Sensory Walks and Outdoor Experiences Resource List

**Dementia Adventure** Tel: 01245 237548
A national charity providing supported dementia holidays, free training for family and friends, and training & consultancy for organisations and professionals.

**Age UK** Tel: 0800 678 1602
The leading charity for older people providing help, information and advice.

**Alzheimer’s Society** Tel: 0300 222 122
A UK care and research charity for people with dementia and their carers. Operating in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. There are also Alzheimer Scotland and Alzheimer's Society of Ireland. Provides a range of free resources covering different types of dementia in addition to help, advice and support services.

**Carers First** Tel: 0300 303 1555
A charity supporting people who look after a relative or friend who could not manage without their help. They work across areas in London, the South East and East of England.
Carers Trust
A charity for carers. Working to improve support, services and recognition for anyone living with the challenges of unpaid caring for a family member or friend who is ill, frail, disabled or has mental health or addiction problems.

Carers UK Tel: 020 7378 4999
Give carers expert advice, information and support. They campaign and innovate to find better ways to reach and support carers.

Admiral Nurses Tel:0800 888 6678
Providing specialist dementia support that families need. When things get challenging or difficult, Admiral Nurses work alongside people with dementia, and their families: giving them one-to-one support, expert guidance and practical solutions.

Independent Age Tel: 020 7605 4200
Independent Age offers regular friendly contact and a strong campaigning voice. They will provide you and your family with clear, free and impartial advice on the issues that matter.

Young Dementia Network
A community including people living with young onset dementia, their family and friends, and organisations and professionals working in dementia and social care.

- Provides opportunities for members to share experience, knowledge and to learn from each other.
- Collaborates to create young onset dementia resources.
- Encourages improved young onset services across the UK and influence and inform national and local policies.

Dementia Action Alliance
Organisations across England who connect, share best practice and take action on dementia. Everything they do is in partnership, and informed by people living with dementia, and those that care for them.

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DEEP - Dementia Engagement and Empowerment Project
Engages and empowers people with dementia to influence attitudes, services and policies that affect their lives.

Teepa Snow
Teepa Snow also has videos on Youtube regarding distraction techniques and positive support strategies.

SCiE - Social Care Institute for Excellence
Information, guidance, resources and accredited training for anyone supporting people with dementia.

Reengage
Formerly Contact the Elderly, they have a vision of a world where no one is ever too old to make friends and enjoy social interaction.
Life story book template
A resource from Dementia UK.

Playlist for Life
Playlist for Life is a charity founded in 2013 by writer and broadcaster Sally Magnusson. They want everyone with dementia to have a unique, personal playlist and everyone who loves or cares for them to know how to use it. More than 20 years of scientific research shows that listening to a personal playlist can make living with dementia easier and happier. Building a personal playlist means exploring someone’s life story to gather the tunes that are most deeply attached to memories and emotions.

BBC Reminiscence Archive Library
The BBC Reminiscence Archive is designed to trigger memories and reminiscences in people with dementia.
Nature based websites

The Woodland Trust
Information about sites to visit and things to do in the woods. Step into their woods and enter a world of endless opportunities. Watch for wildlife. Uncover history. Go on an adventure. Get closer to nature.

The Wildlife Trusts
For more than a century The Wildlife Trusts have been saving wildlife and wild places, increasing people’s awareness and understanding of the natural world, and deepening people’s relationship with it. They look after more than 2,300 nature reserves, covering 98,500 hectares, and operate more than 100 visitor and education centres in every part of the UK, on Alderney and the Isle of Man.

The Sensory Trust
The Sensory Trust is a leading authority on inclusive and sensory design. They use nature and the outdoors to improve the health and wellbeing of people living with dementia, disability and health issues, their families and carers. We work throughout the UK, and share our approaches internationally with a wide network of organisations and individuals.
Learning from the experiences of people Living with dementia

Dementia Diaries
Dementia Diaries is a UK-wide project that brings together people’s diverse experiences of living with dementia as a series of audio diaries. It serves as a public record and a personal archive that documents the views, reflections and day-to-day lives of people living with dementia, with the aim of promoting dialogue and changing attitudes.

Peter Berry
Peter posts monthly Youtube videos about his life and experiences.

Agnes Houston
You can also follow Agnes on Twitter.

Wendy Mitchell
Wendy has a podcast and you can follow her on Twitter.

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Apps

**Timeless App**
A caregiver-assisted app for people living with dementia to stay connected with their loved ones. It helps people with dementia to remember events and recognize people through artificial intelligence.

**Woodland Trust App** from App Stores
Free tree identification App

**Wildlife Trust App** from App Stores
App to find Wildlife Trust sites in your area and find out about the services they offer
Books

Talking Sense by Agnes Houston

Somebody I Used to Know by Wendy Mitchell

Dancing with Dementia: My Story of Living Positively with Dementia by Christine Bryden

And Still the Music Plays: Stories of People with Dementia by Graham Stokes

Contented Dementia: A Revolutionary New Way of Treating Dementia: 24-hour Wraparound Care for Lifelong Well-being by Oliver James

Dementia Reconsidered, Revisited; the person still comes first by Tom Kitwood & Dawn Brooker