### History of the Garden

The Botanical Garden was founded in 1882 for the teachers' college in Oldenburg. The small original garden was situated at the current west end. The eastern parts were successively added until 1952, when the garden achieved its current form.

From 1934 onwards the Land Oldenburg took over the management of the Botanical Garden, and it became part of the University of Oldenburg in 1976. The public part of the garden has about 4000 plant species on display. The grounds cover 3,7 hectares,

There is a second but non-public station at the natural sciences campus. This part was constructed in 1984 and covers 1,4 hectares. It houses our nursery where we raise plants for the public garden and for botanical research.



# **Events and Activities**

You can participate in **guided tours** (no advance booking required) during the year. These tours cover various aspects of plant and garden life and are announced on our homepage and in the information boxes near the entrances. We also organize **individualized guided tours** through the garden for groups. To arrange a special tour, please contact us at least two weeks in advance.

For queries about the **`Green School**' program, please mail to: gruene.schule@uni-oldenburg.de

The Botanical Garden is supported by **ILEX**, a private society of garden and nature lovers. It is an active club that offers several interesting excursions and lectures each year.

In summer you may rent a glasshouse for **weddings** and other parties. Contact our office for more information.

| Fee for guided tours             |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| adults                           | 2,- € |
| children and university students | 1,- € |



## **Opening Hours**

|  | Monday to Friday |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| January  | 8am – 4pm        |  |
| February   | 8am – 5pm        |  |
| March  | 8am – 6pm        |  |
| April  | 8am – 7pm        |  |
| May to August                                    | 8am – 8pm        |  |
| September  | 8am – 7pm        |  |
| October  | 8am – 6pm        |  |
| November, December                               | 8am – 4pm        |  |
| Saturday, Sunday, and bank holidays open at 10am |                  |  |

Saturday, Sunday, and bank holidays open at 10am closing times as on weekdays

The tropical conservatory closes half an hour before the garden closes. Dogs are not allowed on garden grounds. Bicycles are to be pushed only.

Admission is free please consider a donation in the box at the entrance

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### Garden map

### Welcome to the Botanical Garden

The Botanical Garden is a **public window** into biological research and teaching at the University of Oldenburg. More than 70.000 visitors per year come here to learn about the diversity of plant life, or simply to rest in our beautiful garden grounds.

Our main aim is to showcase the **characteristics and uses of plants**, especially to students, but also to the general public. A second aim is to highlight the importance of **evolutionary theory** to plant life or biology in general. To this end, we are home for several thousand plant species from northwest Germany and the rest of the world. We also have several **interesting animals** (mainly birds) on display, e.g., free-ranging storks and peacocks.

The Botanical Garden is home of a **`Green School**' featuring scientific equipment and teaching materials for school classes or other groups. Here schoolchildren learn to observe thoroughly and to conduct biological experiments in the motivating setting of the Botanical Garden.



## Garden map

#### entrance Schützenweg

