

York Gate

York Gate is a magical one-acre garden created by the Spencer family between 1951 and 1994.

Frederick and Sybil Spencer along with their son Robin, laid out and nurtured what is now one of the finest small gardens in the country.

The design of 'rooms' interlinked through a succession of vistas and executed with meticulous attention to detail owed much to the Arts and Crafts movement, complemented by Sybil's skills as a plantswoman.

Unfortunately, Fred died suddenly in 1963, as did their son Robin in 1981. During the next twelve years Sybil cherished the garden, adding to the already considerable plant collection.

In accordance with Sybil's wishes, on her death in 1994, York Gate was given to Perennial. The garden is now maintained and developed in sympathy with the Spencer's design and will continue to attract visitors for both education and pleasure.

This year York Gate will reopen with wonderful new facilities, including a cafe, additional parking and a gift shop and plants centre.



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Admission Details 2020

Garden Open: 1 April - 1 November 2020 |
Wed - Sun | 11am - 4.30pm

Cafe Open and Gifts available all year from
April 2020 | Wed - Sun | 10am - 5pm

Groups are welcome by prior arrangement.
Free guided heritage tours around the garden
run during busier times.

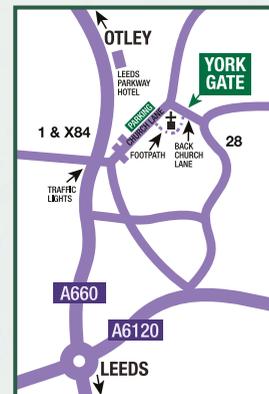
Adults Standard £6.00 / Gift Aid £6.60

Children (under 16) Free

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

Finding us

York Gate is just 15 minutes' drive from Leeds city centre, 30 minutes' drive from Harrogate, Bradford and Ilkley and only 45 minutes from York. The garden is 2¼ miles southeast of Bramhope, just off the A660. We have plenty of onsite parking.



Bus Services

No.28 Leeds, Liberty Dock - Adel

Take the no.28 until it terminates at Adel 'village shop'. Continue along the road, turn left into Back Church Lane and York Gate will be on your right. It's a 10 minute walk.

No.1 Leeds Centre - Holt Park & No. X84 Leeds - Skipton

Take the bus to Otley Road. Walk back up Otley Road for 70m, then turn left onto Church Lane and left again at the T junction. Continue to Adel Church, then follow the path through the churchyard on your right. Continue straight with the church hall on the left. It's a 15 minute walk.

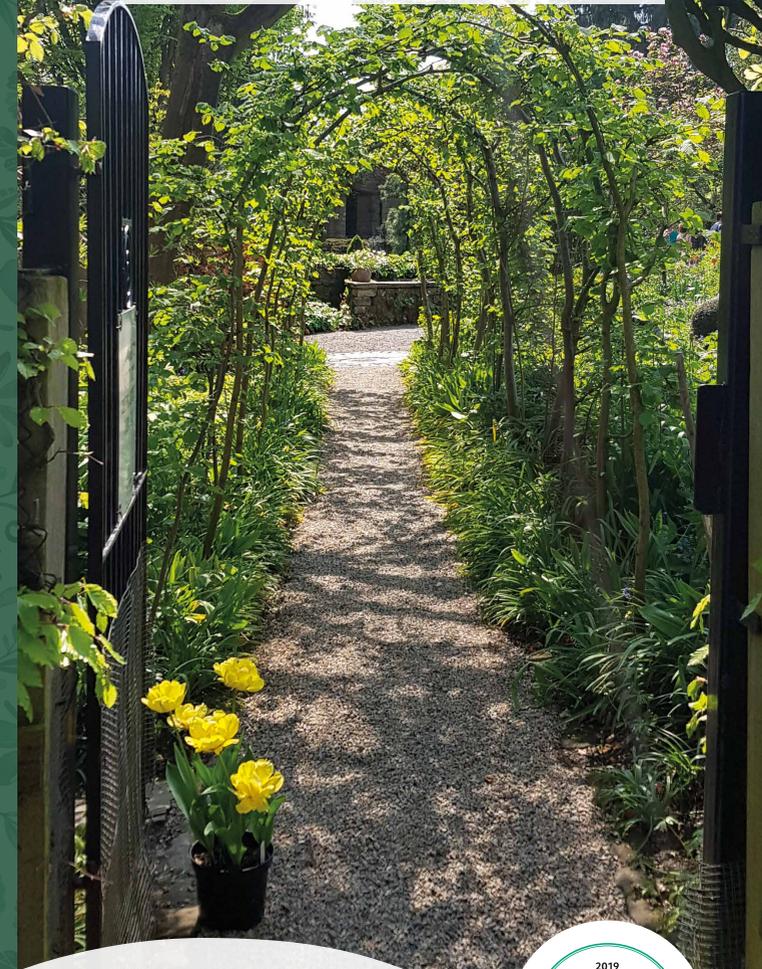
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one of Perennial's gardens

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York Gate Cafe

Our new cafe serves wholesome homemade food, reflecting the seasons and promoting local produce. Our hot and cold menu includes savoury delights, delicious sandwiches, gorgeous cakes, hot meals and wonderful teas and coffee.

Sit on the wonderful new sun terrace overlooking the newly created sunken Mediterranean garden. There is also a private dining room you can book for special occasions. The cafe is open Wednesday to Sunday all year round.

Wildflower Meadow

The traditional wildflower meadow is open for families to enjoy the wilder areas of York Gate. Mown paths lead you through the tall grass, interspersed with winter flowering fruit trees with the ancient Adel woods as your backdrop. Swathes of pignut take hold in May, followed by knapweed, vetches and achillea throughout the summer.

York Gate Plant Centre

Our new larger plant centre will help you turn your garden inspiration into reality. We offer a wide range of plants including those propagated from plants in the garden and grown on site by our Head Gardener and team.

The Gift Shop

The perfect place to find something special including gifts for the home and garden. We stock a large range of contemporary giftware, cards, stationery and gifts for gardeners.



Contact us

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York Gate Garden is compact and easy to get around, however narrow gravel paths make most of the garden unsuitable for wheelchairs. Please get in touch if you have any questions about access.

If you would like to volunteer with us, please contact yorkgate@perennial.org.uk or call **0113 267 8240**.

Stay Social

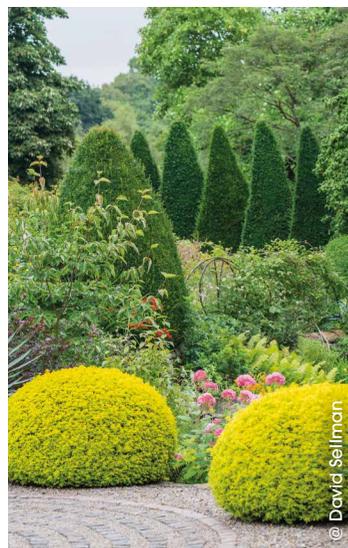
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Become a Friend of York Gate and help Perennial to preserve this beautiful garden.

Annual membership costs just £30 and includes:

- Free entry into York Gate for you and a guest on all our public open days.
- Invitations to private Friends' events for you and a guest.
- Advance information about special events at York Gate.
- Priority booking for Perennial's special events garden tours and holidays.
- Twice yearly newsletter.

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 please complete a form provided by the admissions office at the main entrance. To set up a direct debit please call **0113 267 8240** or visit yorkgate.org.uk.

How Perennial Helps

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

If you work with flowers, plants, trees or grass our friendly and experienced team are here to deliver completely free, confidential and personal support.

We understand the devastating impact unexpected personal challenges and financial pressures has on lives. If you need help or know someone who does please contact us on **0800 093 8543** or visit perennial.org.uk.

