Welcome to the Australian National Botanic Gardens

Officially opened in 1970, the Gardens give you the opportunity to explore approximately one-fifth of Australia’s diverse and spectacular flora in a bushland setting. With over 4,300 species set within 35 hectares, the Gardens is the only place in the world where you will see this diversity of Australian native plants in one location.

Adjacent to the Gardens, the Bushland Precinct retains the original vegetation of Black Mountain. Enjoy panoramic views of Lake Burley Griffin and Parliament House along the Bushland Nature Walk.

Explore the Gardens

Main Path Loop
1.4 km | 40 minutes | Easy | Wheelchair and pram accessible *
Sample the Australian flora and highlights of the Gardens with a stroll along the main path. Rainforest Gully misting at 11am, 12pm, 1pm and 2pm.

Explore self-guided trails and walks. Pick up a leaflet at the Visitor Centre.

Children’s Discovery Trail – Who Did That?
330 m | 30 minutes | Easy *
Escape on a habitat walk, climb the Paperbark Treehouse and discover links between Australian plants and animals on this interactive trail.

Flowers, Fruit and Foliage
Distance and time varies *
Follow the numbered posts to see some of our plants that are flowering now and unusual fruits and foliage.

Eucalypt Discovery Walk
1.8 km | 1 hour | Steps *
Explore Australia’s iconic eucalypts and find out about their importance to the environment, to wildlife and to people.

Aboriginal Plant Use Trail
1.2 km | 1 hour *
Discover a selection of plants and how they have been used by Aboriginal people from across Australia.

Bushland Nature Walk
3 km return from Visitor Centre | 1.5 hours | Steps
Experience the natural vegetation of Black Mountain and take in views across Lake Burley Griffin and Parliament House.

Summit Walk
5.4 km return from Visitor Centre | 2 hours | Steep climb
Adventure on a bushwalk to the Black Mountain summit.

* suitable for families and young children

Support the Gardens

Friends of the Gardens
The Friends organisation includes a broad group of people from all walks of life, united by a common desire to support and be part of the work of the Australian National Botanic Gardens.

Support the conservation, educational and recreational activities of the Gardens by becoming a Friend.

To donate, visit anbg.gov.au/gardens/support

Donor opportunities
You can help us enhance the quality of enjoyment, learning and research that the Gardens has to offer, now and in the future, by making a personal tax deductible donation.

Experience the diversity of Australian plants and landscapes

The Gardens display plants from across Australia in the themes of Australian landscapes (Red Centre Garden, Sydney Region Garden, Rainforest Gully) and taxonomic plant groupings (Banksia and Asteraceae). There are also displays of Australian cultivars released by the Australian nursery industry for use in home gardens.

A collection like no other

Most plants on display have been propagated in the Gardens’ nursery from seed and cuttings collected from wild plants across Australia. You won’t find them growing in your local nursery.

More than just a beautiful display of Australian plants, the Gardens are a living laboratory for scientific research. The majority of the plants in the Gardens’ collection are linked to a herbarium specimen and recorded in a database, which provides accurate, up to date and accessible information to researchers and the general public.

The Gardens also operates the National Seed Bank, which houses a collection of Australian native seeds for conservation and research.

Enhance your visit

Visitor Centre
Drop in for ideas, maps and information and enjoy the featured exhibition. Electric scooters and manual wheelchairs are available for loan, free of charge.

Free Guided Walks
Meet a volunteer guide at the Visitor Centre for a one-hour tour of the Gardens. Tours depart 11 am and 2 pm daily.

Flora Explorer
Discover the Gardens in relaxing style on a 45-minute guided shuttle bus tour. Available weekends and public holidays. Tickets from the Botanical Bookshop.

Paperbark Treehouse and Garden
A special place to watch the birds, relax amongst the Melaleuca tree tops and enjoy nature.

Botanical Bookshop
A treasure trove of beautiful books, great gifts and souvenirs, the Botanical Bookshop’s selection reflects the main themes of the Gardens and specialises in Australian flora.

Jindii Eco Spa
Add a touch of pampering to your visit to the Gardens. Jindii Eco Spa offers a range of spa treatments using natural Australian botanical products.

Pollen Café
A café nestled among the beautiful surroundings of the Gardens – Pollen offers exquisite food and sensational coffee.

Get in touch

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Alive with discovery
Help protect Australia’s finest collection of native plants

Please do not pick flowers or leaves, play ball games, throw frisbees or fly kites. For the safety of visitors, bicycles, skateboards, scooters, rollerblades and pets are not allowed in the Gardens.

THE GARDENS CLOSE AT 5.00 PM DAILY