

# Information

## Dandenong Ranges Botanic Garden – 2025 Spring Flowering Guide



Spring is the peak flowering season at the Dandenong Ranges Botanic Garden, offering 12 weeks of vibrant colour and beauty. With thousands of plants in bloom, there's always something new to discover.

Flowering varies from year to year based on temperature, rainfall and wind. Being 500m above sea level, blooms appear later than in Melbourne's suburbs. Not all flowers bloom at once – there is no single “best” time to visit.

Daily flower updates are not possible. Use the seasonal guide to explore what *might* be in bloom during your visit. No matter when you come, the garden offers a unique and colourful experience year-round.

### **Early September Blooms:**

Early rhododendrons, camellias, hellebores, proteas, daffodils, and early magnolias

### **Late September Blooms:**

Cherry blossoms reach their peak (mid-September to early October). Bloom duration: 4-10 days, weather dependant *\*the cherry blossom often disappoints – native birds feast on the few flowers produced. It's an autumnal foliage species with better blossoms found elsewhere in Melbourne*

### **October Peak Blooms:**

Rhododendrons, camellias, azaleas, proteas and leucadendrons

### **November Late Spring Highlights:**

Late flowering rhododendrons (including Vireya rhododendrons). Salvias and other summer perennials

Expect larger crowds during spring, especially on weekends. For a quieter experience, consider visiting mid-week or early morning.

**On-site parking is limited.** Additional public parking is available at Olinda Recreation Reserve (300m), the old Olinda Golf Course Reserve (500m), and Olinda Swimming Pool and Community House (850m). If car parks are full, we recommend exploring another nearby garden.

Try the nearby **Pirianda Garden**, **Alfred Nicholas Memorial Garden** or **George Tindale Memorial Garden** for a quieter garden experience.