

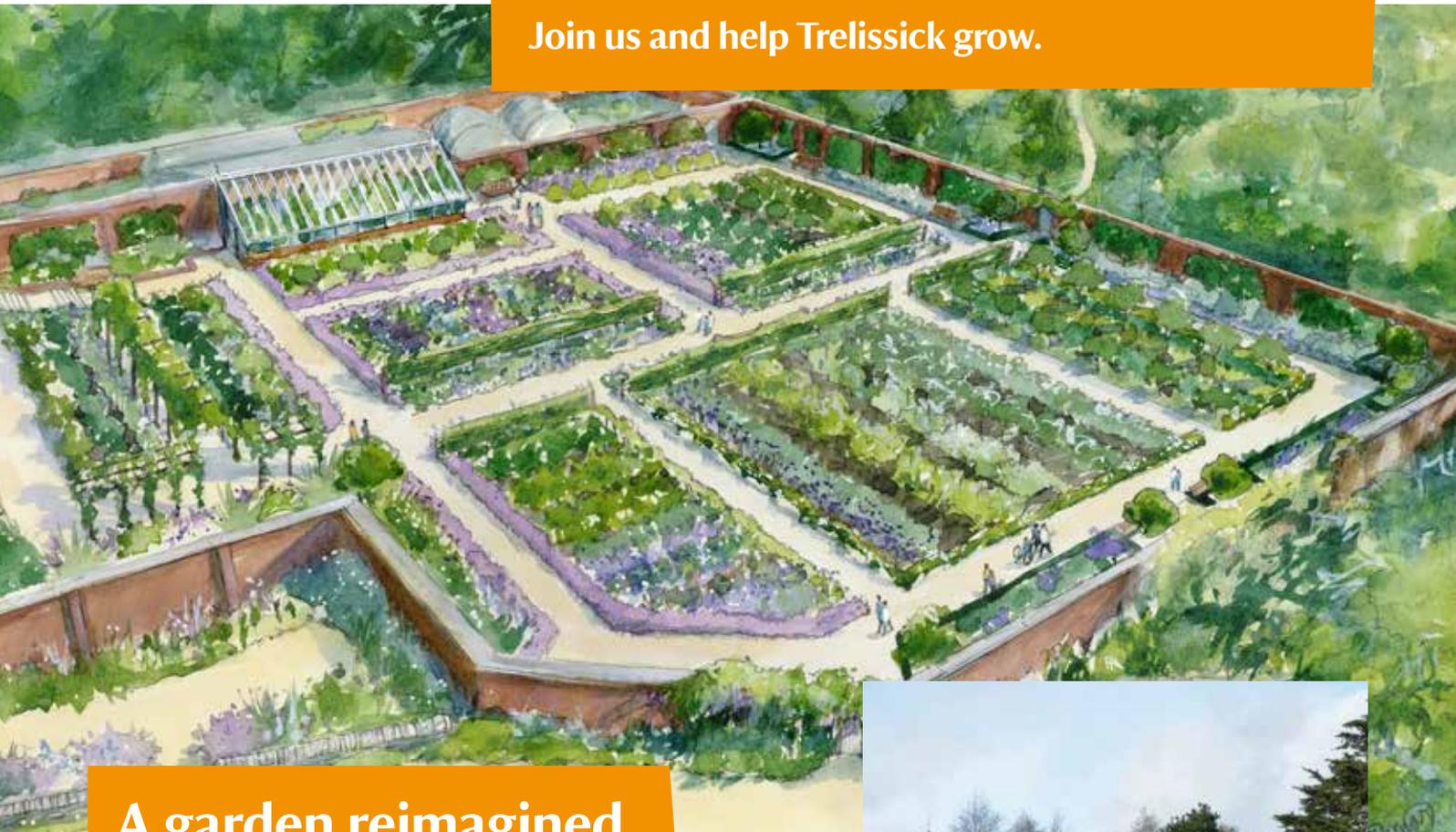


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Help Trelissick Grow

For decades, the formerly vibrant, two-acre, walled kitchen garden at Trelissick – once the productive heart of the estate – has sat dormant and inaccessible. Now we have the chance to breathe new life back into this space. With your support, it can thrive as a fully productive garden once more.

Join us and help Trelissick grow.

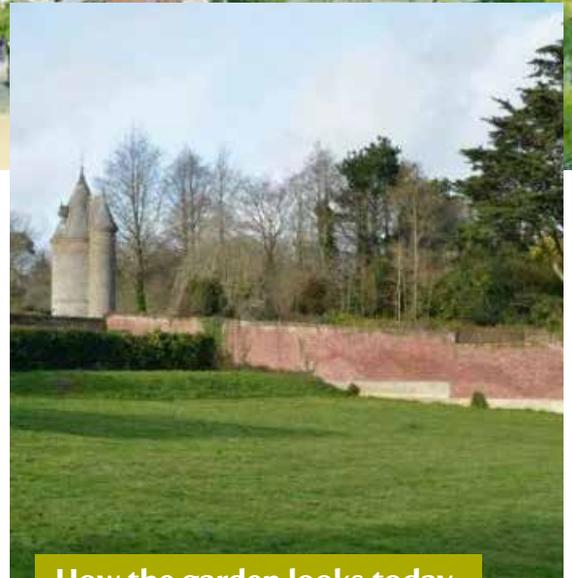


A garden reimagined

Throughout the Victorian era the role of the kitchen garden was a simple, yet ambitious one: to grow high quality produce to feed the estate. Built in the mid-18th century, Trelissick's walled garden became synonymous with this pursuit of excellence.

Over 250 years old now, we want Trelissick's walled garden to become a hub of horticultural excellence once again - this time growing an impressive array of traditional and exotic fruits. We also want the garden to help to inspire gardeners, showcase sustainable gardening practices, and pass horticultural expertise from generation to generation.

Within the garden's walls we will pay homage to its glorious past while creating new relevance for the future, celebrating **PEOPLE, PLACE and PRODUCE.**



How the garden looks today

Significant gifts from a few generous supporters are enabling us to get the project underway. However, we need your support as well to make our dream a reality.



FOR PEOPLE

With your support we will transform the walled garden into a multi-sensory experience where people can explore, learn and discover.



We will cultivate and grow a wide variety of crops to share with our visitors, as well as share the many methods and techniques needed to grow, train and harvest fruit. We hope to inspire others to grow their own and to take an interest in the skills and traditions of this unique and important aspect of horticulture.

Our exciting programme of experiences will include fruit growing, pruning and greener gardening workshops, behind the scenes 'Potting Shed tours' and a raft of volunteering opportunities. As the garden matures, we will also be able to host pop-up tasting events.



FOR PRODUCE

Through your support, top quality fruit will be cultivated and picked, then once again served in the house and restaurant but this time to all of us!



The fruit produced in the garden will supply Trelissick's on-site restaurant and will be served at a variety of tasting events throughout the year. Fruit may be tasted fresh from the plant or turned into delicious food such as ice cream or fruit crumble, and we will be exploring partnerships with local food producers to help us make the most of what we grow.

We will cultivate traditional fruits such as apples, pears, and blackcurrants, including famous local varieties like Cornish Gilliflower dessert apple and the Kea plum, as well as some of the garden's signature fruits from the past like peaches. It will also be a place to experiment with growing more exotic varieties such as kiwi fruits and pomegranates.



FOR PLACE

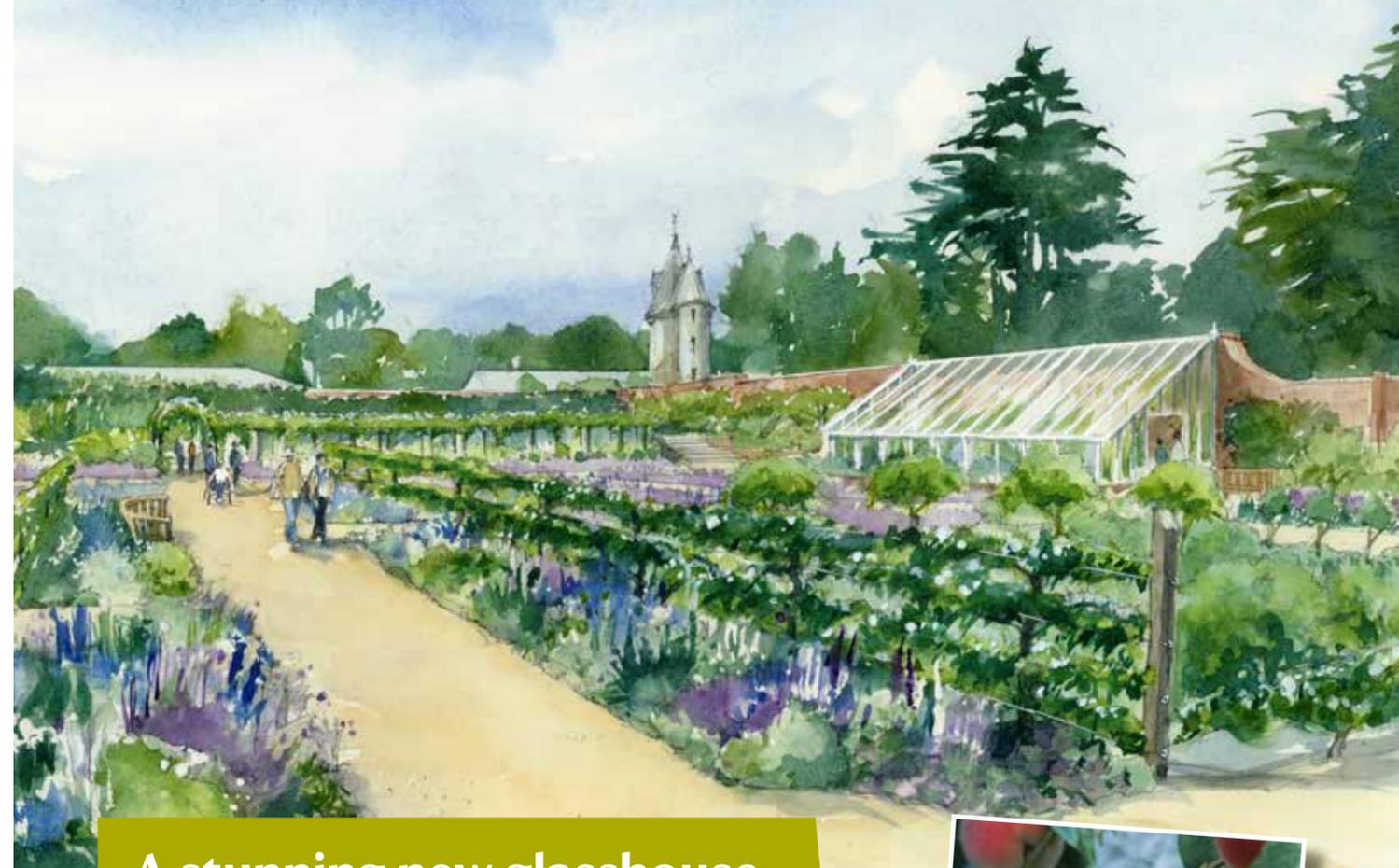


Your support will also help us reinstate a productive garden that complements and supports Trelissick in its entirety, as one of the most important historical elements of the property.

The reimagined walled garden will provide a space in which to share both its fascinating history and exciting future as the productive heart of the estate. Our aim is to retain the look and feel of the traditional walled kitchen garden as it once was, while ensuring it fulfils the needs of a 21st century audience and is ready to adapt to the future.

"For generations this productive garden supplied top quality produce to the family and estate workers. Today our visitors will be able to savour the equally exquisite fresh flavours, fresh from the garden. With awareness of food miles increasing, there's never been a better time to showcase the beauty and benefits of growing your own." John Lanyon, Head Gardener, Trelissick

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A stunning new glasshouse

With enough support, we will also reinstate the glasshouse to act as the focal point of the garden. Within this beautiful and functional new glasshouse our gardeners will cultivate the exquisite peaches and nectarines for which Trelissick was once famed.

The glasshouse will not only be the heritage centrepiece, but will also have an important forward-looking role, helping us and those we train to explore how we can:

- Grow more locally by extending the growing season.
- Use the sheltered environment to grow exotic fruit.
- Become more imaginative in our growing strategies.
- Adopt more sustainable cultivation techniques.

"Most horticulturalists know Trelissick as the fruit garden of Cornwall. Here, if anywhere, peaches and nectarines, plums and pears, and other kinds of fruit are brought to the acme of perfection."

**F Hamilton Davey,
Royal Cornwall Gazette, 1897**



"The glasshouse is the key historical element that will bring Trelissick's gem of a walled garden back to life in all its former glory."

John Lanyon, Head Gardener, Trelissick





Showcasing green gardening

In the walled garden we will not only share fruit growing knowledge, but we will also grow in the greenest ways possible:

- Creating our own green manures to recycle garden waste.
- Using composting cones to feed organic matter and nutrients straight back into the soil.
- Gardening with, rather than against, nature by only ever controlling what is putting our garden at risk.

“Soil is the elixir of life, often today we take it for granted. In the walled garden we’ll showcase the abundance it can produce when it is treasured.”

John Lanyon, Head Gardener at Trelissick ”

Join us to share in, and contribute to, creating a productive and vibrant fruit garden for all to enjoy.

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We are hugely grateful for the generous support already received which is making the walled garden project a reality. However, we can’t achieve our vision without your support as well. Please help Trelissick grow.
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