

Course fact sheet 033 – Tree Solutions with Tony Kirkham

Course Content

Join us for a special date with Tony Kirkham, Head of the Arboretum and Horticultural Services at The Royal Botanic Garden Kew, who will explain how best to select, plant and manage trees over the course of their lifetime, providing solutions to many of your tree-related issues.

Tony's objectives for the day include:

- Understanding the importance of good tree selection – the right tree for the right place.
- Introducing the diverse range of trees for the landscape.
- Nursery stock selection – selecting the right size.
- Getting the right tree planting techniques for successful establishment.
- Providing the right aftercare.
- Understanding mature tree management.
- Bringing you up to date with tree pruning techniques and stress management for trees.

About the Tutor

Following an initial apprenticeship in the forestry industry, Tony gained a place on the 3 year Diploma course at RBG Kew, graduating in 1981 with honours before managing the North Arboretum for 14 years. In 2001 he became Head of the Arboretum and Horticultural Services, responsible for the management and curation of the 14,000 hardy woody trees and hardy woody shrubs collections.

Since the destruction of many of Kew's oldest trees in the Great Storm of 1987 he has spearheaded the restocking of the collection. In some instances using specimens collected on collecting trips to Chile and the Far East including China, Taiwan, South Korea, Japan and Russia.

Tony has an infectious enthusiasm for his subject and is best known for his appearances in the BBC series "A Year at Kew" and "Trees that made Britain".

Tony is also the principle lecturer for the Kew Diploma Arboriculture course and an examiner for the Professional Diploma in Arboriculture for the Royal Forestry Society.

In 2009, Tony was awarded the Associate of Honour by the RHS for distinguished service to Horticulture.

Tickets

Date Saturday 19th March 2011 9.30am – 4.30pm
Cost £95.00 including all refreshments and a buffet lunch.
Location Regents College, Inner Circle, Regents Park, Central London
For directions and transport links please visit our website www.lcgd.org.uk

To reserve a place for this day please call 01483 762955 or visit our website http://www.lcgd.org.uk/garden_design_courses.html and click on "Tree Solutions with Tony Kirkham".

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