

Nine historical gardens

Fort Canning Park was spruced up to highlight the place's history and make the hill more accessible. Covered escalators, pedestrian-friendly walkways and a platform lift were installed at certain points to make the heritage-rich park more accessible to the elderly, families with young children and people with disabilities.



FIRST BOTANIC GARDEN

Singapore's first botanic garden, founded in 1822 and located near the hill, focused on growing spices and cash crops. It closed in 1829. The garden has been restored as street plants along Bras Basah Road, Victoria Street and Hill Street.



SPICE GARDEN

A naturalist, Sir Stamford Raffles used to grow spices such as nutmeg and cloves near his house at Fort Canning. The restored Spice Garden is lined with a variety of spice plants along cascading terraces.



FARQUHAR GARDEN

Also a naturalist, Major-General William Farquhar collected drawings of the wildlife and flora native to the Malay Peninsula. This garden features some of the plant species he found noteworthy, such as guava, taro and gambier.



ARTISAN'S GARDEN

The area surrounding the archaeological dig at Fort Canning Park was renovated to include information panels and displays of porcelain, earthenware and stoneware shards uncovered since the 1980s.

- Historical garden
- First Botanic Garden
- Platform lift
- Pedestrian walk
- Escalator



ARMENIAN STREET PARK

The street was pedestrianised last year to create an event space and also to help form an expanded arts, cultural and heritage precinct within the area. Paying homage to Peranakan culture, traditional plants and spices are sorted in wooden boxes to reflect curry or Nonya kueh recipes.



JUBILEE PARK

The green space at the foot of the hill is now a family-friendly area where children can play on swings, see-saws, logs and slides.



PANCUR LARANGAN

A freshwater spring, known as Pancur Larangan (Forbidden Spring), used to flow from the hill and was used as a bathing place for royal women. In the garden, a mural wall made of volcanic rock was carved to depict life at Fort Canning Park from the 14th to 19th century.



RAFFLES GARDEN

The garden, named after Sir Stamford Raffles, lies at the foot of Raffles House. It highlights the diverse plant species that Raffles encountered in South-east Asia. Using the BalikSG app, visitors can spot the Rafflesia and a sun bear.



SANG NILA UTAMA GARDEN

The garden, named after the Palembang prince, is a re-creation of the South-east Asian gardens from the 14th century. It features Javanese split gates and statues of frogs, fish and ducks – fauna believed to have been seen in the palace gardens.