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Network “Lake Constance Gardens – a journey through time” - making you want to discover green oases.

Lake Constance Gardens tell stories

The mild climate of Lake Constance has always played right into the hands of gardeners. Over the centuries, promising parks and lovingly cultivated gardens have sprung up between the blue lake and the green banks which dominate the landscape. The network, “Lake Constance Gardens – a journey through time” is inviting visitors to discover the most beautiful gardens around Lake Constance whilst also giving them the opportunity to learn about the exciting horticultural past of the region. The number of properties included in the green network is growing; since 2018 five new gardens became members: gardens of Bregenz, Castle garden of Messkirch, park Rosenau in Konstanz, VitaPlant and Regena both medicinal herb gardens in Switzerland.

Together, the gardens surrounding Lake Constance capture the entire development of European horticulture. Visitors experience first-hand, examples of gardens dating from the Stone Age to ancient times, gardens from the Middle Ages and the nineteenth century right through to gardens established in the modern day. And all of these styles within such easy reach of each other! If they so wish visitors can simply hop on a boat, bus or train to travel easily from garden to garden.

New gardens in 2018:


The gardens of Bregenz and that means that Lake Constance gardens covers now three countries, Castle garden of Messkirch, park Rosenau at the shore of Konstanz, VitaPlant and REGENA both medicinal herb gardens in Switzerland.

Individual Discoveries

Tour recommendations for individual journeys through gardening-time, whether by boat, bike, bus or train, are available for guests. There is also an all-inclusive trip offered by the tour operator “Radweg-Reisen” which may be booked on an individual basis. This cycle tour takes guests to many of the Lake Constance gardens belonging to the network and takes around six days. In Untersee, guests might choose to learn the history of gardens at their own pace and can travel on any of the four routes, each with a maximum length of 30 kilometres. Cyclists not only gain exciting impressions of the gardens but can enjoy the fantastic views across the extensive expanse of water of Lake Constance, which seem to appear as you turn each and every corner. On the island of Mainau gardening fans are

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offered the opportunity to spend a day (or longer if desired) in the role of a “Mainau gardener”. On certain dates the “Grüne Schule” on the island of Mainau also gives children the chance to take part in a “Kids’ Gardening” session.

Green Group Offers

The tour operator “art cities Reisen” accepts bookings from groups of 20 people or more and offers tours of castle and villa gardens from either the Middle Ages or the present day.

Highlights and Events in 2018

June 8-10 and September 7-9, 2018 Long Night of Lake Constance Gardens. At these evenings many Lake Constance gardens open their garden gate and let those interested in a secluded garden evening share.

More: www.bodenseegaerten.eu/langenacht


Information regarding all offers can be found in the “Lake Constance Gardens” brochure and on the website, www.bodenseegaerten.eu.

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Which Gardens are included in the Network?


The park on the island of Mainau and the island of Reichenau are the most prominent examples of horticulture around Lake Constance. In addition, the network includes the Baroque grounds of the castles of Meersburg and Salem, the park designed by Pückler surrounding Arenenberg Castle and the English garden belonging to Wartegg Castle on the Swiss bank of Lake Constance. The medicinal herb garden created by A. Vogel in Roggwil and the garden of the former Charterhouse in Ittingen, Thurgau are also included. In Lindau and Überlingen horticultural trails lead guests to the most beautiful villa gardens or parks in the area. The Thurgau tourist board represents the whole of the "Garden Canton" of Thurgau. The Seeburg park in Kreuzlingen, the Bible Garden in Meersburg, the Stadtgarten Singen and Parkhotel St. Leonhard Überlingen complete the network as new members. Since 2018 five new gardens became members: gardens of Bregenz, Castle garden of Messkirch, park Rosenau in Konstanz, VitaPlant and Regena both medicinal herb gardens in Switzerland. The network also boasts Stone Age gardens such as the archaeobotanical gardens in Frauenfeld and Hemmenhofen. Dreamy private gardens in Untersee which open their gates to visitors for "Garden-Rendezvous", fruit orchards surrounding the lake and museums serve as a connection between the public gardens and parks.

In short: "Lake Constance Gardens – a journey through time"

The numerous parks and gardens which surround Lake Constance are testimony to the fact that conscientious gardeners and landscape architects have been working around the lake for centuries. On the Western banks of Lake Constance are a particularly large number of parks and gardens. It is here that the original, founding members of the garden network, "Lake Constance Gardens – a journey through time" can be found. These are the islands of Mainau and Reichenau, the castle park, the patrician garden as well as the educational gardens in Arenenberg, the archaeobotanical garden of Frauenfeld, the parks of Salem and Meersburg castles, the gardens of the former Charterhouse in Ittingen as well as the many more private gardens in Untersee which open their gates to guests. Since 2016 the horticultural trail in Überlingen, the grounds of Wartegg Castle, the villas and parks in the Bavarian Riviera in Lindau as well as the medicinal plant world of A. Vogel in Roggwil, the Seeburgpark Kreuzlingen, the Meersburg Bible Garden, the Stadtgarten Singen and the Parkhotel St. Leonhard Überlingen, gardens of Bregenz, the Castle garden of Messkirch, the park Rosenau in Konstanz, VitaPlant and Regena both medicinal herb gardens in Switzerland are part of the network. The aim of the network is to make it possible for visitors to experience all of the gardens and parks surrounding the lake, regardless of any international borders, so that they can appreciate the historical differences as well as the fascinating connections between them and the particularities of each garden. The "Lake Constance Gardens" project is financed by members and sponsorship contributions and funding from InterregV and the state of Baden-Württemberg. InterregV is a regional programme of the European Union (EU) and the Swiss Confederation for the Support of Cross-border Co-operation (Project term: 2015 – 2018).

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