



Sally - Horticultural Technician

To find her ideal job as a Horticultural Technician, Sally simply followed her passion.

Sally always wanted to work in horticulture and she got started straight after leaving school. Today, in the Cambridge University Botanic Garden, her role involves growing specimens for the University's experiments.

She also curates several plant collections of her own, including varieties of lavender, rosemary and other British wild plants. It helps that she is a walking encyclopedia of plant knowledge.

"What I love most is the variety of plants I cultivate," she says. "From a glasshouse full of rice and tomatoes to high-alpine cushion-forming plants to unusual succulents, along with interesting requests from around the world. Some varieties have never even been cultivated before".

Sally enjoys working outdoors. And while helping with the research, she can learn more about the cutting edge of plant science from many of its greatest minds. "Sometimes I even take part in projects that change the world".

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2009
Left school

2011
Completed a National Diploma in Horticulture (equivalent to A Levels). She also worked privately for the National Trust in Northern Ireland during the two year course

2012
Threave Garden, Scottish Borders - a Practical Certificate in Heritage Horticulture

2016
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