

This access statement does not contain personal opinions as to our suitability for those with disabilities, but aims to accurately describe the facilities and services that we offer all our visitors.

Access Statement for Westbury Court Garden

Introduction

Westbury court garden was originally laid out between 1696 and 1705, and is the only restored Dutch style water garden in the country. Visitors can explore canals, clipped hedges and working 17th-century vegetable plots and discover many old varieties of fruit trees.

Pre-Arrival

- For full details and maps of how to reach us, please see the directions section of our website. Alternatively, you can plan your journey by car or public transport using www.transportdirect.info; simply enter your postcode and ours to get directions.
- The nearest railway station is Gloucester, which is 9 miles away
- Taxis are available but it is advisable to book in advance, see contact information for details.
- Stage coach red and white no 30 and 31 operate a service to Westbury Court garden. Call 01452 425543 for more details
- There are brown signs directing the route to Westbury Court Garden. The road is busy as you approach the property.

Arrival and Parking

- There is parking for Blue Badge holders, but these spaces are not signed. They are closest to the entrance to the garden.
- The car parking spaces are located on a concrete/ large gravel surface.
- Not all of the car park spaces are marked.
- There is no designated pathway from the car park to the entrance of the garden. Access is through the car park.

Visitor Reception

- The Visitor reception building is located on a paved, level area between the car park and the entrance to the garden.
- The admissions desk features a lower shelf.
- Currently and hire of wheelchairs is suspended.

Visitor Toilets (at the base of the pavilion)

- There is a small paved ramp to access the base of the pavilion (to enter the toilet facilities)
- The access is brick paved from the entrance to the building
- There are vertical and horizontal rails either side of the toilet.
- An emergency alarm pull cord, featuring an external flashing light and buzzer when activated.
- The toilets are lit with overhead lights but overall light levels are low.
- A baby-changing table is located within the toilet cubicle.

Garden

- True to its original design, some pots are placed in walkways and steps are used to create height and depth to vistas.
- The pathways and steps throughout the garden are often narrow and uneven and can become slippery when wet. Most steps do not have handrails.
- The surfaces around the garden are a mix of gravel and natural surfaces like grass. Some natural surfaces also feature tree roots.
- Some surfaces undulate.
- There is a canal and ha-ha that marks the boundary of the garden.
- There are benches WITH ARMS located around the garden, providing good views.
- Some garden areas maybe closed temporarily as maintenance work is carried out.

Additional Information

- We have a set of evacuation procedures – should you require it someone will assist you with evacuating either the garden or one of our outlets.
- Assistance dogs, including those in training are welcome in the garden.

- We offer a complimentary carer/ facilitator ticket policy

Contact Information

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