2017 Planned Events:

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| ACT | Australian National Botanic Gardens, Canberra | We will have a range of fun activities including face painting, a Nature Play mud kitchen, behind the scenes tour (booking essential), Botanic Art Group stall, Friends of the Gardens stall, Friends Photographic Group stall, craft activities, junior rangers program and a colouring-in competition. Bring the whole family! | <http://www.anbg.gov.au/> [ANBG Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/AustralianNationalBotanicGardens/) |
| NSW | North Coast Regional Botanic Garden Coffs Harbour | Our Open Day activities spread across the whole weekend! We will be hosting a range of gardening and art workshops, children's activities (including insect hotel making, craft and potting plants) and a plant fair with both native and exotics for sale.  There will be two tours of the early settlers walk finishing with tea and damper, bush songs and a look through a Rusty Iron Machinery Display.  [For more information, please click here.](http://files.constantcontact.com/5e0f7c85201/d80cead6-3aba-4f10-b625-53d8ec74c1b8.pdf?ver=1495499557000) | [What's On](http://files.constantcontact.com/5e0f7c85201/d80cead6-3aba-4f10-b625-53d8ec74c1b8.pdf?ver=1495499557000) [http://www.ncrbg.com.au/](http://www.ncrbg.com.au/node/202?month=2017-05) |
| NSW | Southern Highlands Botanic Gardens, Bowral | Join us for live music in the gardens from 11am-1pm, featuring some of our finest community musicians. Tea, coffee, cake and hot food will be available to purchase. Entry is via a gold coin donation. [For more information, click here.](http://files.constantcontact.com/5e0f7c85201/24444759-49c4-4071-acb8-5bc867ff6908.pdf?ver=1493599026000) | [shbg.com.au](http://www.botanicgardensopenday.org/shbg.com.au) [What's on in the Southern Highlands](https://www.southern-highlands.com.au/events/whats-on/music-in-the-gardens---botanic-gardens-open-day-1493162104) [SHBG Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/SHBG2576/) |
| NSW | Wagga Wagga Botanic Gardens | TBC |  |
| NSW | Wollongong Botanic Garden | The Garden will be buzzing with activities from 1pm, including guided garden tours on the electronic buggy, Behind-the-Scenes Tours of our Greenplan Nursery, as well as plant sales and workshops. For a full program please see: <http://www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/botanicgarden/whatson/Pages/openday.aspx>   A special feature of this year's event is the free screening of Before the Flood, National Geographic film about climate change featuring Leonardo DiCaprio. | <http://www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/botanicgarden> |
| NSW | Hunter Region Botanic Gardens | We will be hosting a Plants Q&A from 10-2, with our experts on hand to answer all your plant-related questions, including all you need to know about growing and pruning. We will be offering guided walks to all of our gardens, a propagation talk and nursery tour, plus lots more!  Food and drink will be available. Entry cost $2 per person. Free Parking | [www.huntergardens.org.au](http://www.huntergardens.org.au/) |
| NSW | Dubbo Regional Botanic Gardens | TBC | <http://www.drbg.com.au/> |
| NSW | Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney | TBC | [rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au](http://www.botanicgardensopenday.org/rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au) |
| NSW | Auburn Botanic Gardens | The Auburn Botanic Garden open day will feature acoustic music, various activities and due to the date coinciding with reconciliation week will include aboriginal-led tours of bushland and adjoining Duck River. More information to come. | <http://www.auburn.nsw.gov.au/Explore/AuburnBotanicGardens/Pages/AuburnBotanicGardens.aspx> |
| NSW | Blue Mountains Botanic Garden Mount Tomah | We'll be offering free guided walks throughout the day and garden shuttle tours for those wishing to relax and enjoy the ride | [www.bluemountainsbotanicgarden.com.au](http://www.bluemountainsbotanicgarden.com.au/) |
| NSW | Australian Botanic Garden Mount Annan | A range of tours, behind-the-scenes tours and community engagement activities (TBC) | [australianbotanicgarden.com.au](http://www.botanicgardensopenday.org/australianbotanicgarden.com.au) |
| NSW | Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens | Open Day at the Lismore Rainforest Botanic Garden will feature guided tours, potting demonstrations, COOL CUBBY SCIENCE for the kids, plus a cake stall, plant sale and card and book sales! [For more information and session times, please click here.](http://files.constantcontact.com/5e0f7c85201/7bbfd327-ee39-4d2d-8123-5ec1ac67fdff.pdf?ver=1493599218000) | <http://www.friendslrbg.com.au/> |
| NSW | Booderee Botanic Gardens | TBC |  |
| NSW | Burrendong Botanic Garden and Arboretum | No events planned | |
| NSW | Albury Botanic Gardens | TBC |  |
| NSW | Eurobodalla Botanic Gardens | TBC |  |
| NT | George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens | We will be launching a new range of walks and talks, as well as our new permanent orienteering course. There will be 'Crate Tree' Climbing for kids, free garden-related Corrugated Iron youth arts performances, large board games, a plant sale plus Territory Proud food and lifestyle stalls. For more information, [please check out our events page here.](http://files.constantcontact.com/5e0f7c85201/3b1f1290-ab8a-4146-bf99-a4129ec54dab.pdf?ver=1494457561000) | [https://nt.gov.au/](https://nt.gov.au/leisure/parks-reserves/george-brown-darwin-botanic-gardens) |
| NT | Olive Pink Botanic Garden | Peter Latz, Central Australia's leading ethnobotanist, and Connie Spencer AM, are launching the Olive Pink Botanic Garden's Landcare Group on Sunday 28th May at 10am. Please come along and find out about restoring degraded areas with native plants, gardening with native plants, how the Garden's new Landcare Group will work and volunteering for our Native Plant Growers Group. There is a free tour of the Garden and morning tea is provided. | [www.opbg.com.au](http://www.opbg.com.au/)  [Olive Pink Open Day Events](https://www.facebook.com/events/1425632177457515/) |
| NZ | Otari-Wilton's Bush | TBC | <http://wellington.govt.nz/gardens> |
| NZ | Wellington Botanic Garden | TBC | <http://wellington.govt.nz/gardens> |
| NZ | Eastwoodhill Arboretum | We will just be open free of charge with no special events planned | [www.eastwoodhill.org.nz](http://www.eastwoodhill.org.nz/) |
| NZ | Christchurch Botanic Gardens | We will be opening the back-of-house Nursery to public. | [www.ccc.govt.nz/christchurchbotanicgardens](http://www.ccc.govt.nz/christchurchbotanicgardens) |
| NZ | Auckland Botanic Garden | Explore different parts of the garden with guided tours through the Harakeke collection at 11am, and the Threatened Native Plants Garden at 1pm. Kids can take the Native Plant Survivor Challenge, then indulge their senses on the Pizza Plant Trail. For a full program, please [check out our Facebook page.](https://www.facebook.com/aklbotanicgardens/photos/a.200032723449275.42946.148215701964311/1293852210733982/?type=3&theater) | <http://www.aucklandbotanicgardens.co.nz/>  [What's On](http://www.aucklandbotanicgardens.co.nz/whats-on/events/botanic-gardens-open-day/)  [Auckland Botanic Gardens on Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/aklbotanicgardens/photos/a.200032723449275.42946.148215701964311/1293852210733982/?type=3&theater) |
| NZ | Whangarei Quarry Gardens | We will be hosting guided garden tours at 10am & 12pm, leaving from the Visitors Centre. You will have the opportunity to mingle with our Manager and gardeners in a garden Q&A, or join phase 2 planting in our new 'Northland Garden' at 2pm. Get involved in conservation of rare local plant species! | [www.whangareigardens.org.nz](http://www.whangareigardens.org.nz/) |
| NZ | Pukekura Park | TBC |  |
| NZ | Dunedin Botanic Gardens | Come and learn the art of raranga with a Harakeke weaving workshop with Lucy Smith, or take part in our Natural Creations workshop, where kids can come and make cards and sculptures out of natural materials from the gardens. We will also be opening the nursery to the public, so come and take a "backstage tour" and learn about plant propagation! Click the links on the right to find out more. | <http://www.dunedinbotanicgarden.co.nz/>  [Flax/Harakeke weaving](https://mlsvc01-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/5e0f7c85201/6f43e3cb-0573-4b99-b153-1f01e07e6fd6.jpg?ver=1495063975000) [Natural Creations workshop](https://mlsvc01-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/5e0f7c85201/73cf3bd8-0efd-4b99-9f78-bb16441dc785.jpg?ver=1495063998000) [Plant Propagation & Nursery Open Day](https://mlsvc01-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/5e0f7c85201/081bf0ea-6060-48a3-be74-c32224bcf82e.jpg?ver=1495064000000) |
| NZ | Hamilton Gardens | TBC |  |
| QLD | Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha, Brisbane | Our Volunteer Guides will be offering free guided walks at Mt Coot-tha and Sherwood Arboretum between 10am and 2pm. Tour the Tropical Dome with Curator Dale Arvidsson and discover our threatened plant species. Tour the Millennium Seed Laboratory, Pollen Power and Bush Tucker Tastes activities. "Ask a gardener" and discover "behind the scenes" information on sustainability, water recycling, composting, how to make a hay bale garden and pot up a seedling. For more information please email [botanicgardens@brisbane.qld.gov.au](mailto:botanicgardens@brisbane.qld.gov.au) | [www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/botanicgardens](http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/botanicgardens) |
| QLD | Gold Coast Regional Botanic Gardens | Explore the natural and cultural heritage of the Gold Coast this Open Day. Activities start at 10 am with a community planting, plant propagation workshops, bush food tasting, displays and kids nature trail. At 11 am join us for the launch of the Gold Coast's first ever aboriginal games trail – watch a demonstration of the games and have a go yourself! For those who want to learn more about our indigenous culture, the launch will be followed by guided walks through our bush foods and Story of our Country gardens. For full programme check [www.cityofgoldcoast.com.au/botanicgardens](http://www.cityofgoldcoast.com.au/botanicgardens) | <http://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/thegoldcoast/botanical-gardens-24658.html> |
| QLD | Hervey Bay Botanic Gardens | Throughout the morning we'll be hosting garden tours and bush food information and tasting sessions. You will gain free entry to the Orchid House and have the opportunity to watch orchid potting demonstrations. Local horticultural societies and community groups will also be present.  Stay tuned to our Facebook page for a full list of events closer to the day! | [www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au](http://www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au/) |
| QLD | Gold Coast Regional Botanic Gardens | We have several activities planned by the Friends of the Gold Coast Regional Botanic Gardens Inc as well as those organised by Council, Curator and staff of the gardens. Friends will be hosting Herbarium exhibits, guided walks, nursery displays and activities, flower arrangements by our Flowers by Friends group, craft by the Botanic Craft Group, Children's educational, scientific and fun activities and more for this exciting day. | <http://www.friendsgcrbg.org.au/> |
| QLD | Noosa Botanic Gardens | The Autumn Seasonal Guided Walk will be led by trained volunteer guides. Community and garden clubs are invited to join us for our Guided Seasonal Walks. What to bring: hat, sunscreen and wear comfortable shoes. | <http://noosabotanicgardensfriends.com/> |
| QLD | Tamborine Mountain Botanic Gardens | Plant Sales, Children's activities in Sooty Owl Creekside Trail, Chainsaw carving demonstrations, Garage Sale |  |
| QLD | Brisbane City Botanic Garden | TBC |  |
| QLD | Townsville Palmetum | TBC |  |
| QLD | Anderson Botanical Gardens | TBC |  |
| QLD | Bundaberg Botanic Gardens | TBC |  |
| QLD | Cooktown Botanic Gardens | There will be two special events on to celebrate BGANZ Open Day 2017. At 11am join Curator Tony Roberts for "What's for Lunch?" and learn about the edible plants growing in the garden. At 2pm Tony will be hosting "The Deadly Dozen," a special session about the killer plants in the garden! | [Cooktown Open Day Poster](http://files.constantcontact.com/5e0f7c85201/ad895858-e2e8-4473-9480-7e9a15daf344.pdf?ver=1494990756000) |
| QLD | Cairns Botanic Gardens | TBC |  |
| QLD | Queens Gardens, Townsville | TBC |  |
| QLD | Rosewood Scrub Arboretum | We will be hosting tours of the Arboretum between 9-11am. |  |
| QLD | Tondoon Botanic Gardens | TBC |  |
| QLD | Maroochy Regional Bushland Botanic Gardens | We will be hosting a range of activities in the morning including bird-watching, koala-spotting, fungal forays and garden walks. Bring a picnic and relax in the gardens this Sunday!  [For more information, please click here.](http://files.constantcontact.com/5e0f7c85201/cfef458c-4b3a-4cab-80ec-8844cb50ef1a.pdf?ver=1495502870000) | [What's On](http://files.constantcontact.com/5e0f7c85201/cfef458c-4b3a-4cab-80ec-8844cb50ef1a.pdf?ver=1495502870000) |
| QLD | Mackay Regional Botanic Garden | We will be hosting a range of gardening and botanical art demonstrations alongside guided tours, gentle exercises led by Falun Dafa and an Orchid Q&A with the Mackay & District Orchid Society. The Australian South Sea Islanders Hut will be open to the public with cultural artefacts on display! Lagoons Cafe will have half-price breakfast from 7.30-8.30. activities will begin on the Tropical Sun Lawn from 9am.  [For full details, please click here.](http://files.constantcontact.com/5e0f7c85201/89790820-3d5d-4a45-a211-35ee34e6d66e.pdf?ver=1495674570000) If you require more information or would like to be involved, please contact [botanic@mackay.qld.gov.au.](mailto:botanic@mackay.qld.gov.au) | [What's On](http://files.constantcontact.com/5e0f7c85201/89790820-3d5d-4a45-a211-35ee34e6d66e.pdf?ver=1495674570000)  [www.mackayregionalbotanicgardens.com.au](http://www.mackayregionalbotanicgardens.com.au/whatson/events) |
| QLD | Sherwood Arboretum | Join us at 9.30am this Saturday 27 May for a FREE guided tree walk to mark the Australian-New Zealand Botanic Gardens Open Day. To secure your place RSVP to [info@sherwoodarboretum.com.au](mailto:info@sherwoodarboretum.com.au) or call 3278 6525. Morning tea will be served after the walk at 11am for a small charge of $5 which supports FOSA's voluntary work in the Arboretum. | [Friends of Sherwood Arboretum Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofSherwoodArboretum/) |
|  | Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden | Children will have the opportunity to take part in special activities in the newly opened children's gardens. We'll also be sharing native plant advice and hosting guided tours throughout the gardens. | [www.aalbg.sa.gov.au](http://www.aalbg.sa.gov.au/) |
| SA | Mount Lofty Botanic Garden | Mount Lofty Botanic Garden is open from 10am-5pm. Hike the series of gullies, stroll around the Main Lake, take in the amazing views, or picnic at a table or under a tree. | <http://www.environment.sa.gov.au/botanicgardens/home> |
| SA | Wittunga Botanic Garden | Come along to our fantastic Open Day at Wittunga Botanic Garden! There will be opening speeches at 11.00am, and activities from 10.00-14.00, including Directors tour, Friends of the Botanic Gardens of Adelaide Guided tours, and Nature Play activities. | <http://www.environment.sa.gov.au/botanicgardens/home> |
| SA | State Herbarium of South Australia at Adelaide Botanic Garden | Tour of the Old Tram Barn and State Herbarium (Bookings required) The heritage-listed Tram Barn A once housed the Adelaide tram fleet. Now the State Herbarium, it contains over one million plant specimens. Join this FREE guided tour to see cultural and natural history and learn about the Herbarium'’s role in plant science, conservation and management. Tours at 11.00 and 13.00 To book, click[here](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/tour-the-old-tram-barn-and-state-herbarium-tickets-32142775908?aff=es2) | <http://www.environment.sa.gov.au/botanicgardens/home> |
| SA | Waite Arboretum | TBC |  |
| TAS | The Tasmanian Arboretum | We'll be hosting a guided walk with a "find your inner botanist" theme. Stay tuned for more details! | [www.tasmanianarboretum.org.au](http://www.tasmanianarboretum.org.au/) |
| TAS | Royal Tasmanian Botanic Gardens | Join us for special expert-led experiences in the Gardens throughout the day. Get inspired by the professional experts of the Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens and discover the many hidden gems, quips and curios of Australia’s second oldest Botanic Gardens. For more information, please visit <http://gardens.rtbg.tas.gov.au/bganz-open-day-2017/>  We will also be hosting children's activities from 10am-2pm. | <http://gardens.rtbg.tas.gov.au/> [Royal Tasmanian Botanic Gardens on Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/Royaltasmanianbotanicalgardens/) |
| VIC | Colac Botanic Gardens | Come along at 2pm for a garden tour leaving from the Gellibrand St gates! | |
| VIC | Melton Botanic Garden | We will be offering guided tours and refreshments. Our Nursery will be open as well as several other special displays. | [www.fmbg.org.au](https://www.fmbg.org.au/) |
| VIC | Williamstown Botanic Garden | Along with Friends of the Williamstown Botanic Gardens we're offering a chance to get to know the gardens better through history displays and botanical tours, a nature table, music and other activities for children.  Refreshments will be available and we invite you to bring a picnic lunch and help us to celebrate our 161st birthday. | [Williamstown Botanic Gardens](http://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Arts_Leisure/Parks_gardens_playgrounds/Williamstown_Botanic_Gardens) |
| VIC | Bendigo Botanic Gardens, White Hills | Join us to celebrate #BGANZOpenDay2017 at Bendigo Botanic Gardens! We will be hosting guided tours of the Gardens, starting at midday. You can also meet the Friends of the Bendigo Botanic Gardens and buy plants between 10am-2pm. | [http://www.bendigobotanicgardens.com.au](http://www.bendigobotanicgardens.com.au/) |
| VIC | Australian Botanic Gardens Shepparton | We will have an information table, sausage sizzle, plant sales, tours and possible launch of another garden. | [www.fabgs.org.au](http://www.fabgs.org.au/) |
| VIC | Ballarat BotanicalGardens/ Buninyong Botanic Gardens | We will offer tours of the gardens and children's activities. | [www.ballaratbotanicalgardens.com.au](https://www.ballaratbotanicalgardens.com.au/) |
| VIC | Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria, Cranbourne Gardens | Join us for a day of hands-on information sessions and guided walks with experts, including a special after-dark experience with our Ecologist, Dr. Terry Coates. For more details and session times, visit [our Open Day webpage](https://www.rbg.vic.gov.au/whats-on/botanic-gardens-open-day-cran) | [rbg.vic.gov.au](https://www.rbg.vic.gov.au/) |
| VIC | Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria, Melbourne Gardens | We will be hosting special tours and information sessions with our Horticulture Manager and Landscape Architect, including a behind-the-scenes tour of the nursery. For more information and session times, please visit [our Open Day webpage](https://www.rbg.vic.gov.au/whats-on/botanic-gardens-open-day-melb) | [rbg.vic.gov.au](https://www.rbg.vic.gov.au/) |
| VIC | Burnley Gardens Richmond | Victorian Heritage listed garden open to the public 24/7 with free smartphone Burnley Gardens walk. Application download available from App store and Google Play | [www.fobg.org.au](https://www.fobg.org.au/) |
| VIC | Sale Botanic Gardens | As part of BGANZ Open Day, the Friends of Sale Botanic Gardens will be conducting two tours of Gippsland's only regional botanic gardens of colonial times. The first tour, starting at the BBQ Shelter, will commence at 11am and will take about 45 minutes. This will be followed by a Devonshire tea. The second tour, again meeting at the BBQ Shelter, will commence at 1pm and conclude at around 2pm. |  |
| VIC | Maranoa Gardens | We will be hosting free Yoga in the Gardens and a free healthy BBQ lunch (vegetarian options available). There will also be native plant and book sales and propagation displays. Bring your family and friends for a relaxing Sunday in the gardens! | [Event details](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/get-grounded-maranoa-gardens-open-day-tickets-34182536888?aff=es2) ['Yoga in the Gardens' registration](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/yoga-in-the-gardens-maranoa-gardens-tickets-34182694359?aff=eac2) |
| VIC | Gisborne Botanic Gardens | Gardens open as usual. |  |
| VIC | Hamilton Botanic Gardens | We'll be hosting a plant sale and serving afternoon tea for our visitors. | |
| VIC | Geelong Botanic Gardens | TBC |  |
| VIC | Karwarra Australian Plant Garden | The garden will be open with Friends of Karwarra Australian Native Garden to welcome visitors. | [www.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/karwarra](http://www.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/karwarra) |
| VIC | Kyneton Botanic Gardens | Gardens open as usual. |  |
| VIC | Malmsbury Botanic Gardens | Everyone is invited to attend our gardens on 28 May. The program will have: Self-guided tours, Historical Society display, hot soup and nibbles (inside town hall), Botanic Quiz, guided tour 1.30pm, plantings around the Joan Kirner tree to recognise her contribution to the Botanic Gardens, Landcare and biodiversity. 11 am to 3 pm at the Malmsbury Botanic Gardens and Town Hall, Mollison St Malmsbury. |  |
| VIC | National Rhododendron Gardens | We will have guest speakers presenting on botanical collections and exploration research. Take a walking tour and discover plant collections conserved within the National Rhododendron Garden. Venue: Mist function centre, 11am - 3:30pm. Complimentary Tea, Coffee and biscuits will be provided. | [visitdandenongranges.com.au/national-rhododendron-gardens](https://visitdandenongranges.com.au/activity/national-rhododendron-gardens) |
| VIC | Wilson Botanic Park Berwick | Our Open Day will be jam-packed with activities - whether you want to take a journey through time and learn how the Park has evolved, get up-close with the tools of the trade, learn about volunteering in the park or take a ride on our Little Red Train, there will be something for everyone! [For the full program, click here.](http://files.constantcontact.com/5e0f7c85201/16292b78-7413-4795-8857-d07dfd98d49f.pdf?ver=1493598941000) | [Wilson Botanic Park Berwick](https://www.facebook.com/WilsonBotanicParkBerwick/) |
| VIC | George Pentland Botanic Gardens | Come and discover our Aboriginal Dreaming Totem Poles, made from Ironbark and hand painted by Indigenous Artists Aunty Di and Uncle Beamo. Bring a picnic and take a stroll through the gardens - be sure to view the beautifully sculptured Correa Bed located next to Gate 6 on Williams Street. | [http://www.frankston.vic.gov.au/](http://www.frankston.vic.gov.au/Things_To_Do/Parks_and_Reserves/Frankston/George_Pentland_Botanic_Gardens) |
| VIC | Wombat Hill Botanical Gardens, Daylesford | You will have the opportunity to join our Head Gardener on a guided garden tour. The Friends of Wombat Hill will also be hosting a Plant Sale. | <http://www.wombathill.org.au/> |
| WA | Kings Park and Botanic Garden | We'll be offering free guided walks by expert guides. Stay tuned for more activities! | | |