



Southeastern Palm Society™

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The Southeastern Palm Society's 2010 Summer Meeting

The Southeastern Palm Society will meet at the Atlanta Botanical Garden and the private Buckhead garden of Alex Woolcott for its summer meeting on July 24, 2010.

The day begins at the ABG with a plant sale at 9:00 am. Those who have visited both the ABG and the Woolcott garden will recognize that this is an opportunity not to be missed! Each features palm collections that include remarkable cold-hardy survivors, and both are showpieces of the type of subtropical landscaping that can be achieved on commercial and residential scales.

At the ABG, the get-together includes a plant sale and guided tour of the hardy palm collection, plus free time to tour the gardens. The ABG is a world-class treasure house of outdoor and indoor plants, including an extensive collection of hardy palms and other subtropical and temperate plants that are at home in the middle South. Its 30 acres are easy to tour, and include the jungle, desert and orchid displays of the Fuqua Conservatory, which *Garden Design* named one of the top three in the United States. If you haven't visited the ABG since the SPS winter meeting in 2006, then many new features await you, including a 600-foot canopy walk that takes visitors through the forest at 40 feet above ground. For a full description of the garden's features, visit the ABG online at www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org.

In early afternoon, we'll proceed to nearby Buckhead for a BBQ lunch generously provided by SPS member Alex Woolcott. Besides the attraction of delicious food, Alex has planted a diverse garden which features hardy palms, hardy citrus, and other remarkable and colorful plants. It's an incredible example of what can be attempted and accomplished in the Piedmont, and in a relatively short time.

Free Admission to the Atlanta Botanical Garden

Admission to the ABG is free; the garden has generously waived the normal admission fee of \$15.00 for SPS members and guests. Please mention that you and your group are with SPS for the special free admission.

Agenda

- 8.00 am SPS board meeting.
- 9.00 am ABG opens. Plant sale in Mershon Hall (formerly known as Exhibit Hall) adjacent to the new visitor center. The plant sale is open to all garden visitors and will be advertised on ABG signage. Unload plants from the top of the parking deck.
- 9.45 am Welcome and brief SPS news announcements.
- 10.00 am Tour of the ABG palm collection, followed by time on our own in the garden.
- 1.00 pm BBQ lunch and private garden tour at the home and garden of Alex Woollcott at 486 Kingswood Lane NW, Atlanta GA 30305. The Woollcott garden is about 15 minutes north of the ABG.

Directions to ABG

The Atlanta Botanical Garden is adjacent to Piedmont Park on Piedmont Avenue at:

1345 Piedmont Ave. NE
Atlanta, GA 30309
Phone: 404.876.5859

From the south on I-75/85 N

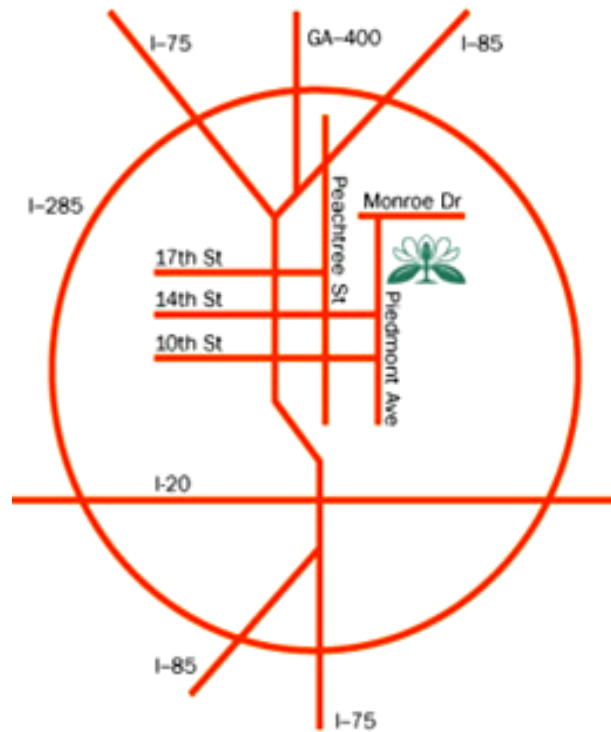
Exit at 10th Street (exit # 250) and turn right (east) on 10th Street. Go three blocks and turn left (north) on Piedmont Avenue. Continue on Piedmont past 14th Street and Piedmont Park. The Atlanta Botanical Garden is on the right across from The Prado.

From the north on I-85 S

Exit at #84 and follow the signs to 14th Street. Turn left on 14th Street, crossing over the interstate. Continue on 14th Street until it ends at Piedmont Avenue and turn left. The Atlanta Botanical Garden is on the right across from The Prado.

From the north on I-75 S

Exit at #250 and follow the signs to 14th Street east. Turn left on 14th Street, crossing over the interstate. Continue on 14th Street until it ends at Piedmont Avenue and turn left. The Atlanta Botanical Garden is on the right across from The Prado.



Parking

There is a nominal fee for parking.

Drop-off period (0-15 minutes)	No charge
16 - 30 minutes	\$ 0.75
Each additional 30 minutes	\$ 1.00
Maximum daily rate	\$15.00

Directions to the home and garden of Alex Wollcott

From: Atlanta Botanical Garden
1345 Piedmont Ave. NE
Atlanta, GA 30309
Phone: 404.876.5859

To: Alex Wollcott
486 Kingswood Ln NW
Atlanta, GA 30305
Phone: 404.352.1925

1. When leaving the ABG, turn left at Piedmont Ave NE
0.2 mi
2. Right at 14th St NE
0.3 mi
3. Take the 2nd right onto Peachtree St NE
1.6 mi
4. Turn left at Collier Rd NW
0.9 mi
5. Turn right at Northside Dr NW
1.5 mi
6. Turn right at Kingswood Ln NW
Destination will be on the right
0.2 mi