



ROUTE GUIDE
GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Dear Visitors:

To facilitate your visit to the Palmetum, our team has prepared two self-guided routes with 34 points of special interest and stops along the way. We wanted to focus on the most significant or distinctive species in the garden and have also included other plants for their medicinal use, their culinary interest or their rarity. In the Palmetum there is much more, and if we stop to observe more closely we will find other wonders of the world's botany and tropical islands just waiting to be discovered.

Each route takes just over an hour. They both start in the same place and you will find the first four stops along the path that leads up the hill. Once you have reached the top, the paths fork and you can choose which one you want to follow.

Blue Route, A walk through palm trees and tropical islands, is a tour of our botanical collection with the focus on endangered species and how they grow, with stories about the wildlife there is in the Palmetum, as well as the city itself.

Red Route, An ethnobotanical tour, focuses on useful species, which will give you a different view of the garden and introduce you to eye-catching fruit trees and plants that have long been utilised by humankind. The tour includes not just palm trees but many useful species, as widely varied as coffee, cotton, vanilla, the breadfruit tree and the special collection of varieties of bananas with different uses.

We hope you find it worthwhile and enjoy the adventure!



Included in both routes

- 1 Canary Islands Section
- 2 Sustainable Corner
- 3 *Serenoa repens*
- 4 The two routes diverge



Blue Route
A walk through palm trees and tropical islands

- 1 Madagascar Baobab
- 2 Lake
- 3 Paurotis palms
- 4 Silk floss trees and attaleas
- 5 *Coccothrinax borhidiana*
- 6 Two royal palms
- 7 Caribbean Viewpoint
- 8 "Prince" of palms
- 9 Coconut palms
- 10 Belly palms
- 11 Africa in miniature
- 12 *Borassus aethiopum*
- 13 Red banana
- 14 *Tahina spectabilis*
- 15 Octagon



Red Route
An Ethnobotanical Tour

- 1 Wild bananas and sugar cane
- 2 Breadfruit trees and edible forests
- 3 "Poingó" bananas and Araucarias
- 4 A variety of aloes
- 5 Octagon: Pandanus, vanilla and mahogany
- 6 Octagon: Cocoa, rattan and Panama hats
- 7 Octagon: "Ancient" banana plants
- 8 Betel nut
- 9 Coconut palms by the sea
- 10 Asia Viewpoint
- 11 *Corypha* and triploid banana plants
- 12 Useful Africa
- 13 The oil palm
- 14 Palm "wine"
- 15 Cuban royal palms



VISITORS MUST STAY WITHIN THE TRAILS



SMOKING FORBIDDEN IN THE WHOLE AREA



DO NOT PICK UP PLANT SEEDS OR PARTS