

Val Bradley

BIOGRAPHY



Freelance garden writer **Val Bradley** has been gardening since she could hold a trowel, but only began her career in horticulture after working for three years in a civil service office. The discovery that it was possible to follow a career in gardening was a revelation.

Since qualifying, she has worked in many aspects of horticulture, including a local authority parks department, and several nurseries and garden centres. **Val** has taught gardening at night school and worked at RHS Wisley Garden. She also answers live phone-in questions on BBC local radio, has written for various magazines and written (or co-written) 12 books, including *Town Gardens*, *Garden Tools* and *Indoor Plants*.

Since 2002, she and husband Steve have been Gardening Correspondents at *The Sun* newspaper, working with Peter Seabrook to produce the topical gardening page every Saturday, a job that involves liaising with all aspects of the garden industry in order to convey the latest news every week.

Together, **Val** and Steve have been commissioned to update the world's best-selling gardening books, *The Expert* series, originally written by Dr David Hessayon. In addition, **Val** helped produce the first-ever *Expert Calendar* for 2015.

Val is a Judge on one of the RHS Trial Committees and is a strong believer in using social media to communicate with other gardeners all over the world. Find her on Twitter @valgardening

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