The University of Oldenburg Botanical Garden

History of the Garden

The Botanical Garden was founded in 1882 as a pedagogical garden of the teachers' college in Oldenburg. The rather small original garden was situated at the current west end. The eastern parts were successively added until 1952, when the garden achieved its current form.

From 1934 onwards the Land Oldenburg took over the management of the Botanical Garden, and it became part of the University of Oldenburg in 1976. The public part of the garden has about 5000 plant species on display. The grounds cover 3,7 hectares, including about 1000 m² of glass house space.

There is a second but non-public station of the Botanical Garden at the natural sciences campus. This part was constructed in 1984 and covers 1,4 hectares. It houses our nursery where we raise plants for the public garden and for botanical research and courses.



Events and Activities

You can participate in guided tours (no advance booking required) on many Sundays during spring and summer. These tours cover various aspects of plant and garden life and are announced on our homepage and in the information boxes near the entrances. We also organize individualized guided tours through the garden for groups. To arrange a special tour, please contact us at least two weeks in advance.

Fee for quided tours:

adults 2,- € children and university students 1,- €

For queries about the "Green School" program, please mail to: gruene.schule@uni-oldenburg.de

The Botanical Garden is supported by ILEX, a private society of garden and nature lovers. It is an active club that offers several interesting excursions and lectures each year. Contact our office for more information.



Opening Hours

Monday to Friday	
January	8am – 4pm
February	8am – 5pm
March	8am – 6pm
April	8am – 7pm
May to August	8am – 8pm
September	8am – 7pm
October	8am – 6pm
November, December	8am – 4pm
Saturday, Sunday, and bank holidays open at 10am	
closing time as on weekdays	

The tropical conservatory closes half an hour before the garden closes. Our conservatory for dry/adapted plants may only be accessed in agreement with us. Please ask the gardeners or the garden guard for access.

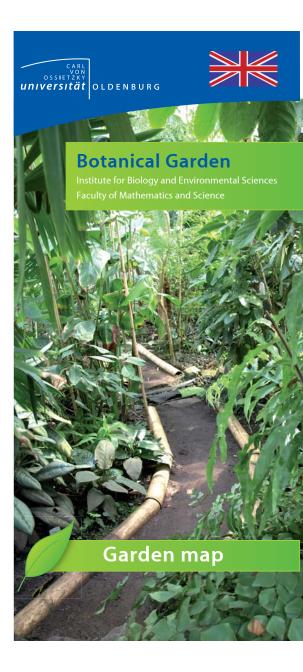
Admission

Admission to our Botanical Garden is free, but please consider making a donation in the box at the entrance.

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Welcome to the Botanical Garden

The Botanical Garden is a public window into biological research and teaching at the University of Oldenburg. More than 60.000 visitors per year come here to learn about the diversity of plant life, or simply to rest in our beautiful garden grounds.

Our main aim is to showcase the characteristics and uses of plants, especially to students, but also to the general public. A second aim is to highlight the importance of evolutionary theory to plant life or biology in general. To this end, we are home for several thousand plant species from northwest Germany and the rest of the world. We also have several interesting animals (mainly birds) on display, e.g., free-ranging storks and peacocks.

The Botanical Garden is home of a "Green School" featuring scientific equipment and teaching materials for school classes or other groups. Here schoolchildren learn to observe thoroughly and to conduct biological experiments in the motivating setting of the Botanical Garden.



entrance Schützenweg (M) 50 m completion date 2017 main entrance Philosophenweg alpine plants A work yard M North America China medicinal plants B Australia Mediterranean, Caucasus, Canaries tropical crop plants pacific North America heath, moor, dunes Botanikum P South America plant system + maze of evolution fossil tree tropical conservatory origin of crop plants Japan R Hobbit's home / New Zealand diverse beds **(** Terrarium neath-, dragonfly-, calla-ponds n trail for nesting boxes culture and science bed insects / beehive trees (in geographical order) flavour garden Café Frieda administration aviaries w social building building Green School / WC conservatory for dry-adapted plants lane, path, place flower clock / auditorium