## A photographer's dream William Fardens

It is little wonder that the Salem area is fortunate to have so many fine gardens. Favorable climatic conditions and the expertise of the people involved in these gardens have led to a

rich diversity in design and plant content.
As a result, each garden is unique and adds immensely to the sense of place on historic properties as well as rural communities.

Of particular note is The Oregon Garden, located 17 miles east of Salem in the quaint town of Silverton. The Oregon Garden is unlike any other, for amidst the natural beauty of forests and woodlands, wetlands and lakes, are a stunning group of formal, landscaped gardens. From brilliant displays of colorful annuals and perennials, to carefully selected and arranged collections

of conifers, to sparkling waterfalls – The Oregon Garden is unparalleled in its diversity.

Rose, iris, tulip, peony and dahlia gardens, perennial and mixed borders, garden rooms, formal boxwood gardens, a Japanese garden, flowering trees and shrubs, bulbs, herb gardens, open spaces and numerous other specialty gardens can be found within Salem and Marion and Polk counties.



Historic Deepwood Estate's Lord and Schryver Garden

Photos below, l to r: The Oregon Garden; Cooley's Iris Garden; Rose gardens at Bush's Pasture Park; Scenic view of south Willamette Valley.







