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A European forum organised in cooperation with Domaine National de Chambord on the occasion of the inauguration of its new kitchen gardens Chambord 15 October 2020

## **Purpose**

In recent years, there has been a strong revival of interest in fruit and kitchen gardens and in particular in heritage fruit and kitchen gardens. This offers an excellent opportunity to reflect on the specific conservation issues and challenges posed by such gardens today. This forum is organised by les Amis du Potager du Roi and the Walled Kitchen Gardens Network. They propose four objectives for this event:

- Bring together a group of owners and managers of historic fruit and kitchen gardens, and experts in the field, to share their experiences, knowledge and skills.
- Define the specific features of the conservation and management of a historic fruit and kitchen garden.
- Establish a catalogue of good practice in the conservation of historic fruit and vegetable gardens, based on concrete examples from across Europe.
- Build the future by helping the community of conservation of historic fruit and vegetable gardens develop richer relationships.

The day will be organised around presentations and testimonies of experts and people involved with these important gardens, followed by exchanges and discussions. The proceedings of this symposium including contributions and debates will be published after the event.



# European symposium on the conservation of historic fruit and kitchen gardens

### **Topics**

- What are the specific qualities of historic fruit and kitchen gardens?
- Management of historic and kitchen gardens
- Ecological and social approaches
- Economic models for enduring success

## **Targeted audience**

- Owners and managers of heritage fruit and kitchen gardens
- Managers of historic buildings with a fruit and kitchen garden, wishing to reflect on the conservation and plant heritage of these gardens.
- Members of associations interested in fruit and vegetable gardens, fruit and vegetable production, etc.
- Members of associations of garden lovers
- Nurseries and seed Producers

#### Place and date

October 15, 2020. Château de Chambord

#### October 16, 2020. Optional visits:

Possibility to meet the owners of heritage fruit and kitchen gardens, in the region of Chambord, and to visit their gardens.

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