



Triangle Community Garden

created and cultivated by people of all ages and abilities at Ransom's Rec., Hitchin



Hedgerow Basketry Workshop

Joanna Hammond, Suffolk Basket Maker, led the hedgerow basketry workshop on Saturday 28th Nov at Nightingale House.

Everyone made and took home a robust 'berry' basket constructed from a variety of different materials including willow collected from the hedgerow.



Jo demonstrated how to make the two original hoops that interlocked to form the frame of the basket.

The handle of the basket was attached to the top of the bowl with a 'God's eye' woven from split willow. A figure of eight firmly attached the two together and provided a neat niche where the ribs were inserted to create the bowl of the basket.



Each basket maker then wove hedgerow materials in between the ribs creating a sturdy and attractive basket.

'It was a great day, I worked really hard and my fingers ached but I have a lovely basket I shall fill with goodies and give to my sister-in-law as a Christmas present!'

'strangely therapeutic'.

