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I Am Going To The Wellington Botanic Garden!

A Step-by-Step Guide On How To Visit This Beautiful Park.

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The Wellington Botanic Garden is a famous park in New Zealand. People come from all over the world to see the plants and flowers at this amazing place!



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Let's go visit the Wellington Botanic Garden!

This is the entrance to the Wellington Botanic Garden. The park is big so it is important that you stay close to your group!



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This is the "Treehouse" at Wellington Botanic Garden. It is also known as the Education and Environment Centre.



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The signs will show you which way to go!

There are many buildings at the Wellington Botanic Garden. Some are closed to visitors so look for the signs.



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These buildings are green houses. They grow plants inside!

This plant is called a streptocarpella. It is just one of the many flowers you might see at the garden!



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Remember, the plants here are just for looking. Do not pick the flowers!

People like to come to the garden to stroll and relax. These people wanted to rest so they found a quiet bench to sit on.



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The park is a wonderful place to sit and relax!

**This is the Peace Garden. There is a flame here that burns
24 hours a day. It came from the fire of the Hiroshima
bombing.**



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It is important to be careful around the water. This boy is following the rules. The sign says do not climb on the fence.



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The pigeons like to eat food that people bring them. Don't be scared if they come close to you. They just want a snack!

This is the cacti and succulent garden. Make sure you stay on the paths!



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Don't touch the cacti! They can have sharp quills.



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There are many statues in the Wellington Botanic Garden. I wonder what statue will be your favorite?

This statue is called the Three-Headed Heron.



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This statue is called Rudderstone.

There is a really fun playground at the park. These kids are having a great time playing.



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They are doing a great job of being safe. They are staying with their families and sharing the equipment.

Wow! There is even a pair of slides for kids to use!



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The playground is mostly for kids. You might be too big to use the equipment!

**Don't throw your litter on the ground! Put it in the
garbage can!**



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**The Wellington Botanic Garden is a terrific place to visit.
Keep your eye out for all the interesting plants and flowers!
I know you will have a fun time when you go.**



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Ability Guidebooks are step-by-step instructions on how to access community destinations. For many people with autism and neuro-diversity, new situations can cause stress and discomfort. Ability Guidebooks help prepare people for new experiences. This is why I emphasize the places to sit and areas to relax.

This book will also help general ed teachers prepare their young students to visit the Wellington Botanic Garden.



Can You Translate?

**If you can translate this book into any other language
I would love to hear from you!**

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