

Spring is Blooming... win a private tour, with up to 9 friends to Frensham Garden

Margaret Long of Frensham Garden offers a WONDERFUL prize of a private guided tour with Margaret Long and a group of nine of your friends. Plan a lunch or afternoon tea at one of the nearby restaurants and make a day of it for your friends. The garden is superbly designed and there are many lovely vistas and changes in pace and scale. Margaret is the editor of the popular Gardener's Journal; something for the serious gardener to subscribe to. The journal reflects Margaret's passion for design and horticultural know how which is so apparent in her garden. The garden visit will need to be at a mutually convenient time. An evening visit is a wonderful experience and perfect for photography. Contact margaretlong@xtra.co.nz



"Our relaxed country garden was started in 1992. In the early days, I had very little gardening experience and no vision for the site, but an interest in plants was quickly developing. Over the years, with much trial and error, a garden has emerged which we and our visitors do enjoy. Much thought has gone into the placement of colour, the short and long distance views, and the filtering of light which is created by judicious pruning. The garden has been planned with year round interest in mind, and visitors are encouraged to come and see the garden in winter, there is nothing more spectacular than a crisp winters day with a low lying sun in its effects. More and more people come in autumn and many are now visiting on summer evenings rather than in the middle of the day when the plants and people are feeling the heat and the effects of the bright light. There is a serious plant collection to which I am always adding and there is subtle changing of all existing areas. The garden is about half a hectare set in a farm environment."