

# ELGIN OPEN GARDENS 2024

**Sat 2 – Sun 3 Nov and Sat 9 - Sun 10 Nov • 9.30 to 4**

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W = wheelchair friendly PW = partly wheelchair friendly

Most gardens do not allow dogs. Please ask the owner's permission before you bring yours.  
All gardens are giving a proportion of their earnings to charities of their choice.

## 1 Libby Farm Flowers @Shannon Vineyards Rockview Dam Rd, Grabouw Libby Downes PW

A boutique cut flower business situated on an apple, pear and wine grape farm with beautiful river frontage. Wander through rows of more than 30 different varieties of fragrant garden roses. **Entry R25. Bunches of roses for sale. Charity tearoom: Siphila Sonke. At Shannon Vineyards, Rockview Dam Road, 3km off N2 at Eskom turnoff. Ph: 082 416 0479. Instagram @libbyfarmflowers**

## 2 The Stone Kitchen E22 Essenhout Ave, Klipkop Jane Touwen

Mature waterwise organic wild garden on rocky, sandy koppie with pergolas, indigenous plantings, olive trees; organic permaculture kitchen garden, stone and cob building. **Entry R20. Food by arrangement only. Charity: Humane Education Trust, GAWS. From Grabouw Main Rd, turn up opposite FNB; left at T-junction into Bosbou/Forest Drive, 1st right into Karee through stone pillars, 1st right into Celtis, 1st left into Essenhout. Ph: 021 859 2282; 062 529 2558.**

## 3 Fresh Woods off N2 Peter & Barbara Knox-Shaw PW

Rambling, romantic plantsman's garden with major collection of heritage & species roses; many rare trees & shrubs, some wild-collected, including rhododendrons, serrata & wild hydrangeas, deutzias & over 70 Japanese maples; also collections of cyclamen, epimediums & lilies; woodland garden under pine. Bamboo walk. WFRS Award of Garden Excellence 2003. **Featured in Remarkable Gardens of SA (2012); Gardens to Inspire (2013), Veld, Vlei & Rose Gardens (2011) and Old Roses: Survival & Revival in SA (2015). Entry R45, children 2-12 half-price. Teas, unusual plants for sale. Snapscan, Zapper, contactless cards. From Cape Town, 2nd right turn off the N2 after Peregrine Farmstall. Ph: 021 844 0154 / 078 021 2101.**

## 4 Lavenham Viljoenshoop Rd Norma Bridgman PW

A picturesque, look-alike Anne Hathaway thatched cottage set in a large peaceful woodland garden with extensive lawns, roses, herbaceous borders and groundcovers. **Entry R25. Charity: Elgin Animal Welfare. 2km from N2 along Viljoenshoop Rd. Ph: 021 848 9060; 072 355 1613.**

## 5 Elgin Vintners Country House Appletiser Rd PW

A beautifully restored formal garden from the 1920s with original stonework, wisteria pergola, rose beds, and oak copses. Trees include a mature Magnolia grandiflora and a huge tulip tree. Magnificent views.

**Free entry. Charity: GAWS. Elgin Vintners wine tasting and sales; wood-fired pizzas and seasonal specials. 5 km from the N2 on Appletiser Rd; follow the signs for Elgin Vintners. Phone: 021 848 9587. www.elginvintners.co.za**

## 6 Keurbos Nursery Garden & Sonop Restanwold Farm, Highlands Rd Jessie Walton PW

A large natural garden designed for birds, with both indigenous and exotic sections as well as acer and heritage rose beds and a large nursery area. Collections of bulbs and boegoes, acers and azaleas, rhododendrons, heritage roses and more.

## 7 Sonop Restanwold Farm, Highlands Rd Jessie Walton PW

A 3ha section of old contoured farmland which is being rehabilitated with indigenous planting. Bring walking shoes if you would like to see a work in progress. A tractor and trailer will leave every half hour to take you there. **Entry R35 (both gardens included). Garden teas, lunches, bird hide on lake, picnic area, plant sales include Vireya rhododendrons, azaleas, camellias & Japanese maples, and a range of indigenous plants. Card, EFT payments. 8km from N2 on Highlands Rd. Charity: Bird Research & GAWS. Ph: 083 458 3790. www.jessiewalton.com Facebook: Keurbos Garden and Nursery**

## 8 Auldearn Highlands Rd Jenny Simpson PW

A plantswoman's hilltop garden that skilfully mixes unusual indigenous and exotic plants, with a focus on colour combinations. Panoramic views over the Kogelberg biosphere are framed by informal mixed plantings dominated by flowering cherries and roses. Also two ponds and a stream. Featured on TV, in *House and Leisure* and *SA Gardening*. **Entry R35. Charity: Grabouw Animal Welfare Society. Tea & rosemary biscuits R30. Plant sales. 8.5km from N2 on Highlands Rd. Ph: 083 500 0276.**

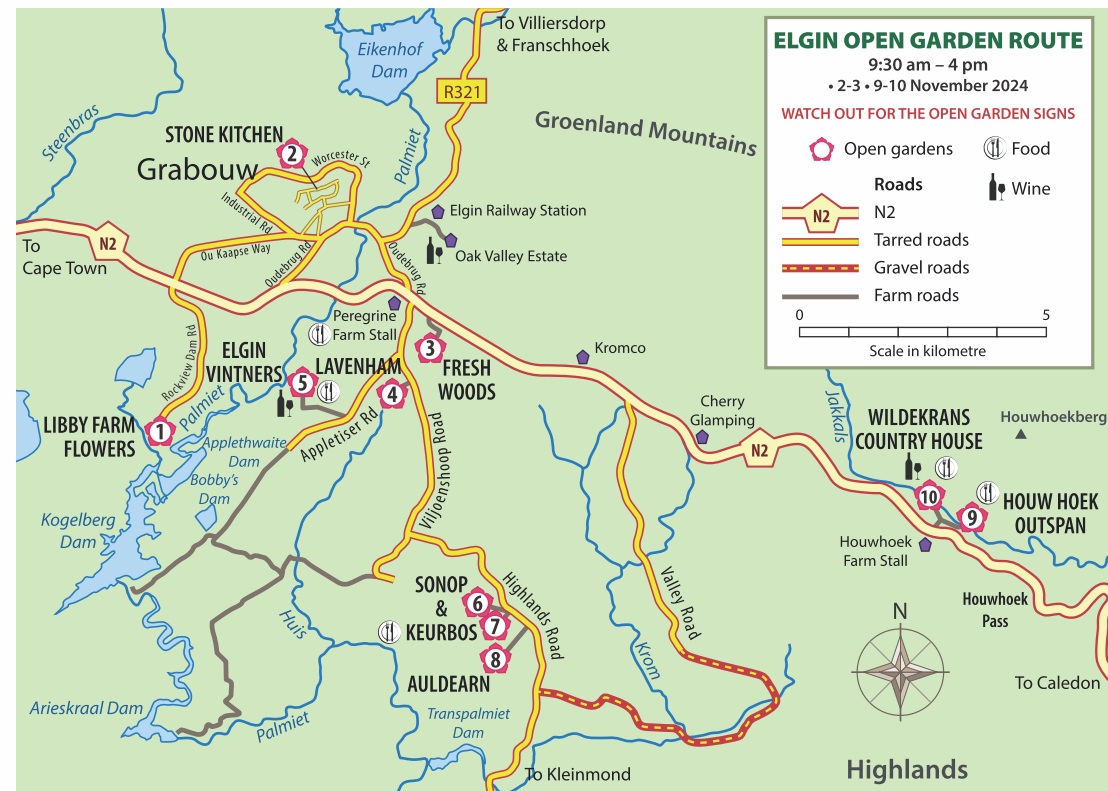
## 9 Houw Hoek Outspan Houw Hoek off N2 Peter & Tessa Goemans PW

This ever-changing garden boasts fantastic views of the Houw Hoek mountains. Each year massed annuals are planted in the borders of colourful beds reminiscent of the English Garden style. There are over 300 roses and many interesting plants that encourages a vibrant bird population making this an enjoyable experience for both keen gardeners and bird lovers alike. Featured in *SA Garden and Home (May 2017)* and *'The Best Gardens and Parks in Cape Town 2018'* by *The Inside Guide*. **Entry: Donations appreciated. Tea/coffee and cake on the stoep. Homemade chicken wraps and pies for lunch, booking preferred - goemans@twk.co.za. Picnickers welcome. From N2 as for Houw Hoek Hotel, then turn right at the hotel. Ph: 082 740 3590.**

## 10 Wildekrans Country House Houw Hoek, off N2 Barry Gould & Alison Green W

Step through the gates of this historical 1811 property and into the magic of an enchanted garden. This diverse and informal garden nestled at the foot of the Houw Hoek Mountain range offers snippets of story boards, streams and water ponds, old heirloom roses heady in scent, shaded lawns to stretch out on under old majestic trees, olive groves, fruit trees, indigenous beds, abundant birdlife and in between all of nature's beauty - contemporary sculptures quietly take residence here. New this year, the old walls of the barn will showcase the small and affordable mountain, fynbos and floral inspired artworks of plein air painter Joanna Lee Miller and artist Caryn McCarthy in their exhibition titled: WHERE WILD THINGS GROW - inspired by the surrounds of the Elgin area. Country style food and farm shopping at the Barn. Asparagus and artichoke plants for sale.

**Entry: Donations to the Bot River Education Fund. Off the N2 at Houw Hoek Hotel, turn left at the Hotel. For wheelchair entrance, please phone on arrival. Ph: 028 284 9827. info@wildekrans.co.za**







### WINE TASTING AND SALES

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SAT, SUN 10:00-16:00

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Charity garden show these weekends: SAT 2, SUN 3 NOV &  
SAT 9, SUN 10 NOV 'WHERE WILD THINGS GROW' art exhibition  
local fynbos-inspired artworks for sale by Artists Jo Anne Lee Miller and  
Caryn McArthy



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### LOCAL COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMME



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Or

join us for light farm style lunches and delicious home  
baked teas seated in the beautiful gardens of  
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