

SELF GUIDED RIDE SUGGESTIONS

Clark Gardens Weatherford TX 75
Miles - 1.3 Hours

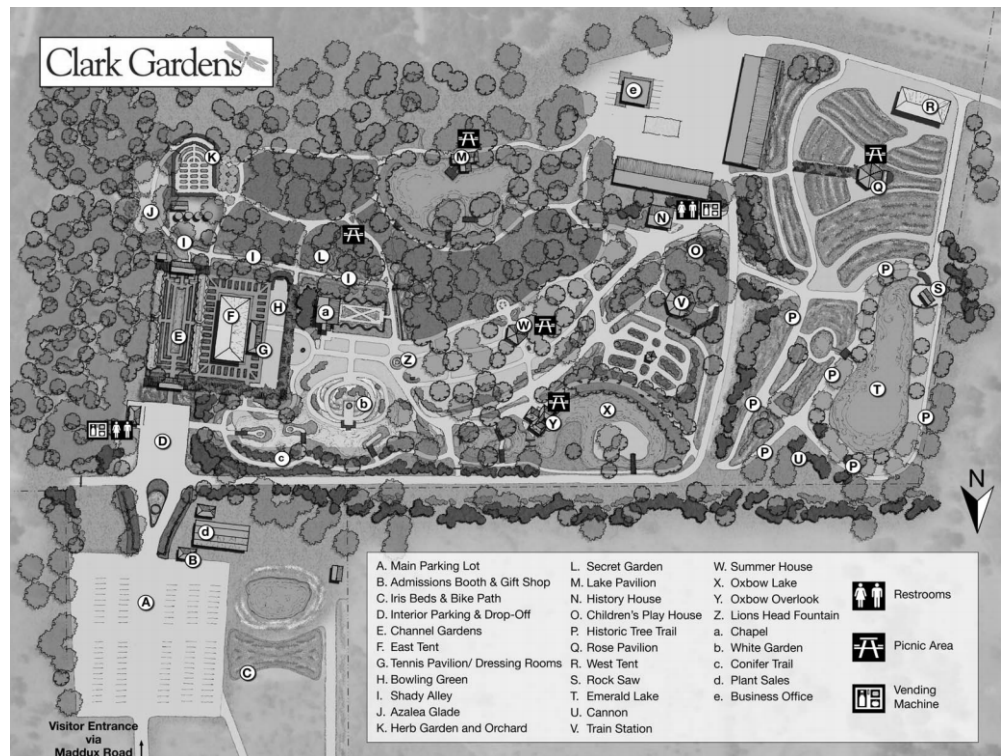
Address

567 Maddux Road
Weatherford, Texas 76088

Clark Gardens Hours of Operation
In case of inclement weather, please
call ahead to be sure we are
open. 940-682-4856
The hours of operation are strictly
enforced. Guests are expected to
observe those hours. Garden gates
are locked at 5:00 pm (Sunday) and
6:00 pm (Monday-Saturday).

General Admission Fee

\$9.00 per adult
\$7.00 per senior (65 and over)
\$5.00 per child (4 to 12 years of age)
Free admission kids 3 and under
* Should you visit the Park and not
find the attendant in the admissions
booth, please use the "Honor Box"
located on the front of the booth. All funds are used to maintain the Park for your enjoyment.



Through every season of the year, nature's glorious displays provide unsurpassed beauty. These spectacular gardens have been featured on HGTV's "Great American Gardens" in addition to numerous magazines, newspapers and other publications. Clark Gardens was selected as the Official Best Public Garden in Texas for 2014 and featured in a TV segment about the Gardens airing on 3 different networks.

Visitors of all ages delight in the spectacle of three different G-scale model garden trains on 700 feet of track that meander through a landscape of natural vegetation, trestles and small streams. Paths weave under seven foot high willow trestles next to a six foot waterfall and over little bridges in the Garden Train area. "Clark Station" house incredible towns of scaled-down building made of plant materials such as poppy seeds, acorns, grapevine tendrils, cinnamon sticks and pinecone scales. This marvelous area is an on-going project with additions made often. The G-Scale Model Trains run seasonally during our open season: Labor Day weekend through Thanksgiving weekend; and the first weekend in March through July 4th weekend.

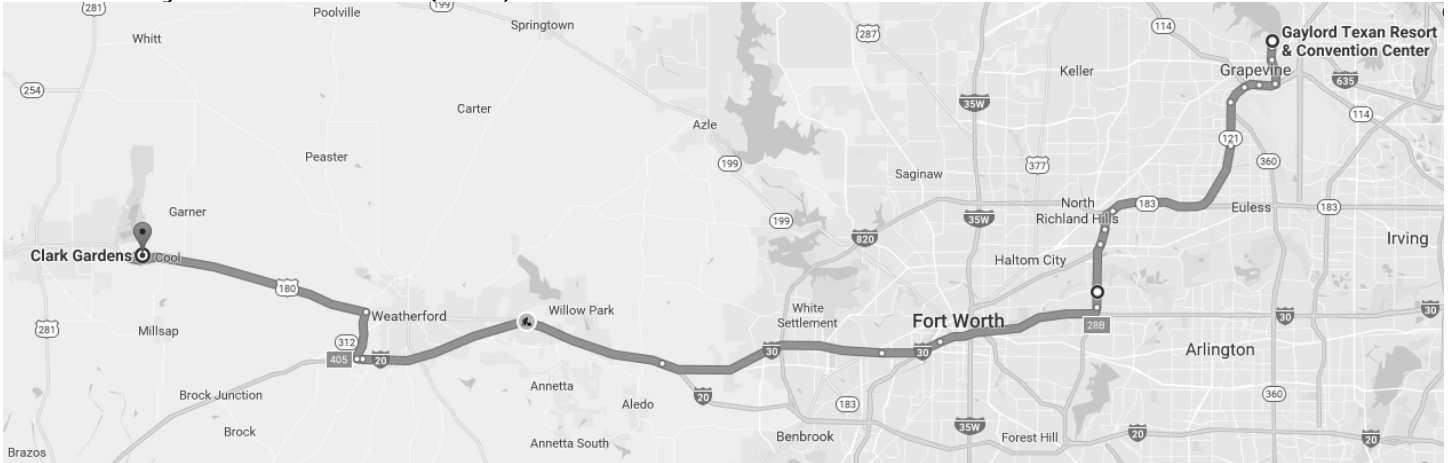
Historic Tree Trail

The trail, one of the largest in the United States, is home to 86 historic trees, ranging from a Weeping Willow which shaded Napoléon's grave site, to the Berkeley Plantation, the ancestral home of all Americans, Sycamore, to a tree from Graceland, Elvis Presley's home. Other trees represent the Revolutionary War, Civil War and World War II. Trees honor our countries' literary heritage including Mark Twain, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Edgar Allen Poe, and Alex Haley. Famous people and places including John F Kennedy, Lyndon Baines Johnson, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Clara Barton and Juliette Gordon Low are among the famous people represented with a tree. Grown from a seed or cutting by the American Forest Historic Tree Nursery, each tree is a direct descendant of the original. Many of the historic witness trees are no longer living, having succumbed to old age, weather damage and development. The trees at Clark Gardens were planted 12-15 years ago and have grown to be substantial trees.

The Love of Iris

Clark Gardens is a nationally recognized iris garden. With close to 4,000 different varieties, each April the Gardens become a sea of colors to delight visitors. Steven L. Chamblee wrote a wonderful article for the March-April 2013 edition of Neil Sperry's Gardens magazine, about Clark Gardens founder, Max Clark. The article is appropriately titled, "Magic Max and the Love of Iris."

To get to the Gardens: Depart the convention center and head south west on Highway 121. When you join onto Ft Worth Loop 820 stay on Loop 820 to Highway 30. This will take you through Fort Worth and join Interstate 20 on the west side of Fort Worth. Take Exit 405 onto Ric Williamson Memorial Hwy. Head north to Hwy 180 and turn left (West).



After traveling 12 miles on Hwy 180
Turn Right on Maddux Road for almost 1 mile
Take a right turn into the entrance of the Gardens

