

GROUP VISIT INFORMATION



Thank you for your interest in bringing a group to York Gate Garden. You are supporting Perennial, the UK charity that builds better futures for the UK's horticulturists and their families.

Opening Times

- 1st April – 31st October – Wednesday to Sunday (groups welcome on a Wednesday, Thursday & Friday). **Maximum group size of 24 people.**
- We open for Groups at 10am and close at 4.30pm (last admission 3pm)

Prices

- Entry costs £10 per person, plus catering on top.
- **Full payment for both catering and admission must be received 14 days prior to arrival. Entry cancellation costs may be refunded after this date but not catering costs.**
**UK tax paying visitors that would like to donate an additional £2.00 on top of their entry fee, enable the charity to claim Gift Aid back on the payment of £12.00, which makes a big difference to our charity income.*
- We also offer a professional gardener guided tour. These are charged at £125 for up to 24 people.

Catering

- We are pleased to offer a tailored menu for visiting groups. Please take a look at our group visits menu options. Booking from our group menu gains you free tea and coffee with your order plus exclusive use of our upstairs dining room.
- **Groups must book refreshments in advance.** Unfortunately, we can't admit individuals from groups into the cafe.
- **Please confirm catering, with payment, 14 days prior to arrival.**

Parking

- Coaches must drop visitors off at the gate just past the car park entrance as the layout of the car park does not offer a turning point for larger vehicles. Once visitors have disembarked there is a turning place marked on the attached map, which our Visitor Experience Co-Ordinator can also assist with when you arrive.
- Coaches will need to park in the laybys on Church Lane. If the layby is full the driver must take responsibility for finding somewhere suitable to wait during your visit.
- Our car park has limited parking, therefore we ask that groups coming by car, please park in the laybys on Church Lane as shown on the map to allow more vehicles to park. Visitors can then take the pleasant walk through the Church Yard of the historic Adel Church and straight on to our garden entrance. Please avoid walking down the road as there is no footpath.
- We ask that groups arrive no more than 20 minutes before the time that they are booked into the garden.
- For a map of our location and parking details, please click on the **Getting Here** section of our website **yorkgate.org.uk**

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Enjoying the Garden

- The Visitor Experience Co-Ordinator will provide a brief introductory talk once your group has gathered in the Sand Garden near Admissions. You are then free to peruse the garden at your leisure. We would allow about an hour to an hour and a half for the garden, depending on how keen your group are. It is one acre in size, with a lot of detail. There is a further 1.5-acre meadow to enjoy behind the garden, accessible through the White Garden.
- We have a gift shop and a popular plant nursery too.
- I must point out that unfortunately the garden is not suitable for wheelchair users due to narrow gravel paths. The cafe and toilets are fully accessible and there are baby changing facilities available.
- It probably goes without saying these days – but we do not permit smoking in, or immediately outside the garden.
- We only allow guide dog access to the gardens.
- Please do not take plants, cuttings or seeds from the garden – if there is something that you want, please speak to one of the garden team who can help you.

Once again, thank you very much for supporting York Gate Garden and Perennial, we look forward to welcoming you and your group. If you have any queries, please do give us a call on 0113 2678240 or email yorkgate@perennial.org.uk

About Perennial

York Gate Garden was generously gifted to Perennial in 1994. Perennial is the UK's only charity supporting all those working in the horticultural community, as well as those who have retired, who dedicate their passion, time and energy to keeping Britain beautiful.

By offering the right information and support at the time it is needed, the charity aims to help build better lives for all those within the horticultural industry – and have been for over 185 years.

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Surgeons | Viticulturists

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