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# The Hummingbird Trail 2023



A GUIDE TO  
VIEWING AND PHOTOGRAPHING  
THE RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD  
AT THE STATE BOTANICAL GARDEN

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## The Hummingbird Trail

was researched and designed by Judy Royal Glenn as she photographed the ruby-throated hummingbird at the State Botanical Garden of Georgia.

Red signs mark places frequented by hummingbirds throughout the garden. Some markers indicate flowers that provide the birds with nectar. Others indicate trees where hummingbirds perch.



Keep a keen eye while walking through the garden. Hummingbirds are small and easy to miss.

### How To Use This Map

Use the map to guide you as you walk through the garden.

Look for the red markers to possibly see a hummingbird at that location. This is not meant to be an exclusive list of sites.

Flowers indicated on this brochure bloom at various times of the year, and the timing of their blooms are also affected by drought and weather conditions.

Use the following information to find out when the flowers typically bloom so you will know when hummingbirds should be visiting that site.

### Viewing Tips

- Wait at a site for 10–15 minutes. Females may be nesting, so views may be less frequent.
- Carefully scan the area to see if they are perching on plants or trees.
- Be still, so you don't scare the birds away.



## Discovery and Inspiration Garden

### Blue Flag Iris, *Iris*

*versicolor*: May–July

**Blazing star**, *Liatris spicata*: July–September

**Summersweet**, *Clethra alnifolia*: June–July

## International Garden–American South and Spanish America

**Georgia oak**, *Quercus georgiana*

**Pineapple guava shrub**, *Acca sellowiana*: May

**Yucca**, *Yucca* spp.

**Sage**, *Salvia* spp.: May–September

**Lantana**, *Lantana* spp.: May–September

**Canna lily**, *Canna* spp.: May–September

**Mexican beauty berry**, *Illicium mexicanum*: June–September

## Herb & Physic Garden

**Sage**, *Salvia* spp.: May–September

**Society garlic**, *Tulbaghia violacea*: July–September

**Rosemary**, *Rosmarinus officinalis*: May–June

**Anise hyssop**, *Agastache nepetoides*: June–September

**Bee balm**, *Monarda* spp.: July–September

## Heritage Garden

**Red buckeye tree**, *Aesculus pavia*: April

**Red and yellow canna lily**, *Canna* spp.: May–September

**Ginger lily**, *Hedychium coronarium*: August

## Flower Garden—upper section

**Sage**, *Salvia* spp.: May–September

**Hibiscus**, *Hibiscus* spp.: June–September

**Red buckeye tree**, *Aesculus pavia*: April

**Cleome**: May–June

**Red hot poker**, *Kniphofia* spp.: May

## Flower Garden—lower section

**Chastetree**, *Vitex* spp.

**Crape myrtle**, *Lagerstroemia* spp.

**Cherry tree**, *Prunus* spp.

**Iris garden**, *Iris* spp.: April

**Butterfly bush**,

*Buddleja* spp.: June–September

**Canna lily**, *Canna* spp.: May–September

**Dahlia**, *Dahlia* spp.: June–September

**Ginger lily**, *Hedychium* spp.: August

**African lily**, *Agapanthus* spp.: May–June

June

**Trumpet honeysuckle**, *Lonicera sempervirens*: April–May

## Throughout the garden

**Seasonal annual displays**: feeding in May–September

All photos shown were taken by  
Judy Royal Glenn.





