Visit

Reopening/Closure Status
All outdoor gardens are currently open. The Conservatory and public restrooms remain closed, due to the closure of the U.S. Capitol campus buildings. Please monitor www.USBG.gov for updates on operating status. USBG resources can be accessed online, including educational materials, virtual tours, and online programs by visiting www.USBG.gov/AtHome.

Welcome to the U.S. Botanic Garden!

The U.S. Botanic Garden is a living plant museum. We invite you to return again and again to watch us grow and see our ever-changing exhibits.

Admission

Admission to the U.S. Botanic Garden is free.

Hours and Location
The Conservatory and public restrooms remain currently closed. Bartholdi Park, the Terrace Gardens, and the gated outdoor gardens ("National Garden") are open.
Bartholdi Park is open from dawn to dusk daily, including all weekends and holidays. It is located across Independence Avenue from the Conservatory, with access from any of the three bordering streets - Independence Avenue, Washington Avenue, or First Street SW.
The gated outdoor gardens ("National Garden") are open 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for summer hours.
Visit our Hours and Location page for additional information on hours and directions.

Photography and Sketching
Visitors are permitted to take photographs of the public areas at the U.S. Botanic Garden for personal use only, and must be taken with hand-held cameras. Use of such photographs is strictly prohibited.

- Hand-held film cameras, video cameras or lap easels for sketching may be used at any time, as long as they do not affect the public's enjoyment of, or access to, our exhibits.
- We do not allow visitors to do photoshoots or videoshoots at the Garden.
- Please read the full Photography and Art Policy for more details.
Accessibility
The U.S. Botanic Garden strives to make its facilities and programming accessible to all visitors to ensure a successful museum visit. Our Accessibility page provides more information.

Dining
There are no dining facilities at the U.S. Botanic Garden. Visitors can use tables and chairs outdoors. We ask visitors to gather and pack out their trash, as there are limited trash bins outdoors.

Gift Shop
There is no gift shop at the U.S. Botanic Garden.

Private Functions
The U.S. Botanic Garden facilities are not available for rental for weddings or other private functions. Policies governing Congressionally sponsored events are established by the Joint Committee on the Library. For more detailed information, please contact Amy Bolton.

School Group Resources
For information about school group educational resources, please visit our Field Trip page to plan your field trip.

Important Notice Regarding COVID-19
Although the U.S. Botanic Garden is following all recommended safety measures regarding COVID-19, any interaction with the general public poses an elevated risk of exposure to COVID-19. Therefore, the U.S Botanic Garden cannot guarantee that you will not be exposed to COVID-19 during your visit, even with these safety efforts.