



ELGIN OPEN GARDENS 2021

30- 31 Oct & 6-7 Nov

9.30 am to 5pm

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W = wheelchair friendly PW = partly wheelchair friendly

Dog policy: some allow, some don't; please ask the garden first

1 The Stone Kitchen E22 Essenhout Ave, Klipkop Jane Touwen

Unfortunately The Stone Kitchen will not be opening this year

2 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 R40, 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.

R2HR+MQ (-34.1707916, 19.0419520)

3 Lavenham Viljoenshoop Rd Norma Bridgman and Bert Touwen PW

A picturesque English thatched cottage set in a large peaceful woodland garden with extensive lawns, roses, herbaceous borders and groundcovers. Paintings by local artist Bert Touwen in the stable gallery. Entry R20. Charity: *Elgin Animal Welfare*. 2km from N2 along Viljoenshoop Rd. Ph: 021 848 9060 / 082 877 3550.

R28Q+X4 (-34.1825593, 19.0378170)

4 Elgin Vintners Country House Appletiser Rd PW

A recently 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 which must be one of the largest in the country. Magnificent views. Free entry; donations to GAWS welcome. *Elgin Vintners wine tasting and sales; light refreshments*. 2 km from the N2 on

Appletiser Rd; follow the signs for Elgin Vintners. Phone: 021 848 9587. www.elginvintners.co.za R27F+F4 (-34.1863717, 19.0224846)

5, 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 buchus, acers and azaleas, rhododendrons, heritage roses and more.

Sonop: 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 R30. 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 Q3H5+F8 (-34.221352, 19.058320)

7 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 & 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

Q27Q+F3 (-34.236314, 19.037700)

8 Houw Hoek Outspan Houw Hoek off N2 Peter & Tessa Goemans

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 Q5V3+GC (-34.206139, 19.153500)

9 Wildekrans Country House Houw Hoek Barry Gould & Alison Green W

ROMA'S REMEMBRANCE - this year we celebrate the life of Roma Alison Brinton Green (29.04.27 -13.02.21) who established these gardens more than forty years ago. The fields were transformed to lawns and the berry gardens to the angular rose garden. The mountain stream that cuts across this five hectare property, feeds Roma's water garden, a series of four ponds running down to the Jakkals River against the backdrop of the "wilde krans". Art works by Wilma Cruise, Guy Du Toit, William Kentridge, Strijdom van der Merwe and Alice Toich. Entry: *Book ahead for lunches and picnic boxes. Tea and farm shopping at the old barn. Off the N2 at Houw Hoek Village, as for Houw Hoek Hotel, turn left at hotel. Ph: 028 284 9827* info@greenmountain.co.za Q4WX+H6 (-34.2035821, 19.1480156)