

BOTANICA

the home of British grown trees and plants

We are a plant production nursery and arboretum in Campsea Ashe, near Woodbridge and are seeking a skilled and experienced Plant Growing Production Supervisor to join our team. We grow one of the largest ranges of hardy nursery stock plants in the country and are the curators of an extensive botanic collection. We also hold the Plant Heritage National Santolina Collection. Being passionate about plants, we cater for the exclusive and discerning customer and extend our sales over the whole of the UK. Together with Landscapes by Botanica, we are developing an innovative range of associated products and services to support the expanding interest in environmental issues.

We are not wholesale producers, preferring to concentrate on growing small numbers of a large range of rare and unusual plants. Our range starts from propagation through to specimen plants in up to 1000 litre containers. Our commitment to growing genuine English grown and English provenance native trees & hedging is well known.

The Post

As an experienced and skilled Plant Nurseryman / Woman your responsibilities will include:

- Supporting the Nursery Manager and supervise the growing side of our plant production work.
- Managing a small team ensuring records are maintained and correct aftercare is carried out. This ranges from weeding, irrigation, feeding, pruning, pest & disease control
- You will be hands on where required and coach & mentor your team to produce quality plants.

Skills and Experience

- We need you to have an enthusiasm for plants (including trees) and be willing to increase your knowledge, including being comfortable learning Latin plant names.
- This is not an entry level post so we need you to be skilled and experienced in relevant plant care and maintenance tasks within a commercial nursery.
- As this is a supervisory post you will also have experience of leading a team and possess good people management skills.
- Due to the size of plants we grow, you will need to be physically fit.
- We would like you to share our interest in environmental issues and understand how our business supports the expanding interest in green matters.

- Whilst keeping quality in mind, we need you to understand this is a commercial business where you need to work efficiently. We need you to work tidily and be well organised.
- Tasks will be set and agreed but we would like a relationship where you can contribute your own ideas and be happy to work on your own initiative
- We like a happy working environment so we ask that you are a good team player and are willing to be flexible to assist colleagues. You will be able to demonstrate good interpersonal skills
- Our clients are very important to us and we ask that in your dealings with them you are professional and courteous.

Benefits of Plant Growing Production Supervisor

- The salary is attractive and negotiable dependent upon skills and experience. We offer progressive increases and the potential to increase remuneration and earn bonuses dependent upon performance
- This is an exciting opportunity to extend your existing plant knowledge whilst delivering the best service.
- Opportunities for promotion and progression
- Staff discount and free plant & design advice
- Free parking.
- The nursery is set in beautiful Suffolk countryside

To apply please send your CV with a covering letter saying why you are interested in this position to Yvonne@botanica.org.uk