

Cairns Botanic Gardens Masterplan Review

Shaping the future of one of Australia's premier tropical gardens

The Cairns Botanic Gardens is one of Australia's premier tropical gardens, home to an extraordinary collection of native and exotic plants.

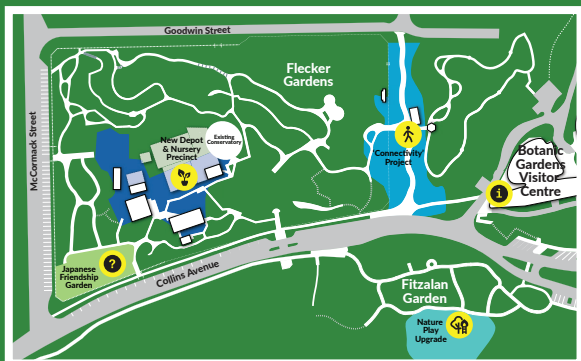
In consultation with the community, Council has undertaken a review of the Cairns Botanic Gardens Masterplan 2005, creating a new updated vision that will:

- Create new and exciting visitor experiences
- Improve connectivity and access
- Upgrade facilities and operations
- Adapt to a changing climate
- Strengthen the Gardens as a regional destination

**See the vision.
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Project highlights



2022-2025

- ✓ Initial Masterplan design
- ✓ Community consultation
- Design reviews and updates

Stage 1 – Jan–Jun 2026

- Remove café and old toilets (Flecker Gardens)
- Create new themed gardens (Flecker Gardens)
- Refurbish nature play (Centenary Lakes)
- Install new accessible toilets and pathways (Flecker Gardens)

Stage 2 – 2026

- Renew Conservatory (Flecker Gardens)
- Relocate Friends of the Gardens to Visitors Centre
- Add new educational & environmental displays (Visitors Centre)

Stage 3 – 2027–2029

- Build new public nursery and depot facilities (Flecker Gardens)

Stage 4 – 2029

- Improve access across the Gardens and to the Visitors Centre & Tanks Arts Centre

Stage 5 – 2030

- Upgrade Collins Avenue pedestrian access
- Install new welcome and entry signage