

Sunday 9 April 2017

1.30pm – 3.30pm

Afternoon Tour:

Dragon Trees and other Gems of The Waite Arboretum

The Waite Arboretum



The Waite Arboretum is an extraordinary collection of plants being grown for scientific reasons (as will be explained). It was established on land given by Peter Waite to the University of Adelaide, to be held upon trust and in perpetuity as a park or garden for the enjoyment of the public. Planting of trees from around the world began in 1928.

It occupies 30 hectares and contains about 2300 specimens representing more than 800 species in 200 plant genera, all growing under natural annual rainfall conditions of 624 mm.

Every tree is labelled and mapped. Special collections include eucalypts, palms, dragon trees, pears and oaks. To enhance your visit download the free Waite Arboretum app in the App Store or Google Play.

Our tour will focus on the Dragon Trees and what is happening seasonally in the arboretum. The visit will include an introductory talk and a guided walk. Our hosts for the visit will be the arboretum curators and members of the Friends group.

The tour will commence at 1.45pm. Please meet on the lawns on the western side of Urrbrae House. In case of inclement weather, please meet under the verandah in front of Lirra Lirra Café (the café is off Waite Road – see inset map – it is the [red brick] building shown immediately below the toilets' symbol).

Transport: Make own arrangements

Bus route 171, stop 12 on Fullarton Road. Walk up the long driveway. Please note that the walk can take 15 minutes or more depending on your pace.

Parking: Available in Waite Road and Claremont Avenue, Netherby and limited parking near Urrbrae House (enter via Walter Young Drive off Fullarton Road). Refer to the map.

Tour cost: HSSA Members **\$10.00**
 Non-members **\$15.00**

(The tour fee supports the upkeep of the arboretum).

BYO picnic afternoon tea on the Rose Garden Lawns to follow the tour

(BYO mug, hot water, other drinks and a plate to share). Seating is available.