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## **Rare Access to the Gardens 'Back Corridor'**

Some of Australia's most spectacular orchids are on display for three weeks only at the Australian National Botanic Gardens.

Limited access to the 'Back Corridor' allows visitors to view the collection of rare and common flowering orchids.

The Gardens orchid collection includes epiphytic and terrestrial orchids from all parts of Australia.

Epiphytic orchids grow on trees and rocks and do not root themselves in soil, many examples can be seen in the Gardens rainforest gully. Terrestrial orchids grow in the ground and many examples can be seen around the Rock Garden.

"The Gardens has hundreds of different orchid species with our Thelychiton collection being one of the finest in the world," Australian National Botanic Gardens Curator Craig Cosgrove said.

The native orchid display located at the rear of Display Glasshouse is open from 3 October until 18 October, 10 am – 3 pm daily.

Throughout the following month the orchid program includes:

### **Back Corridor access to the Gardens Orchid collection**

10 am – 3 pm daily, 3 - 18 October, through the Display Glasshouse

### **Chippendale Orchid Walk led by Laurie Adams and Jean Geue**

Saturday 10 October, 9.30 am, meet at Belconnen Way entry

### **Orchid Walks on Black Mountain**

Sunday 11 October, 10.00 am and 1.00 pm  
Bookings essential, 02 6250 9540

### **The Management and Importance of the A.N.B.G. Orchid Collection**

Thursday 29 October, 12.30 pm, theatrette

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