

HAPPY SAPPHIRE BIRTHDAY

PLANT HERITAGE, THE home of the National Plant Collections®, has marked a new milestone in its history of conserving and safeguarding cultivated plants in Britain by accrediting nine new collections, taking the number of 'living libraries' on its register to 700.

The charity, which is celebrating its 45th anniversary this year, has also now completed the move to its new home at RHS Garden Wisley (pictured, the Wildlife Garden, designed by Ann-Marie Powell FSGD, with willow and chestnut structure by Tom Hare), and NPC holders and guests are set to join Plant Heritage President Alan Titchmarsh and Chair of the Collections Committee and Director of Horticulture Tim Upson there for its Sapphire Celebration Day of talks, exclusive tours and a special lunch, on 27 September.

Tickets cost £45 per person; for full details and to book, visit plantheritage.org.uk.

