

Join the Friends and celebrate
the scientific wonder and importance of plants



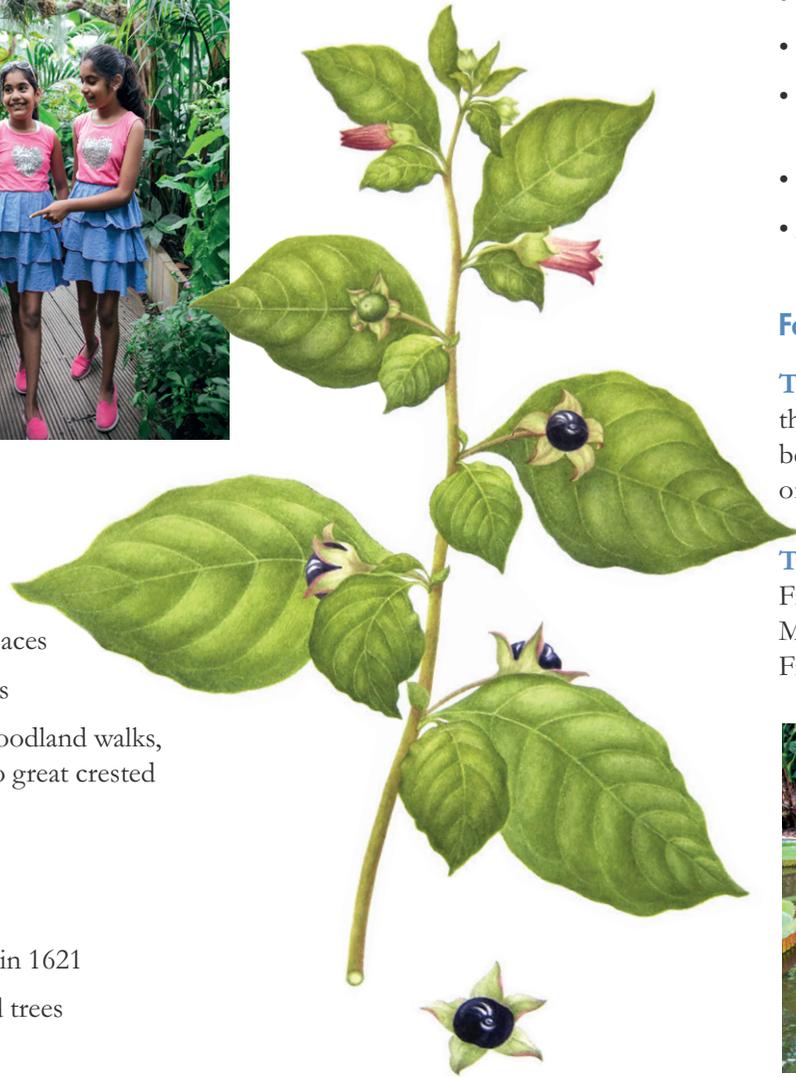
From left: Harcourt Arboretum by Franco Santarsieri
The Tropical Glasshouse by Ian Wallman.

Enjoy:

- The beauty, peace and stunning green spaces
- The Botanic Garden's 5,000 plant species
- The Arboretum's 130 acres of superb woodland walks, wildflower meadows and ponds, home to great crested newts, bees and butterflies

Support:

- Britain's oldest botanic garden, founded in 1621
- The conservation of rare and threatened trees at Harcourt Arboretum, created in 1830
- Education, training and vital research into plants and the environment for future generations



Atropa belladonna
by Rosemary Wise

Reasons to become a Friend

- Free entry to the Garden and Arboretum
- Exclusive Friends' events including behind the scenes visits to other gardens
- Coffee mornings and tours led by members of staff
- Invitation to May morning and the Friends' summer party
- Reciprocal arrangements with many other botanical gardens in the UK. Please see website.
- Regular newsletter and e-bulletin
- A 10% discount in our shops



For higher levels of support

The Bobarts Patrons' group provides extra financial support to the Garden and Arboretum. In return members enjoy all the Friends' benefits but also exclusive visits to private gardens and to collections of botanical art and herbaria.

The Danby Patrons' group is a unique joint venture between the Friends and the Oxford University Department of Plant Sciences. Members enjoy special events and overseas tours as well as being Friends of OBG and of the Bobarts Patrons' Group.



Curator Mark Brent recording the size of a *Victoria amazonica* leaf. Photo by Franco Santarsieri.

Right, clockwise from top: The Danby Gate by Ed Nix; *Michauxia campanuloides* by Lauren Baker and *Pinus nigra* subsp. *nigra* by Franco Santarsieri.

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