Become a Friend of Perennial

Annual membership costs just £35 and includes:

- Free entry to Perennial's gardens (Fullers Mill, York Gate and The Laskett) for you and a quest on all our public open days.
- Priority booking for Perennial's Special Events garden tours and holidays.
- Perennial's twice-yearly magazine.

Help to preserve one of the UK's most important small gardens for future generations and support people in horticulture and their families.

To join, pick up a form in admissions, call 01284 728 888 or visit fullersmillgarden.org.uk.

Visiting

Enjoy tea, coffee, and delicious cakes from our Bothy Tea Room. Plants propagated from the garden and a selection of gifts are available so you can take a bit of Fullers Mill home with you.

Disabled facilities available. Parts of the garden have uneven surfaces, grassed areas, proximity to water and sloping ground, which may be difficult for visitors with limited mobility. Please get in touch if you have any questions about access.

To help us preserve its charm, the garden only allows assistance dogs.

How Perennial Helps

Perennial is the only UK charity dedicated to looking after people in horticulture and their families at any stage of life.

If you work with plants, trees, flowers or grass, our friendly and experienced team are here to offer free, confidential advice, information and support on issues such as money management, the impact of bereavement or a family breakdown, health and mental wellbeing or anything else that's on your mind.

If you need help, or know someone who does, please contact us on 0800 093 8543 or visit perennial.org.uk.

Photography by Clive Nichols

Admission Details 2024

Pre-booking not required.

<u> 3 April - 30 October 2024 | Wednesday 2pm – 5pm</u> Friday, Saturday & Sunday 11am – 5pm

Groups are welcome by prior arrangement.

Adults Standard: £10 / Gift Aid: £12.50 Children (16 and under): Free Annual membership: £35

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Finding us

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Fullers Mill is 5 miles north-west of Bury St Edmunds. Turn off the A1101 (Bury to Mildenhall road) signposted West Stow Anglo Saxon Village. Continue for 1.5 miles and the entrance is clearly marked.



If you would like to volunteer with us, please contact fullersmillgarden@perennial.org.uk or call 01284 728 888.

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FULLERS MILL one of Perennial's gardens

A tranguil waterside and woodland garden in Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk.



Helping people in horticulture Perennial

Fullers Mill

Fullers Mill is an enchanting seven-acre creation on the banks of the River Lark. It combines a beautiful site of light dappled woodland with a plantman's collection of unusual shrubs, perennials, lilies and marginal plants. It is a garden of truly year-round interest.

The garden was created by the late Bernard Tickner MBE (1924 - 2017). He moved to Fullers Mill in 1958 and spent over 50 years creating the garden you see today from rough scrub and woodland. In 2013, the garden was gifted to Perennial, the charity helping people in horticulture build and live better lives, for its long term preservation.



1 The Top Garden

In late May, self-seeding, *Tulipa sprengeri* delights with its elegant red-gold blooms. In summer the magnificent grove of *Betula* 'Silver Grace' towers over silver and purple flowering shrubs which surround majestic displays of many lilies.

2 The Home Garden

Behind the Bothy, the hoop petticoat daffodil, *Narcissus bulbocodium*, blooms alongside a bed of choice snowdrops while in autumn, *Colchicum* varieties bloom under the southern beech, *Nothofagus antarctica*.

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River Lark

Garder

Garden

Entrance

Car Park

3 Fullers Mill Cottage

The house walls provide shelter and warmth for more tender climbers and shrubs. Pomegranate, *Desmodium* and the rarely seen *Acanthus sennii* from Ethiopia, bask against the pink stone.

5 The Quandaries

In spring *Aesculus indica* 'Sydney Pearce' blossoms triumphantly. In summer *Spartium* and *Koelreuteria* invoke scents of the Mediterranean, while lower down, at the water's edge, mature *Gunnera* and bamboos provide lush, cooling foliage.

6 The Strip

The Lake

Fullers Mill Cottage

and Private Garden:

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The Strip

The Chatto Bed is the focus here, with sun-loving, grey-leaved foliage plants largely familiar from Beth Chatto's beautiful Gravel Garden. In late summer, drought-loving grasses mingle at the edge of the view across the lake with its swaying rushes.

Garden

River Lark

The Point

4 The Low Garden

This is an area of many habitats. Against the sound of rushing water, *Primula, Darmera, Lysichiton* and moisture-loving irises thrive on the Mill Pond edge, while the arid Alpine Terrace is packed with tiny beauties. Elsewhere, many specimen trees provide shady spaces for *Cardiocrinum, Trillium* and *Arisaema*.

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