

HOLKHAM

JOB DESCRIPTION

TITLE	Seasonal Gardener
LOCATION	Holkham, Wells-next-the-Sea, Norfolk
REPORTING TO	Head Gardener

THE HOLKHAM ESTATE

The Holkham Estate extends over 25,000 acres and has 160 employees, rising to over 250 in the Summer. The land and property-based activities include residential and commercial lettings, property maintenance and development, farming, forestry, country sports, hotels, a holiday park and car parks. The businesses based around Holkham Hall include tourism, hospitality, catering, filming, outdoor events and concerts. See www.holkham.co.uk for more information.

HOLKHAM ENTERPRISES

Holkham Enterprises is the business entity that is responsible for all visitor-related activity and income is centred on Holkham Park and Holkham Beach. Income is derived from 4 car parks, 3 cafés, admissions to the Hall, Walled Garden and our 'Field to Fork' Experience, a gift shop, our education programme and our extensive events programme.

OVERALL JOB PURPOSE

This role will work as part of the overall Landscape Team within Holkham Park, the private garden and the Walled Garden. Occasionally tasks will include contract work at Longlands and the Victoria Inn.

SPECIFIC DUTIES

Tasks will vary on a daily basis and will include:

- The planting and maintenance of trees, shrubs, herbaceous plants, ground cover and annual bedding, hedge clipping and pruning.
- Fine lawn maintenance and cultivation.
- The use and maintenance of hand tools and basic light machinery.
- The use of cylinder and rotary mowers, strimmers and leaf blowers.
- To care for the vegetable garden and communicate with the Housekeeper so that fresh produce can be used when it is ready or frozen if suitable.
- Maintenance and care of equipment including oil level checks and checking for damage.
- To ensure that all equipment, machinery and buildings are kept secure, safe and clean.
- To be aware of Health and Safety requirements and carry out all duties in compliance with health and safety at work legislation.
- To apply chemicals where appropriate.
- To clean and maintain the hard surfaces around the estate and treat them when required.
- To keep all paths and driveways clear and safe to use including gritting and salt spread.
- To ensure that the household runs smoothly by providing additional support to the Household team.
- To undertake any necessary training related to the role.
- Any other duties that may be required. This is flexible role that will often involve duties not listed above.

SKILLS REQUIRED

The successful candidate will:

- Have practical, hands-on garden experience, preferably within an Estate environment.
- Have a good basic plant knowledge and willingness to develop this.
- Have a qualification in horticulture.
- Have PA1/PA6 spray certificates.
- Have a clean driving licence.
- Be hardworking, flexible, energetic, conscientious and trustworthy.
- Have a genuine commitment to work to the highest possible standard with excellent attention to detail.
- Be good and taking direction but also be able to work under their own initiative and solve problems.
- Be able to work in a team as well as stand-alone.

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