

# Garden Highlights, December 2022



These gardens have a large collection of **Pelargoniums**. The display in the **Pelargonium House** (photo) is changed as different plants come into flower.

Many species of *Pelargonium* come from southern Africa. In the 21st Century garden there is a modest collection of deciduous *Pelargonium* species with smaller flowers from dry areas of Africa. In the dry summer, some of them show no foliage above the ground.

The plants that are commonly called Geranium, have the botanical name *Pelargonium*. A *Pelargonium* is distinguished from a *Geranium*, by being only symmetrical about a single (usually vertical) line. The *Geranium* is symmetrical about the centre line of each of the five petals. *Pelargonium* plants are members of the *Geranium* family.

## What's On in December 2022

### Discovery Table:

Sunday 18 December 1 - 3 pm.

### Free Guided Walks:

Wednesdays 11 am, Sundays 2 pm, except 25 December.

### Friends Nursery open:

Wednesdays 9:30 am - 12:30 pm. Pelargoniums are available in the Friends Nursery.

### Botanic Art Calendar 2023,

Members \$18.00, Non-members \$22.00. Order online or phone.

### Botanic Art, 2 and 3 day

**Workshops**, 7 and 20 January, Website for details and bookings.

**The Conservatory is open every day:** Closes 4 pm.

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

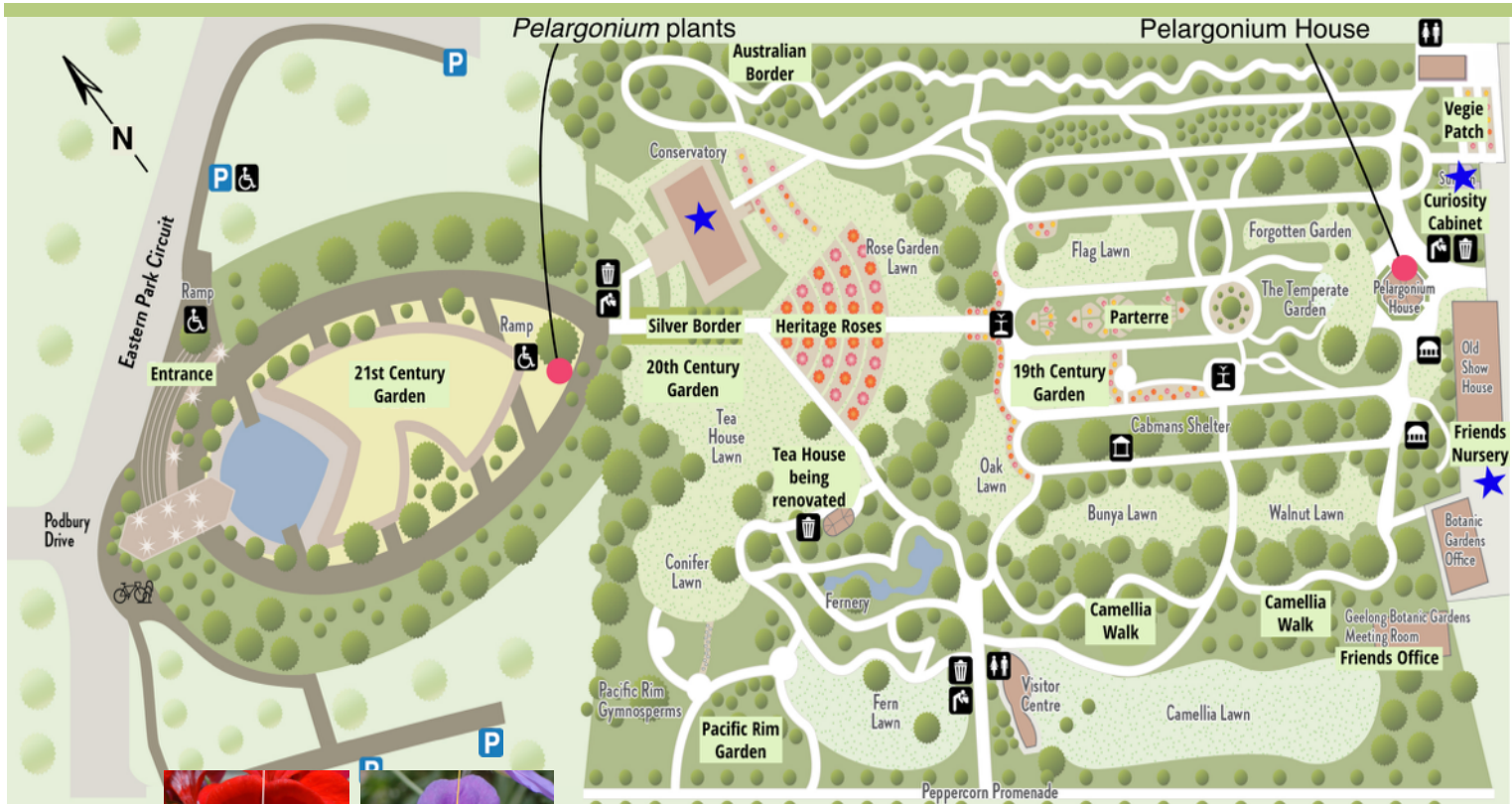
Bookings: [www.friendsgbg.org.au](http://www.friendsgbg.org.au)

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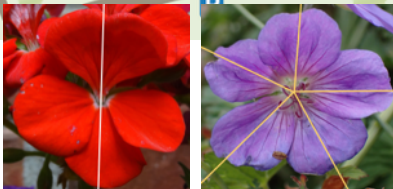
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# Geelong Botanic Gardens map



Left:  
*Pelargonium*  
Right:  
*Geranium*



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