

OVERFELT GARDENS

LOCATION: Overfelt Gardens is a 33-acre park located at 368 Educational Park Drive, near McKee Road and Educational Park Drive. From Interstate 680, exit McKee Road (west). From Highway 101, exit McKee Road (east).

OPERATING HOURS: Closed on Mondays. Open Tuesday through Sunday at 10:00 a.m. to sunset. The park is closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

PARKING: There is limited parking on McKee Road. There is free parking in the lot located on Educational Park Drive.

ACTIVITIES: Overfelt Gardens, which opened in 1966, was built around three percolation ponds and is designated for passive use. The park features a five-acre Chinese Cultural Garden, a wide variety of exotic and native trees and shrubs, a fragrance garden for the visually impaired, a rose circle and iris bed for your enjoyment. Waterfowl and other aquatic wildlife may be observed throughout the year. Park staff and volunteers offer guided tours by request. For more information contact the Park Ranger Office.

WEDDING/GROUP PICNICS: Wedding ceremonies are held in the Palm Grove (accommodating 75 guests). **Electricity is not available.** Reservations for a picnic and/or wedding site must be made in person at Leininger Center, 1300 Senter Road, San José, CA 95112 (located within Kelley Park). Additional non-reservable picnic areas are on first-come, first-served basis (one adult per table to save a non-reserved table).

PHOTO PERMITS: Photo permits are required for all commercial photo shoots. This includes professional wedding photographers. Permits can be obtained at Leininger Center, 1300 Senter Road, San José, CA 95112.

VEHICLE ACCESS: Vehicles are not allowed on service roads, paths or in the picnic areas. However, the Ranger may escort vehicles with unusually cumbersome supplies for the purpose of unloading only. Escort service may also be provided for the elderly or disabled visitors. Vehicles left in the picnic area or parked on restricted areas are subject to citation.

RESTROOMS: Located centrally in the park next to Brookside picnic area.

TELEPHONES: There are no telephones in the Garden. Public phones are located at the public library on Educational Park Drive and near the Kwikie Mart store on McKee Road/El Rancho Verde.

GENERAL RULES:

1. Drums and loud radios are prohibited.
2. **Alcoholic beverages are not allowed.**
3. Pets are not allowed.
4. **Barbecues are prohibited.**
5. Fishing or water activities are not allowed.
6. Bicycles, skateboards, or sporting activities are prohibited.
7. **Air jumpers and dunk tanks are not allowed.**
8. Party/Costume characters are not allowed to collect money on City property.
9. Smoking is not allowed in City of San José parks.
10. All San José Municipal Codes and State laws apply.

Picnic reservation permit holders must arrive at the reservation site on the date reserved prior to 10:00 a. m. and remain at the site with a copy of the approved picnic application. The site will be opened to the public for general use at 10:00 a.m. if the reservation holder is not present. An adult representative from the group must be present at all times.

Regional Park Reservations (408) 794-PARK [794-7275]

Park Ranger Office (408) 251-3323

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