

Collections

Naples Botanical Garden is among a handful of botanical gardens in the United States where guests can enjoy plants of the subtropics and tropics outdoors, year-round. The Garden features plants as they appear in nature, resulting in dense, multi-layered, immersive settings in which visitors experience a region's unique sense of place and its standout botanical specimens all at once. The Garden acquires as many specimens from the wild and those of known origins as possible, making it a true “museum” of plants. Many of our plants are threatened, rare, or endangered. By tending them here, we help ensure these tropical treasures live on. Our unique collections include:



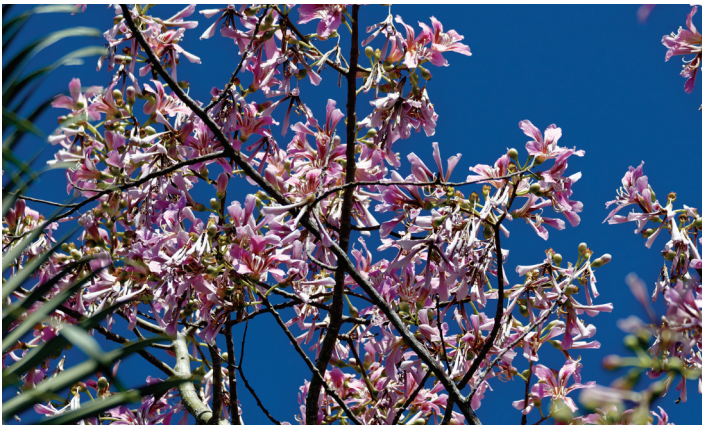
Aquatic Plants

With nearly 2 acres of water gardens, the Garden teems with waterlilies, lotuses, and other aquatic species on display year-round. The collection includes South America's Victoria waterlilies, the world's largest.



Tropical Fruits

Some 600 fruit trees are scattered throughout the Garden, representing culinary delicacies from across the tropical world. They range from supermarket staples like bananas to treats from afar, such as black sapote, better known as chocolate pudding fruit.



Flowering Trees

Silk floss (*Ceiba speciosa*) in the fall, royal poincianas (*Delonix regia*) in the summer ... Florida's flowering trees mark the seasons and enliven the landscape. With about a thousand on display, we guarantee ever-changing color. The Garden holds the National Plumeria Collection, accredited by the American Public Gardens Association.



Orchids & Epiphytes

The Garden displays an estimated 2,000 orchids throughout its property. The LaGrippe Orchid Garden is the focal point, but orchids and other epiphytes — plants that don't require soil — are affixed to trees throughout, adding pops of color and texture. Additionally, the Garden conserves Florida native orchids, many of which are threatened or endangered.



Tropical Foliage

Thousands of foliage plants, such as crotons, gingers, cordyline, and begonias, paint the Garden in an array of colors and patterns, and create a layered, naturalistic look.



Aroids

Best known as houseplants, the Garden shows off how these collector favorites look in their natural environment.



Palms

The Garden displays an estimated 1,500 palms, from the familiar coconut (*Cocos nucifera*) to the menacing, spiny zombie palm (*Zombia antillarum*).

Cacti & Succulents

The newly expanded Foster Succulent Garden hosts an impressive display of drought-friendly plants, from Mexico's blue agave (*Agave tequilana*) to Africa's baobab trees. An additional collection can be found at the tip of the Kapnick Caribbean Garden. The Garden also houses a special collection of Puerto Rican cacti, safeguarding them here as invasive pests decimate the island's populations.



Cycads

Dating back to prehistoric times, cycads are cone-bearing plants that hint at how the world might have looked when dinosaurs roamed the planet. The Garden has about 300 of these coveted, slow-growing, and largely threatened plants.