

# WEST DEAN GARDEN EVENTS FOR 2005; SPONSORED by WAITROSE

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## WHOLLY HERBS\*

14 & 15 May

Whether it be basil with tomato, sage with pork, lavender to scent your linen, peppermint for your tea or arnica for bruises, Wholly Herbs celebrates the not-so-humble herbs in all their diversity.

\* British Herb Trade Association will be present at this event providing talks on herbs.

## CHILLI FIESTA

6 & 7 August

If you like then come into the garden! 200-plus chillies, 60-plus stallholders, fiery food tastings, Latin rhythms and dancing make this the UK's premier gathering for all aficionados of nature's napalm!

## TOTALLY TOMATO SHOW

3 & 4 September

It's a love-in for the love apple! 150-plus varieties of tomato, growing demonstrations, tips and tastings, guided tours and lots of associated stallholders celebrate the ubiquitous tomato.

## APPLE AFFAIR

15 & 16 October

Rosy apples, autumn colour and local cider make for a mellow final day in the garden. Apple tastings, food, games and creative workshops make this a great weekend for the kids. Also, don't miss the annual opening of West Dean House.

More information on [www.westdean.org.uk](http://www.westdean.org.uk)

Phone: 01243 818210 for garden visitors

Tickets: £6.00 per adult, Over 60's £5.50, children £2.50. Family Ticket £14.00

Opening Times: 10.30am until 5.30pm

Ends...

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•Journalists and photographers are welcome to visit the Gardens. Please contact the Communications Department on 01243 818208 or [communications@westdean.org.uk](mailto:communications@westdean.org.uk) to arrange interviews, request high resolution digital images, or a press pass for events.

•West Dean Gardens are situated on the A286, six miles north of Chichester.

•West Dean Gardens has been awarded the Historic Houses Association/Christie's Garden of the Year Award.

•West Dean Gardens is part of the Edward James Foundation, a charitable trust that also includes West Dean College and West Dean Tapestry Studio. The College runs over 600 short courses each year in art, craft, music, gardening and creative writing, as well as postgraduate programmes in visual arts and conservation-restoration.