

## Course details

### Course title

History: Roman Gardens

### Course code

Q00016184

### Course date

Start: 06/11/24

End: 04/12/24

### Number of classes

5 sessions

### Timetable

Wed 6th Nov, 12:00 to 14:00

Wed 13th Nov, 12:00 to 14:00

Wed 20th Nov, 12:00 to 14:00

Wed 27th Nov, 12:00 to 14:00

Wed 4th Dec, 12:00 to 14:00

### Branch

Nottingham Branch

### Tutor

Mark Faulkner

### Fee range

Free to £74.00

### How you'll learn

You'll join a small group of fellow learners for classes at the venue indicated. Some materials may be provided in our virtual learning environment.

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## **Venue**

Online

## **Level of study**

Beginners

## **Course overview**

'Ancient Roman Gardens' examines the crucial role played by gardens and gardening in the Roman world. They supplied food for the poor and were the scenes of specular display for the rich. They would also set the style and tone for many later European gardens, and this course will therefore be of interest to all those who wish to explore this formative phase in garden history. Through discussion and self directed study we will study the primary elements of the classic Roman garden and how it has impacted on more contemporaries

## **Course description**

In a way not seen before, the Romans developed a range of gardens to suit every purpose – those attached to houses, farms, villas, tombs, temples, and public spaces. They owed much to the sophisticated cultures of the Mediterranean world and would be exported, together with many new plant species, over much of Western Europe in the wake of her expanding empire. The character of these gardens is more apparent to us now than ever before because of the wealth of new evidence provided by archaeology and archaeobotany, together with the descriptions, writings, and depictions of the Romans themselves. In this course, we examine this evidence and use it to chart the development of Roman gardens and trace their presence in Britain. Plants and plant introductions, tools and technologies, and the religious and symbolic aspects of gardens, will all be considered within the context of wider social change. Throughout, key works will be cited as well as gardens to visit in order to give students a good basis for their own research on this form

## **What financial support is available?**

We don't want anything to stand in your way when it comes to bringing Adult learning within reach so if you need anything to support you to achieve your goals then speak to one of our education experts during your enrolment journey. Most of our courses are government funded but if you don't qualify or need alternative financial help to access them then let us

know.

## **What other support is available?**

All of our digital content, teaching and learning activities and assessments are designed to be accessible so if you need any additional support you can discuss this with the education experts during your enrolment journey and we will do all we can to make sure you have optimal access.

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