

Guided Tours

LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

VOLUNTEERS WORK MORNINGS AT SITE

Each Wednesday
8am - 11am Summer and Winter

## Visitor's Centre

(open Wednesdays from 8 am till 11am) or by appointment.

Self guiding maps are available in boxes at each of the car parks.

### **OUR LOCATION**

The Gardens are situated on Wyrallah Road on the southern outskirts of Lismore, approximately 3km from the CBD.

The entrance is clearly marked approximately 100 metres from the main gate on the right.

The Gardens are open to the public between 7.30am and 3.30pm weekdays 9.00am and 4.00pm weekends

Closed Public holidays.

LISMORE RAINFOREST BOTANIC GARDENS

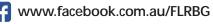
ENTRANCE TO GARDENS

### **GUIDED TOURS, WALKS AND TALKS**

By appointment - ring 0450 596 705 or contact:

Email: secretary@friendslrbg.com.au

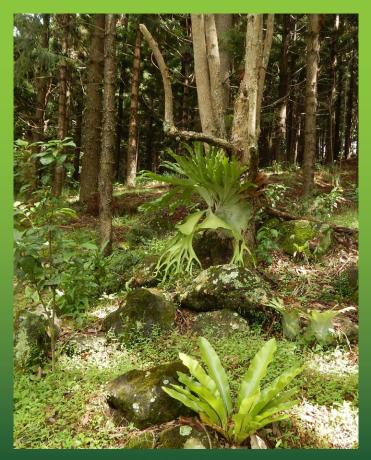
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The Gardens are being established by Friends of Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens with great support from Lismore City Council on land made available by Council.

# Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens



# A Beautiful Place to Visit

# Free Entry Donations welcome

Close to town this is a great place to walk, observe local wildlife, meditate, paint... and, of course, see a superb collection of local rainforest plants. There are many cool areas to relax in on a hot summers day and open sunny spaces for winter picnics. Sorry no dogs!

#### THE GARDENS

This is one of the new style botanic gardens, featuring local native plants almost exclusively and with very few manicured garden beds. Prunings, mulch and natural ground covers help to create and sustain this natural environment, resulting in a collection of beautiful healthy plants.

Only started in 2002 some areas of the Gardens are still being developed but already there are three separate sections of well established rainforest and other specialised gardens. While geared to conservation, biodiversity, education and research, these Gardens are also a wonderful place for recreation, relaxation and play, with picnic areas and established walking paths, some of which are wheelchair accessible.



RAINFOREST WALK starts at the second car park. This is an area of dry and subtropical rainforest plants with a great variety of understory shrubs, ferns and epiphytes. There is a sealed, all weather path, shaded seating and picnic areas. Listen for some of the 110 species of birds which have been sighted in the gardens.

USEFUL PLANTS GARDEN is accessible from the second car park. It contains plants which were used by the Aboriginal people and early settlers for food, weapons, structures, weaving, clothing and medicine. Other plants are those being developed by the bush tucker industry and used for making modern medicine. Illustrated signs and an Aboriginal talking sign give information about the uses of these plants.



**SUNNY SLOPE** is adjacent to the second car park and tool shed. With its mix of local native plants, not necessarily rainforest plants, this area is at its best in spring when the shrubs flower profusely.

**SENSORY GARDEN** between the two car parks has all weather paths, a minibus unloading area, covered seating areas and plants which have been chosen for their colour, texture and perfume.

WILSON PARK GARDEN is a wonderful collection of local rainforest plants for forest regeneration or the home garden. The garden can be accessed from behind the BBQ or the red bridge.

**UNCOMMON PLANTS GARDEN** features plants that are either difficult to grow or are not very common in the wild. This special area is adjacent to the first car park.



HOOP PINE FOREST WALK is a magical, cool, shady area for jogging, walking or just being, with almost 1km of well graded paths. The entrance is at the eastern end of the eucalypt forest beyond the first car park. There is a labyrinth at the summit. Enjoy the Rock Circle, Glade Chimes, reptile mosaics and the Old Fig Tree community of plants on the way.