

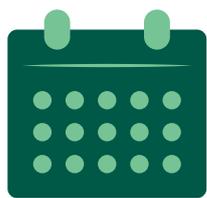
Unearth your Potential



Apprenticeships with the RHS

Offering Apprenticeships in horticulture and arboriculture, the RHS Apprenticeship programme at Level 2 requires no prior experience or horticultural qualification.

- Suitable for anyone with a passion to work in the great outdoors
- Great starting point to kick-start a successful career
- Earn while you learn
- Available across five of our beautiful RHS Gardens
- Starting August



Two

The number of years the apprenticeship can take to complete.



£0

What you will have to pay to be an apprentice. You get free training and a wage.



Team

You will become part of the RHS team and receive a range of employee benefits.



Employability

Greater chances of securing employment as you gain real-life work experience.



Grow

Working alongside our garden expert's means you'll never stop learning.

Learner experiences

The apprenticeship was the perfect fit for me; a combination of physical work in nature, paired with a really comprehensive theoretical aspect to the course. I'm loving every minute.

Felix Bishop

Arboriculture Apprentice at RHS Rosemoor

A career that fills you with ideas and inspiration has been extremely fulfilling

Toni Brown

Past Apprentice at RHS Wisley

Common Apprenticeship Questions

Q: What is the difference between the Horticulture and Arboriculture Apprenticeship?

A: If you love plants, green space and nature then the Horticultural Apprenticeship provides you with skills to establish, cultivate and maintain formal and informal gardens.

The Arboriculture Apprenticeship is perfect for those who have a passion for trees. The work of an arborist involves diverse activities such as chainsaw work, aerial tree work, pruning and using machinery.

Q: Do I need to have a horticultural qualification?

A: No! You simply need a love of horticulture and the great outdoors and an enthusiasm to learn.

Q: Is the Apprenticeship full-time?

A: Yes. Apprentices are employed by the RHS on a full-time basis and learn on the job with some academic study at College (mostly residential block release). The set programme follows a two-year course, so the Apprenticeship cannot be studied part-time or online.

Q: Where are the Apprenticeships based?

A: Apprenticeships are studied at our RHS Gardens – Wisley in Surrey, Hyde Hall in Essex, Harlow Carr in Yorkshire, Rosemoor in Devon and Bridgewater near Greater Manchester.

Q: Who can apply?

A: Anyone can apply as long as you are above the age of 16. The RHS is committed to being an inclusive employer and welcomes applicants from ethnically diverse backgrounds.

Q: What are the costs?

A: There are no costs to studying for an Apprenticeship. As an employee of the RHS you are paid a salary whilst you learn, and enjoy all the benefits of full-time RHS staff.

Q: What is the salary?

A: Circa £15k (those under the age of 25) and Circa £16k (those above the age of 25)

Q: Are applications open to people based abroad?

A: Applicants for Apprenticeships need to have the right to work in the UK.

Q: How do I apply?

A: Applications must be made online. Visit the RHS website and the work-based learning page for details on how to apply.

Q: What can I do after I complete the Apprenticeship?

A: After completing the Apprenticeship, you could continue to train with the RHS on a higher level Apprenticeship or other work-based learning programme within our gardens, or further learning with a related vocational qualification. Alternatively, you could apply for an entry-level role in industry.

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