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Experience: Private group garden tour with internationally acclaimed landscape architect and garden designer, Tom Stuart-Smith



Enjoy a personal guided tour of Stuart-Smith's own private garden, the Barn Garden, and the Serge Hill Project, co-created with his wife Sue. Situated just 25 miles north of London in Hertfordshire. You will be met by Stuart-Smith and shown his groundbreaking Plant Library – a collection of more than 2,500 plants – and the Apple House, an educational building and recent recipient of a National RIBA Award. The tour will conclude with a glass of champagne.

Estimate: £500 - £1,000

Available to book between April and June 2027
Maximum group of 8 people only

Tom Stuart-Smith is an award-winning landscape architect and garden designer who has a reputation for making gardens that combine naturalism and modernity. Major projects have included gardens at Trentham in Staffordshire, Chatsworth in Derbyshire, RHS Wisley in Surrey, RHS Bridgewater in Salford and The Reflection Garden near St Paul's Cathedral in the City of London. He is currently working on Tate Britain's Clore Garden on Millbank that is set to open in 2027.

Stuart-Smith was described in the Daily Telegraph as 'the most influential, taste forming garden designer in the UK'. His major honours include a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Society of Garden and Landscape Designers, an OBE for services to landscape design, and ten Gold Medals at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show, three of which won the coveted Best in Show.

In 2018-19, The Hepworth Wakefield worked with Stuart-Smith to transform our outdoor site from unused land into a beautiful free public garden. The garden features outdoor sculptures and hosts a programme of special events, acting as an oasis in the urban sprawl of the city. The Hepworth Wakefield Garden is enjoyed daily by local residents and now attracts visitors from around the world.

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