We want to inspire the next generation to care about all the buildings, countryside and wildlife that we look after and to help nurture a love for conservation and the outdoors.

"We also want to move with the times and offer more flexible memberships which reflect the changing nature of childcare in Britain.

"Family life has changed dramatically over the course of the last generation with children increasingly looked after by grandparents and other family members while their parents are out at work. We can help with providing a whole host of affordable entertainment and educational places for visits from mysterious castles and mansions to miles of golden sands and woodlands."

As a consequence of these changes, young people – aged five to 17 - currently on the Young Person membership will benefit from a 70 per cent reduction in annual fees.

The Young Person's 50 per cent concession

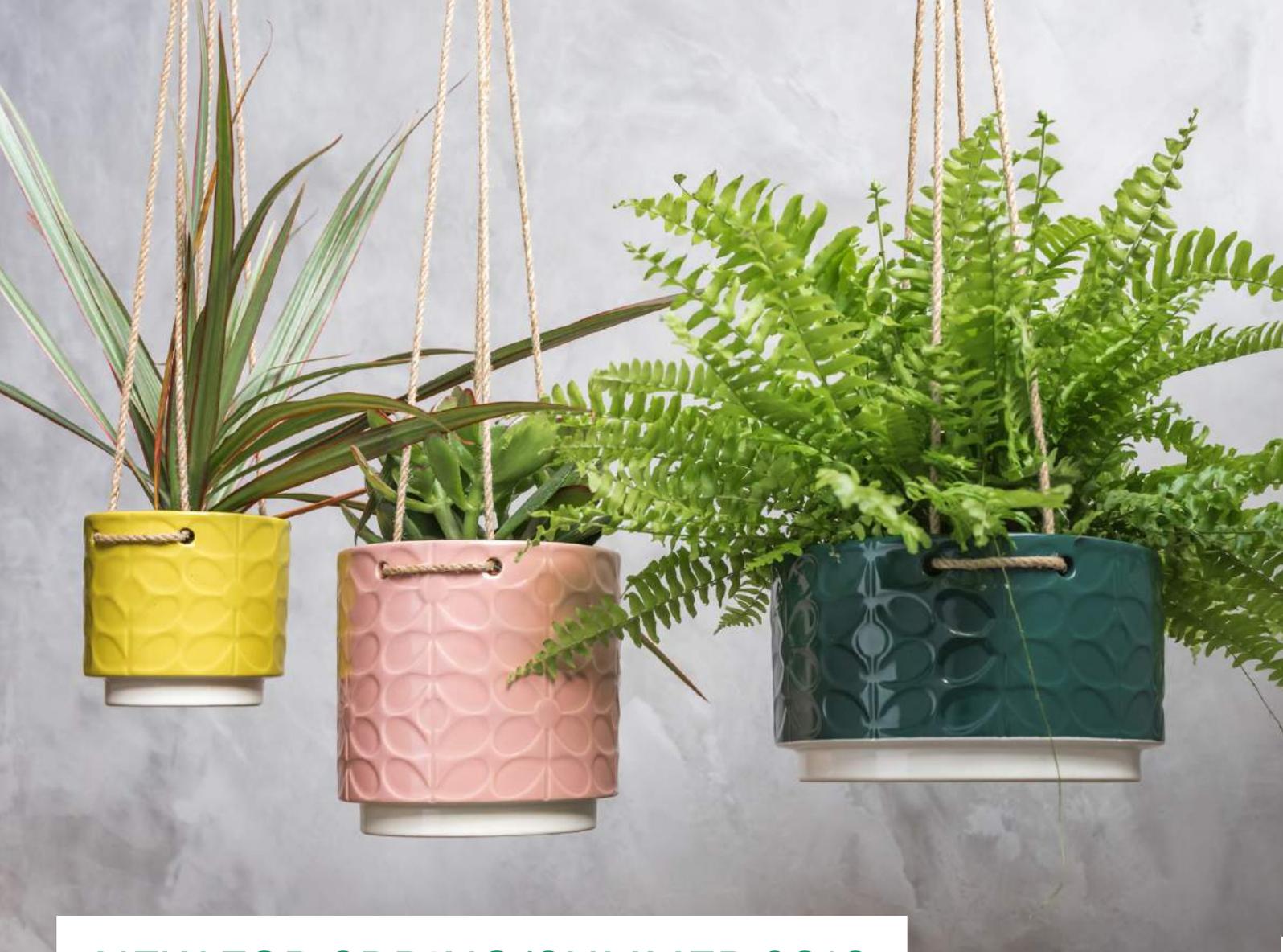
remains, albeit with a revised age range (18-25) due to the introduction of the junior membership.

Ms Pickford continued: "Last year we were able to spend over £139 million on conservation thanks to the support of our members. With the cost of conservation continuing to rise we need to ensure we look to the future to build long term relationships which will enable us to look after the 500 historic places, 250,000 hectares of countryside and 775 miles of coastline in our care for many generations to come."

On joining, junior members will receive a welcome pack and guide, membership card and voting rights for the charity's Annual General Meeting.

For more information on National Trust membership visit

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/join



NEW FOR SPRING/SUMMER 2018 GARDEN ACCESSORIES BY ORLA KIELY

Featuring the iconic linear stem print and retro colour palette, Wild & Wolf is proud to launch a brand new range of Orla Kiely garden accessories for SS18.

From potting gloves to bird houses, candle lanterns to hanging pots; this exciting new range combines function and style.





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BRING THE OUTDOOR IN

Invite the calm of nature into your home by introducing some unique planters, leaf prints and a mix of natural finishes. Nothing freshens a space better than a pop of greenery!

Leafy prints and shapes have taken a more sophisticated turn over recent years, with a range of paired back and contemporary designs on the market to suit every style.

From bold tropical leaves, to more delicate and intricate designs, we're seeing these leafy details across a huge variety of forms including cushions, wall prints, furniture upholstery, rugs, ceramics and even lighting.



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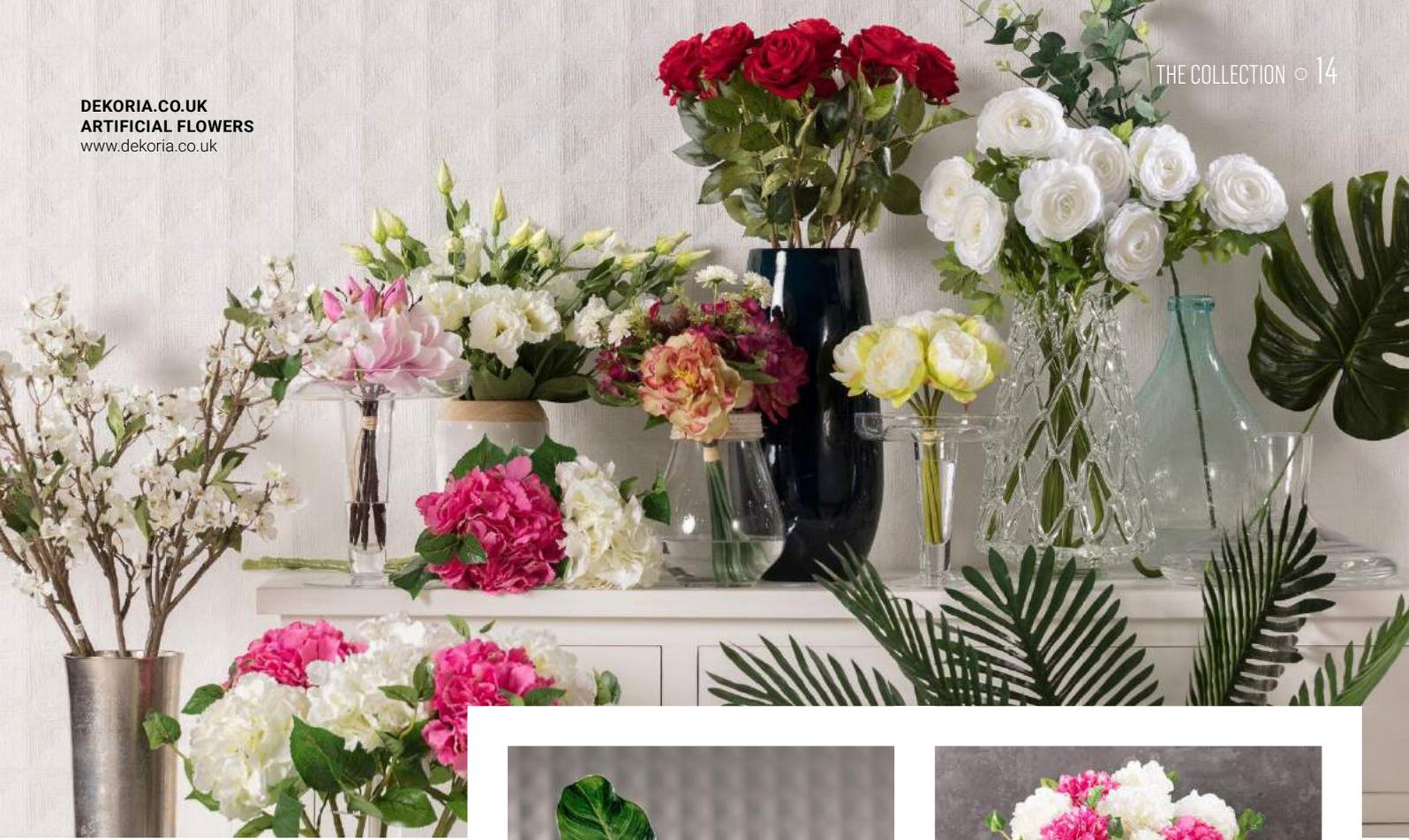
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SPRINGTIME BLOOMS

Pretty peonies, full hydrangeas, delicate eustomas, fresh magnolias or elegant roses? Or do you prefer something a little different - apple tree blossoms, dandelions or ranunculus? With Dekoria's beautiful new flower range, creating dreamy floral arrangement at home is easy!

Let us share with you a little secret though: all these gorgeous blooms are fake. A hassle-free way to introduce floral arrangements into interiors, these surprisingly realistic luxurious artificial blooms will decorate living spaces all year round.

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BIRDS OF A FEATHER NEST TOGETHER

As natural nest sites such as holes in trees or old building are rapidly decreasing, why not help out a couple of lovebirds by siting a nesting box in your garden.

Wildlife subscription box company, Boxwild, have just added two bird house gift boxes to their lines, which are perfect for attracting birds to your garden.

The Bird House Gift Box is perfect for making your garden a home for our feathered friends. The gift box contains a beautiful wooden nesting box, which is perfect for small birds like blue tits and robins, along with a seed feeder, seed scoop and a regular pack of Boxwild's bird seed blend.

This makes the ideal present for someone who loves birds and is a great way to witness some bizarre bird behaviour. Just be careful not to place the birdfeeder and bird house too close to each other as not to disturb the nesting pair.

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If you love to hear the sound of birds tweeting in the morning, why not add a little intrigue and acoustics to the garden with the

Watering Can Bird House Gift Box. Featuring the cool yet quirky watering can nesting box, this gift box also includes a pack of Boxwild bird seed blend, a seed feeder and seed scoop and a coco feeder. Perfect for creating a stylish looking nature haven outside.

Both these boxes would make superb gifts for bird lovers at Christmas, Mother's Day or for a birthday. You can even make a last-minute order by simply printing out Boxwild's gift message card to give to the recipient on the same day. Or for those more organised, you can select a date in advance for Boxwild to send with a personalised gift message.

ABOUT NESTING BOXES:

- Nesting boxes are usually put up in the spring for small birds such as tits, as they tend to investigate nesting sites around late February. But it is never too early to put up a bird house, as some birds will use them to roost or feed during the winter months.
- Regular bird house residents include blue, great and coal tits, nuthatches, house and tree sparrows, starlings, spotted and pied flycatchers, robins, house martins, kestrels and tawny owls.

TOP TIPS FOR SITING A NEST BOX:

- Site your nest box approximately three metres up a tree trunk, wall, or the side of a shed is fine.
- Ensure your garden visitors have privacy by not placing the bird house too close to areas with high levels of activity. Birdfeeders and bird baths are highly sociable areas and will disturb nesting pairs.
- Look for a spot that has a clear flight path and is not obscured by foliage and branches.

- Once you find the perfect location, fix the nest box slightly downwards and facing between north and east. This will weather protect the house from wind, rain and strong sunlight.

ABOUT BOXWILD:

Boxwild's aim is to support and encourage the birds and wildlife in your garden throughout the year by providing varied and delicious seed blends that will supplement their natural diet. They also donate 50p from each box sold to Wildlife Charities in the UK to support the amazing work they do.

PRICES:

Bird House Gift Box - £28.00

Bird House Gift Box - Watering Can - £35.00

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Our Ultimate Hedgehog box is ideal for someone who loves our prickly friends! It contains everything you need to feed a Hedgehog plus Harry, our beautiful Hedgehog Garden Ornament!



The National Garden Scheme has been helping garden owners open their gardens to raise money for nursing charities since 1927, and subsequently the link between gardens and health has always been prevalent in their work. To further delve into the reasons gardens can benefit a person's health, The National Garden Scheme has been gaining feedback from their most valuable resource, their garden owners and visitors. Over 600 of their National Garden Scheme garden owners responded to an online health survey, here are their top five health benefits of gardens and gardening

1. Gardens can have a positive impact on your physical and mental health

Perhaps a widely assumed statement that 91% of garden owners surveyed agreed with, affirming that having access to a garden has had a positive impact on either their physical or mental health.

"Many years ago I was becoming very depressed, but gardening gave me a focus and, since becoming a keen gardener, I've never looked back."

"Following an accident 10 years ago I was able to walk only 30 metres with walking aids. Gardening helped me to gradually rehabilitate so that I am now able to walk freely."

THE TOP FIVE HEALTH BENEFITS OF GARDENS, CHOSEN BY NATIONAL GARDEN SCHEME GARDEN OWNERS

2. Gardening helps to keep you active for longer

Garden owners felt their physical strength was improved because of gardening, including better recovery from illness or having better than average health for their age. 85% of garden owners who answered the question 'Does gardening help you with mobility on a day to day basis?' responded that it did.

"We have a large garden which means there is always something to do. My father in law, still a keen gardener, was 100 years old last month."

3. Gardens and gardening can help you to feel happier

National Garden Scheme Garden Owners agreed that gardening was the perfect way to de-stress and get through any periods of sorrow, depression or anxiety, with 70% agreeing that their garden gave them a feeling of happiness and positivity.

"I lose myself in the garden, all stressful thoughts disappear, and watching nature puts everything into perspective."

4. Gardens and gardening can help relax you

74% of garden owners surveyed said that they use their garden for relaxation, whether by gardening or relaxing in their garden and enjoying their achievements.

"It would be better put that I would be less fulfilled and relaxed, and more anxious were I not to garden."

5. It is great for building muscle and stamina

Many garden owners commented that gardening helped them build muscle, including after treatment, like orthopaedic surgery.

When asked how gardening has helped them physically, one garden owner commented: "[Gardening] helps to keep you flexible. I'm 70 this year and can still bend down and touch my toes easily. When gardening you are using all your muscles to bend and stretch and as long you don't overdo it. Constantly using my hands has helped keep arthritis at bay apart from the odd twinge."



'PinkTastic' has stronger roots and with more shoots, there are even more flowers to enjoy. And to cap it all, it is highly resistant to mildew.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Availability:

Calibrachoa MiniFamous® Double PinkTastic will be available to order from most good garden centres around the UK.

Awards - FleuroStar:

Fleuroselect, the international organisation for breeders and young plant producers of pot and bedding plants, awards the annual FleuroStar to the winning plant with the wow factor. A panel of over thirty industry experts evaluates the contesting plants on point of sale attractiveness and commercial potential.

Awards - RHS Wisley People's Choice Award: Visitors to RHS's flagship garden, Wisley, were invited to vote for their favourite new plants, and Calibrachoa MiniFamous® Double PinkTastic was elected the People's Choice for Calibrachoa in hanging baskets.

Breeder - Selecta One:

Calibrachoa MiniFamous® Double PinkTastic was created by German breeder Selecta One, specialists in vegetative ornamental plant breeding.

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A PINK-TASTIC PHENOMENON

The new Calibrachoa mini petunia 'PinkTastic' is set to take pride of place in window boxes, containers and hanging baskets all over the UK this summer, bringing balconies, gardens, terraces and patios to life with its unique, three-dimensional appearance.

Not only has the prize-winning plant been singled-out as pick of the year by a panel of Europe-wide horticulture experts, but it also scooped a People's Choice award at the RHS's flagship garden, Wisley. With a nod from the pros and the British public, it's set to become a pink phenomenon as we enter the spring and summer planting season.

Each double flower has a crested arrangement of bi-coloured inner petals – creating a far more dazzling appearance than single flowers. And because it produces more shoots, it also generates more blooms – an array of glorious two-tone flowers, all summer long. Create a stunning display in hanging baskets and give your balconies and terraces a real wow factor with the mini petunia 'PinkTastic'.

HOW TO WORK A LITTLE MAGIC INTO CONTAINERS & HANGING BASKETS

Cascading colourful blooms brimming over pots and hanging baskets are the very essence of trailing bedding plants, which is why the Calibrachoa 'PinkTastic' makes the perfect addition to any hanging basket, window box or container, with its striking double pink and white blooms. It is usually planted in the centre of window boxes, but can also be placed on

either side, leaving enough space in-between to combine it with vibrant pelargoniums, heliotropes or osteospermum. Decorative foliage plants such as the silver-leafed Plectranthus will also work well in this planting scheme. An 80-centimetre long window box will take four plants, with one extra in a one-metre box.

IMPROVED ROOT SYSTEM FOR BETTER GROWTH

This 'PinkTastic' mini-petunia has become so widely recognised because it's also incredibly vigorous and easy-to-grow. Since it produces particularly strong roots, it can absorb more nutrients and has a more far more fruitful branching habit than most. More shoots mean more blooms, and its double bi-coloured pink and white flowers create an amazing 3D effect. Plus, since a plant's vitality and health go hand-in-hand, 'PinkTastic' is particularly resistant to mildew.

TIPS TO KEEP YOUR CALIBRACHOA FLOWERING

Follow these tips to keep your mini petunias flowering all summer long.

Water less often:

Try a self-watering container with an adequate water supply which will ensure that your plants thrive and that you have to water less frequently.

Fertilise less often:

Nothing really grows without fertiliser – but with a slow-release fertiliser, balcony and container plants grow more uniformly and flower more abundantly.

Smarter choice:

The double, bi-coloured mini petunia





WHERE TO VISIT
RHS Garden Harlow Carr,
North Yorkshire



The story of RHS Garden Harlow Carr

The RHS merged with the Northern Horticultural Society in 2001 and, with the merger, came the acquisition of its garden, Harlow Carr.

The Northern Horticultural Society was founded in 1946 with the objective of 'promoting and developing the science, art and practice of horticulture with special reference to the conditions pertaining to the North of England'.

The Society leased 10.5ha (26 acres) of mixed woodland, pasture and arable land at Harlow Hill from Harrogate Corporation and opened the Harlow Carr Botanical Gardens in 1950. The chief aim was to set up a trial ground where the suitability of plants for growing in northern climates could be assessed and the original 10.5ha has since been extended to 23.4ha (58 acres).

Ancient hunting ground and spa

The gardens stand on what was once part of the Forest of Knaresborough, an ancient Royal hunting ground. Springs of sulphur water were discovered here in 1734 but development of the site as a spa did not take place for more than 100 years. In 1840, Henry Wright, the owner of the estate, cleaned out and protected one of the wells and four years later built a hotel and a bath house.

The hotel known as the Harrogate Arms and the land surrounding it was acquired by the RHS in 2014 and plans are in progress to restore the building, create new gardens around it and reintroduce its links with the old bath house. The wellheads in front of the bath house (at one time six wells were in use) were capped off but remain beneath the present Limestone Rock

Garden. At certain times the smell of sulphur in this area is quite distinct.

Since the merger with the RHS there have been many developments at the garden including the creation of the Montague-Burton Teaching Garden, Gardens Through Time and the Winter Walk. The Main Borders have undergone a stunning redesign and Annuals Meadows have been creatively themed using willow-woven sculptures. The Woodland has been regenerated and now includes a Rhododendron Glade full of spring-flowering bulbs. The Alpine House and £3.3m Bramall Learning Centre, one of the greenest buildings in the country, are the latest additions to Harlow Carr.

For more information, please visit www.rhs.org.uk/gardens/harlow-carr



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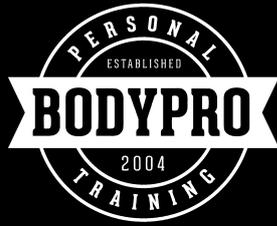
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PRINCESS ROAD, LOSTOCK, BOLTON

PRICE

£1,600,000

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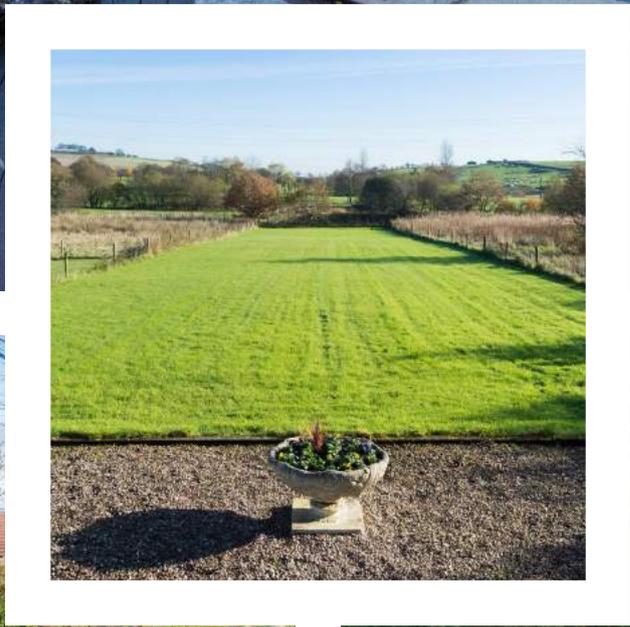
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Are you looking for the ultimate period family home that has the perfect balance of character charm and a modern contemporary finish? Look no further. Situated within a large, private gated plot upon arguably one of Bolton's most prestigious roads, Crantock is a breath-taking detached residence of the highest calibre that offers exceptionally well proportioned living space, spectacular leisure facilities and extensive parking arrangements, coupled by fabulous landscaped grounds that simply must be viewed to be fully appreciated.

This beautiful property has been lovingly upgraded by the current owners to the most exacting of standards with no stone unturned in the pursuit of absolute luxury. The result is a magnificent and highly individual family friendly home which offers over 5,800 square feet of luxurious living space over three floors. Rarely do homes of this size and calibre come to the market in locations such as this and an early internal viewing is strongly recommended to avoid disappointment.







ROADING BROOK ROAD, HARWOOD, BOLTON

PRICE
£750,000

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Situated within a stunning, semi-rural setting, surrounded by fabulous open countryside, this four bedroom detached family home features exceptionally well proportioned and highly versatile accommodation, set over three floors that simply must be viewed in person to be fully appreciated. Willowbank is a first class family home with particular appeal to the discerning and those seeking something rather special, individual and just a little different. Within generous private grounds, sat on the fringes of stunning Lancashire

greenbelt with far reaching views towards the Pennine Hills.

The property benefits from additional extensive lawned gardens/paddock area, adjoining Harwood Golf Course. Yet the property is well placed for a host of amenities and transport links. Willowbank has a well planned garden to the front with a sweeping drive allowing convenient access to extensive parking via a pair of double wrought iron gates and a double garage with electric up and over door.



TWISS GREEN LANE, CULCHETH, WARRINGTON

PRICE

£1,250,000

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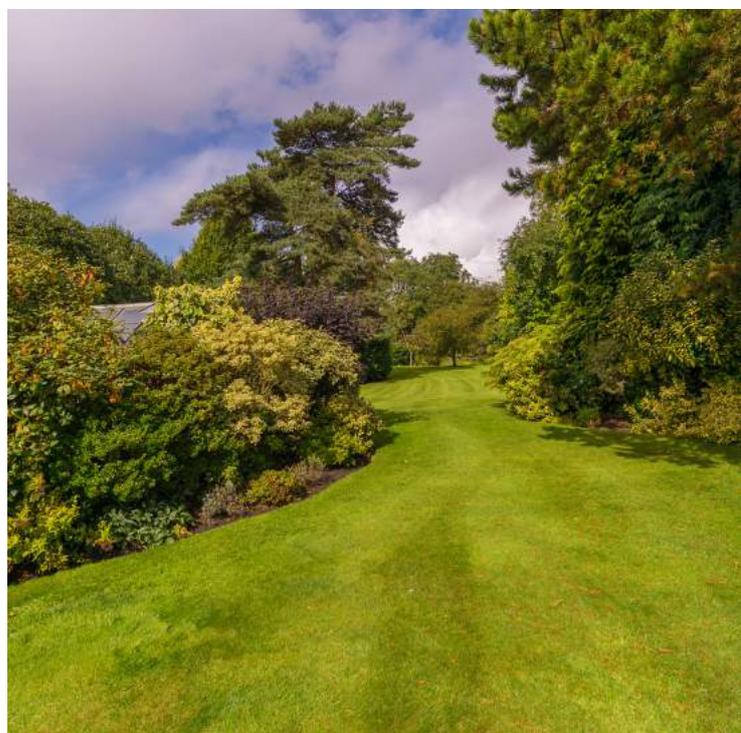
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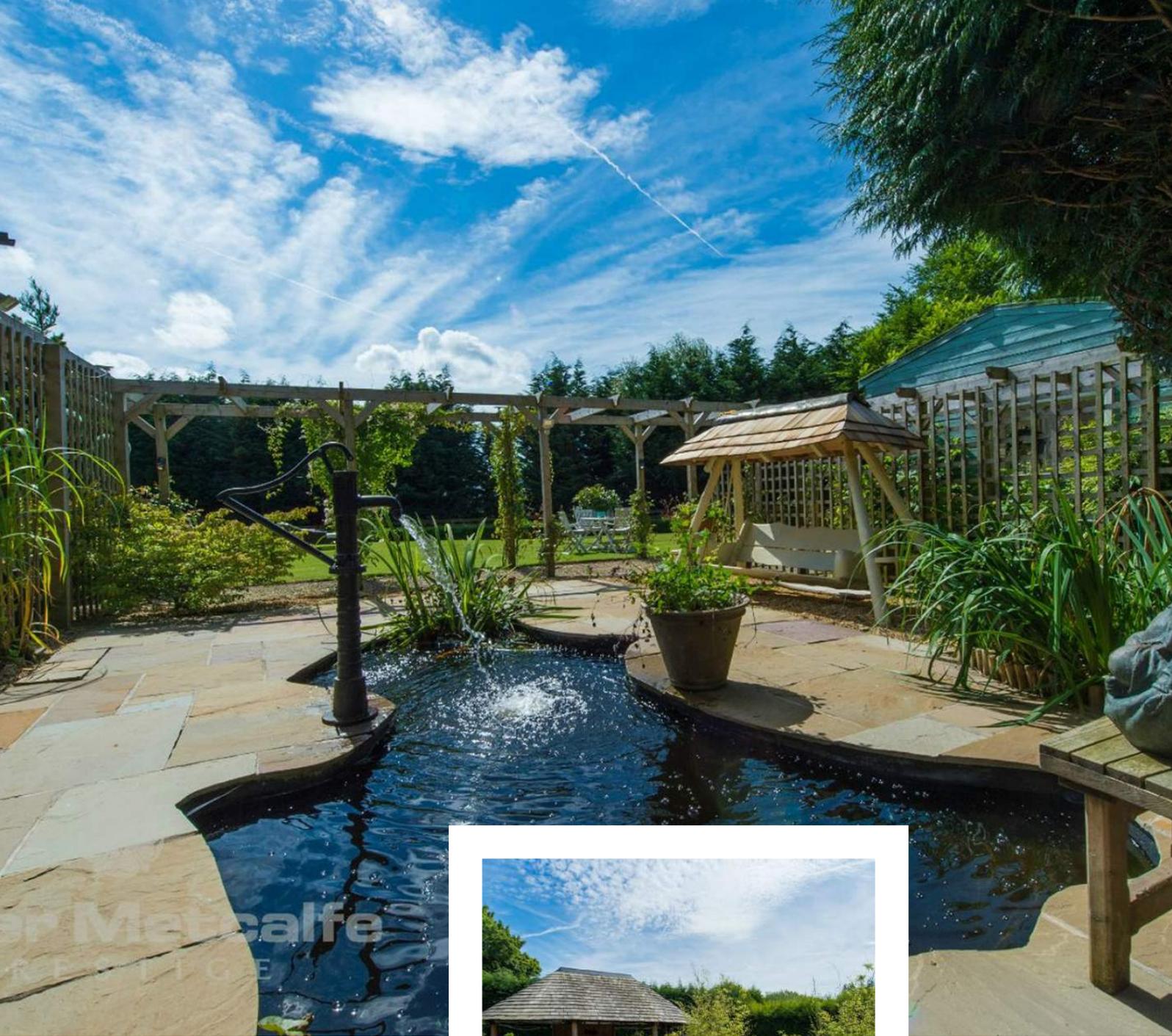
A rare opportunity to purchase a piece of Culcheth History. This beautiful, well-maintained Period property is located on one of Culcheth's most prestigious roads and offers substantial living space in the form of a Georgian style four-bedroom main residence.

There is additional accommodation in the form of a two bedroom barn conversion and a driveway for several vehicles, leading to a larger than standard double garage. There are also numerous outbuildings, which were traditionally used as stables and a tack room, which now provide additional outside storage facilities.

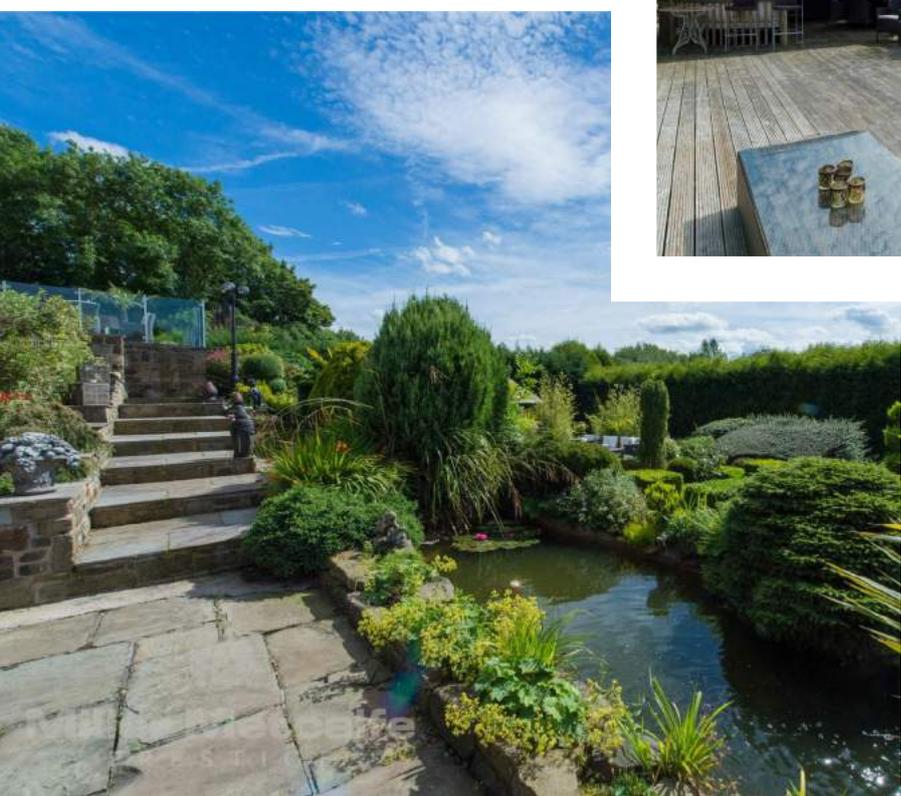
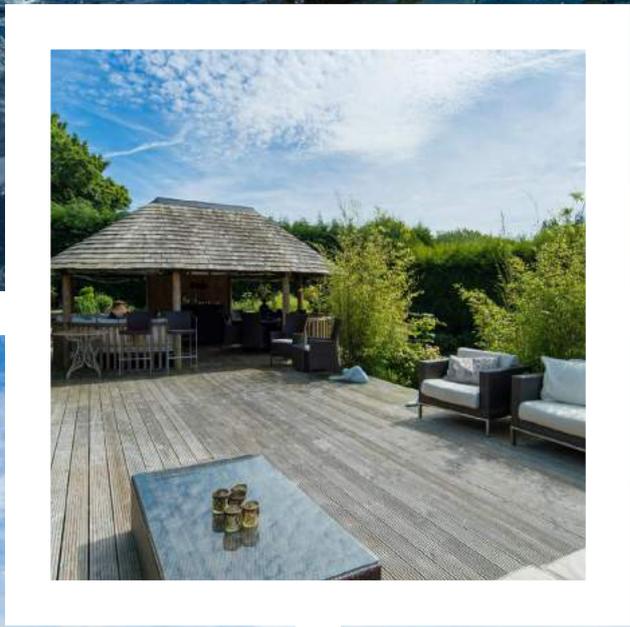
The property is set within extensive, mature gardens spanning approximately 3/4 of an acre, which incorporate landscaped gardens with planted borders, Summer house and a man-made stream, with feature bridge above, leading to a pond. This is a unique property which offers both substantial living accommodation and grounds, viewing therefore being essential in order to be fully appreciated.







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GARDENS



CASTLE HILL ROAD, BURY, LANCASHIRE

PRICE
£1,700,000

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Are you looking for the ultimate luxury country retreat that has the perfect balance of rustic period charm coupled with a cutting edge contemporary finish? Look no further. Being surrounded by some of Lancashire's most stunning open countryside, Bradshaw Hill Farm is a breath-taking detached stone residence of the highest calibre that offers exceptionally well proportioned living space of over 10,000 square feet, coupled by fabulous landscaped grounds of approximately 20 acres which even includes a 3 hole golf course! In addition to this there are 4 stables plus a tack room, offering excellent equestrian facilities alongside a further paddock of approximately 4 acres which may be available to rent by separate negotiation. that simply must be viewed to be fully appreciated.

This beautiful property has been lovingly created by the current owners to the most exacting of standards with no stone unturned in the pursuit of absolute luxury. The result is a magnificent family friendly home which combines a sense of original character beauty, seamlessly blended with high tech modern features.

Location

The quaint area of Birtle is situated in a rural setting on the outskirts of Bury. It is surrounded by spectacular rugged countryside, making it a popular choice for homebuyers find the laid-back rural lifestyle, coupled with easy access to major road and motorway networks, an ideal place for family life.



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