

Heritage trust now has online gift shop

- *In response to demand over lockdown, Cambo Gardens "Scottish Makers" Gift Shop can now be accessed at click of a button*

Cambo Gardens has announced that its popular gift shop, which showcases the work of many local artists and craftspeople, is now online, and the shop itself is open daily in the Stables Visitor Centre between 11am and 4pm.

"Having started selling items from our shop online during lockdown, and as it eased, we have now decided to make this a permanent arrangement, as there appears to be real demand for it," said Keri Ivins, Director of Cambo Gardens.

"It provided a valuable income stream for us during lockdown when none of us were sure what lay ahead for us as a visitor attraction and registered charity," continued Keri. "We know that local people want to "shop local and eat local", as the economy recovers, which is a great initiative. Some of them are perhaps less willing to visit shops in person, especially the more vulnerable customers, but are able to show their support online."

"They can access our wide product range, which includes everything from soaps and toiletries, to kids games, books, jewellery, and accessories, from the comfort of their own

homes.”

Keri went on to explain that the shop is not just about gifts, as it also stocks a range of functional and eco friendly kitchen and household products which are very popular with locals. It also has items for babies and children.

“Gift wise though, if you are looking for something special, perhaps as a memento of Cambo, or for a special birthday or anniversary, we really come into our own with many unique, specially commissioned, ranges depicting our famous Cambo snowdrops,” added Keri. “These include a range from Crail Pottery, Jenny Rickman’s handmade glass snowdrops in various sizes.”

“We also have items from St Andrew’s Pottery, Goat’s Milk soap from Claddach Farm in Fife, and soaps from The Little Fox Soapery in Glenrothes. Louise Wedderburn, another Fife based crafter, sells her range of knitted hats and gloves.”

Keri said that people could still buy seasonal plants from the garden at the shop, and could also sign up to the Cambo Flower Club to collect a lovely bunch of freshly picked flowers each week.

“We’ve something for everyone at various price points, and hope to attract early bird Christmas shoppers in the next few months,” finished Keri.

Taking place between October and December, Cambo Gardens will be holding eight different “Makers’ Markets Weekends”, promoting locally sourced crafts, artisan foods, products and gifts, with the craft makers present to discuss their wares. And on 10th and 11th October there will be an Autumn Plant & Produce Market, showcasing Cambo Gardens celebrated seasonal plant, fruit and vegetable selections.

<https://www.cambogardens.org.uk/product-category/gift-shop/>

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Cambo Heritage Trust (SC028131), managed by a board of trustees, holds the lease for the Walled Garden, Stables and its environs to develop educational and enterprise programmes and operate the gardens as a visitor attraction, managing the archive of Cambo Estate to engage the community with local heritage.

