



The Palm House at the Botanic

## ROUNDING OFF 2020 WITH SOME FESTIVE CHEER!

2020 has been an extremely challenging year for everyone, so here are two light extravaganza events to raise the spirits as we negotiate those long winter nights



Cyclamens at the Botanic

Christmas at the Botanic is returning for its longest run ever. Now in its fourth consecutive year, the event will be held over a record 32 nights from 26th November to 3rd January, within the stunning setting of the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh (selected evenings only). The trail promises to deliver a dazzling display of lights, projections and lasers that will surprise and delight.

The one mile long after-dark extravaganza welcomes back some of its most popular festive installations including the Cathedral of Light and Laser Garden, plus there will be an appearance by Santa Claus at the festive finale which will be projected onto Inverleith House. As ever, the trail will feature several new installations, including a projected light show on the 128 metre long modernist Front Range Glasshouses, and Starfield – a large-scale installation of white LED twinkling stars.

You can look forward to Christmas at the Botanic being the pièce de résistance of the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh's 350th anniversary year.

From 26th November 2020 to 3rd January 2021 (closed 30th Nov, 1st, 7th, 8th, 25th, 31st Dec and 1st Jan).

For tickets and all event information, visit: [www.rbge.org.uk/christmas](http://www.rbge.org.uk/christmas)



The Laser Garden at the Botanic

After a successful launch in 2019, Dalkeith Country Park's Spectacle of Light is back for 2020. Complete with new installations, the 2020 show is designed to be enjoyed with family and friends exploring the night-time wonder of adventure park Fort Douglas and this year the sparkling illuminated trail will stretch beyond, to a magical woodland of pixie lanterns and starbursts, and then onto a carpet of colour. Plus, from the viewing platforms, gaze back across the river towards Dalkeith Country Park's beautifully lit Orangerie. In addition, there will be the amazing Sky Maze up in the tree canopy, and - new this year - a Mini Maze play area for the under 6s.

(5th & 6th Dec, 11th – 13th Dec, 17th – 23rd Dec, 27th – 31st Dec and 2nd & 3rd Jan)

For full details visit:

[www.dalkeithcountrypark.co.uk](http://www.dalkeithcountrypark.co.uk)



Spectacle of Light



Santa will make 'an appearance' at the Botanic finale