Founded in 1859 by Henry Shaw, the Missouri Botanical Garden is the one of the oldest botanical gardens in continuous operation in the United States and one of the few gardens to achieve National Historic Landmark status. An oasis of great beauty in the city, the Garden is also a place of research, conservation, and learning.

Shop
Garden Gate Shop | (314) 577-5137
gardengateshop.org
Fine gifts and collectibles, plants, garden accessories, and more. Proceeds benefit the Garden.

Little Shop around the Corner | (314) 577-0891
littleshop.org | 4474 Castleman at Vandeventer
Shop green: buy vintage and support the Garden. Donations accepted too!

Dine
Sassafras | Visitor Center
Five Star Certified—St. Louis Green Dining Alliance, indoor and outdoor seating with a seasonal menu.

Café Flora | Spink Pavilion
Open seasonally for Sunday brunch. Closed festival weekends.

Celebrate
Plan your wedding, party, meeting, or corporate event at the Garden. Spaces fill quickly! Visit mobot.org/privateevents or call (314) 577-0200.

Tour
Narrated 30-min. Tram Tour departs hourly weekdays and every 40 minutes weekends, April–October. Tram tickets may be purchased from the tram operator (credit/debit only) or at the ticket counter.

Public Walking Tour (included with admission) departs the Visitor Center daily at 11 a.m. (additional tour at 1 p.m., April–October)

Want a personalized tour? Private walking and tram tours are available for groups. Visit mobot.org/groups or call 1-800-332-1286.

Signature Events (special pricing applies)
Orchid Show
Chinese Culture Days select weekend in April or May
Whitaker Music Festival 10 Wednesday nights beginning Memorial Day
Japanese Festival Labor Day weekend
Best of Missouri Market first weekend in October
Victorian Christmas Thanksgiving–New Year’s Day
Gardenland Express Thanksgiving– Holiday Flower and Train Show New Year’s Day
Garden Glow Thanksgiving–New Year’s Day

Become a Member!
Garden members enjoy free general admission to the Garden, Sophia M. Sachs Butterfly House, and Shaw Nature Reserve in addition to members-only events and discounts in the shops and on classes. When you become a Garden member, you partner with us in our vital plant science, conservation, and education work. Visit the Membership Services Desk, call (314) 577-5118, or join online at mobot.org/membership.

Research at the Garden
The Missouri Botanical Garden is one of the world’s top botanical research and conservation institutions. The Garden’s dozens of Ph.D. researchers work to strengthen scientific expertise around the world and right here at home to study, protect, and manage biodiversity before it’s too late.

General Information
The Garden is open 9 a.m.–5 p.m.* daily. Closed December 25. Walking hours Wednesdays and Saturdays, 7–9 a.m.*

Doris I. Schnuck Children’s Garden
9 a.m.–4 p.m. daily, April–October. Discover, explore, pretend, search, observe, and more. Learn about plants, nature, and sustainability through hands-on activities.

Tower Grove House
10 a.m.–4 p.m., Wednesday–Sunday, April–December. Explore the history of the Garden and founder Henry Shaw.

Stephen and Peter Sachs Museum
9:30 a.m.–5 p.m. daily. Visit the reopened scientific heart of the Garden to view botanical art and artifacts.

William T. Kemper Center for Home Gardening
9 a.m.–5 p.m. daily. 23 display gardens, horticulture staff, Master Gardeners, and a Horticulture Answer Service provide a wealth of information for the home gardener.

Accessibility: To ensure a more welcoming and engaging experience for all of our visitors, we provide wheelchairs on a first-come, first-served basis in the Visitor Center with picture ID. Strollers and motorized scooters are also available for rent. Visit mobot.org/accessibility or call (314) 577-5101 for more information.

On-grounds Emergencies: In the case of a life-threatening emergency, call 911. For all other on-grounds emergencies, call Security (314) 577-0212.

* For admission information and current operating hours for all buildings, please visit mobot.org.

To discover and share knowledge about plants and their environment in order to preserve and enrich life.
—mission of the Missouri Botanical Garden

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Welcome to the Missouri Botanical Garden!

Whether you’re here for the day or an hour, we hope you enjoy your visit. Thank you for coming!

Short on time? We recommend one of these attractions:

- Public Tram Tour (39) (April–October)
- Japanese Garden (24)
- Climatron, Exploration Center, and Temperate House (33–35)
- Center for Home Gardening and Demonstration Beds (28)

Fun for families:

- Children’s Garden (32) (April–October)
- Climatron and Exploration Center (34, 33)
- Koi Fish Feeding Bridge, Japanese Garden (25, 24)
- Observatory and Maze in the Victorian District (20)

For the enjoyment of all:
- The Garden is a tobacco-free campus. Smoking and tobacco products/devices are not permitted.
- Please stay on paths and turf areas.
- Please do not pick, collect, or eat plants, seeds, flowers, fruits, or vegetables.
- The Garden offers dining options. Picnicking and coolers are not permitted.
- Recycling and trash bins are available throughout the Garden. Please dispose of your waste in the proper bins.
- We welcome service animals, but please leave your pets at home.
- Professional/commercial photographers, please review policy at mobot.org/visit.

Look for these symbols to learn more about:
- Sustainability & Conservation
- History & Heritage
- Birds & Butterflies
- Plants & People
- Gardening & Horticulture
- Art & Culture
- Botany & Botanists

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