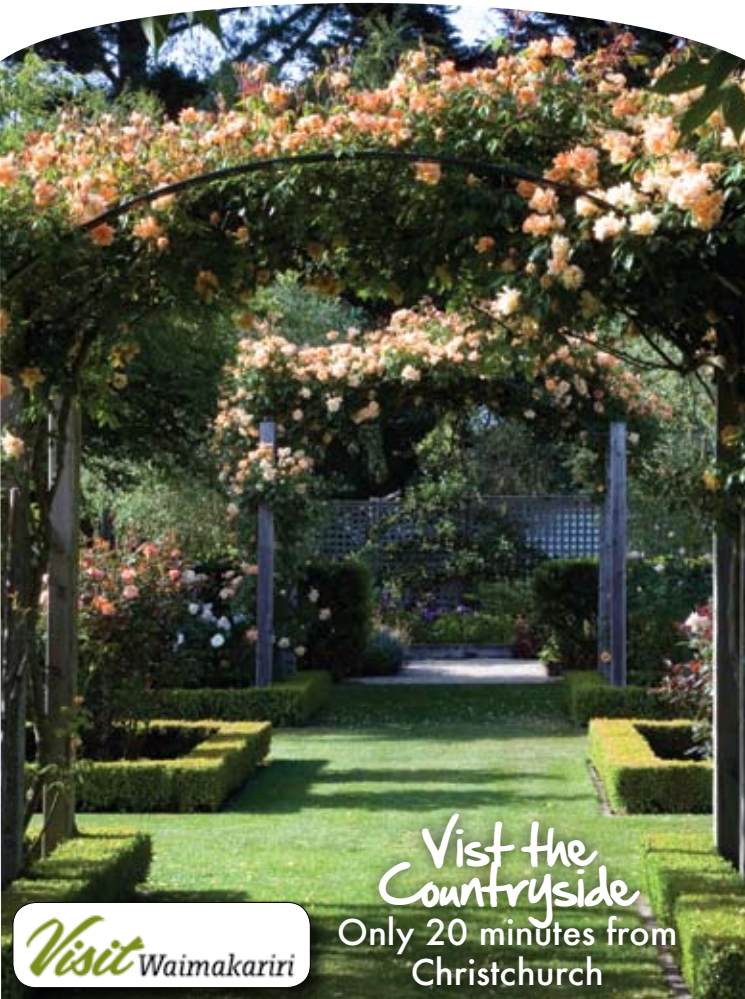


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Wilson's Mill Garden

Wilson's Mill Garden is respected in New Zealand as one of the finest and most expansive gardens open for the public to enjoy. This South Island garden is brimming with flowers, plants, lakes and superb landscape design.

Experience the tranquility as you wander through the 4.8 hectares of sheer beauty. Whether it is the picturesque lake, or the home-stead surrounded by water, garden borders and towering trees, the Wilson's Mill Garden experience is one that defines paradise.

Wilson's Mill Gardens is the perfect photography backdrop, and the grounds are ideal as a location for weddings and special events.

We invite groups and coach tours by appointment and group admission is charged by arrangement.

Independent travellers and local visitors can pay their fee into the honesty box at the entrance to the garden.

3 Christmas Road, Ohoka

Contact: Lee Dunster, 03 327 7815

Email: lee.dunster@xtra.co.nz, Website: www.wilsonmillgarden.co.nz

Open: Daily 10am-4pm, 1 October-31 May

Barn on Giles

The Barn on Giles is a destination for everyone – we specialise in providing a great variety of treasures; vintage/retro/shabby chic.

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The 4 acre garden with well-established hedging and rhododendrons/camellias is a delight to visit in spring with showings of bulbs,



magnolias, azaleas and other treasures.

The perennial borders then put on a fantastic summer show with the likes of roses, lilies, irises and peonies. Garden tours can be arranged with complimentary morning/afternoon teas.

We look forward to welcoming you in the near future!

166 Giles Road, Clarkville

Contact: Noeline King, 03 327 6454 or 0274 179619

Email: info@ongiles.co.nz, Website: www.ongiles.co.nz

Open: Saturday & Sunday 11am-4pm, 1 September-31 May, or by appointment



Millstream Garden

Millstream Garden is a 4.5 acre garden in Ohoka, which has been developed over a 20 year period.

The garden is very formal, with the focus on themed tranquil 'room' gardens, such as the polka dot room and the croquet lawn room. Water is another striking feature of the garden – with a large pond, stream and a number of fountains.

Tree lined avenues provide long vistas through the garden to water features and expansive lawns. Extensive planting of hedging and perennials provide the contrast

of formal and informal gardens, with sculptural features tucked in amongst the plants

Millstream also has a host of outdoor entertaining possibilities, and in the tranquil outdoor settings, some are secluded, others sun-drenched.

The garden is considered idyllic and has become a favourite for garden tours, weddings and wedding photographs.

21 Keetly Place, Ohoka

Contact: Elaine & John Lynn, 03 312 6414, Email: elaine.john@xtra.co.nz

By appointment, 10am-5pm, 1 October-31 March

Entrance fee applies

Millwood Botanicals

Millwood situated in the village of Ohoka, 20 minutes north of Christchurch, now a private home as well as the home of Millwood Botanicals and Millwood Weddings.

The chapel, formerly the Ohoka Methodist Church built in 1865, is set in a picturesque garden setting. The restored church contains many of its original features. The building is in four wings allowing it to operate as a private home, a chapel for wedding ceremonies and a freeze-drying business.

The church grounds have been extensively designed in an attractive garden setting, making this an ideal place for wedding guests to mingle after the wedding for photos and refreshments.



Millwood has hosted many interested groups and organisations over the past 15 years, welcoming them in to our home to give a history of the building, tour of the floral freeze-drying business, and with products available for sale.



401 Whites Road, Ohoka. Contact: Shirley & Brian Minnis, 03 312 6514

Email: petals@flowersframed.co.nz, Website: www.flowersframed.co.nz

By appointment. Each tour requires a minimum of 20 people and a morning or afternoon tea is served following the tour. Bookings essential.



Breedenbroek Gardens

Long vistas with cross axis are a recurring feature of this Ben McMaster designed formal English style garden. Relatively new and 12 years in the making, this garden has 4 broad herbaceous borders sheltered by high hornbeam hedges and six formal box hedged rose beds linked by arches draped with 'Crepuscule' roses.

Bay hedges enclose a potager garden filled with herbs and flowers and a small orchard. A natural stream is planted with gunnera, iris and cornus siberica while a board

walk leads around the pond where there are areas to relax.

The surrounding undulating farm landscape is inhabited by a menagerie of friendly animals.



96 Boundary Road, Ashley

Contact: Kay MacLachlan & Rudi Steyn, 03 313 3268

Open: All year by appointment. Best viewing seasons - Spring, Summer and Autumn. Email: kayandrudi@paradise.net.nz, Website: www.breedenbroek.com



Ribblesdale Gardens & Nursery

For garden lovers Ribblesdale is an absolute must for those wanting to get away from the rush of everyday life into a restful unique New Zealand garden experience.

Nursery specializing in hardy alpiners, bulbs, and many of the older perennial varieties no longer stocked in regular retail outlets as well as hostas, rhododendrons, azaleas and clematis.

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Cnr Oxford Road & Barracks Road, Oxford

Contact: Denise & Robin Illingworth, 03 312 4073

Email: ribblesdale@xtra.co.nz, Website: www.ribblesdalegardens.co.nz
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Email: rosesatcust@xtra.co.nz

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Website: www.ohokafarmersmarket.co.nz

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