

Botanic Garden to Open to Visitors

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Nature lovers will have an opportunity right in their own "backyard" to observe what is probably the greatest collection of native California plants in existence when the Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden opens its trails to visitors two weeks from today. The Botanic Garden will play host every Friday and Saturday from March 31 through the month of May.

Visitors are admitted to the Botanic Garden by card only, obtainable by writing to Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden, Route 3, 23831 Esperanza Road, Anaheim, with a self-addressed, stamped envelope enclosed. Visiting hours will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A short non-technical talk will be given in the Assembly Hall at 2 p.m. There is no charge for admission.

The Garden is primarily devoted to the study of California native plants for their botanical, horticultural and useful features, and is maintained in order that botanists, horticulturists and the interested public may familiarize themselves with the native flora of California. All parts of the Garden are open to visitors; nursery area, wild flower propagation field, cactus garden, sand dune section, wild flower exhibit and all the trails where thousands of plants may be studied and enjoyed.

Picnic tables have been placed under shade trees for those who wish to spend the day at the Garden.