

# Garden Highlights, February 2019



Top: Vegetable bed in foreground.  
Below: Conservatory landscape



The Central Bed is displaying a range of food plants. Many of the plants are grown for their enlarged roots, rich in carbohydrates. The plant calls on these stores of food when growing flowers or starting next season's growth. We usually like to harvest the roots before the plant depletes them.

The landscape around the Conservatory has re-opened. It highlights a collection of hedges using a variety of different plants. Many of these are Australian.

Compare these hedges with the traditional box hedges in the 19th Century Garden.

## **What's on in February 2019** **Beginners Botanic Art**

**Workshop:** Saturday and Sunday  
2 - 3 February, 9:30 am - 4:30 pm,  
\$140 members, \$150  
non-members of Friends.

**Themed walk: A Garden Rich in Palms:** Sunday 10 February  
2:00 pm, Gold coin donation.

**Film: 'This Beautiful Fantastic':**  
Tuesday 12 February  
6:30 for 7:00 pm, \$18 members,  
\$20 non-members.

**Talk: Indigenous plants of the Bellarine':** Monday 25 February,  
5:30 for 6:00 pm, \$5 members,  
\$10 non-members.

**Stories:** Choose a children's book or two from the Storytime Bookcase, near the Conservatory.

**Discovery Table:** Sunday  
17 February 1:00 - 3:00 pm.

**Free Guided Walks:** Wednesdays  
11:00 am, Sundays 2:00 pm.

**Friends Nursery open:**  
Wednesdays 9:30 am - 12:30 pm.

See the **bromeliad and orchid display** in the Curiosity Cabinet.

The **Tea House** is open every day.

(For booking and more details see the Friends website or phone the Friends office.)

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Over page: Map showing plant locations

# Geelong Botanic Gardens map



Bed of root and  
other vegetables

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