



Lost Gardens Diary 2010

During the 20th century, urban expansion led to the loss of many beautiful and significant gardens across Australia, as well as large tracts of natural bushland. Large estates with their orchards, vineries, houses and gardens were swept away, their names sometimes remembered for posterity in the eponymous suburbs that swallowed them up. Here and there, clusters and single specimens of ancient and sentinel araucarias, figs and palms, or the remnant of a balustrade or garden wall, hint at a lost garden.

The Historic Houses Trust of New South Wales, along with the Australian Garden History Society and the National Trust, sees gardens as a vital part of our cultural heritage and our cultural imagination. The gardens or garden elements featured in the Lost Gardens diary are either lost or substantially destroyed. Their loss highlights the importance of those that remain.

The gardens featured in the diary represent some of those from the exhibition *Lost gardens of Sydney* and supplement images in the book by Colleen Morris that accompanied the exhibition. The botanical illustrations show plants grown around Sydney at the time of European settlement or in Australian gardens in the 19th century. The diary is illustrated in colour and black and white.

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