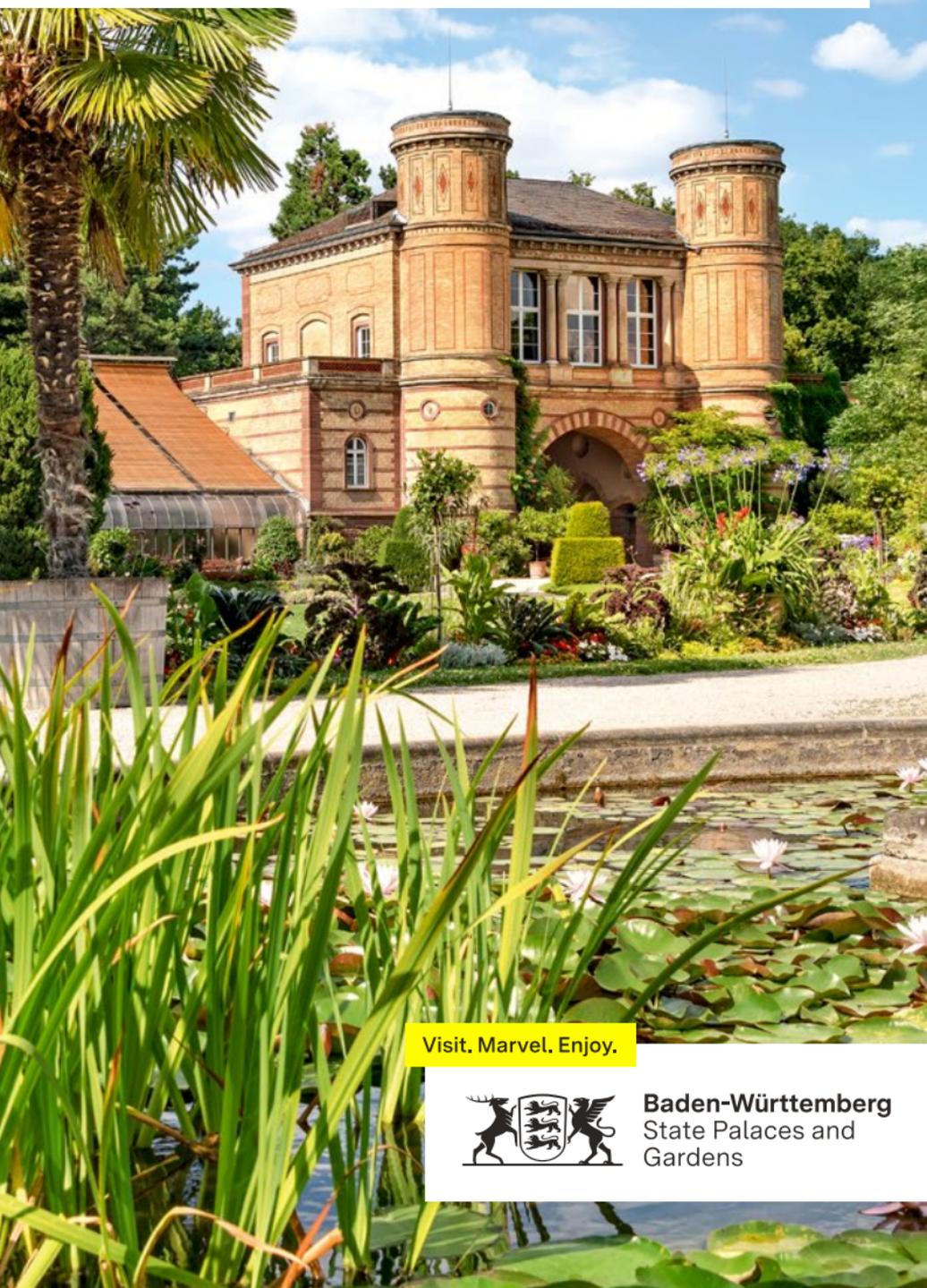




Karlsruhe Botanical Gardens

A PRINCELY PLEASURE GARDEN
WITH A SPECTACULAR GREENHOUSE



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Baden-Württemberg
State Palaces and
Gardens

The “green oasis” in the heart of Karlsruhe invites visitors to linger and enjoy their surroundings. The historic, architecturally unique greenhouses, in particular, worth a visit.

Karlsruhe Botanical Gardens (Botanischer Garten Karlsruhe) are a haven of tranquillity located at the edge of the Schlossgarten, west of Karlsruhe Palace, surrounded by historical structures such as an orangery, greenhouses, a winter garden and the State Art Gallery Karlsruhe (Staatliche Kunsthalle Karlsruhe).

A feast of flora

The Botanical Gardens were established in their current location in 1808, during the reign of Karl Friedrich of Baden (1728–1811). The origins of this extraordinary collection of plants date back to Margrave Karl Wilhelm of Baden-Durlach (1679–1738). Between the two

The newly opened greenhouses offer guests a wide array of stunning plants and greenery



The historic buildings and the exceptional collection of plants make the Botanical Gardens a rewarding place to visit

wings of the palace, he ordered a “princely pleasure garden” to be laid out—with magnificent orangeries, greenhouses, aviaries and grottoes. The famous Karlsruher Tulpenbuch (Karlsruhe Book of Tulips) is *testimony to this era’s fascination for flora*. At the end of the 18th century, the Margrave had his residence, garden and palace grounds remodelled in the English style—and established the Botanical Gardens on their present site.

The Margraves and Grand Dukes of Baden were passionate about plants and amassed an impressive collection of exotic greenery. Today, the greenhouses built to display their treasures are home to a unique, rich array of plant life. A number of rare trees from the 19th century collection have survived on the park grounds to this day – a true delight, not just for plant aficionados.

The picturesque group of buildings at the northern and western edge of the gardens – the State Art Gallery, Orangery, greenhouses, gatehouse and winter garden—were rebuilt according to plans by architect Heinrich Hübsch. In the early 1870s, the wooden greenhouses were replaced by grand ornamental cast-iron structures, putting Karlsruhe at the forefront of garden architecture.





An authentic picture of the late 19th century

The historic greenhouses were comprehensively renovated between 2014 and 2018, and have now been restored to their original glory. The three greenhouses mimic *three different climate zones*: The former cold house is home to camellias and succulents, while the palm house and hot house are home to tropical plants. The collection was established precisely in accordance with original documents, so that the greenhouses offer visitors a glimpse into the second half of the 19th century. The “Garden Documentation” exhibition in the Archway Building offers guests in-depth information on the history of the Botanical Gardens.

Decoration at the entrance to the Botanical Gardens:
one of the masks on the Archway Building



Visitor information

Opening hours and guided tours

Greenhouses	Open all year round; Visits possible with or without a guided tour
Grounds	Open free of charge all year round during the day; Visits possible with or without a guided tour
“Garden documentation” exhibition in the Gatehouse	Open on a seasonal basis

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Our website also provides information on accessibility, discounts, special tours and other important details relevant to your visit.

Current information



At a glance

For details of our current opening times, tours, events, admission prices and catering, see:
www.botanischer-garten-karlsruhe.de/en/visitor-information

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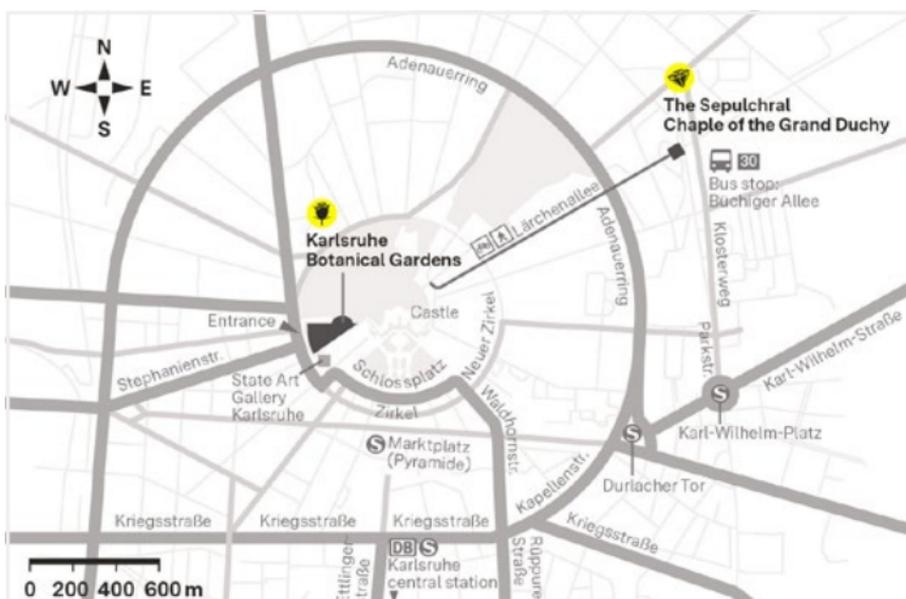
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How to find us



By public transport: from Karlsruhe central station by tram (towards Innenstadt) until the stop Marktplatz, and then by foot to the State Art Gallery. The entry to the greenhouses is located behind the State Art Gallery, in the Botanical Gardens.

Further information, including on charging stations, can be found online.

Information about all our monuments

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