

Bright Spots

Self-Guided Plant Tour

(ROUTE DIRECTIONS ARE ALWAYS NOTED IN ALL CAPS)



Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden

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Did you know...?

There are carnivores growing in the West Island Garden? LGBG's collection of *Sarracenia* has been blooming for about a month and the stunning trumpet-like leaves (or pitchers) have now appeared to begin their work of catching insects. The flowers, in shades from lime to deep maroon, look like upside down umbrellas on tall thin stalks. They come first to allow bees and other small flying insects to do their work.

Once the pitchers appear, insects approach at their own risk. The lips and lid of the pitcher have nectar glands to attract the unwary. Once tempted over the lip, the sides of the pitcher are a very slippery slope, ending in a pool of fluid filled with digestive enzymes.

Despite this gruesome scenario, the plants are truly beautiful. They are native to North America and both *Sarracenia flava* (Yellow Pitcher Plant) and *Sarracenia purpurea* (Purple Pitcher Plant) are native to Virginia. Also be sure to look for *Sarracenia catesbaei*, with its wide, flared lids. This species is a hybrid of *S. flava* and *S. purpurea*. If you have a boggy area in your garden you may be able to grow some of these native, yet exotic looking plants. For more information consult the garden library.

Sources for this information:

The savage garden: cultivating carnivorous plants by Peter d'Amato, Ten Speed Press, Berkeley, CA, 1998. [SB 432.7 .D36 1998]

<http://www.sarracenia.com/faq/faq5520.html>

<http://harvardforest.fas.harvard.edu/pollination-in-sarracenia>

***Notable Plants:** Several times a month, Garden Volunteers record the most dramatic seasonal displays and highlight exceptional plants in the garden and conservatory.

+Denotes Virginia Native Plant

Plant Material	Location
Fountain Terrace	
Bromeliad, <i>Aechmea blanchetiana</i> , unusual large golden strap-like leaves, Native to Brazil	Around fountain
Canna lily, <i>Canna x generalis</i> 'Picasso', bright yellow flowers spotted in red	Pots throughout
Dahlia, <i>Dahlia</i> hybrid 'Grande Hiva' ,small dark red pompom flowers	Pots throughout
Dahlia, <i>Dahlia</i> hybrid 'Velvet', dark red petals around a gold center, burgundy leaves	Pots throughout

Million Bells, <i>Calibrachoa</i> 'Coralberry Punch', cascading coral red trumpet shaped flowers with black centers, attractive to hummingbirds	Pots throughout
Million Bells, <i>Calibrachoa</i> 'Apricot Punch', cascading light orange trumpet flowers with dark orange centers	Pots throughout
Sweet Potato Vine, <i>Ipomoea batatas</i> 'Blackie', foliage plant with heart shaped, lobed, almost black leaves	Pots throughout
Spurge, <i>Euphorbia hypericifolia</i> 'Diamond Frost Inneuphe', low growing with clouds of airy white flowers	Pots throughout
Parrot's Beak, <i>Lotus</i> hybrid 'Amazon Sunset', blue-green fern like foliage, brilliant orange flowers	Pots throughout
Purple Fountain Grass, <i>Pennisetum setaceum</i> 'Fireworks', variegated grass, blades have purple center line with hot pink edges	Pots throughout
Coleus, <i>Solenostemon scutellarioides</i> 'Dark Star', foliage plant with indigo purple leaves	Pots throughout
Sage, <i>Salvia splendens</i> 'Vista Red', tender perennial with spikes of red tubular flowers	Pots throughout
BEYOND THE GATES	
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Million Bells, <i>Calibrachoa</i> 'Apricot Punch', cascading light orange trumpet flowers with dark orange centers	Pots
Coleus, <i>Solenostemon scutellarioides</i> 'Pineapple', foliage plant with contrasting ruby and chartreuse scalloped leaves	Pots
Flowering Maple, <i>Abutilon</i> hybrid 'Fairy Coral Red', red bell shaped flowers with purple anthers, attractive to hummingbirds	Pots
Lantana, <i>Lantana camara</i> Landmark Citrus 'Balandcit', yellow and orange flowers clusters on mounds of foliage	Pots
Cockscomb, <i>Celosia argentea</i> 'Ice Cream Orange', feathery plumes of orange flowers on well branched stems	Pots
TURN LEFT	
*Wild Lupine, <i>Lupinus perennis</i> , tall, fragrant spikes of blue/purple flowers above large leaves	Left of path alone fence line
TURN RIGHT INTO George Bragdon Memorial Daffodil Garden	
Sun Daisy, <i>Osteospermum</i> 'Orange Symphony', orange daisy-like flowers with purple centers	Pots
Million Bells, <i>Calibrachoa</i> 'Apricot Punch' cascading light orange trumpet flowers with dark orange centers	Pots
Canna lily, <i>Canna x generalis</i> 'Picasso', bright yellow flowers spotted in red	Pots
Parrot's Beak, <i>Lotus</i> hybrid 'Amazon Sunset', blue-green fern like foliage, brilliant orange flowers	Pots
TURN RIGHT THROUGH STONE ARCH INTO Four Seasons Garden	
Coleus, <i>Solenostemon scutellarioides</i> 'El Brighto', leaves have a purple center surrounded by vibrant red, edges are scalloped yellow edge	Right side, rear of bed
Flowering Maple, <i>Abutilon</i> hybrid 'Fairy Coral Red', red bell shaped flowers with purple anthers, attractive to hummingbirds	Right side, middle of bed

Lantana, <i>Lantana camara</i> 'Landmark Citrus 'Balandcit', yellow and orange flowers clusters on mounds of foliage	Right side, front of bed
Million Bells, <i>Calibrachoa</i> 'Coralberry Punch' cascading coral red trumpet shaped flowers with black centers, attractive to hummingbirds	Right side
Coleus, <i>Solenostemon scutellarioides</i> 'Dipt in Wine', yellow at the heart of each leaf blends to a deep, mottled maroon near the tip	Far right corner bed, rear
Sage, <i>Salvia splendens</i> 'Vista Red', tender perennial with spikes of red tubular flowers	Far right corner bed
Million Bells, <i>Calibrachoa</i> 'Apricot Punch', cascading light orange trumpet flowers with dark orange centers	Far right corner bed, front
Lady Fern, <i>Athyrium vidalii</i> , finely divided long greenish yellow fronds with contrasting deep red stems	Far left corner bed, rear
Wood sorrel, <i>Oxalis spiralis</i> subsp. <i>vulcanicola</i> 'Zinfandel', tiny bronze colored leaf clusters and bright yellow flowers massed on trailing stems	Far left corner bed, front
Coleus, <i>Solenostemon scutellarioides</i> 'Honeycrisp', cream leaves feature green flecks, rose edges and red undersides.	Near left side, back of bed
Japanese Painted Fern, <i>Athyrium nipponicum</i> var. <i>pictum</i> 'Ursulas Red', arching fronds of silver leaves flushed with wine red down the middle	Near left side, middle
Tuberous Begonia, <i>Begonia</i> 'Illumination Apricot', large showy, semi double and double flowers in shades from yellow to cantaloupe	Near left side, front of bed
Wood sorrel, <i>Oxalis vulcanicola</i> 'Molten Lava™', shamrock leaves from brilliant chartreuse to orange with yellow flowers	Near left side, front of bed
RETURN TO CENTRAL PATH, WALK THROUGH THE ARBOR	
<i>Meditation Garden</i>	
Rose, <i>Rosa</i> 'Italian Ice', peach/yellow flowers, low shrub	Left side
Yorktown Onion, <i>Allium ampeloprasum</i> , onion leaves, tall flower stem with bud like an "onion dome"	Bed along main walk
+Adam's Needle, <i>Yucca filamentosa</i> , spikes opening to nodding bell shaped creamy white flowers above sword-shaped spine-tipped green foliage	Central beds
Caladium, <i>Caladium</i> , green heart shaped leaves with rose pink center	Central beds
Marguerite Daisy, <i>Argyranthemum frutescens</i> 'Butterfly', yellow daisy like flower	Central beds
Dusty Miller, <i>Artemisia stelleriana</i> 'Silver Cascade', lacy silver gray foliage	Central beds
Apothecary's Rose, <i>Rosa gallica</i> 'Officinalis', double pink antique rose with yellow stamens in center, fragrant	Far corner
Lavender, <i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> 'Hidcote Blue', fragrant dark purple flower spike, blue-gray needle-like foliage	Bed along main walk
<i>Medicinal Garden</i>	
Foxglove, <i>Digitalis purpurea</i> 'Camelot F1 Series Mix', tall spikes with bell shaped flowers in various shades from lavender to purple	Right of path
Comfrey, <i>Symphytum officinalis</i> , arching stems of pendant bell shaped pink and blue flowers	Right side of path
<i>Fountain Garden:Sunken Garden, Lower Level</i>	
Cordylone, <i>Cordylone australis</i> 'Red Sensation' long broad purplish-red spiky leaves	Pots at stairs
Spurge, <i>Euphorbia hypericifolia</i> 'Diamond Frost Inneuphe', low growing with clouds of airy white flowers	Pots at stairs

Petunia, <i>Petunia</i> Supertunia White Kakegawa S30', white trumpet shaped flowers	Pots at stairs and in bed around water feature
Coleus, <i>Solenostemon scutellarioides</i> 'Dark Star' foliage plant with deep indigo purple leaves	Pots at stairs
<i>Mandevilla splendens</i> , white trumpet flowers with yellow throat, glossy green leaves	Bed around water feature
Butterfly flowers, <i>Gaura lindheimeri</i> 'Stratosphere™ White PW', four petaled white flowers dance in the wind like butterflies above foliage	Bed around water feature
Alyssum, <i>Lobularia</i> x hybrid 'White Knight'™, mounding, low growing plant with clouds of white flowers	Bed around water feature
Purple fountain grass, <i>Pennisetum purpureum</i> 'Prince', graceful ornamental grass with attractive purple foliage	Bed around water feature
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TURN LEFT TOWARD EDUCATION CENTER THEN RIGHT Fountain Garden: Sunken Garden, Upper Level	
Hybrid Rose, <i>Rosa</i> 'Purple Rain', large clusters of violet pink blooms with gold eyes, flowers age to purple	Upper level, on top of stone wall
Knockout Rose, <i>Rosa</i> 'Sunny', bright golden yellow flowers	Upper level around sunken garden
EAST and WEST TRIANGLE BEDS (Plants are listed in order from South to North)	
Verbena, <i>Verbena</i> 'Endurascap Blue', spreading, trailing plant with bright green foliage and large nosegays of fragrant violet blue flowers	
Coleus, <i>Solenostemon scutellarioides</i> 'Pineapple', foliage plant with contrasting ruby and chartreuse scalloped leaves	
* Dahlia , <i>Dahlia</i> hybrid 'Velvet', dark red petals around a gold center, burgundy leaves	
Tall Verbena, <i>Verbena bonariensis</i> 'Little One', dwarf verbena with pinkish lavender flowers	
<i>Salvia splendens</i> 'Vista Red', tender perennial with spikes of red tubular flowers	
Coleus, <i>Solenostemon scutellarioides</i> 'El Brighto', leaves have a purple center surrounded by vibrant red, edges are scalloped yellow edge	
Cordyline, <i>Cordyline australis</i> 'Red Sensation', long broad purplish-red spiky leaves	
Flowering Maple, <i>Abutilon</i> hybrid 'Fairy Coral Red', red bell shaped flowers with purple anthers	
Coleus, <i>Solenostemon scutellarioides</i> 'Dipt in Wine', leaves yellow at the heart of each leaf blends to a deep, mottled maroon near the tip	
Purple fountain grass, <i>Pennisetum purpureum</i> 'Prince', graceful ornamental grass with attractive purple foliage	
Conservatory, North Wing ButterfliesLive! Open NOW!	
Notice various pots of tropical plants behind the butterflies on the terrace	

* Angel's Trumpet, <i>Brugmansia</i> , large golden yellow trumpets dangle from a leafy canopy	Pot in front of Conservatory
FROM CONSERVATORY, PROCEED TO ANGLED PATH ON THE LEFT TOWARD VISITOR CENTER. AT THE END OF THE TRIANGLE BED, TURN LEFT ONTO THE GRAVEL PATH, THEN TURN LEFT ON THE AGGREGATE WALK	
Asian Valley <i>ENJOY A VARIETY OF HERBACEOUS AND TREE PEONIES</i>	
Blue Star, <i>Amsonia orientalis</i> , dusty blue star-shaped flowers, delicate willow-like foliage	Right side at the bottom of the path
TURN LEFT AND RETURN TO THE MAIN GARDEN PATH THROUGH THE MOON GATE	
ENTER THE ROSE GARDEN	
Enjoy the extravagant display of beautiful roses, especially those below	
* English Garden Rose, <i>Rosa</i> 'Jude the Obscure' , David Austin double rose with yellow peach flowers aging to white	Inner Path below Conservatory next to and behind bench
* Climbing Rose, <i>Rosa</i> 'Nahema' , double rose, dark pink flower by Delbard	Climbing along the stone pavilion nearest the Moon Gate
* Hybrid Tea Rose, <i>Rosa</i> 'Frederick Mistral' , shell pink rose by Meilland	Inner circle closest to Lotus Bridge
* Floribunda Rose, <i>Rosa</i> 'Meinussian' (Francois Rabelias) , double Meilland rose, fire engine red	Right side of Main Path
RETURN TO THE MAIN GARDEN PATH, TURN LEFT TO GO DOWNHILL BEAR RIGHT AT THE TRIANGLE BED, CROSS THE FIRST WOOD BRIDGE ANGLE RIGHT AT THE SIGN	
West Island Garden	
<i>Enjoy a variety of dramatic and colorful umbrella-like sarracenia flowers on long stems. The flower is held upside down so that it catches the pollen dropped by the anthers.</i>	Throughout West Island Garden
AT END OF BOARDWALK, TURN LEFT ONTO GRAY BRICK PATH	
TURN LEFT ONTO THE JOAN VAN ARNAM MEMORIAL WALK Flagler Perennial Garden	
Smooth Phlox, <i>Phlox glaberrima</i> 'Morris Bernd', bright lavender pink bloom	Right of stairs and across the lawn
CONTINUE LEFT ALONG PATH, BEAR RIGHT AT INTERSECTION AND CROSS OVER THE MONET BRIDGE	
* Jerusalem Sage, <i>Phlomis tuberosa</i> , dense whorled clusters of lavender pink flowers on tall erect stems	Right of path
<i>Spirea japonica</i> 'Little Princess', upright, rounded shrub with pink flowers in flat topped clusters	Left of path
Sage, <i>Salvia x superba</i> 'May Night', dense spikes of deep violet-purple flowers, low clump of foliage	Left of path
CONTINUE TO THE LARGE CIRCLE, LOOK RIGHT	
Grace Arents Garden	
Beds are in transition, look for peonies, roses and newly planted annuals	Throughout
TURN LEFT AND PROCEED TO	

Lake Walk	
Bluehill Sage, <i>Salvia x sylvestris</i> 'Blauhugel', compact mound with spikes of blue purple flowers	Left along lake across from Children's Garden
FOLLOW PATH AS IT CURVES LEFT AROUND THE LAKE INTO THE Conifer Garden	
* Coral Bells, <i>Heuchera</i> 'Snow Angel' , tiny coral flowers held above bright white and light green mottled leaves	Right of path before the gazebo
<i>Rhododendron</i> 'Betty Hemingway', upright shrub with double white flowers	Right of path by gazebo
<i>Rhododendron</i> 'Janet Blair', large ruffled lavender-pink flowers topped off by a yellow blotch	Right of path
* <i>Rhododendron</i> 'Wyandanch Pink' , large globes of bright rose pink flowers with a darker pink throat	Right of path
TURN LEFT ONTO PATHWAY CONTINUE AS IT CURVES AROUND LAKE	
TURN RIGHT UP THE Main Path	
<i>Rhododendron</i> 'Wendy', pink flowers with white edges	Bottom of Main path across from Rose Garden
Kousa Dogwood, <i>Cornus kousa</i> 'Elizabeth Lustgarten', flowers have 4 large "petals" (actually bracts), cream to white, weeping habit	Left of path past the Rose Garden
Ground Clematis, <i>Clematis recta</i> , small star-shaped flowers on shrub	Left of path behind low bamboo fencing
Elephant Ears, <i>Calocasia esculenta</i> 'Elepaio', large green leaves flecked with white, ole Hawaiian cultivar of taro to 3'	Left side of Main Path
Persian Palm, <i>Alocasia calidora</i> , large green upright leaves to 4 feet	Left of path, back of bed
<i>Evolvulus</i> 'Blue My Mind'® PW, low-growing plant with brilliant blue flowers	Throughout, both sides
Ceanothus, <i>Ceanothus pallidus</i> 'Marie Simon', airy lavender pink flowers on wine colored stems, 4 feet high shrub	Right of path behind bench
Mock Orange, <i>Philadelphus</i> 'Buckley's Quill', highly fragrant brilliant white flowers on shrub	Right side just past Arbor
<i>Indigofera amblyantha</i> , tiny purple flowers along stems, shrub spreading by runners	Growing through the Mock Orange
TURN RIGHT ON BRICK PATH TO RETURN TO VISITORS CENTER	