

Writtle College Library

Subject Guide

Amenity Horticulture

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This guide is intended to highlight the main information sources for Horticulture students with a focus on Amenity Management – there may be other areas of the Library which are useful. If you specialise in Historic Gardens or Garden Restoration, please have a look at the Garden Design guide.

Books

Books are arranged under the Dewey class system (which runs from 000-999). Each subject area has its own number.

All Library books can be found by using the library catalogue (<http://library.writtle.ac.uk>).

Quick classification Guide

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| Botany/Plant Science | 581 |
| Business – Accounting | 657 |
| Business – Human Resource Management | 658.3 |
| Business – Marketing | 658.8 |
| Ecology | 577 |
| Environment | 333.7 |
| Environmental Law | 344.046 |
| Flora | 582.13 |
| Forestry | 634.9 |
| Garden Design | 712.6 |
| Garden History | 712.609 |
| Garden Plants | 635.9 |
| Garden Types (Shade, Alpine, Wild Flower, Water, Roof...) | 635.952 - 635.967 |
| Golf Course Design and Management | 712.545352 |
| Grounds Maintenance | 712.545 |
| Horticultural machinery | 635.03 |
| Horticulture | 635 |
| Landscape Construction | 717 |
| Lawns | 635.964 |
| Pests and diseases | 632.9 |
| Planning Law | 346.045 |
| Professional Practice and Contracts | 712.3 |
| Shrubs | 635.976 |
| Sports Turf | 635.9642 |
| Trees | 582.16 |
| Urban Planning | 711.0941 |

Electronic Books

In addition to traditional printed books we also have access to a growing number of electronic books or e-books.

Subscribed E-Books

Dawsonera

<http://www.dawsonera.com/>

Dawsonera is a collection of around 200 e-books covering a wide range of subject areas. In addition to the purchased titles which are available for 24 hour download, 66,000 further full-text titles are available for 5 minute previews. You will need your Athens username and password to access Dawsonera.

Free Online E-Books

The Internet Public Library

<http://www.ipl.org/div/books/>

Over 20,000 titles that can be browsed by author, by title, or by Dewey Decimal Classification. No password required.

Dissertations

The Library has copies of Undergraduate 1st and 2.1 dissertations completed at Writtle College. They are included on the Library catalogue and it is possible to limit your search just to look for dissertations. They are all held in the short term loan room in alphabetical order of the author.

DVDs

The Library has a growing collection of DVDs on Gardens and also Feature films. They are listed on the computer catalogue and they can be borrowed or viewed upstairs in study room 3. You find them on a shelf under the stairs.

Journals and Series

Journals are an excellent source of information on current research, trends and practice.

Print journals are arranged in alphabetical order of title. The current ones are on display on the ground floor, back numbers on the upper floor. There is an archive of some back issues held in our reserve store, if this is indicated on the catalogue please ask at the issue desk for them.

Journals cannot be borrowed, but articles can be scanned or photocopied.

To find journal articles, you can also make use of the databases that the Library subscribes to. Databases index journals to provide details and abstracts of articles, some of them offer access to journals in full text.

Relevant Print Journals

Arboricultural Journal

Garden Design Journal

Gardens Illustrated

Green Futures

Green Places

Horticulture Week

Journal of Applied Ecology

Journal of Environmental Horticulture

Plant Heritage

Plantsman, The

Public Garden

Spaces & Places

Turf Professional

Electronic Journals

There is access to electronic journals through our databases (see below), these are some examples:

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| Landscape and Urban Planning | www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/01692046 |
| Landscape Journal | http://tiny.cc/k7lu4 |

Current Awareness

If you want to keep up-to-date in a particular subject area, it might be useful to subscribe to one of the alert services about new journal articles. There are several providers.

ZETOC - <http://zetoc.mimas.ac.uk>

The database comprises over 15 million article titles derived from the 20,000 most important research journals in the world, dating back to 1993. ZETOC Alert is a current awareness service that emails the contents pages of journals you have selected directly to you.

Science Direct Alert Service - <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/alerts>

Offers a 'My Alerts' service which allows you to save searches and then schedule them to rerun at a chosen frequency. When new articles are found you will be sent an email alert with a direct link to the new search results. You need to register with Science Direct first. Please note this does not give you any further access to electronic journals. If you would like to access electronic journals on Science Direct please use your Athens password.

Electronic information / Databases

To find journal articles, you may use the databases the library subscribes to. Usually the database does not lead you to the full text but is just the reference i.e. the title, author, publisher of a book or journal and an abstract. Sometimes you can limit your search to certain journals.

A database/indexing service will help you identify resources that can be found in the library or elsewhere. If we don't hold the resource required it is possible to get it through [inter-library-loan](#).

With some databases you can directly get the full text or a link to an online resource like the publisher's website.

Databases / Indexing Services

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| British Standards Online http://www.bsi-global.com | Catalogue of British Standards. Printed copies of selected standards are in the Library. Essex Public Libraries hold the full series and electronic access is possible. |
| Land, Life and Leisure http://edina.ac.uk/landlifeleisure | Land-based Index (off-campus Athens login) |
| Web of Knowledge http://wok.mimas.ac.uk | Science (off-campus Athens login) |

Databases with Full Text services

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| Acta Horticulturae http://www.actahort.org/members/search | Horticultural reports (full-text access, only available on campus) |
| Art & Architecture Complete http://tiny.cc/9ve9y | Garden Design, Amenity management and Historic gardens (partly full-text, off-campus Athens login) |
| Business Source Premier http://search.epnet.com/ | Business and management journals (mostly full-text, off-campus Athens login) |
| DOAJ – Directory of Open Access Journals http://www.doaj.org/ | Access to full-text quality controlled journals. |

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| Ebsco Host Electronic Journals http://ejournals.ebsco.com/home.asp | Multi-disciplinary (mostly full-text. Off-campus Athens login) |
| Science Direct http://www.sciencedirect.com | Extensive full-text science database (off-campus Athens login) |
| Turfgrass Information Centre | http://www.lib.msu.edu/tgif/ |

Digital archives / images / maps

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| Digimap http://edina.ac.uk/digimap | Online maps and spatial data for Great Britain (Personal Athens/UK Federation log-in required). |
| ARKive: Images and information about endangered plants and animals | http://www.arkive.org |
| MAGIC: Interactive maps of Great Britain, showing environmental and administrative features. | http://www.magic.gov.uk |

Company Information / Product Information

Yearbooks and Directories, some key titles:

ALPH International Statistics: Flowers and Plants, formerly the Yearbook of International Horticultural Statistics.

University of Reading Horticultural Production in England, formerly Horticultural Business Data, economic statistics from across the sector. Available online (on the catalogue)

Good Gardens Guide

Horticulture Week Plant Suppliers Guide and Buyers Guide, providing sources of supply for garden centres, commercial growers and amenity buyers.

National Plant Collections Directory, listing 600 collections and containing information for visitors.

RHS Plant Finder, providing lists of nurseries for specific plants to buy

Information about prices for landscape construction is provided in the **Spons price book**.

We keep only the last few years on the shelf. If you need an older edition, please ask at the counter, as they are in our reserve stock.

Shared Resources on the web

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| Creative Commons search: If you want to use images for presentations or publications | http://search.creativecommons.org |
| Delicious: favourite websites, useful for finding relevant websites | http://www.Delicious.com |
| Flickr: Photographs | http://www.flickr.com |
| Slideshare: Presentations | http://www.slideshare.net |
| Youtube: videos | http://uk.youtube.com |

Useful Websites and Organisations

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| Land-based Thesaurus | http://agclass.nal.usda.gov/dne/search_sc.shtml |
| Biodiversity Heritage Library: Literature from ten major botanical, research and natural history institutions. | http://www.biodiversitylibrary.org |
| Botanical Keys: Identification of wild flowers of the British Isles | http://www.botanicalkeys.co.uk/flora |
| Botanical Society of the British Isles: Includes access to a species database and county census catalogue. | http://www.bsbi.org.uk |
| BALI: British Association of Landscape Industries | http://www.bali.co.uk/index2.asp |
| Climate Impacts Programme: Information about possible impacts of climate change on the UK | http://www.ukcip.org.uk |
| Climatic Research Unit, University of East Anglia | http://www.cru.uea.ac.uk |
| Crocus: Plant sales and advice | http://www.crocus.co.uk |
| Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs | http://www.defra.gov.uk |
| Environment Agency – NetRegs: For up-to-date environmental legislation | http://www.netregs.gov.uk |
| European Landscape Contractors Association | http://www.eu-landscapers.org |
| Forestry Commission | http://www.forestry.gov.uk |
| Garden History Society: with details of publications and planning inquiries concerning historic gardens | http://www.gardenhistorysociety.org |
| Health and Safety Executive | http://www.hse.gov.uk |
| Historic Gardens Foundation | http://www.historicgardens.org |
| Horticultural Trades Association: Representing garden centres, landscapers, suppliers and growers | http://www.the-hta.org.uk |

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| Horticulture Week | http://www.hortweek.com |
| Institute of Horticulture | http://www.horticulture.org.uk |
| International Society of Arboriculture, includes links to research papers | http://www.isa-arbor.com |
| Landscape Institute | http://www.landscapeinstitute.org |
| Lantra: Skills council for the environmental and land-based sector. Includes industry information. | http://www.lantra.co.uk |
| National Playing Fields Association | http://www.npfa.co.uk/ |
| Natural England | http://www.naturalengland.org.uk |
| Royal Botanic Gardens Kew: Also research information and plant databases. | http://www.kew.org |
| Royal Horticultural Society | http://www.rhs.org.uk |
| Society of Garden Designers | http://www.sgd.org.uk |
| Sports Turf Research Institute | http://www.stri.co.uk |
| Thrive - Horticultural Therapy | http://www.thrive.org.uk |
| Tree Register: Historic trees | http://www.treeregister.org |
| Turfgrass Information Centre, includes access to a full-text database of reports | http://www.lib.msu.edu/tgif/ |
| US Golf Association, Green Section | http://www.usga.org/turf/index.html |

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| General resources: | |
| Eurostat: European statistics information provided by the European Commission | http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu |
| National Statistics: Home of official UK statistics relating to Britain's economy and population at national and local level | http://www.statistics.gov.uk |
| United Kingdom Legislation | http://www.statutelaw.gov.uk |

Please contact us if you have any suggestions

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