

Green Spring Gardens

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Green Spring Gardens is a museum, a [National Historic Site](#), a horticultural park, an outdoor classroom and one of the prettiest gardens in the Washington metropolitan area. The 33-acre park is a year-round gold mine of information and inspiration for home gardeners.

What you can see:

- A native plant garden
- More than 20 thematic gardens
- A greenhouse with tropical plants and cacti
- A horticulture center
- A horticultural reference library
- Trees, shrubs, vines, perennials, annuals, bulbs and vegetables
- A historic house built in 1784
- A historic landscape designed by Beatrix Farrand
- A museum in the historic house
- A wooded stream valley
- Ponds
- Rotating art exhibits
- The Garden Gate Plant Shop
- Two gift shops
- A large, open lawn

What you can do:

- Walk the gardens
- Talk with an expert about gardening
- Learn practical landscaping techniques
- Learn about plants and animals
- Picnic
- Hike along the wooded stream valley
- View art exhibits
- Shop for plants
- Shop for gifts and garden tools
- Become a Master Gardener
- See wildlife in the gardens
- Enroll in an educational program (gardening, historic influences, cultural resources, children's topics)
- Enroll in a workshop
- Take photographs (Professional photographers see the Fairfax County [Photography Permit Policy](#))
- Research in the horticulture reference library
- Volunteer
- Attend a formal tea
- Attend a lecture
- Bring children to explore the Children's and Discovery Gardens

Special Events:

- Formal teas
- Tasting parties
- Spring Garden Day Plant Sale
- Fall Garden Day Plant Sale
- Gardeners' Holiday Open House
- Annual Begonia Show (August)
- Annual Seed Exchange (February)
- EcoSavvy Gardening Symposium
- Winter Lecture Series
- Summer concert

Friends of Green Spring Gardens: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/green-spring/friends