North Gardens

E.H. Lohbrunner Alpine Garden
Organized by continental regions, this is one of North America's largest alpine gardens. Skillful landscape design with rock outcrops simulate native montane and alpine habitats from around the world.

Garry Oak Meadow and Woodland Garden
Representing the rain-shadow climate of British Columbia's south coast, this is a garden under development that is already rich in spectacular flowering bulbs and herbs.

Carolinian Forest
This young hillside arboretum displays some of the exceptional diversity of trees and shrubs native to the hardwood forests of eastern North America. Individual groves celebrate early North American botanists and plant explorers.

Herbaceous Border
An ever-changing burst of colour during the summer and autumn, well-known plants blend with rare and unusual perennials from around the world.

Food Garden
The Food Garden is a living demonstration of varieties and techniques for home gardening. More than 100 varieties of carefully trained fruit trees line the outer paths. Fruits and vegetables harvested by the Friends of the Garden are donated to local charities.

Physic Garden
Enclosed by a traditional yew hedge, the design of this small garden is based on a 16th-century Dutch engraving. The 12 concentric beds encircling a sundial showcase traditional medicinal plants from medieval Europe.

Arbour
Behind the Food Garden, this large wooden arbour displays a variety of climbing plants such as clematis, wisteria, trumpet vine and bittersweet.

Asian Garden
David C. Lam Asian Garden
The 12-hectare Asian Garden contains collections of rhododendron species alongside woody and herbaceous plants from areas such as China, Korea, Japan and the Himalayas. The canopy of native cedar, fir and hemlock creates a favourable microclimate that shelters shade-loving perennials, rare trees and shrubs and lush ferns below, and climbing wisteria, rose and clematis high above.

Plant Explorers in the Asian Garden
The Asian Garden collections continue to expand, thanks to expeditions by Botanical Garden staff and long-standing relations with scientific institutions around the world. Collaborations with these organizations and other modern-day plant explorers increase the opportunity to bring exciting new plants to the garden. Look for trail names that commemorate plant explorers.

Greenheart TreeWalk
Located at the eastern end of the David C. Asian Garden, the walkway is a research and educational showcase for forest biodiversity. Rising to a height of 17.5 m and extending 308 m in length, the walkway provides visitors with unprecedented views through the forest canopy.