

CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAY PARTY IN THE BOTANICAL GARDEN

This letter contains practical information that you are required to read, so that we can give you and your birthday party the best possible experience.

THE CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAY PARTY INCLUDES

- A hands on introduction to expeditions (approx. 15 minutes)
- Expedition (special guided tour for children) in the Botanical Garden (approx. 45 min.)
- Botanical activity in the Botanist's workshop (approx. 30 min.)
- Private Birthday table in *The Public Engagement Greenhouse or the outdoor pavilions where you can set a table for the hungry explorers and celebrate your birthday party (1 hour, on your own)
- * As the table in The Public Engagement Greenhouse is in use for the activity in the botanist's workshop, it is not possible to set the table here before the end of the activity.

For children's birthday parties starting at 1 PM you can choose to start with your birthday celebration and end with the activities if you prefer.

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BEFORE THE BIRTHDAY

Time and place: Your birthday hosts will meet and greet you by the Public Engagement Greenhouse (no 1 on the map). You can enter with your food and drinks 15 min. before the birthday starts.

Entrance: Use the main entrance to the Botanical Garden, by Nørreport st. (Gothersgade 126, 1123 København K.)

No bikes allowed in the garden.



Food & drinks: You bring your own food and drinks. There is a fridge available. You are welcome to bring your own tableware for your food and drinks. – We encourage green thinking and therefore provide the following for you to use: 5 glass jugs, 1 chopping board, 1 bread knife, 1 cake knife, 36 colorful plates (plastic), 36 colorful cups (plastic), 36 colorful knives + forks + spoons (plastic). You do the dishes (by hand) yourself, we provide what is needed for the dishwashing. All borrowed tableware must be washed and returned within the time limit for your birthday celebration.

Decorations: You are welcome to bring decorations for the birthday table (no confetti, balloons must be tied with strings). – We provide 1 big freestanding flag (Dannebrog), 2 small freestanding flags (Dannebrog) for the table and we decorate a wall with flag garlands (Dannebrog) and multicolored garlands.

Toilets & Wardrobe: Toilets are located behind the Botanical Garden Flower Shop just by the main en-trance. There is also 1 toilette in the Public Engagement Greenhouse for your use during the birthday celebration. There is a wardrobe for you and your guests in the Public Engagement Greenhouse.

Dress for the weather: The expedition is outdoors in the garden. The expedition will not be cancelled due to rain, neither is the birthday in any way refundable due to any bad weather. If the weather is really bad, we can spend less time outside and more time in the Public Engagement Greenhouse.

Parents not participating in the birthday: Parents not participating in the birthday celebration can enjoy the Botanical Garden in the meantime (no fee for the outdoor garden). There is a coffee wagon by the Palmhouse (see map). The Palmhouse and Butterfly house requires the purchasing of a ticket. See more about tickets here https://snm.ku.dk/english/visit-the-museum/

Visit the Palmhouse and Butterfly house: There is an entrance fee if you would like to visit the Palmhouse and Butterflyhouse. See more about tickets here https://snm.ku.dk/english/visit-the-museum/. The Palmhouse and Butterfly house is not part of the birthday package and must be purchased separately (ticketbooth by the Palmhouse). Be advised that Saturdays and Sundays can be extremely busy and there might be a queue.

Pick up of birthday guests: Pick up after the birthday celebration is in front of the Public Engagement Greenhouse (no 1 on the map). Tell parents to use the main entrance to the Botanical Garden, by Nørreport st. (Gothersgade 126, 1123 København K.) to get to the Public Engagement Greenhouse. It is not possible to stay in the Public Engagement Greenhouse after your designated time, but you can use the outdoor pavilions if you would like to prolong the celebration.

When visiting the garden:

- Do not enter the flower beds or climb the trees
- Flowers, seeds, and other plants in the garden are not allowed to be collected
- Dogs and other pets are not allowed in the garden
- Bicycles and scooters are not allowed in the garden
- It is allowed to sit on the lawns in selected areas (Please see the map)
- Camp fires, fuel stoves, and barbecues are not permitted
- Games, athletic exercises etc. are not permitted
- Regulations from the staff must be followed



DURING THE BIRTHDAY ACTIVITIES

We start and end by the Public Engagement Greenhouse (no 1 on the map). Your birthday host will be with you all the way.

The birthday child and guests will start by exploring an expedition box full of authentic natural objects and stuff for natural expeditions. This will lead to the birthday host telling about the botanical garden, natural history museums, scientists, expeditions, collections and more.

The kids will now embark on their own expedition in the garden, with the birthday host as their expedition leader. The expedition is a guided tour in the garden with stops where they engage in stories and hands-on with objects while they explore the world of plants. It could be topics like e.g. pollination, seed dispersal, medicinal/edible/poisonous plants, adaptation for special environments or something else (changes with the seasons).

After the expedition, we will invite the children to the botanists workshop (in the Public Engagement Greenhouse) where they create their very own botanical souvenir to bring home.

Participating adults (for the birthday activities)

- The participating adults are expected to take part in the expedition and the activities and help the children along the way.
- The participating adults are expected to take responsibility for cleaning up and washing up of any borrowed tableware within the allotted time.
- The Botanical Garden is a museum exhibition of living, priceless plants from all over the world. All participants are expected to observe the garden's rules of order.
- There must be a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 5 adults for birthday parties of up to 15 children.
- There must be a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 5 adults for birthday parties of up to 25 children. We recommend 4-5 adults for 25 children.

BIRTHDAY CELEBATION (ON YOUR OWN)

You have the Public Engagement Greenhouse and the 3 outdoor pavilions for your private birthday celebration for 1 hour.

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We look forward to seeing you in the garden!

If you have any questions please ask us here: Foedselsdag@snm.ku.dk.