

LBG Historic Features

- The Commonwealth Memorial War Graves of the First and second World Wars ;
- The Jungle village constructed in 1960 and renovated in 1989 ;
- The residence of the first Director of the Garden (Preuss House) constructed before 1901 and renovated by PSMNR in 2021 ;
- The German bridge, the old cocoa dryer and the storey building of the first Agric college all constructed before 1901.



PREUSS HOUSE



WAR GRAVES



INTEGRATED CONSERVATION EDUCATION CENTRE (ICEC)
AND CONFERENCE CENTRE

LBG Facilities

- The Conference Centre renovated by PSMNR in 2019 to host the Integrated Conservation Education Centre (ICEC) ;
- The Hot spot Restaurant with a nice view on the Sea, renovated in 2021 ;
- The Preuss House Accommodation Centre;
- The Jungle Village ;
- The Central Field of the Garden ;
- The Nature Trails at Bota and SDO hills forest ;
- The Lily Pond ;
- The Children Playground ;
- The Herbarium and the Library.

For more information

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The Limbe Botanic Garden (LBG) is a Third Category Protected Area (PA) under the Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife (MINFOP), classified as a Technical Operation Unit (TOU), covering a total surface area of 48 hectares.



Our Mission

- Exsitu and Insitu Biodiversity Conservation ;
- Plant Propagation and forest regeneration ;
- Eco-tourism Promotion ;
- Conservation Education ;
- Research and Capacity Building ;
- Provide Facilities to host Seminars, Workshops, Training, Cultural and Social Events.



Brief History

- The Garden of then 200 ha was founded in 1892 by German Horticulturists led by Dr. Paul Preuss as the Victoria Botanic Garden to serve as an Agricultural Research Station and Forestry College ;
- The Garden was rehabilitated for the first time in 1924 under British administration after the severe period of decline after 1916. The British funding stopped in 1929 due to the World Economic crisis and the Garden entered another period of decline up to 1954 when funding was restored ;
- The management of the Garden was handed over to the Cameroon Government in 1961 after Independence ;
- The Garden was supported in 1988-2002 thanks to a bilateral agreement between Cameroon and the United Kingdom for the Mount Cameroon Project (MCP) ;
- Since 2018 the Programme for Sustainable Management of Natural Resources—South West Region (PSMNR-SWR), co-financed by the Republic of Germany, funded some rehabilitations in the framework of the creation of the Integrated Conservation Education Centre (ICEC)



Specificity of the garden

- Over 1500 different plants species are found in the Garden ;
- The Garden Herbarium internationally known by its Acronym "SCA" was created as a databank for preserved plant material having 30,000 herbarium specimen and more than 13,000 ecological specimen of over 32 types, 260 plant families, 700 genera, 1400 species with 46 endemic plants species ;
- The living collections with thematic planting contain indigenous and exotic species ;
- The wilderness part on the Bota Hill accessible through a nature trail ;
- The Limbe river flowing through the Garden.



The living collection

LBG Units

- Living Collection or Arboretum (the Living genebank) ;
- Herbarium of Indigeneous and Exotic plant specimen ;
- Environmental Education ;
- Nursery for plant propagation ;
- Research/Library/GIS ;
- Tree surgery.



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Limbe Botanic Garden
and the
Integrated Conservation
Education Centre
(ICEC)**