Somerset County Park Commission



Colonial Park Gardens

Rules and Guidelines

Colonial Park Gardens is a collection of botanical display gardens located in the western portion of Colonial Park. It includes an award-winning Rose Garden, a nationally accredited Arboretum, a Perennial Garden, a Fragrance and Sensory Garden, and other horticultural collections that include ornamental grasses and shrubs.

- Leave No Trace. Please dispose of any refuse in trash or recycling receptacles.
- Pets—apart from service animals—are not permitted in the Rose Garden.
- Wedding/engagement ceremonies and photography, special events, and posed photography, whether amateur or professional, would include, but is not limited to birthdays, engagements, family portraits, graduations, maternity, proms, and quinceanera, are allowed by permit only.
- All active sports would include but is not limited to bicycling, skating, and scootering are not permitted in the Rose Garden.
- Small picnics of six people or less on a blanket are permitted in the Perennial Garden and Arboretum. We do not allow tables, tents, or props.
- Picnicking is not allowed in the Rose Garden.
- Picking or harvesting plants is prohibited.
- Climbing trees and hanging hammocks are prohibited.
- Please no balloons or confetti, as they are unfriendly to the environment.
- Everyone is welcome. We ask adults to accompany young children.

Hours of Operation

Rudolf W. van der Goot Rose Garden and Fragrance & Sensory Garden

- 4/1/22 10/30/22
- Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays: 8am 6pm
- Wednesdays: Noon 6pm
- Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays: 10am 6pm
- The garden will be closed for the season on Monday, **10/31/22** and will reopen on Saturday, **4/1/23**
- Admission: Donations kindly accepted.

Perennial Garden and Arboretum

Daily, sunrise to sunset

We hope you enjoy your visit to these beautiful and tranquil gardens!