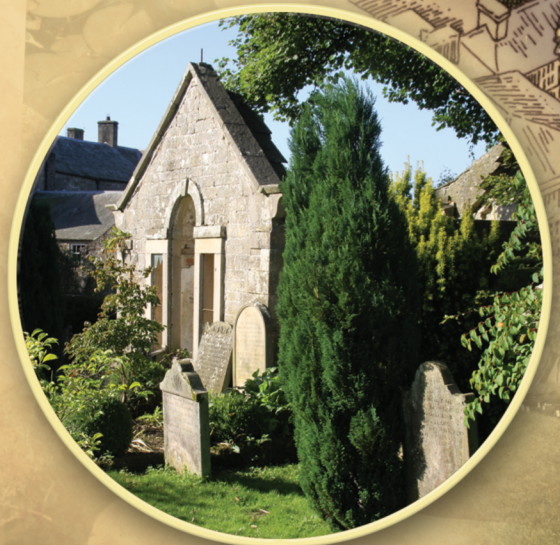


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EGGLESTON HALL GARDENS

A TIMELESS TREASURE IN THE HEART OF TEESDALE

A nursery garden that returns us to the "Golden Age" of Victorian plant collectors.



The Garden Trail

Outside the garden shop, atop a chimney pot...

There sits an honesty box...in which you will hopefully leave your admission!

At the base of the chimney is a stone numbered 1...It is the first of 22 which guide your route around the gardens. The first 6 stones take you by herbaceous borders, lawns, and a wishing pool. Stones 7 to 14 follow winding paths amongst shrubs, trees and perennials. Remember to detour through the little wooden gate and drop down into our secret churchyard.

The ruined chapel dates back to 1612 and the gravestones reflect this,

amongst them are growing some of our rarest plants.

Stone 14 begins the tour of our upper gardens, following the stream past beehives and borders you will reach a pottager garden and our famous replica of The Angel of the North.

Stone 18 to 22 will guide you past ancient espaliered fruit trees that clothe much of the tall stone walls, whose radiated heat provides free winter protection for young cuttings and plants. At the top arbour have a sit or simply look back over the gardens, on a clear day you will be treated to the finest views of Teesdale, one of England's secret dales, beautiful, sentinel, and permanent, the rocks of ages in which we live and work, as over four centuries we gardeners and those before us at Eggleston Hall Gardens, go quietly about our tasks.

