

START YOUR CAREER THROUGH A **HORTICULTURE** OR **LANDSCAPING** APPRENTICESHIP!

A guide for young people.

DID YOU KNOW...

If you love the outdoors and being in nature, plus want to support the environment, you can start a career looking after greenspaces straight away with a Horticulture or Landscaping apprenticeship. Not only will you be earning while doing what you love, you may have the opportunity to work with cutting-edge technologies, and to have a positive impact on your local environment.

AN APPRENTICESHIP IS A JOB WITH A SALARY

You'll also study the equivalent of one day per week to build skills in your chosen profession. The combination of practical work and classroom teaching means you can put into practice the things you learn. You'll gain skills such as communication, teamwork, problem solving and IT.

You'll be well on your way to achieving your career goals while others are just getting started.

MEET SOME APPRENTICES



MEET ROBBIE...

a Horticulture apprentice who won a progression award.



MEET HANNAH...

and get a snapshot into life as a Horticulture apprentice.



MEET CARLA...

who recently perfected her composting skills and learned how to drive a tractor.



DURATION:
APPROX. 2 YEARS



SALARIES:
UP TO £18K STARTING



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WHERE COULD YOU WORK?

Operatives work in outdoor greenspaces such as gardens and parks. These might be part of businesses, tourist attractions or private estates. You may work in a single outdoor space or across a variety of spaces in a local area.



We're keen to open up new routes to working at the National Trust. That's why we're continually growing the number and range of apprenticeships we offer, so that you can earn while you learn and take care of the special places and spaces that matter to you.

Caroline Noon, Apprenticeship Manager, National Trust

HORTICULTURE/LANDSCAPING APPRENTICESHIPS EXPLAINED

In this role you will develop core skills in grounds maintenance as well as specialist skills in either horticulture or landscaping.

HORTICULTURE OPERATIVE

Growing and looking after different kinds of plants, gardens and landscapes.

LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION OPERATIVE

Building and maintaining hard landscaping, including garden structures, paths, decking and boundaries.



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HORTICULTURE OR LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION OPERATIVE LEVEL 2

In this job you will maintain gardens, parks and other greenspaces. You will be trained to use a variety of tools and machinery relevant to your role, and learn about topics such as biosecurity and biodiversity, in order to have a positive environmental impact.

A HORTICULTURE OPERATIVE MIGHT BE:

- ▶ Growing a wide variety of plants and maintaining their health
- ▶ Creating soft landscapes by planting trees, shrubs and grass
- ▶ Growing flowering plants to create displays
- ▶ Carrying out cultivation, pruning and turf care

AFTER COMPLETION, YOU MAY MOVE ON TO:

- ▶ Level 3 Horticulture or Landscape Supervisor apprenticeship

A LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION OPERATIVE MIGHT BE:

- ▶ Measuring sites and preparing them for construction
- ▶ Building and maintaining paths, patios and decking
- ▶ Repairing hard structures such as fences and walls



FURTHER INFORMATION

Our [apprenticeships.gov.uk](https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk) website has more information about apprenticeships and how to apply.



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