



# Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens

## School Visits to the Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens

### Caring for our site

The Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens are one of Hobart's most significant heritage sites. Our grounds contain some unique and important plant specimens, as well as valuable structures such as convict-built walls. The Gardens have been enjoyed by visitors for two centuries. We ask for your help in ensuring that everyone can continue enjoying them by:

- Not treading on garden beds, picking leaves/flowers, or climbing trees– doing these things can damage the plants.
- Not bringing plants or cut flowers into our Garden – these could carry pests or diseases which may spread to our plants.

Please note that some recreational activities, such as ball/frisbee games and bike riding, are not permitted in our grounds. Check with our staff before planning any games during your visit.

Thank you for your help in the conservation of these Gardens.

### Bookings

When planning an excursion to the Gardens, it is a good idea to let us know when you intend to come. This way we can let you know what will be happening on site that day and provide up-to-date safety advice to ensure your visit goes as smoothly as possible. Simply call (03) 6166 0451 or email [contact@gardens.tas.gov.au](mailto:contact@gardens.tas.gov.au) to notify us of your excursion. When booking, let us know if you would like one of our Visitor Services team to provide your students with a welcome briefing on arrival or provide a short question and answer session (free of charge).

### Parking

Bus parking is available on Lower Domain Road and in the car park at the Lower Entrance.

Disabled parking spaces are available close to our Main Entrance.

Ample car parking is available on Lower Domain Road. Hobart City Council time limits apply, as signed. A small number of parking spaces are available in the Lower Car Park.

If arriving by bicycle, there are bike racks at both the Main and Lower Entrances.

### **Accessibility**

Accessible pathways are provided throughout the grounds and marked on our map. All toilet blocks include a wheelchair accessible toilet. Please let us know in advance how we can best support your visit on the day.

### **Safety on site**

Our Gardens are established on a slope and include uneven terrain. Some pathways may be wet due to watering. Vehicles move throughout the site using the same pathways as pedestrians. For these reasons it is important that students stay with teachers or guardians and remain under supervision.

Please be mindful that other visitors are also using the grounds and ensure that student behaviour does not impact upon their safety or enjoyment.

A full risk assessment can be provided on request.

### **First Aid**

If you require non-urgent assistance during your visit, please call (03) **6166 0451**.

First Aid kits can be found at:

- The Hub, located inside the Main Entrance, and
- The Botanical Shop, located in the Visitors Centre.

There is a defibrillator in the Visitors Centre.

In an emergency call **000**.

### **Amenities**

Toilets are located throughout the site and are well signed.

Drink bottles can be refilled from the water fountain at The Hub.

Food and drinks can be purchased from the on-site kiosk.

### **Wildlife in the Gardens**

The Gardens are home to many animals as well as plants. It is important that visitors do not try to handle the animals or feed them. If you see an injured animal, please let our staff in the Shop or Hub know.