

2017.0026 CONTRACEPTIVES, CARS AND GARDENS 1970-2007

Reference Number	2017.0026
Collection/Series Title	CONTRACEPTIVES, CARS AND GARDENS
Creator	Greer, Professor Germaine
Creator's Activity/Occupation	Producer - Journalists - Academics - English - Feminists - Authors
Creator's Historical Note <p>Germaine Greer, author, journalist, broadcaster, feminist and conservationist was born in Melbourne, Australia on January 29, 1939. She was educated at Star of the Sea College, Gardenvale, studied English and French literature and language at the University of Melbourne, (BA Hons) and graduated MA (Hons I) from the University of Sydney with a thesis on Byron's satiric verse, and was a Senior Tutor in English (1963-1964). Greer earned a PhD from the University of Cambridge on Shakespeare's Early Comedies and was appointed Lecturer at the University of Warwick (1967-1972). Greer was one of the first women appointed full members of Cambridge University Footlights Dramatic Club and subsequently played roles in comedies for television, with regular appearances on radio and television continuing throughout her career. A contributor and editor for the underground press Oz and Suck magazines, Greer was also a gardening columnist 'Rose Blight' for Private Eye in the late 1960s and 1970s. Greer has written widely throughout her career for the mainstream press as a journalist, columnist and reviewer.</p> <p>In 1970 Greer published <i>The Female Eunuch</i>, which explored the limitations on women's lives and selves in the wider context of the liberation movements of that time. It created a shock wave of recognition in women around the world, became an international bestseller and a landmark in the history of the women's movement and was reprinted and widely translated. This launched Greer's career as an author and was followed by a series of popular and academic books including: <i>The Obstacle Race: The Fortunes of Women Painters and their Work</i> 1979, <i>Sex and Destiny: The Politics of Human Fertility</i> 1984, <i>Shakespeare</i> 1986, <i>The Madwoman's Underclothes</i> 1986, <i>Kissing the Rod: An Anthology of Seventeenth Century Women's Verse</i> (coedited with Susan Hastings, Jeslyn Medoff and Melinda Sansone) 1988, <i>Daddy we hardly knew you</i> 1989, <i>The Uncollected Verse of Aphra Behn</i> (Ed.) 1989, <i>The Change: Women Ageing and the Menopause</i> 1991, <i>The Collected Works of Katherine Philips: The Matchless Orinda</i> (vol. III The Translations) with Dr Ruth Little 1993, <i>Slip-Shod Sibyls: Recognition Rejection and the Women Poet</i> 1995, <i>The Surviving Works of Anne Wharton</i> (edited with Susan Hastings) 1997, <i>The Whole Woman</i> 1999, <i>John Wilmot Earl of Rochester</i> 1999, <i>101 Poems by 101 Women</i> (ed.) 2001, <i>The Boy</i> (2003), <i>Poems for Gardeners</i> (ed.) 2003, <i>Whitefella Jump Up: The Shortest Way to Nationhood</i> (Quarterly Essay) 2003-2004, <i>Shakespeare's Wife</i> 2007, <i>On Rage</i> 2008, and <i>White Beech</i> 2013. Greer is in addition the publisher of several volumes of seventeenth century women's writing under the imprint Stump Cross Books.</p> <p>Greer taught at the Universities of Tulsa (1979-1983) and Warwick (c. 1989-2003). She is the president of the invertebrate charity Buglife and the founder of Friends of Gondwana Rainforest charity which manages the Cave Creek Rainforest Rehabilitation Scheme in Southern Queensland. In 2013 Greer sold her archive to the University of Melbourne, with proceeds to benefit Friends of Gondwana. Greer is the recipient of numerous scholarships, honours and awards.</p> <p>Source: Who's Who in Australia.</p>	
Date Range of Collection/Series	1970-2007
Size/Extent	5 Units (0.85 m)

Access Conditions

Access: Restricted

Scope and Content of Series

This small series of records (5 units) contains booklets, order forms, hand-drawn plans, instruction manuals, correspondence and other ephemera relating to Germaine Greer's creation and maintenance of a wood, an orchard and other gardens at The Mills (Stump Cross) Essex and to her car ownership and her behaviour as a motorist. Most of the records document Greer's gardening and driving in England but there are also some papers generated by driving in Italy and by her work as a gardener at Pianelli, her home in Cortona, Tuscany (1973-1994), notably her distillation of wild plants and aromatics.

The car and gardening records have been catalogued in received order. Greer arranged the car records in folders labelled with a vehicle registration number. For instance, a folder labelled MLP 852D documents the care and maintenance of a Blue Morris Minor Tourer 1000 convertible made in 1966 and owned by Germaine Greer from 1984 until 1989. The car records were stored in either drawer 195 or drawer 184 in Greer's office and the archivist has also recorded these locations in the title of each item. They were not filed in chronological order. Greer arranged the gardening records by location (orchard, woods), plant type (bulbs, roses, rhododendrons), equipment type (greenhouse, mowers, cages), service (landscaping, tree surgery) or garden-related memberships (Royal Horticultural Society).

In 1970, Greer wanted to buy a Morris 1000 Convertible (KAL 579D) and the records relating to this proposed purchase are the earliest ones in the series. Aside from the Morris Minors, the papers document Greer's ownership of a Triumph Herald (ULH 926F), a Daimler Sovereign (KGU 7444K), Ford Escort Estate (AR145402) that she drove in Italy, a white Mercedes Benz 200T Ranchera (E314 KFL), a Triumph Herald convertible (EPH213J), a Mercedes Benz 230 (ERU 383Y), black Ford Fiesta Pop hatchback (F836MJB), a Mercedes 230TE Estate (B494 NDL) and a Mercedes-Benz 200TE (J29 OEG). Greer was a member of the North London branch of Club Triumph.

Some of these cars were driven by Greer's staff. A March 1986 letter from Greer, to Johnson Fry (insurance brokers) notes: 'I have just acquired a 1983 Mercedes Benz 230 Estate ERU 383Y, in addition to my Morris Minor MLP 852D (driven and kept by my housekeeper) and my Triumph Herald convertible EPH 213J.' There is evidence, in a folder labelled 'Drawer 195 - Cars [F836 MJB]' of Greer's desire to unite her love of cars with her passion for early modern poetry by women. A fax from Carol Horne, Greer's assistant, to Ken Rogers of Sign Design, explores the possibility of getting 'custom artwork' for the black Ford Fiesta hatchback. Greer wanted the emblem for her publishing house, Stump Cross Books, to be put on the driver's door and front passenger's door. The attached design (a phoenix rising from the ashes) was to be 're-drawn in the 17th century fashion'. Several folders contain correspondence and court documents relating to disputed parking tickets, to being towed away and to traffic accidents.

Greer attempted to grow gardens at her various homes in London and these struggles are documented in the 'Revolting Garden' columns she wrote for Private Eye under the pseudonym Rose Blight. Records relating to this work, including a rare, signed copy of the collected columns, is contained in the Major Works series (see 2014.0045.00027) Eye/Andre Deutsch. The relevant subject heading is The Revolting Garden (Private Eye). In 1986, in between two trips to Ethiopia to report on the famine, Greer bought her property at The Mills (Stump Cross) in Essex. Here, she established a scientific orchard filled with heirloom varieties of apples and other "non-commercial fruit varieties". Tree expert Alan Mitchell designed a one-acre woodland for The Mills and this series contains his plan and note as well as Greer's lists of trees to plant there. Many folders contain Greer's drawings and designs. She kept dozens of plant and seedling catalogues as well as copies of her order forms. These are often heavily hand annotated. Item 2017.0026.00026, 'The Garden - Orchard' holds Greer's masterplan for the Mills, including a vegetable garden, beehive, orchard, wood, copse of wild cherries and woodland planting plans. Greer has written dozens of columns about her own garden and gardening more generally and these can be found in the Print Journalism series 2014.0046. The relevant subject headings are The Mills (Stump Cross), Gardening and Small forests (wood).

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A folder labelled 'Garden – Mowers' holds ephemera about Greer's various lawnmowers, including a Hayter Hobby 41 lawnmower, Briggs and Stratton Classic mower and a Tecnamotor. This last one includes booklets and metal spare parts in a plastic bag.

Greer has been a member of Friends of Cambridge University Botanic Garden and the Royal Horticultural Society and the series contains annual reports and other ephemera about these groups.

There is a substantial collection of correspondence between Germaine Greer and Malcolm Stuart of Albion Botanicals, Cambridge regarding the supply and use of medicinal and wild plants and aromatics growing at Pianelli, Greer's home in Cortona, Italy. The file includes Greer's hand-drawn plan for a distilling machine and labels for a business called Semplici Lanfranchi 52040 Montanare di Cortona (featuring a picture of a woman harvesting herbs).

The series also contains one gynecologic aspiration syringe & cannulae kit, distributed by International Pregnancy Advisory Services (IPAS), North Carolina, USA and a B.D Plastipak syringe with attachment. These items were housed in drawer 193 of Germaine Greer's office along with four blue boxes containing Prenfit cavity-rim cervical caps, Made in England, 'for investigational use only' and 7 loose rubber caps of various sizes and a packet of a hormone replacement therapy drug Primodian Depot.

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Item Number	Unit/Box	Title	Date	Description
2017.0026.00001	2017.0026 Unit 1	Drawer 193 - Contraceptive devices [Gynecologic Aspiration Syringe Kit]	1974-1974	Contains: 1 gynecologic aspiration syringe & cannulae kit, distributed by International Pregnancy Advisory Services (IPAS), North Carolina, USA and a B.D Plastipak syringe with attachment and a plastic bag from Waitrose supermarket. Kit is housed in a zip-lock bag. It contains nine flexible Karman cannulas (4mm, 5mm and 6mm long), a syringe with an nozzle attachment and an instruction sheet. All items stamped with IPAS logo. 'The Gynaecologic Syringe with its flexible plastic 4, 5, and 6mm cannulae provides a convenient, safe and effective source of vacuum for use in techniques calling for aspiration of the endometrial lining, either as a therapeutic measure or to obtain a specimen for pathological examination,' the booklet says. These items were housed in drawer 193 of Germaine Greer's office along with cervical caps and a packet of a hormone replacement therapy drug Primodian Depot. They were kept in the Waitrose bag that is contained in this file.
2017.0026.00002	2017.0026 Unit 1	Drawer 193 - Contraceptive devices [cavity-rim cervical cap]	c.1970- c.1973	Four blue boxes containing Prenfit cavity-rim cervical caps, Made in England, 'for investigational use only' and 7 loose rubber caps of various sizes. The caps were housed in drawer 193 of Germaine Greer's office along with 1 gynecologic aspiration syringe & cannulae kit, distributed by International Pregnancy Advisory Services (IPAS), a loose syringe and nozzle and a packet of a hormone replacement therapy drug Primodian Depot.
2017.0026.00003	2017.0026 Unit 1	Drawer 193 - Contraceptive devices [Primodian Depot]	1982-1982	One packet of Primodian Depot. Packet contains a small plastic vial of liquid and is stamped Primodian Depot.
2017.0026.00004	2017.0026 Unit 1	Drawer 195 - Cars [MLP 852D]	1984-1989	Letters, certificates of motor insurance and renewal papers, test certificates, vehicle registration papers, mechanics' bills and other ephemera connected with the care and maintenance of a Blue Morris Minor Tourer 1000 convertible made in 1966 and owned by Germaine Greer, registration MLP852D. The previous owner of the car was Nicholas William Shakespeare. Greer or an assistant filed these papers in a folder labelled MLP852D, one of several stored in Drawer 195 of Greer's office.

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2017.0026.00005	2017.0026 Unit 1	Drawer 195 - Cars [E314KFL]	1990-1996	Contains: motor insurance, police and legal documents relating to a traffic accident, involving Germaine Greer, on 15 May 1990 in Oxford Street, London. Greer was driving her white Mercedes Benz 200T Ranchera, registration E314 KFL; other car ephemera. Subjects: Germaine Greer; Cipriano Saboya; Motors & City of London Court; Johnson Fry Insurance Brokers; Eagle Star Allianz; Triumph Herald (car). Greer or an assistant filed these papers in a folder labelled E314KFL, one of several stored in Drawer 195 of Greer's office.
2017.0026.00006	2017.0026 Unit 1	Drawer 195 - Cars [Various]	1970-1977	Contains: substantial folder of motor vehicle insurance papers, instruction manuals, court summons, parking fines, invoices from mechanics, Automobile Association (AA) booklets and maps and other ephemera relating to a Triumph Herald (ULH 926F), a Daimler Sovereign (KGU 7444K) two cars owned by Germaine Greer. Also contains ephemera about a Ford Escort Estate (AR145402) that Greer drove in Italy between 1973 and 1975 and a Morris 1000 Convertible (KAL 579D) that Germaine Greer wanted to purchase in 1970. Also contains: Italian-language material, including a Carta Carburante Turistica for Greer, 1977; Correspondents: Germaine Greer. Subjects: Renee Kemp; Vivian King; Richard King; Iran; Women's Organisation of Iran; motor vehicle offences; motor vehicle insurance. Greer or an assistant filed these papers in an unlabelled folder, one of several stored in Drawer 195 of Greer's office.
2017.0026.00007	2017.0026 Unit 2	Drawer 195 - Cars [EPH 213J]	1977-1996	Contains: insurance documents from Johnson Fry (Insurance brokers) and Eagle Star, handwritten invoices from mechanics, parking tickets, letters about Motor Insurance green cards and other ephemera relating to a Triumph Herald convertible (registration EPH213J) owned by Germaine Greer from 1977 until about 1995. Also contains material on Club Triumph, North London branch, an AA sticker (not used) carbon copies of several letters from Germaine Greer to insurance companies and a note about insurance for a Daimler Sovereign (registration KGU 744K). Greer or an assistant filed these papers in a folder labelled EPH 213J, one of several stored in Drawer 195 of Greer's office.

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2017.0026.00008	2017.0026 Unit 2	Drawer 195 - Cars [ERU 383Y]	1986-1987	Contains: Court summons relating to a parking offence in London in 1987 relating to a Mercedes Benz 230 (registration ERU 383Y) owned by Germaine Greer. A March 1986 letter from Greer, to Johnson Fry (insurance brokers) notes: 'I have just acquired a 1983 Mercedes Benz 230 Estate ERU 383Y, in addition to my Morris Minor MLP 852D (driven and kept by my housekeeper) and my Triumph Herald convertible EPH 213J.' Greer or an assistant filed these papers in a folder labelled ERU 383Y, one of several stored in Drawer 195 of Greer's office.
2017.0026.00009	2017.0026 Unit 2	Drawer 195 - Cars [F836 MJB]	1992-2004	Contains: insurance policies with Norwich Union, purchase agreement, vehicle licence applications, MOT inspection check lists, mechanic invoices, an insurance claim to Johnson and Fry and other ephemera relating to a used black Ford Fiesta Pop hatchback, registration F836MJB, purchased by Germaine Greer in 1992. Also contains: a fax from Carol Horne, Greer's assistant, to Ken Rogers of Sign Design regarding custom artwork for the Fiesta. Greer wanted the emblem for her publishing house, Stump Cross Books, to be put on 'the driver's door and front passenger's door'. The attached design was to be 're-drawn in the 17th century fashion'. Greer or an assistant filed these papers in an unlabelled folder, one of several stored in Drawer 195 of Greer's office. Greer's International Driving Permit for 1998, includes a colour passport photo. It is housed in a Mylar sleeve.
2017.0026.00010	2017.0026 Unit 2	B594NDL	1986-1991	Contains: papers about insurance premiums and insurance claims, correspondence and ephemera relating to a Mercedes 230TE Estate (registration B494 NDL) owned by Germaine Greer; Avis car rental agreement. Some material relates to an accident on 21 January 1989 'involving a Mercedes ERU 383Y belonging to Dr Greer and a vehicle belonging to Surefelt Roofing'. Correspondents: Quita Mould; Robyn Kydd (of Johnson Fry insurance brokers); Germaine Greer; Carol Horne. Subjects: Susan Hastings; Quita Mould; RAC Motoring Services; Johnson Fry (Insurance Brokers); Kenneth Fred Benney. Contains: RAC sticker (unused).

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2017.0026.00011	2017.0026 Unit 2	From Drawer 184 [J29 OEG]	1992-2008	Contains: Insurance papers, car financing and other ephemera associated with a Mercedes-Benz 200TE (registration J29 OEG) owned by Germaine Greer. Includes: photocopied pages from Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984; a yellow sticker for an Illegally Parked car issued by London Metropolitan Police; a 1992 letter of appeal against a fine from Germaine Greer to London Metropolitan Police Service.
2017.0026.00012	2017.0026 Unit 3	Drawer 192 The Garden - AgroChem	1986-1986	Photocopy of May & Baker 1986 Crop Protection Products guide, 239 pages.
2017.0026.00013	2017.0026 Unit 3	Orchard	1992-1997	Clear plastic ringbinder, spine marked with a sticker Greer has labelled ORCHARD. The folder contains a substantial collection of black and white and colour photocopies of information about varieties of apples, many of which are hand-annotated by Greer. There are plans for the acquisition of particular species as well as a grid map of the layout of for her orchard at The Mills, Stump Cross, Essex and notes on the best season to plant particular trees. The papers are arranged alphabetically, beginning with Allen's Everlasting, a type of apple catalogued first in 1864, and ending with Winter Greening. The folder includes notes on the well-being, or otherwise, of individual trees. Subjects: Orchard; Heirloom apples; Apples--Varieties; The Mills (Stump Cross). Relates to: 2014.0046.00272
2017.0026.00014	2017.0026 Unit 3	The Anglian Flower Garden Design 27- 29/6/97	1997-1997	Contains correspondence between Germaine Greer, her assistant Carol Horne and Peter Evens on behalf of the organisers of the Anglian Flower & Garden Show at Wimpole Hall, Cambridgeshire. Greer was one of three "Anglian gardeners" invited to design gardens to be built outside the floral marquee. The others were Mary Archer and Chloe Jenkins. The main component of Greer's design was "a long rectangular pool with a small and noisy fountain (to cover traffic noise)". The file also contains Greer's typed Suggested Planting list and a hand drawn garden design (on graph paper) with a pool and submerged fountain in the centre and layers of flatstone coping and plants around it and a one page typed note headed Design for a Garden.
2017.0026.00015	2017.0026 Unit 3	Birds magazine	1992	One copy of Birds magazine, The Magazine of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, Spring 1992.

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2017.0026.00016	2017.0026 Unit 3	Borders	1985-1991	Handwritten and printed out lists of plants for the garden Germaine Greer was establishing at her new home at The Mills (Stump Cross) in Essex. Greer bought The Mills in 1985. Also contains: hand drawn garden designs, order forms (hand annotated in red ink) and invoices from nurseries, including Hillier Nurseries in Winchester. The lists relate to various parts of the new garden, such as a "low border", bulbs along the drive "in order from gate", a "home border" and "south west border (walnut border)" and "South shrubbery or Long Border (railing border)". A 1988 letter from Sharon Collins of NARAL North Carolina, a women's organisation, is filed here with handwritten list of plants on the back.
2017.0026.00017	2017.0026 Unit 3	[Cambridge University Botanic Gardens]	1997	Two guides to Cambridge University Botanic Gardens, a note on chicken coops, a pamphlet for Botanical Art Classes and a thank you note for speaking to Friends of the Botanic Gardens.
2017.0026.00018	2017.0026 Unit 3	Garden - Botanicals	1981-1985	Contains: index cards; hand drawn plan for a distilling machine; substantial collection of correspondence between Germaine Greer and Malcolm Stuart of Albion Botanicals, Cambridge regarding the supply and use of medicinal and wild plants and aromatics growing at Pianelli, Greer's home in Cortona, Italy; handwritten lists of plants; annotated, photocopied instructions on how to distil leaves, flowers, fungus, bark, roots, berries, twigs, herbs, fruit and other materials; a 1981 Albion Botanicals catalogue; a thick bundle of papers titled Plant Drugs Used in Homeopathy; information on vegetable processing machinery; letter from C.G. Clayton. Includes a one-page typed list titled 'Medicinals which Pianelli will supply to Albion Botanicals' and a page of labels, glued to paper, for a business called Semplici Lanfranchi 52040 Montanare di Cortona, featuring a picture of a woman harvesting herbs. Subjects: Pianelli; Tulsa Centre for the Study of Women's Literature; John Attwood; Medicinal Plants; Gardening; herb co-operatives; Azienda agraria Aboca Erbe San Sepolcro; Patricia duBose. Contains: Italian-language material.

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2017.0026.00019	2017.0026 Unit 3	Garden - Bulbs	1989-1998	Contains a handwritten list of bulbs and order forms for bulbs from The Nurseries, Kent, Oscroft's Dahlias, P De Jager & Sons and Kelways (The Royal Nurseries). Also contains a note about bedding plants for sale from the Head Gardener, Newnham College, Cambridge. Greer ordered a box of lobelia (light) and another of French marigolds. Subjects: The Mills (Stump Cross); Gardening.
2017.0026.00020	2017.0026 Unit 3	Garden - Cambridge Botanical Gardens	1992-2003	Contains: Information about Friends of Cambridge University Botanic Garden, a group Germaine Greer belonged to; correspondence between Carol Horne, Greer's assistant, and staff at the botanical gardens; copies of the Friends newsletters.
2017.0026.00021	2017.0026 Unit 3	Garden - Gardening	1983-1992	Substantial collection of ephemera relating to the creation, care and maintenance of Germaine Greer's garden at The Mills (Stump Cross). Includes: an order for a black 'old fashioned lift pump'; invoices, receipts and information about lawnmowers, turf, compost, bird control nets, manure, polythene sheeting, tools and ladders, camellias, bulbs, paving stone, pest control and gardeners; seed catalogues; orders for gardening books; magazine clippings; hand-drawn map for Herb Garden 1989. The Mills; Kelways Nurseries invoice, 30 September 1985 is a print out, heavily annotated, of an order for bulbs and so is an undated Hilliers Price List.
2017.0026.00022	2017.0026 Unit 4	Gardens - Gardening [rhododendrons]	1975-1978	Substantial cache of notes, letters, articles, clippings, booklets and other ephemera relating to rhododendrons and other plants as well as garden furniture, fertiliser, seeds, garden design and arboricultural maintenance. Includes: Rhododendrons in the British Isles - an irreverent approach, essay by Dan E. Mayers; clipping of The Revolving Garden, 17.2.78, Germaine Greer's gardening column for Private Eye written under the pseudonym, Rose Blight; handwritten notes (in pink pen) for column on rhododendrons; hand drawn map for a flower garden, Dom seeds 1977 catalogue; catalogues for tropical plants, herbs, orchids and primroses all marked 'No order'; ticket for 1975 Chelsea flower show private view; Correspondents: Germaine Greer; Maurice Crane; Tim Leese. Subjects: The Royal Horticultural Society Fellowship; Gardening; 54 Cambridge Gardens, London.

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2017.0026.00023	2017.0026 Unit 4	Gardens - Greenhouse	1986-1992	Papers relating to heating Germaine Greer's greenhouse at The Mills (Stump Cross). Includes: pamphlet on Parwin automatic greenhouse heater; instructions on said heater with note on top, Please don't alter this setting, no matter what; Parwin greenhouse fan heater operating instructions with note from Germaine Greer; J.F.G Services mail order catalogue.
2017.0026.00024	2017.0026 Unit 4	Gardens - Landscaping services	1985-1989	Contains invoices, instructions and photocopies of cheques relating to the construction of a greenhouse at Germaine Greer's property, The Mills (Stump Cross) Essex and care and maintenance of the garden, especially the walnut, apple, lilac and cedar of Lebanon trees. Correspondents: Germaine Greer; Quita Mould; Doug Draper. Subjects: Ethiopia; Landscape and Garden Services; Gardening.
2017.0026.00025	2017.0026 Unit 4	Garden - Mowers	c.1985- c.1991	Substantial cache of booklets, owners guides and handbooks to Contax garden tractors, Hayter Hobby 41 lawnmower, Briggs and Stratton Classic mower, Tecnamotor (includes booklets and metal spare parts in a plastic bag), Castel Garden Twin-Cut, Bosch portable chainsaw, BCS 201 cultivator, Al-Ko Kober mowers, Cooper, Pegler and Co spray pack, Lombardini diesel (instruction manual in black and red rubber envelope stamped with brand name), Westwood garden tractors and accessories. Contains: small metal objects; letter from Choppen, the Farm and Garden Machinery Centre, to Germaine Greer, annotated by Greer.

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2017.0026.00026	2017.0026 Unit 4	Garden - Orchard	1986-1996	Substantial cache of papers relating to the small woodland (about 1 acre) that tree expert Alan Mitchell designed for Germaine Greer at The Mills (Stump Cross) Essex and to the orchard of 'non-commercial fruit varieties' that Greer designed and planted at The Mills. Includes: Alan Mitchell's hand drawn plan and notes on Creating a Woodland at Mill Farm; Greer's hand drawn plan for The Mills house, vegetable garden, beehive, orchard, wood, copse of wild cherries; woodland planting plans on grid paper; faxes from Germaine Greer to Mr T Arnold, head gardener, Newnham College, with orders for trees; correspondence between Greer and Patricia Dodd of The Fruit Garden re apple trees; lists of apple varieties, hand annotated; Orchards a guide to local conservation (Common Ground, 1989); Brogdale - Our Heritage of Fruit pamphlet; list of apple trees grown at Girton College Orchards, Cambridge; Family Trees catalogue, Botley, Hampshire, proprietor Philip House. Correspondents: Angela King; Sue Clifford; Germaine Greer; Common Ground; Neil Sinden; R W Bramley; Head Gardener, Girton College; Helen Case; Brogdale Horticultural Trust; J.D.L. Wight; Hartshall Nursery Stock; Everad O'Donnell.
2017.0026.00027	2017.0026 Unit 4	Garden - Plant Catalogues	1993-2005	Miscellaneous papers about weed control machines, Three Shires Nursery and a catalogue for Langthorns plantery.
2017.0026.00028	2017.0026 Unit 4	Garden - Raised Bed	1990-1991	Two catagloues for Paul Christian rare plants and one catalogue for Kalways Summer/Autumn 1990.
2017.0026.00029	2017.0026 Unit 4	Garden - Rabbits	1992-1992	Small cache of correspondence between Germaine Greer (printed out on grey paper) and some of her neighbours at The Mills (Stump Cross) Essex regarding rabbits and rabbit warrens. Subjects: Household pests; Household pests -- control; Rabbits. Correspondents: Germaine Greer; I.M. Monks; Bidwells; Mill & Dell's Farm, Great Chesterford; J. Hamilton.
2017.0026.00030	2017.0026 Unit 5	Garden - Roses	1993-2001	Three catalogues for roses and photocopied order forms for roses along with photocopies of payment cheques. Subjects: Black Knight; Dahlia café au lait; Dahlia Pearl of Heemseted; The Bishops Famous; Peonies.
2017.0026.00031	2017.0026 Unit 5	Garden - RHS	1991-2007	Contains: ephemera relating to Germaine Greer's membership of the Royal Horticultural Society and various flower shows.

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2017.0026.00032	2017.0026 Unit 5	Garden - Seed catalogues	1994-2007	Seed catalogues and order forms for seeds, notably cultivated bluebells. Some forms are hand annotated. Also contains a brochure for particle analysis equipment.
2017.0026.00033	2017.0026 Unit 5	Garden - Sprays	1998-1993	Two instruction booklets for Round-Up, a herbicide made by Monsanto, a booklet on how to use a Polyspray Pressure Sprayer 1988 model and invoice for slug killer.
2017.0026.00034	2017.0026 Unit 5	Garden - Tree surgery	1992	Note on tree surgery attached to a business card for Lilly of Sawston, note from Peterborough Tree Services about tree trimming
2017.0026.00035	2017.0026 Unit 5	Garden - Tunnels, Cages	1992-2004	Ephemera about pond liners, steel fruit cages, solar domes, single span tunnels, netting, matting, windbreaks. Contains: samples of mesh roof nets and a booklet about Endecotts test sieves, shakers, ancillaries and filters.
2017.0026.00036	2017.0026 Unit 5	Garden - University Botanic Garden	1989-2002	Ephemera relating to Germaine Greer's membership of Friends of Cambridge University Botanic Garden. Includes her 1989 signed membership card.
2017.0026.00037	2017.0026 Unit 5	Garden - The Woods	1987-2004	Papers relating to the care and maintenance of the wood Germaine Greer planted at The Mills (Stump Cross) Essex in the 1980s. Includes: orders for beech, birch, ash, oak, ilex, hornbeam, elm and sweet chestnut trees; Family Trees Hampshire catalogue 1994-1995; hand-drawn plans for wood and a colour-coded map; Hartshall Nursery delivery note for apples and trees, 1987; Mount Pleasant Trees catalogues 1986-1987; Barcham Trees catalogue 1995/96; news clipping on subsidies for planting trees. Correspondents: Germaine Greer; Jill Tozer; Tree Heritage; G. G. Locke; Mount Pleasant Trees. Letters from Greer to nurseries heavily hand annotated.
2017.0026.00038	[L65/47] 2014.0057 Unit 1	[Vial of Primodian Depot]	1982-1982	One 1 mil vial of liquid, stamped Primodian Depot. Vial was removed from paper box marked Primodian Depot, item 2017.0026.0003 and re-housed. Unavailable for access in the reading room.