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The Rhododendron Dell, one of the earliest parts of the Botanical Garden to be established in Strawberry Canyon, dates back to the early 1930's. A few years earlier the Garden was moved to the canyon from the campus, where it was founded in 1890.

The dell contains large specimens of a number of unusual rhododendrons, many of which originated in southwestern China. The rocks and stone lanterns around the pond in the dell were brought from Japan for the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition and were later donated to the University by the Japanese government.

The Botanical Garden occupies thirty-two acres of hillside above the main campus. Although it is relatively small in area, it

ranks with the world's leading botanical gardens in the size and richness of its collections. The largest collection is of cacti and other succulent plants, but there are also areas devoted to California native plants as well as those from the Pacific, Asia, South America, and southern Africa. In addition, there are large collections of herbs, economic plants, tropical orchids and bromeliads, ferns and insectivorous plants.

The Garden provides an important resource for educational and scientific institutions throughout the world and offers an educational program for the public, which includes group tours. It is open from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. every day except Christmas. Group tours can be arranged by calling University of California--Berkeley Campus, Botanical Garden.