THE KITCHEN GARDEN

The original kitchen garden dates from the middle of the 19th century. It includes hop arbours, fruit arches, an ornamental pond, and a semi-circle hedge of Pyrus Chanticleer, all this amongst vegetables and herbaceous borders with the focal point being the sundial which dates from the construction of the house c.1790. The walls are trained with a variety of fruits.

WALLED GARDEN

The long borders contain an abundance of both annual and perennial plants. The walls are covered with a variety of climbers including Wisteria, Pyracantha, Actinidia and Clematis. At the far end is an ornamental pond and a beautiful rose border.

PINETUM

The pinetum contains several mature trees including *Brewer Spruce, Monterey Pine, Magnolia Acuminata, Ginkgo* and *Blue Atlas Cedar.* Many were planted to commemorate various family events. The Shell Grotto which contains fine examples of fossilised ammonites can be found here. At the far end of the Pinetum is the Victorian rock garden which is planted for both spring and summer colour.

MANDALA

This is a parterre garden that draws on Hindu and Buddhist art to reflect the Harris family's Indian connections. It is planted with sweet smelling herbs including Thyme and Lavender.

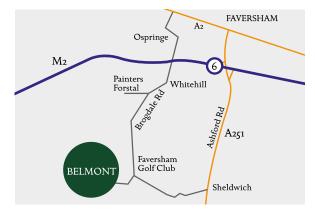
PLEASURE WALK

A meandering Rhododendron and Hydrangea walk leads round to the Orangery. The lawns to the front of the house contain a selection of specimen trees including *Tulip Tree*, *Handkerchief Tree*, *Liquid Amber* and *Indian Bean Tree*.

Plants and seasonal produce can be found for sale near the greenhouse entrance.

HOW TO FIND BELMONT

Belmont is situated 4 miles South West of Faversham. From the M2 take exit 6.



THE GARDENS

Are open daily all year round from 10am-6pm (dusk if earlier) Admission fee: Adult: £7.00 / Concessions: £5.00 / Child (12-16yrs) £2.50

THE HOUSE

For information about the house, please visit our website.

MEET THE HEAD GARDENER TOURS

First and third Tuesday of the month from May to October £10.00 per person. Booking online required.

CLOCK TOURS

Last Saturday of every month from April to September £20.00 per person. Booking online required.

MID-WEEK GROUP BOOKINGS

If you would like to organise a group visit, please visit our website or contact us for more information.

For further information please contact:

The Administrator, Belmont, Belmont Park, Throwley, Faversham, Kent ME13 oHH Tel: 01795 890202 or administrator@belmont-house.org www.belmont-house.org



AFETY INFORMATION

Children should be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Please be aware that both the kitchen and walled garden contain an ornamental pond. The drive is in constant use by cars and agricultural vehicles. Please do not climb the trees and be aware of the Ha-Ha.

