VANDUSEN GARDEN SEPTEMBER BLOOM GUIDE

Use this bloom guide to help you find what is currently in bloom! **VanDusen Botanical Garden is home to 7,500 taxa (unique species and varieties) in 70 curated collections.** Discover intensely fragrant flowers, edible and medicinal plants, rare and endangered species, and many more botanical treasures. Some collections feature plants that are closely related, while others include plants from specific regions or habitats. Here we highlight just a few of the plants that are of interest today. Enjoy!

Use the bloom map to find these plants during your garden visit.

Map Numbers:

1. **Waterlilies**
2. **Ornamental Grasses**
3. **Black & Gold Garden**
4. **Backyard Bird Garden**
5. **Japanese Collection**
6. **Learning Garden**
7. **Alma VanDusen Garden**
8. **BC Habitat Garden**
9. **Japanese Maples**
10. **Bald cypress**



1 Waterlilies (*Nymphaea* species and varieties): Elegant pink and white waterlilies with floating lily pad leaves grow in masses on the surface of our lakes and ponds.



2 Ornamental Grasses: A sea of green, blue, gold and burgundy grasses with feathery blooms that gently sway in the wind.



3 Black & Gold Garden: An eye-catching collection of dark foliage and blooms contrasted with vibrant gold, chartreuse and pink.



4 Backyard Bird Garden: A collection of backyard and patio-friendly flowers that attract bees, butterflies, hummingbirds and songbirds.



5 Japanese Collection: A selection of trees, shrubs and rare flowering perennials, like the wasabi plant, that are native to or grown in Japan.



6 Learning Garden: Explore the Garden Lab for hands-on learning, the Veggie Garden with organitc produce, and the Sensory Garden, full of plants to engage the senses.



7 Alma VanDusen Garden: A sunny field covered in tall yellow sunflowers and cheerful companion plants.



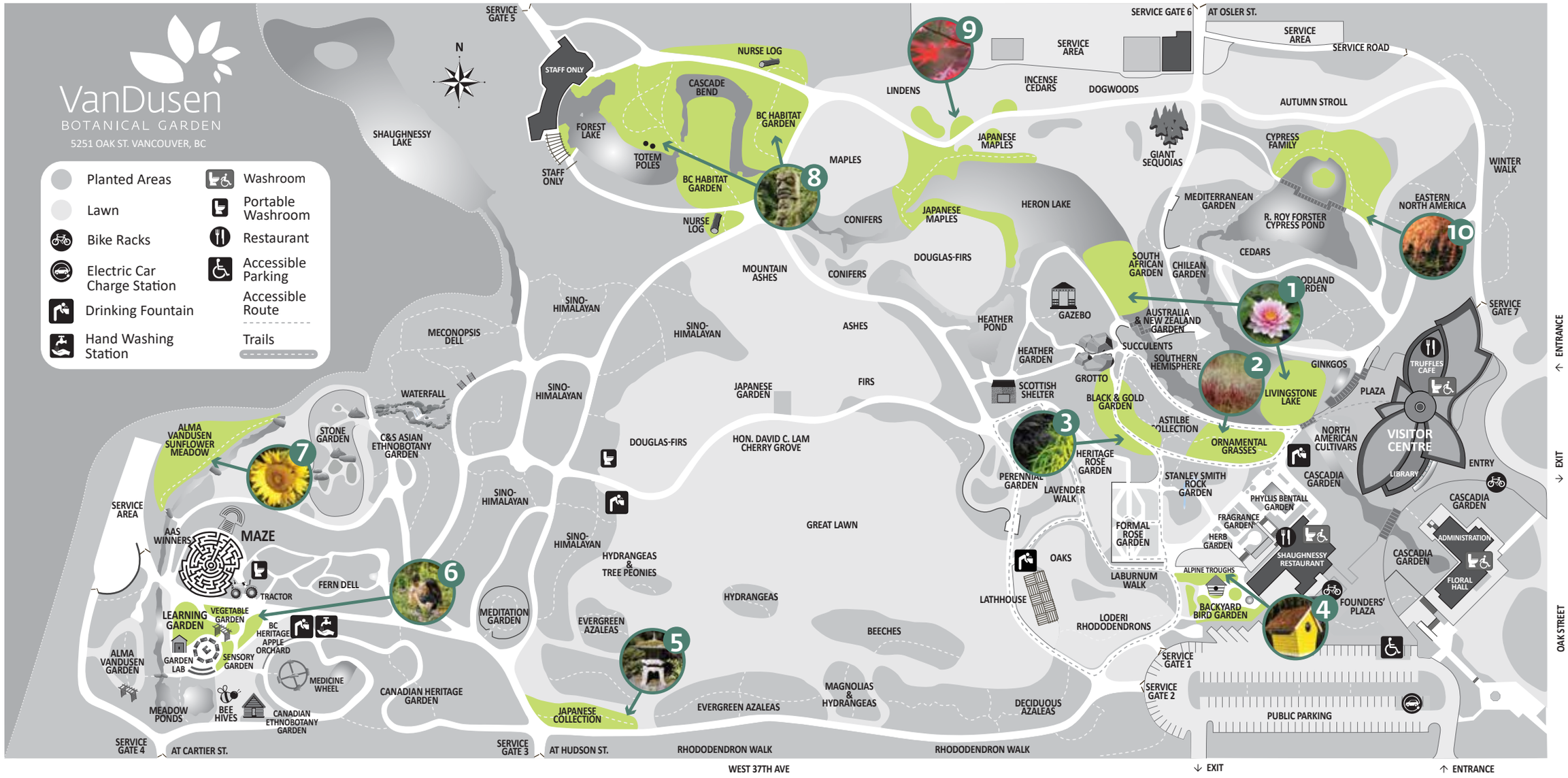
8 BC Habitat Garden: A forest of native trees, ferns, flowering perennials and shrubs that support wildlife with food, shelter, and nesting habitat.



9 Japanese Maples: A stunning display of red, pink, gold and purple foliage reflected off the still water of Heron Lake.



10 Bald cypress (*Taxodium distichum*): From the wetlands of SE USA, these deciduous conifers grow along the shore with rows of odd woody "knees" (root projections) and rusty orange needles in fall.



This guide is a reflection of blooms and garden highlights that typically occur during the month of September. Depending on seasonal weather patterns, some featured plants may not be in bloom during your visit today.

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