

Private Tours Available To Our Members

One of the advantages of belonging to our garden club is that we can arrange private tours of nurseries and gardens for our members. These sites have knowledgeable staff who can provide our group with comprehensive information which sometimes includes specialized information that has been tailored to the requests of our group.

2023 Tours:

In May, we toured Petals and Butterflies in Langley. We were so impressed with this beautiful garden and the amazing wealth of knowledge that the owners, Gwen and her husband, provided to us. It was a wonderful opportunity to walk around and listen to the commentaries from Gwen on the different and diverse plants in her garden. We then enjoyed eating our lunch in the peaceful backyard with tasty treats and beverages provided by Gwen.



In June, we chartered a bus and went for a tour of the Sun Yat Sen Garden in Vancouver. One of the most impressive features of this garden is that when you are inside it, it's easy to forget that you are still right in the heart of the city. Everything to construct this garden, including both materials and skilled craftsmen were all transported from China to ensure the authenticity of a Chinese classical garden. We enjoyed a guided tour of the garden and then enjoyed spending time in their very special gift shop. Later, we had a delicious lunch in a Chinese restaurant which had space reserved for us. Tired and happy, we returned home.



Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden

In October, we went to Cedar Rim Nursery in Langley. Despite the fact that it was pouring rain, an enthusiastic group came out to walk about in the rain learning about the best local native plants and drought resistant plants to use in our gardens. Cedar Rim has a very extensive garden nursery site and so we viewed many plants that we could use, especially since native plants to B.C. and drought resistant plants are very much in demand these days. As well, Cedar Rim has a very comprehensive store in which you could easily lose yourself for half a day!



Cedar Rim Nursery on a rainy day

In November, we went to Morgan Creek Tropicals in South Surrey. We had a very extensive tour of their greenhouses. Our tour guide was extremely knowledgeable and answered our many questions about tropical plants. It was fascinating to learn that the tropical plants that we see in the local stores and nurseries are supplied by this wholesaler and it has been fun to spot them in the stores when we shop. It's really nice to know that there is supplier of tropicals that is located here in the lower mainland. Since tropical plants can sometimes be expensive, we were very happy to receive many tips on how to make these tropical purchases thrive in our homes.



Morgan Creek Tropicals