

NC Cooperative Extension

NC Cooperative Extension in New Hanover County is the outreach arm of NC State University and NC A&T University in partnership with New Hanover County Government. Cooperative Extension provides reliable research-based information & educational programs in the areas of horticulture for home gardeners and businesses, youth development, food and nutrition, horticulture therapy and environmental issues.

The Gardens

During the late 70’s, New Hanover County Cooperative Extension recognized the need to expand their programming to meet the growing demands in urban horticultural education. In February 1984, \$200,000.00 was appropriated to build an Arboretum at the former site of Bradley Creek Elementary School. J. C. Raulston, professor of Horticulture at NC State University, provided guidance for the new Arboretum. With the help of many dedicated volunteers, the NHC Arboretum was dedicated on October 5, 1989.

The Arboretum is a 7 acre facility where residents can see a variety of plants that grow in our coastal area. NC Cooperative Extension staff and many volunteers work to make the gardens beautiful and educational. **We invite you to explore the grounds from 8:00 AM until sunset, seven days a week.**

Hutaff Visitor’s Center
Monday-Friday 8:00AM-5:00PM

Plant Clinic: If you have a gardening question, call or stop by and speak to a Master Gardener Volunteer. **(910) 798-7679 or 7680 10:00 AM-4:00PM Monday-Friday**

Arboretum Gift Shop: Find gardening tools, books and unique gifts for any occasion. The shop is staffed by our volunteers. **10:00AM-4:00PM Monday-Friday**

Arboretum Membership & Garden Rental

Inquire about becoming a member of the Friends of the Arboretum to receive discounts from local merchants and special events.

For weddings or other events call **(910)798-7660**



Staff & Department
Offices open 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Monday - Friday
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Visitor’s Guide

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A - Encore Azaleas & Ornamental Grasses
 B - Lewis Conservatory & Ross Greenhouse
 C - Picnic Area
 D - Herb Garden
 E - Camellia Walk
 F - Memorial Contemplation Garden
 G - Japanese Garden & Tea House
 H - Wedding Temple
 I - Bog Garden
 J - Koi Pond
 K - Children's Garden
 L - Butterfly Garden

M - Auditorium
 N - Cooperative Extension Service Office
 O - Tribute Garden & Fountain
 P - Hutaff Visitor's Center, Plant Clinic, Gift Shop
 Q - The Ability Garden
 R - Rose Garden
 S - Turf Demonstration Plots
 T - Welcome Garden Fountain
 U - Apiary & Bee Garden
 V - Vegetable Garden
 W - Plant Trial Area
 RR - Restrooms