



New Zealand Gardens Trust Conference 2020 13 – 15 March



Manawatu and the Rangitikei

We are delighted to announce the details of the 2020 conference and to welcome our guest speaker
Dan Benarcik from Chanticleer Garden, Philadelphia.

Held over three days, the focus will be on gardens and gardening including visits to historic homes and gardens in the Rangitikei and Manawatu, some of which are not normally open to the public. The conference is based at the Distinction Coachman Hotel, 140 Fitzherbert Avenue, Palmerston North. For accommodation options, please refer to the registration form.

Thursday March 12

7.00pm - 8.30 pm Conference Registration; meet and greet Conference Committee Distinction Coachman

Friday March 13

Remember to bring your own water bottle!

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9.00am Coach departs Distinction Coachman for:

Paloma Gardens (5 star) at Fordell

Westoe at Bulls.

Includes morning/afternoon teas and lunch.

4pm – 7pm Conference opening Caccia Birch House

Includes welcome drinks and finger food

Palmerston North

6.30pm Coach returns to the Distinction Coachman

Pre-book dinner if required

Saturday March 14

Remember to bring your own water bottle!

8.30am Coach departs Distinction Coachman for:

Lansdale, an historic Buxton Garden near Palmerston North

Victoria Esplanade (4 star) including the National Rose Trial Grounds and Wildbase Recovery Centre

Greenhaugh Garden (6 star) and Nursery

❖ Container planting demonstration with *Dan Benarcik*

❖ Plant auction

Includes morning/afternoon teas and lunch.

5.30pm Bus departs Distinction Coachman for conference dinner
Conference Dinner with guest speaker, *Dan Benarcik*. The Chalet on the Lagoon

Sunday March 15

8.45am Morning session: Distinction Coachman

❖ Speaker: *Gordon Collier*

❖ Photo competition results

❖ Annual General Meeting of New Zealand Gardens Trust

Includes morning tea and lunch

2.00pm Conclusion of conference

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