

Garden Highlights, April 2022



A number of trees show colourful foliage after a couple of cold nights. These are mostly from northern hemisphere temperate areas. They are unlike temperate trees in southern Australia, which lose some leaves in summer to cope with water stress and grow new leaves in winter when soil moisture is usually available. Before discarding their leaves, deciduous trees withdraw nutrients to help next year's growth. This contributes to the colour change that occurs in autumn. This photo shows **Red Osier Dogwood *Cornus sericea*** (synonym *C. stolonifera*). There are several trees in these gardens whose leaves change to red, orange, yellow or brown at this time of the year. Surprisingly some are conifers in the Cypress family.

(For more details about What's On: Friends website or phone.)

What's On in April 2022

Friends Plant Sale:

Saturday 9 April 10 am - 4 pm, rear of the gardens.

Discovery Table:

Sunday 17 April 1 - 3 pm.

National Trust Heritage Walk:

Sunday 24 April 2 pm

Free Guided Walks:

Wednesdays 11 am, Sundays 2 pm.

Friends Nursery open:

Wednesdays 9:30 am - 12:30 pm.

The Conservatory is open:

10 am - 4 pm every day.

The Curiosity Cabinet:

displays plants from arid areas.

The Tea House is open every day

(Bookings for groups, etc.

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Bookings: www.friendsgbg.org.au

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