

Garden Structures

Saturday 28th March 2026 9.30 – 4.00pm

Led by Mick Petts at Nant-y-Bedd Garden, Fforest Coal Pit, Abergavenny, NP7 7LY

Give your beloved plants the support they need, but at the same time make your garden look even lovelier. There's only one thing to beat a hand-crafted plant support, and that is a hand-crafted plant support crafted by your own hand!

This workshop is timed to take advantage of the part of year when cutting back coppiced and pollarded growth provides a good amount of useable material.



Synopsis

- identifying and cutting suitable material from the garden & hedgerows at Nant y Bedd, different willows, hazel, cornus and a variety of other species.
- learn a set of simple techniques that have multiple uses, easily learnt solutions to the perennial problem of floppy plants and giving aspirational climbers something attractive to hang on to.
- choose from a range of examples: traditional wigwams, lattice structures and new designs developed specifically for this course.

Level of expertise required? The workshop will be equally suitable for novice or expert.

Bring with you Sensible shoes and outdoor wear. You will also need snippers, secateurs or loppers and sturdy gloves.

Go away with Lots of ideas, your creation and loads of enthusiasm - we guarantee!

Booking a place

Places are limited to 10 to ensure maximum opportunity for hands-on support from your tutor. All materials included.

Tea/coffee and cake are included. Lunch is not included. Please bring your own lunch.

Cost £110

Turn your trimmings into treasures...

Mick Petts is a landscape-based sculptor and garden designer with many years of experience working with natural materials. He has worked on projects large and small for both private and public sector clients. For those familiar with Nant-y-Bedd, Mick designed and built the natural swimming pond, Cedric and Hart's Rise tree sculptures, and most recently the 'Chaise Log' for our Silent Space