

## JOB DESCRIPTION

Role: Gardener	<b>Business Function:</b> Maintenance, Development and Conservation of designed landscape
Reports to: Garden Lead	Type of Contract: Full time. Salary £26,000 p/a
Location: Armadale, Isle of Skye	Last updated: January 2024

## Purpose of the role:

To provide efficient maintenance, conservation and development of the designed landscape on the estate.

### Competencies:

- An excellent level of physical fitness, or willingness to achieve such
- Capable of working under own initiative/lone working
- Good team worker
- Good communication skills
- Ability to act as "ambassador" for CDLT with visitors and the general public

#### **Experience & Abilities:**

- Previous experience of maintaining and enhancing a similar garden/designed landscape
- Knowledge and experience of garden tools and equipment operation and maintenance
- Practical knowledge of Health and Safety processes and procedures within a garden and estate environment and the ability to work effectively within these processes
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills; confident in interacting and dealing with a wide range of people
- Capable of working effectively alone and within a team environment
- Good organisational and time-management skills including the ability to prioritise work where necessary
- Enthusiasm for plants and the Highlands and Islands environment

## Scope of Role:

- Assisting in the conservation and sustainable development of the designed landscape
- Practical maintenance of the garden and care of trees, shrubs, lawns and herbaceous borders
- Construction and maintenance of hard landscaping features
- Providing a knowledgeable, friendly and courteous service to visitors including education/interpretation activities such as talks and guided walks
- Managing the work of garden volunteers as required
- Ensuring compliance with the health and safety policies and procedures
- Any other duties as required to meet the needs of the business

## Technical Knowledge:

- A Higher National Diploma qualification in Amenity Horticulture or demonstrable equivalent knowledge is desirable but training opportunities may be available to help you achieve such qualifications
- Practical experience in general amenity gardening



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- Demonstrable plant knowledge and identification skills
- Chainsaw certificates CS30 & 31 as a minimum or willingness to be trained
- Pesticide user PA1 and PA6 certificates, or a willingness to be trained
- Knowledge and experience of garden tool and machinery use and maintenance
- Experience of working in a heritage garden environment
- UK full driving licence
- First aid at work qualification