Self Guided Garden Etiquette

Welcome! Please spend a couple of minutes discussing Garden Etiquette with your group before you begin to explore the Garden.

✧ VanDusen Botanical Garden is a place of beauty with many wonderful plants and animals to see. For this reason, we ask visitors to refrain from picking any living plants or plant parts.

✧ Respect the wildlife in the Garden, this is their home: Spend time observing the wildlife but try to not scare or hurt animals in any way including insects.

✧ Respect your fellow Garden visitors: please do not run and make lots of noise in areas where other visitors might be enjoying some quiet time or a guided tour.

✧ Keep to pathways and grassy areas when walking to protect our plants from accidental damage (always look where you are walking.)

✧ Respect your teacher or group leader and show this by listening carefully to their instructions and behaving in a positive manner.

✧ When visiting indoor areas of the garden such as washrooms or entrance foyer, keep noise to a minimum and remember that other visitors and staff use these spaces as well.

✧ Place all garbage in garbage cans. If you can’t find a garbage can, put it in your pocket or bag until you do find one.

✧ Have lots of fun and enjoy the amazing world of plants!

Thank you for your support in helping to keep VanDusen Botanical Garden a beautiful place to visit. Enjoy your time here!
Self Guided Activities

Below you will find two ongoing activities you can do while you explore the Garden.

**Alphabet Hike**
Look around the garden and write down things that begin with…

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**Nature Treasure Hunt**
Can you find these natural treasures around the Garden? Check off the ones you find. Keep an eye out for signs which may help you out!

**WILDLIFE**
- Blue Heron
- Duck
- Squirrel
- Dragon Fly
- Turtle
- Bee
- Carp (fish)
- Canada Goose

**TREES**
- Catalpa
- Giant Redwood
- Bald Cypress
- Apple
- Magnolia
- Ponderosa Pine
- Snake Branch Spruce
- Corkscrew Hazel

**PLANTS**
- Pitcher Plant
- Iris
- Water Lily
- Rhododendron
- Camellia
- Rose
- Heather
- Hydrangea

*Did you know VanDusen Botanical Garden features over 11,000 different species of plants from all over the world?*