



A MAGICAL DESTINATION THROUGH THE SEASONS

SEASONAL HIGHLIGHTS



SUMMER

Around every corner there is a surprise; reflections in the Cloud Court through to glimpses of the Waikato River from the Lawn Court.

ENGLISH FLOWER GARDEN

This traditional garden offers a rich assortment of colour during summer with its mixed borders and the beautiful white garden.

ITALIAN RENAISSANCE GARDEN

Fragrant Seville orange trees are harvested for our bespoke marmalade, while ornamental grape vines drape the entrance pavilion.

TE PARAPARA GARDEN

An abundance of traditionally planted rare kumara varieties on puke (mounds) are prepared for harvesting.

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Look out for our flowering summer bedding in the Victorian Flower Garden and award winning roses in the Rogers Rose Garden.



WINTER

Misty mornings give way to clear skies over dramatic structures and courtyards - a photographer's dream!

CAMELLIA GARDEN

Camellias in full bloom provide a spectacular backdrop to expansive views across the Gardens. This garden is worth the short steep climb.

TROPICAL GARDEN

An oasis of colour throughout the year with palms, aloes and birds of paradise. Escape to a tropical paradise!

RHODODENDRON LAWN

Take an early evening stroll in September and October to enjoy the vibrant colours of the rhododendrons, while admiring the other complementary shrubs such as Pieris, Azalea, Skimmia, and Leucothoe.

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Bussaco Woodland magnolias in late winter, and look out for the native tui bird in our flowering cherries.



AUTUMN

Autumn provides a spectacular display of burnt oranges, reds and yellows throughout the Gardens.

JAPANESE GARDEN OF CONTEMPLATION

While this garden is normally monochromatic, autumn is an exception with the maple trees creating vibrant reflections in the garden's still waters.

WAIKATO RIVER PATHWAY

Enjoy a picnic alongside New Zealand's longest river, the Waikato River and admire the changing colours of the Swamp Cypress.

TUDOR GARDEN

Admire the ornamental planting in the knot gardens which were inspired by the drawings of 16th Century gardener Thomas Hill, and the productive quince trees that we harvest for our quince paste.

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Don't miss the Italian Renaissance Garden with the changing colours of the Virginia Creeper and grape vines.



SPRING

As temperatures slowly warm, an abundance of new growth from fresh foliage to blooming flowers emerge in the Gardens.

ROGERS ROSE GARDEN

The national Pacific Rose Bowl Festival is held in November at Hamilton Gardens and Rogers Rose Garden is rich with the scent of many varieties. Come along and vote for Rose of the Year!

HILLSIDE LAWN

Located beside Gate One carpark, this lawn erupts into a cascading blaze of golden daffodils on the slope.

KITCHEN GARDEN

Be inspired by this productive garden and chat to the gardeners from the nearby horticultural centre WINTEC.

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

The Victorian Flower Garden glasshouses continue to put on a magnificent show of colourful blooms, and take time to explore the cactus house.