

Sponsorship Opportunities



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## BBC GARDENERS' WORLD IS THE UK'S BIGGEST GARDENING BRAND...

...yet the most accessible and approachable.

#### MAGAZINE

32 years as market leading title 860K Readers PCM 190K Subscibers





### LIVE EVENTS 3 Events

130,000 visitors 31 year heritage



#### TV PROGRAMME

54 years as the nation's favourite gardening show 2.3m Weekly Viewers



#### ONLINE

4m page Impressions PCM 1.5m unique users



There are also 3m new gardeners since 2020 according to HTA research



#### The Event....

The <u>BBC Gardeners' World Autumn Fair</u> returns to Audley End House & Gardens from 1 – 3 September 2023 attracting 19,000 visitors over 3 days

The event hosts a select number of **specialist nurseries** with eye-catching displays and plants for sale. Plus, a range of **gardening exhibitors** offering a diverse selection of garden accessories. Visitors can explore an **inspirational collection of Beautiful Borders and Showcase Gardens** featuring stunning seasonal flora and take-home ideas

The BBC Gardeners' World Magazine Stage offering vital advice on what to do for the season ahead presents the Editors, and the likes of Adam Frost, Frances Tophill and Arit Anderson

The Fair also harnesses the incredibly successful chemistry of gardening and food that BBC Gardeners' World Live is known for, presenting a **BBC Good Food Market** and a delicious range of **street food**. All with toe-tapping live entertainment from the **bandstand** 

Amplifying the value of this great day out, tickets to the Autumn event include full access to the stunning **Audley End House and attractions** including the **Parterre and Kitchen Gardens** 

19,000 expected visitors in 2023

81% ABC1 61 Average Age £1.7million spent with exhibitors\*

\*at show and post show with exhibitors, not including food, admission etc

### Headline Sponsorship

The Autumn Fair promotes sustainable and enriching outdoor experiences for hands on gardeners. We firmly believe in the power of gardening as a means of connecting with consumers and promoting a healthy, sustainable lifestyle.

We're looking to work with a partner to develop a level of content that will engage and inspire thousands of enthusiastic ABC1 gardeners, and BBC Gardeners' World Magazine Subscribers. Headline sponsorship will put you above the door, integrating your branding into the show at the highest level and within the promotional campaign. You'll benefit from:

- **Brand Exposure:** Your brand will receive prominent exposure among a diverse audience of gardening enthusiasts. This exposure will include logo placement in event logo and on all marketing materials, event signage and digital platforms. This extensive visibility will provide an exceptional brand presence and the opportunity to connect with potential customers and establish brand recognition.
- Targeted Engagement: You will have the unique opportunity to directly engage and influence your target audience, build brand loyalty, and establish valuable connections. The Fair attracts individuals who value outdoor experiences, sustainability, and a connection to nature. By aligning your brand with these values, you can create a genuine connection and build positive brand associations among new and existing customers
- **Activation Opportunities:** Create unique and memorable activations during the event. These activations can include interactive experiences, product demonstrations, workshops, or educational sessions. This handson approach will enable you to showcase your brand's values and create lasting impressions with visitors.
- **Product Showcase:** The Fair offers an ideal platform for showcasing your latest products and innovations. You can display and demonstrate your offerings to a captivated audience. This experiential marketing opportunity will generate product awareness, generate leads, and drive sales.
- **Reward Customers:** We can provide you with a dedicated special ticket offer to reward your current customer database, providing added value. Exclusive meet and greet opportunity (of either Adam Frost or Frances Tophill for a lucky winning customer)



### Sponsorship of Beautiful Borders and Showcase Gardens

Watch the Beautiful Borders Sponsorship Case Study

The Beautiful Borders and Showcase Gardens are a cherished part of our horticultural line up for all of our shows

Each year we invite garden designers, charities, landscapers, horticultural community groups and amateurs to take part in our Beautiful Border and Showcase Garden categories.

Successful applicants have 3 days to create inspirational small spaces, providing take home garden ideas and exemplifying their talent to our captive audience.

As sponsor of the Beautiful Borders/Showcase Gardens we would invite you to create your own guest border/showcase garden to bring your brand to life. You can do this entirely yourself or we can commission a garden designer on your behalf to design and build the border to your brief

The border/small garden would secure significant levels of engagement with our garden/border designers, have a huge impact within our show campaign and onsite with the swathes of gardeners purchasing at the show

An engagement stand would also be included

Also available at:







#### Bandstand

The bandstand serves as a focal point for entertainment and engagement at the Fair with a line up of acts creating a fun and relaxed atmosphere. Sponsorship of the bandstand puts your brand at the centre of the events entertainment

Located within the gardens, the Bandstand offers a heightened presence at the show and would align your brand to a feature which is focused on the enjoyment of listening to music and relaxing with friends and family.

Sponsors can contribute to the line-up of entertainment by providing musicians

We would provide a compere on the bandstand to deliver key brand messages throughout the day, encouraging visitors to sit, relax and enjoy the entertainment and directing them to the Sponsor stand for further engagement

We understand the importance of engaging with your target audience on a personal level, and the bandstand offers a memorable platform to sample product to a captivated and impressionable audience. This will provide a unique and memorable experience leaving a lasting impression of your brand and products

Also available at:







### 'In Conversation With' Sponsorship

In addition to our BBC Gardeners' World Magazine Stage sponsored by Regent Seven Seas Cruises, we also have an intimate talks tent called In Conversation With hosted by Chris Bavin which will feature presenters from the programme, horticultural experts plus characters from the estate, each offering inspirational, take home advice

As sponsor of 'In Conversation With', the brand would benefit from a dedicated session a day to create relevant editorial content which would provide a platform to deliver key brand messages to an engaged audience.

The host would also mention the brand before and after each session again delivering brand messages, providing exposure throughout the day.

Products can also form part of the staging of the tent

An engagement stand would also be included



### Pocket Map Sponsorship

Visitors need help navigating their way around the Show, so we produce a handy Pocket Map which is easy to use, includes the timetables, exhibitor lists and Show Map along with a list of Showcase Gardens and Beautiful Borders.

With so much more content this year than last, we will make the pocket map even bigger to include all the additional content we have for visitors to explore and discover this year.

#### **Branding & Marketing**

- Ad on printed back page on Pocket Guide (artwork by Sponsor)
- Logo as Pocket Map in sponsor section and on front page
- Logo in sponsor & supporter section of the GWAF home page
- Logo with hyperlink and up to 200 words to feature on the Plan Your Day page. Plus opportunity for a branded banner on the web page (artwork by sponsor)
- Logo to appear on the Sponsor & Supporter section of BBC GWAF emails
- A social media posts about Planning Your Day, tagging sponsor
- Opportunity for QR code to be placed on the guide



### Brand Exposure in the Promotional Campaign

All our sponsorship packages come with branding opportunities weaving them through the marketing campaign. **The level of exposure varies based on sponsor level and package**The event has a significant BTL, ATL and PR marketing campaign aimed at attracting active gardeners to the show with a dedicated website. The Event is marketed to core gardeners from varying data sets:

- Immediate Live BBC Gardeners' World Database
- Immediate Live BBC Gardeners' World Social followers
- BBC Gardeners' World Magazine and .com data
- BBC Gardeners' World Subscribers
- English Heritage Members

The campaign will reach in excess of approx.: 1.5m targeted gardeners

Here are some **example elements** that can be included in packages:

#### **Branding**

- Logo in sponsor/supporter section: of GWAF.com
- Dedicated feature page on GWFA.com with logo, hyperlink, opportunity for promotional copy & banner (artwork by sponsor)
- Logo in footer of GWAF emails to bookers and prospects
- Rotating banner on the GWAF.com home page (artwork by sponsor)
- Banner inclusion in at least one GWAF email (artwork by sponsor)
- Incorporation into relevant onsite branding

#### **Content Marketing**

- Opportunity for a native content blog post, aligned to the relevant feature
- Opportunity to discuss additional content creation for Social Media
- Editorial mention in one email
- Editorial mention in the Show Gardens Press release if relevant
- Social media mentions to tag sponsor where appropriate
- Mention in the highlights press releases if relevant



## Headline Sponsorship Case Study:



## BBC Gardeners' World Spring Fair sponsored by Hillier

Since launching in 2021 Hillier Garden Centres & Nurseries have been headline sponsor at BBC Gardeners' World Spring Fair securing valuable engagement with swathes of gardeners:

#### The Hillier Experience:

- A garden feature (has ranged from 65m2 up to 140m2 in 2023) hosting a range of Hillier flora, furniture and products bursting with Spring inspiration
- Expert 121 advice hubs positioned in close proximity to their showcase garden
- A large retail space hosting a wide range of seasonal plants
- Opportunity for visitors to sign up to the Hillier Garden Club membership
- Sessions on the magazine stage hosted by Hillier plant experts

The sponsorship has been so successful for Hillier over the past 3 years they have just confirmed for a further 3 years to 2026.



# Stage sponsorship Case Study:



## BBC Gardeners' World Magazine Stage sponsored by Regent Seven Seas Cruises

Regent Seven Seas cruises joined us at our BBC Gardeners' World Spring & Autumn Fairs in 2022 to sponsor the main stage and repeated the opportunity into both 2023 events

#### Objective

Regent Seven Seas Cruises are looking to raise awareness of the brand with a premium target audience and conduct data capture and lead generation for future communication

#### **Activity**

- Sponsorship of the BBC Gardeners' World Magazine Stage
- 1 session a day on Gardens / Plants of the World focusing on each destination / itinerary Regent offer and the flora found to explore once there.
- 5m x 5m Engagement stand, where a data capture competition was available for visitors to enter
- A dedicated email to "Affluent Seniors" post show as a further touchpoint to reinforce the engagement at the show.



#### **Next Steps:**

These are initial ideas for sponsorship and a starting point for you to understand how you can inspire and influence thousands of targeted gardeners in a memorable environment.

Once we know your objectives we can work together to create a bespoke package to ensure you get the most out of working with us and our incredible event to ensure your objectives are achieved

We look forward to discussing further with you

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