

Plant Belles at the National Trust

Flower Power Plant Belles are now supporting plants in National Trust gardens of Devon and Cornwall



The borders at St Michael's Mount in Cornwall are soon to be supported by Plant Belles, protecting the plants from the buffering winds of the Atlantic sea.

The gardens and gardeners at Castle Drogo and Knightshayes Court in Devon, have both enjoy the benefits of the rustic and ornamental grow-through plant supports since 2009.

Castle Drogo, nr Drewsteignton, overlooking the Teign valley and Dartmoor, have introduced 70 Plant Belles and stem supports, which comfortably adorn the beautifully established formal 'Arts & Crafts' garden, designed by Edwin Lutyens and George Dillistone back in the early 20th century.

Flower Power Garden Design designed the 'George' Plant Belle, in collaboration with the former Head Gardener, Andrew Midgley. This grande Plant Belle is named after George Dillistone, has been created especially to support large established border planting. The Belles are all working hard to help protect the perennial borders in the 'windy' formal garden at Castle Drogo.



John Lanyon, whilst Head Gardener at Knightshayes Court gardens, nr Tiverton, Devon, also commissioned the Plant Belle designers to create 'wigwams' for the renovated walled kitchen gardens. Over 20 large wigwam structures have been handmade and dressed to supporting an extensive collection of fragrant Sweet Pea at Knightshayes.

Plant Belles are also available to buy at selected National Trust shops

All Plant Belles have been designed and handcrafted in Devon. To find out more, visit the website at www.plantbelles.co.uk, find us on Facebook, or contact Jenny on 01363 84514 or 07970 825 755.



The Grande 'George Belle' commissioned for the National Trust Gardens at Castle Drogo