



## A FEAST FOR THE SENSES

For four decades, a sunny courtyard has been home to a growing selection of rare and unusual herbs

N THE ROLLING landscape of England's smallest county, nestled in a centuries-old courtyard of glowing limestone walls, sits a specialist plant nursery that is filled with scents and beautiful flowers. Neat rows of lavender, camomile and thyme, among many other fragrant herbs, sit on sturdy wooden benches. Their flowers stir in the summer breeze, releasing honeyed scent into the air, and the old stone walls radiate a welcome warmth that keeps the plants protected.



Peter Bench, his wife Christine, sister Sally and mother Nancy, owners of The Herb Nursery.