Taking the Mystery Out of Plant Diseases

Wednesday 22nd July and Saturday 3rd October 2020
10am- 4pm
with Mary Barkham at Nant-y-Bedd, Fforest Coal Pit, Abergavenny, NP7 7LY

We will start the day with coffee and cake and an indoor session to get to know each other and discuss some of the main types of plant pathogens. There will be an opportunity to explore the gardens at Nant-y-Bedd too and learn from owner Sue's experience of managing plant diseases.

There will be a delicious two course home made vegetarian lunch (please let me know of any dietary requirements).

By the end of the day you will understand about the different types of plant pathogens and their basic biology and how this can help you make disease management choices. You will also know about some of the new diseases which we need to keep out.

Booking a place
Places are limited to 10 to ensure maximum opportunity for discussion. To book please phone Mary on 01873 855379 or e mail marymbarkham@hotmail.com

Cost £55
 (20% discount for RHS members)

The workshop will cover:

- Types of plant diseases and how they damage plants
- The main threats we currently face and possible new ones
- The biology of some of the main plant disease causing organisms and how we can use that information to make decisions on how to manage and control them, using some common plant disease problems as examples.
- Where you can get further information and help.

Level of expertise required?

The workshop is equally suitable for novice or seasoned gardeners.

Bring with you
Sensible shoes and outdoor wear. Please **DO NOT** bring diseased plant material with you. If you want to ask about a problem that you have please bring a photo.

Go away with
Lots of knowledge about how to better avoid and manage diseases in your garden.

The course will be led by Mary Barkham. Mary has a first class honours degree in Horticultural Science and a PhD in Plant Pathology. She has worked in research in both the public and private sector and has been a keen gardener for more than 40 years.

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