WELCOME

Do you have a passion for plants? Well, so do we!

The JC Raulston Arboretum is a nationally acclaimed teaching and research garden dedicated to promoting a greater diversity of landscape plants. It’s named in honor of its late director and founder, Dr. J. C. Raulston, renowned plantsman and professor of horticultural science at NC State University. Explore ten acres of beautiful gardens and discover plants collected from around the world. Take time to visit and return as often as you like. You’ll find something different and exciting each time.

Mission
JC Raulston Arboretum’s mission is to introduce, display, and promote plants that diversify the American landscape, helping our communities economically, environmentally, and aesthetically, as well as provide educational experiences to the public, students of all ages, and the green industry.

Guidelines for Your Visit
- This is a teaching and research facility. Please respect the gardens. Do not pick or remove anything from the beds and please stay on the paths.
- No pets or emotional support animals allowed.
- Service animals welcome.
- Smoking is not permitted within 25 feet of any building.
- Please supervise your children at all times for their safety and the welfare of the plants.
- Please use the trash and recycling bins.
- No bicycling, skating, skateboarding, scooters, or rollerblading. Bike rack located in parking lot.
- Sporting games and similar activities are not allowed – no footballs, soccer balls, discs, kites, etc.
- Photographers are welcome, but please do not stage anyone in the plant beds or trees, move benches, or block pathways with equipment. No drones permitted. Keep visiting guests a priority. Detailed guidelines are posted at the Bobby G. Wilder Visitor Center and on our Website.

Membership – Join Today
Membership gifts are the most important source of operational revenue for the JCRA. Friends of the Arboretum (FOA) enjoy exclusive member discounts while supporting and growing the gardens.

Member Benefits Highlights:
- Access to great plants
  > free plants at annual Plant Giveaway.
  > free seed through Annual Seed Distribution.
  > first access to plant sales.
- First access to Moonlight in the Garden tickets, Summer Camp registration, Education programs, Plant Sales and more.
- Reciprocal benefits at 330+ public gardens across North America.

Become a Friend of the Arboretum. Complete a membership application or visit jcr.ncsu.edu/join.

ADMISSION: Free! Donations are appreciated.

HOURS:
Monday – Friday: 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM
Saturday and Sunday
10:00 AM to 5:00 PM November – February
10:00 AM to 6:00 PM March – October

ACCESSIBILITY: We continually work to improve our accessibility. Wheelchairs or strollers can access the Education Center, Visitor Center, Rose Garden, rooftop terrace, and the Necessary. Paths throughout much of the JCRA are not paved, but are partially accessible, ground conditions permitting.

EDUCATION: No matter where you call home, we have programs, classes, workshops, and symposia covering a variety of garden related topics for adults and children. Many are offered in person and online by experts in gardening and horticulture. Join us for one of our free weekly online plant talks at jcr.ncsu.edu/midweek, or access it via our YouTube channel.

VOLUNTEER: Many different and unique opportunities are available. Apply online at jcr.ncsu.edu/volunteer-interest-form or contact our volunteer manager jcravolunteer@ncsu.edu.

FACILITY AND GARDEN RENTALS: The Arboretum is the perfect choice to host your wedding, conference, meeting, party, or any other important occasion. We are dedicated to making your event a special one. Visit jcr.ncsu.edu/rentals for hourly rates and availability calendar or contact our rentals coordinator at (919) 513-7457 or jcrarentals@ncsu.edu.

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Visitor Guide
Plant collections are the foundation of the JCRA. Some of the collections are the most comprehensive in the Southeast, the United States, and even the world. The JCRA's living collection currently holds over 8,000 different kinds of plants (taxa)!

The JCRA holds the redbud collection and the magnolia multisite collection for the Plant Collections Network. This organization promotes a continent-wide approach to plant germplasm preservation.