



Kadoorie Farm and
Botanic Garden

VISITOR GUIDEBOOK



Introduction

Welcome to Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden (KFBG). KFBG spreads over 148 hectares of land on the northern slopes of Tai Mo Shan, Hong Kong's highest mountain, near the town of Tai Po. We invite you to enjoy the natural beauty of our grounds, both wild and managed, and encourage you to explore our paths, gardens, forest and exhibits.

In this book we have divided the site into two main sections: The demonstration farm, gardens and exhibits in the Lower Area and the Nature Reserve and gardens in the Upper Area.

- There are maps on pages 7 and 9. The circled numbers next to the paragraphs in the text correspond to these maps.
- On page 11, there is another map of the whole of KFBG giving suggested walking routes, with route descriptions on pages 12, 13 and 14.
- At the back are some checklists to help you identify common animals, birds, insects and trees.

The book is laid out in the sequence that someone might walk around the site, though of course, please wander as you like.

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Lower Area Description



Reception

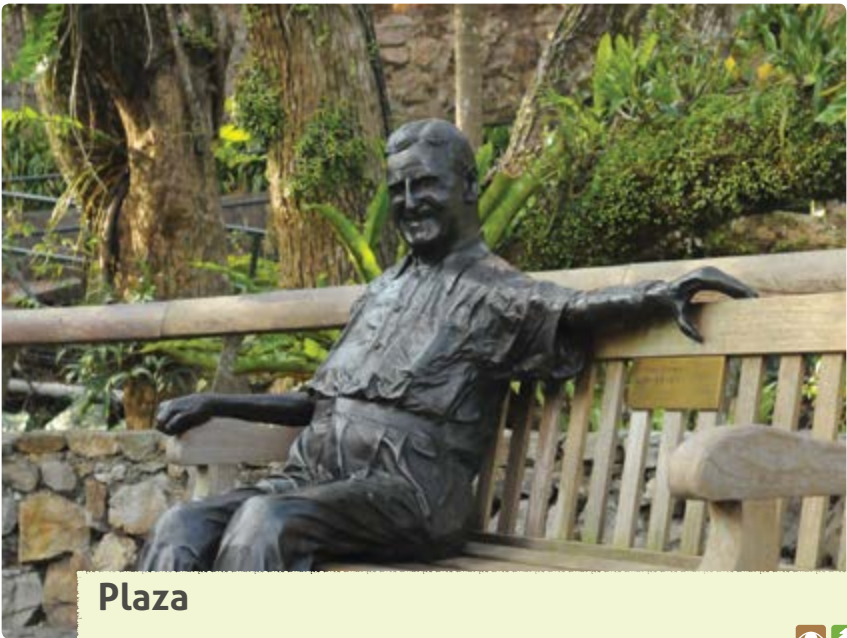


At the Reception Area, our staff and volunteer ambassadors will be happy to inform you of the current highlights and activities, and advise on where to go and what to do. If you prefer not to walk to the Upper Area, Shuttle Bus tickets are available at the Reception – these are limited so please come early.

Display Boards show recently-sighted wildlife, flowers in bloom, and where to find these.

The Reception building is an example of environmentally-friendly design. A green roof helps to cool the building in summer and retain heat in winter. The climbing plants provide natural shade. Solar panels capture sunlight to generate electricity for use inside the building.

We also use solar energy to power our street lights, garden lights, and electric fences, and to heat water.



Plaza



The Plaza is the perfect place for gathering, planning your visit, having a picnic or eating a meal from the Cafe.

You are welcome to take photographs with the sculpture of Sir Horace Kadoorie. Please be respectful. You may notice many orchids in the trees - orchids were a favourite plant of Sir Horace.

We sometimes see wild monkeys in the Plaza. Please do not feed them, leave food exposed, or walk around with food in a carrier bag anywhere in KFBG when monkeys are around. There is plenty of food for the monkeys in the forest – they love dates and fruit. When humans feed them, it upsets the balance of nature and encourages the monkeys to harass humans in the future. If you are concerned about a monkey please call our staff or press the 'Help bell' in the Plaza for assistance.



Selected Wild Animals at KFBC

These native animals and more live wild in the forest, we do not feed them.



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1. Barking Deer

2. Macaque

3. Japanese Pipstrelle

4. Red-necked Keelback

5. Leopard Cat

6. Small-toothed Ferret Badger

7. Lesser Spiny Frog

8. Chinese Pangolin

9. Big-headed Turtle

10. Chinese Porcupine

11. Wild Boar

Common Birds at KFBC



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1. Crested Serpent Eagle

2. Greater Coucal

3. Scarlet Minivet

4. Mountain Bulbul

5. Chestnut-winged Cuckoo

6. Crested Goshawk

7. Collared Scops Owl