

## Allotment gardens - We know how green works!

### This is the 41st anniversary of the Day of the Garden!

At the instigation of the Bundesverband der Kleingartenvereine Deutschlands e. V. (formerly BDG), the Day of the Garden has been celebrated on the second Sunday in June since 1984 and raises awareness of the importance of the allotment garden movement for the well-being of people and nature in town and country.

A good opportunity to open up allotment gardens and sites throughout Germany to interested parties and invite them to take part in activities, visit the gardens and exchange ideas!

### Central festive event 2025 in Schleswig-Holstein

In 2025, the central kick-off event will take place in the GOLD award-winning allotment garden site of the Friedrichsgabe association in Norderstedt. Exceptionally, as the Whitsun weekend is in the way, the Landesverband der Kleingartenvereine Schleswig-Holsteins e. V. will hold the festival on Saturday, 14 June 2025.

The Minister President Daniel Günther has taken over the patronage and thus expresses his benevolence towards our members and our hobby. It is particularly important to us to celebrate this special garden festival where it belongs - with the allotment gardeners. The Friedrichsgabe association, our participant in the last national competition 'Gardens in urban development', has agreed to sweep the 'Pilzhagen 3' site once again and prepare it for guests from near and far. The modern design is well worth seeing. It is located in a local recreation area, not far from housing and industry. Once you have passed through the garden gate, you will quickly forget the unsettled surroundings. Come and see for yourself!



### 'Allotment gardens - We know how green works!'

The motto for 2025 is '*Allotment gardens - We know how green works!*', which emphasises the importance of greenery for the neighbourhood and at the same time the allotment gardeners' expertise in green and environmental issues. On 14 June 2025, we will focus on specialist advice. Our volunteers will present their knowledge on the topics of specialist advice in a wide variety of ways. In addition to the classic areas, the 'new' fields of action will also be presented. Drought, heat, heavy rainfall and the loss of biodiversity can be demonstrably mitigated with the possibilities of our areas and the commitment of our members. We want to show how.

Allotment gardens offer recreation, education and community for people from different social and cultural backgrounds. They are open to all, including non-members, and often serve as venues for training and conservation activities. The allotment garden associations are heavily involved in fairs, festivals and charity events in their communities and towns. They do a lot for the integration of newcomers and gardens quickly become a piece of home. Association means society, society unites! Club-based gardening has been a successful concept for over 200 years. We want to showcase this on the Day of the Garden.

For the nationwide kick-off event for the Day of the Garden, we will be organising a festival not only for local gardening enthusiasts - we will be welcoming guests from all over Germany. We want to offer a colourful programme for young and old. Food and drink will be catered for and there will always be enough space to chat both professionally and privately.

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