

Explore Hoyt Arboretum

Seeking a short stroll? A contemplative hour's walk? A heart-pumping hike? Or a run? Need a paved gradual path that is ADA accessible? All are possible at Hoyt Arboretum, Portland's global garden in the wild. Choose the path that suits you today and come again to try another. Explore a part of Hoyt Arboretum's collection of trees and plants from around the world.

THIS IS A 1 MILE, ADA ACCESSIBLE WALK ON A PAVED TRAIL (ABOUT 30 MINUTES)

START AT THE VISITOR CENTER AND **FOLLOW THE SOLID BLACK LINE ON THE MAP.**

Start in the garden around the Visitor Center at 4000 SW Fairview Blvd. and get a taste of what's in store for you around every bend at Hoyt Arboretum. Look closely - what do you find? Are you surprised to see palms growing? Look behind you, does that label say the low growing plant is from the Arctic mountains? How's that possible, here in Oregon, and right next to each other?

Some of the answer lies in the art and science of gardening or horticulture, which is what the Arboretum does. Some of the answer lies in the Arboretum's mission to grow, exhibit, educate about, and conserve vitally important plant bio-diversity from around the world. We're not always sure what will grow here but we're always experimenting and so far these plants from a wide variety of habitats are doing just fine.

Now, let's get going but keep your eyes peeled, you never know what member of the plant kingdom you'll meet at Hoyt Arboretum!

Most of the trails at the Arboretum are named for the kind (genus) of trees you'll find along it, such as the 7 species of Redwoods you'll find along the Redwood Trail. Look for the black signs that identify the trees' common and scientific names, as well as their native habitat. And look even more closely - at leaves or needles, bark, branches, flowers, and cones - each one adopted to a specific role in a specific habitat - each on a marvelous experiment in evolution. What's your favorite tree? What's the strangest tree you see today? What tree surprised you the most?

