

EXMOUTH

Floral Trail

'TOWN OF FLOWERS'

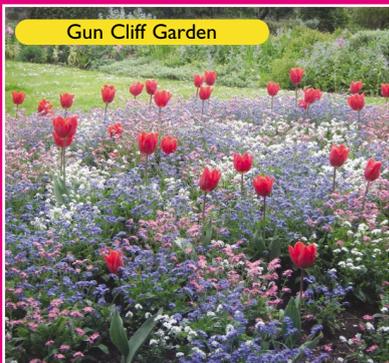


The Beacon

Exit the park by the Café and cross over to the Water Wheel. Take the steps to the left and turn right along Madeira Walk. Keeping to the higher path, after 100m fork right. This shaded walk, created by the Victorians, takes you beneath The Beacon, a conservation area where Lady Nelson and Lady Byron lived during the 19th Century.

To view the Beacon gardens, take the uphill path to the top, and return via the zig-zag down to Madeira Walk.

Continue on this path passing the sheltered Pavilion Gardens with outdoor gym on your right.



Gun Cliff Garden

At the end of the path, cross the road and enter through the wrought iron gate to enjoy the peace and tranquillity of Gun Cliff Gardens, where a civil war garrison was once located.

Exit by the same gate and head downhill to the seafront. Ahead of you are the Esplanade Gardens with the magnificent backdrop of the sea and extensive coastal views. There is colour here at all times of the year. Turn right

after crossing the road and stroll along The Esplanade until you reach the Victorian Memorial Clock Tower.



Tubs on the sea front



Rope Walk garden

Otherwise take the next right along Alexandra Terrace and through Manor Gardens. Cross the road by the Town Hall with its colourful planting scheme to return to your starting point in The Strand. Next to the TSB bank in the Strand is a *Magnolia grandiflora* 'Exmouth', first brought to Britain in the early 18th century by Sir John Colleton, former governor of South Carolina for his garden in Exeter Road.

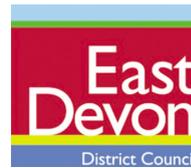


Magnolia grandiflora 'Exmouth'



Exmouth in Bloom is a small group of volunteers, working to improve the floral displays throughout the town.

This leaflet was produced by Exmouth in Bloom working with Exmouth Town Council and East Devon District Council working together for the benefit of the town.



Welcome...

to the Exmouth Floral Trail

The walk starts at the War Memorial in the Strand, a focus for town events, Farmers' Markets, cafés and table tennis. Heading towards Exmouth Indoor Market, walk through Manchester Road to Imperial Road and cross over towards the Leisure Centre. View the floral displays that surround the roundabout at the end of Marine Way, which is the primary route into Exmouth.



Walk straight on and cross outside the Station, forking right along the path heading towards the town. Notice to your right, one of Exmouth in Bloom's signature flower-filled boats, all named after past Exmouth Lifeboats.



Turn left and stroll along The Parade, where there are flower filled troughs all year for shoppers to enjoy.



At the end, cross right into the Magnolia Shopping Centre where magnolia trees, tiered planters, hanging baskets and raised beds provide colourful floral displays. Bear right as you approach the clock and exit the Centre crossing Rolle Street into Tower Street. This narrow lane is a glimpse of the old Exmouth. Spot the blue plaques as you go.



At the top of the hill cross into Manor Gardens, first opened to the public in 1896. The mature trees frame a variety of beds and borders, including a sub-tropical bed and a set of four flower beds designed and planted by schoolchildren each year. The performance stage is used for the Exmouth Festival in May and for many concerts throughout the year.

