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Visitors can stroll through the Rose Garden, which is home to 40 varieties — including the coral Rosalynn Carter rose — or view the serene Japanese garden, designed by Master Gardener Kinsaku Nakane.

#### **Entry Gardens**

The terraced overlook to the Jimmy Carter Library is bordered by colorful beds and an engaging fountain. Plants of interest include star magnolias, Japanese maples, Foster's hollies, and leatherleaf mahonia.

#### **Rose Garden**

The serene rose garden is home to more than 40 varieties, including the coral Rosalynn Carter, pink Queen Elizabeth, red and white Snow Fire, red Rotary, pink and yellow Peace, lavender Lady X, and Blue Girl. "Sightless Among Miracles" This striking sculpture, donated by John and Rebecca Moores, depicts a child leading a blind man, a sight often seen in countries whose populations are vulnerable to river blindness disease. The Carter Center has led efforts to control, or eliminate, this disease.

#### **Japanese Garden**

Designed by Japanese Master Gardener Kinsaku Nakane and donated by the YKK Corporation, the garden contains many species of azaleas, rhododendrons, Japanese maples, river birch, golden raintree, camellia, and barberry. The large waterfall represents former President Jimmy Carter and the small waterfall Rosalynn Carter.

#### **Native Oak Forest**

This 3-acre undisturbed natural area on our property. It offers interesting views of our Japanese Garden across the lower lake. The floor of this area consists of black locust trees and many wildflowers. Picnic tables provide a relaxing outdoor eating place for visitors.

#### **Cut Flower Gardens**

Featuring a variety of bulbs, containergrown perennials, and annuals — including hibiscus, gladiolas, butterfly bushes, and oak leaf hydrangea — thrive in this area. With the Rose Garden, these plants are the source of flowers for arrangements used in offices and the reception area of The Carter Center and for the many social events and meetings that take place here.

#### **More Outdoor Displays**

##### **Circle of Flags**

The U.S. flag is the centerpiece of a stirring display of the flags of our 50 states. Seasonal color highlights the circle.

##### **Sundial**

Several seasonal color beds enhance the circle in front of the Ivan Allen III Pavilion. This area provides a beautiful panoramic view of the Atlanta skyline. Employees of the Ivan Allen Company donated the sundial in memory of Mr. Allen.

##### **Koi Pond**

The intriguing koi pond honors Senator Hajime Akiyama and his family as early supporters of The Carter Center and acknowledges the abiding friendship between President and Mrs. Carter and the citizens of Japan.

##### **Caribou Statue**

The caribou statue was presented to The Carter Center to commemorate the 20th anniversary of President Carter's signing of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act.

##### **Hours and Fees**

**Hours of Operation:** Monday through Friday at 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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**Grounds surrounding the complex:** Open from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. April through October and from 7 a.m to 7 p.m. November through March.

**Admission** is \$7 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens (60 and older), military personnel, and students. Free for ages 16 and younger.

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