



The secret lies
within...

“a labyrinth of rooms, each occupying their own time and space... a house filled with drama and surprise.”

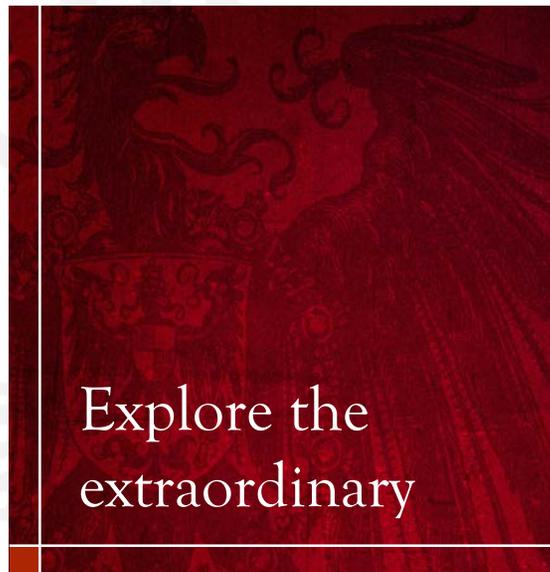


“individually decorated and instantly inspiring... see it, and you still won't believe it.”



“to enter the intimate and exquisitely detailed interior is to fall under its irresistible spell.”

From our guest book



Explore the
extraordinary

While very much a private home, there are still ways to discover house and gardens. By joining the Friends of Talliston, you'll be part of a growing family of people following this fantastic project and be first to hear about news and event. Sign up online or via Facebook.

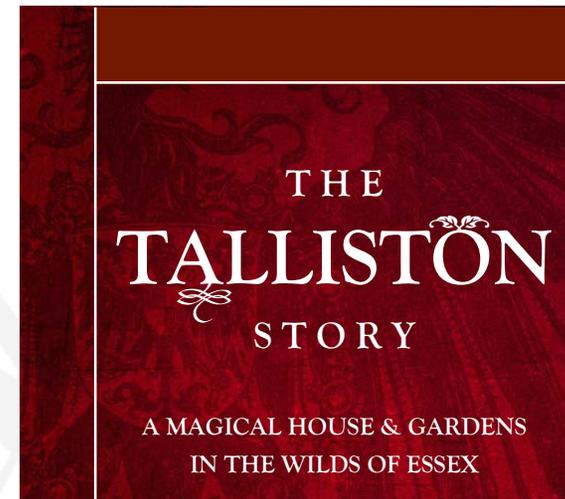


TALLISTON House & Gardens

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Great Dunmow, Essex

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THE TALLISTON STORY

A MAGICAL HOUSE & GARDENS
IN THE WILDS OF ESSEX



The Rooms

1. The Labyrinth | Front garden
1852 | England
2. The Hall Of Mirrors | Hall & stairs
1992 | Italy
3. The Watchtower | Living room
1887 | Wales
4. The Voodoo Kitchen | Kitchen
1954 | Louisiana
5. The Boathouse | Bathroom
1986 | Norway
6. The Fountain Courtyard | Back garden
1933 | Ireland
7. The Cabin | Garden shed
1948 | Canada
8. The Starhouse | Conservatory
2282 | Japan
9. The Haunted Bedroom | Master bedroom
1911 | Scotland
10. The Room Of Dreams | Guest bedroom
1977 | Spain
11. The Office | Box-room
1929 | New York
12. The Treehouse Sanctuary | Attic
1965 | Cambodia
13. The Tipi | Tent
2002 | Arizona



“from the moment you arrive, you know you’ve stepped into somewhere extraordinary”

Behind an arched oak door set in a thicket hedge lies Talliston House & Gardens. With a name that means ‘the hidden place’, this once ordinary house hides thirteen rooms, each set in a different time and place. Twenty-five years in the making, the project has taken a three-bedroomed, semi-detached, ex-council house in Essex and transformed it into a wonderland of inspirational locations including a Cambodian treehouse and medieval tower. Now we invite you to be inspired by this unique interior design project, art installation and private home.

A world apart

Though Talliston is a state of geography, it is also a state of mind; a place of imagination and delight that is as challenging as it is inspiring. Using traditional techniques and authentic items sourced from around the globe, we have created something from nothing, or perhaps more accurately, something incredible from nothing special. It is Talliston’s outward normality that is its magic; it is truly somewhere extraordinary within the ordinary.

A labyrinth of rooms

Entering Talliston, like entering a wood, alters your sense of time. Instantly you are transported to other lands, in other ages. By walking the labyrinth of the house, you find yourself leaving the present, and entering the past. And then – by moving from room to room – you leave the past and enter the future. Step from the Moorish bedchamber into a 1920s study, from a New Orleans kitchen into our Victorian retreat – all just by opening the house’s many doors and seeing what lies behind them.

Yet the essence of the house is more than how it looks. It is also how it sounds, smells, tastes and feels. Every location has a story woven into it, and while images of the house are astonishing, Talliston is not designed to be a place viewed in photographs or picture books. It is not enough to just see the house – instead you must experience it.

And we’ll be right here waiting to take you on your fantastical journey...

