

Botanical Gardens in Conservation:

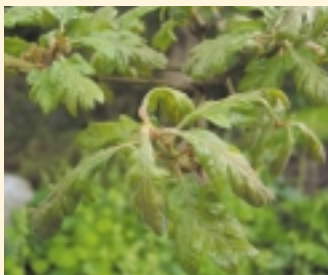
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A Partnership for Plants in Canada

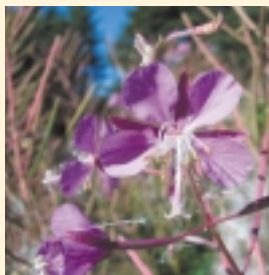
Canadian botanical gardens and arboreta are working co-operatively to increase public awareness of the importance of plants, the threats they face, and the action needed to protect them.

CONSERVATION ROLES OF BOTANICAL GARDENS:

- Maintain collections of cultivated endangered plants or seeds.
- Re-introduce plants for species recovery and habitat restoration projects.
- Research plant biodiversity, ecology and traditional knowledge.
- Promote environmental awareness and education.
- Provide training centres for horticulture, cultivation and propagation expertise.
- Maintain nature reserves and community networks to study and protect natural plant populations and habitats.



Educating about Garry oak ecosystems:
VanDusen Botanical Garden



Conserving plant habitats: Memorial
University Botanical Garden



Cultivating
species-at-risk:
Montreal
Botanical Garden

Support botanical garden conservation efforts:

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What: The global *Investing in Nature* project aims to protect 20,000 threatened plant species from extinction. *A Partnership for Plants in Canada* will develop educational resources, link Canadian botanical gardens and international conservation and environmental education efforts.

Why: To adequately protect plants and their habitats, conservation efforts and public awareness must improve. With over 200 million visitors per year, botanical gardens are important science and educational facilities, providing leadership in plant conservation and public education.

How: *Investing in Nature* is funding education programs in Canada, China, Japan, UK and the US; revitalising conservation in 16 botanical gardens in Argentina, Brazil, India, Indonesia, and the Middle East; and creating living gene banks in botanical gardens worldwide.

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