Garden bed 15: Species and Hybrids Garden bed. This Garden bed is located below the Elizabeth Cook Fountain Garden beds in Area C and can be best examined along the path to the west of the Wishing Well. It contains a number of camellia species, some hybrids and a few C. japonica cultivars. Key ornamental trees in this Garden bed include the Handkerchief Tree (Davidia involucrata) and the Dawn Redwood (Metasequoia glyptostroboides).



The Camellia Gardens has many native Australian bird visitors who love to snack on the morsels that that the Gardens provides particularly in winter. Pictured above is a male king parrot (*Alisterus scapularis*) perching on the Dawn Redwood at the top of the Species and Hybrids Garden bed. Flocks of rainbow lorikeets (*Trichoglossus haematodus*) can be seen helping themselves to the nectar of the flowers of many camellias, particularly the species.

AREA A
Family: Theaceae

Code Number	Camellia Name	Flower Photo (if available)	Description, Origin and Registration Number	Flowering Period
CGN0201	C. miyagii Section: Paracamellia		Small white single flower, five to six petals, broadly elliptic leaves. This species is very close to <i>C. sasanqua</i> morphologically, although leaves can be wider. 1931, Makino and Nemoto, restricted to Riu Kiu Islands, Japan	March to May
CGN0203	C. japonica x C. cuspidata 'Lamertsii'	Lower photo courtesy of Jim Powell, Camellias Australia.	Small single apple blossom like flower, very dark leaves with long tapering points. 1951, Dr W. E. Lammerts, California, US.	June to August

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CGN0212	C. japonica 'Akashigata' (trans. 'Akashi Bay') Also known as 'Lady Clare'		Deep pink large semi-double, 12- 14 cm across with up to 13 wide petals. Stamens in a small cylindrical cluster. 1859, Kasuya, Kamegorô,	May to July
CGN0218	C. japonica Hikarugenji'	Photo courtesy of Jim Powell, Camellias Australia.	Japan. Medium to large peony form double, dark rose, broadly margined white, with a few streaks of deep crimson reaching to petal edge and veining of deep crimson in the deeper coloured areas of petals.	June to August
			1859, Kusuya, Kamegorô, Japan.	
CGN0219	C. japonica 'Emperor of Russia Variegated'	Photo courtesy of Jim Powell, Camellias Australia.	Large peony form double blooms, marbled and blotched white, golden stamens among inner twisted petals. This is the variegated form of <i>C. japonica</i> 'Emperor of Russia' (a virus is source of this variegation). 1944, Thomasville Nursery Catalogue, US.	July to September

CGN0255	C. sasanqua		Single white	March to April
66110233	seedling	NB: The shape of this flower may be indicative of some cross pollination with nearby <i>C. oleifera</i> .	with light pink blush on the edge of petals. This seedling is one of a number such naturally sown specimens in the Gardens. This plant is growing in a narrow rock crevice on the upper ledge of	
			Garden bed 15.	
CGN0258 R	C. 'Kochô- wabisuke'		Small rose pink single occasionally spotted white, with infertile stamen cluster. Leaves midgreen and lanceolate.	June to August
			1841, Yashiro, Japan. Originating in the Kansai area.	
CGN0263	C. fraterna Section: Theopsis		Small white flowers, 5 to 6 petals up to 2.5 cm across, rarely a trace of pink on the outer petals, fragrant, elliptic leaves. 1862, Hance, grows under the canopy of Chinese forests, including those in Anhui, Fujian, Jiangsu, Jiangxi and Zhejiang Provinces.	May to August

CGN0264 R	C. 'Shiro-wabisuke' (trans.'white wabisuke')	Small white single, half opened and compared to a sake cup, petals incurved. Elliptic leaves.	June to August
		originated in Kantô area, Japan.	
CGN0266	C. sasanqua 'Yae-wabisuke' (trans. 'double wabisuke')	Very small semi-double china rose, with channelled petals, slightly wavy.	May to July
		Nakamura, Tsuneo, Seibundô Shinkôsda, cultivated for many years in the Reikan	
		Temple, Sakyô- ku, Kyôto-shi, Japan.	
CGN0268	C. rosaeflora Section: Theopsis NB. Also C. rosiflora in the literature but C. rosaeflora used for consistency with Collected Species of the Genus Camellia, An Illustrated Outline.	Small single pink flowers, from 6 to 9 petals, with elliptic leaves, acuminate at tips. Flowers abundant at tips of shoots and in leaf axils. An excellent garden shrub. Nectar attracts rainbow lorikeets in winter. 1852, Hooker, a native plant of Jiangsu, Zhejiang, Sichuan and Hubei Provinces, China.	June to August

CGN0270 R	C. granthamiana Section: Protocamellia	Large white flowers, between 9-10 petals, up to 14cm across,borne singly at the shoot. Bright yellow-orange stamens. Leaves are oblongelliptic to broadly elliptic up to 15 cm long, leaf veins are deeply impressed. 1956, Sealy. A single tree of this species was discovered in 1955 in the New Territory of Hong Kong, China. By 1984, more than 30 specimens had been located. Named after Sir Alexander Grantham, a Governor of Hong Kong.	May to July

CGN0271	C. saluenensis	Small single.	June to August
CGN0271	C. saluenensis Section: Camellia	Small single, this specimen is a rose-pink form of <i>C. saluenensis</i> obtained originally from the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne (there is also a white form). The species is more resistant to dry conditions. When crossed with C, japonica, it produces the popular <i>C. x williamsii</i> hybrids. 1933, Stapf ex Bean, this species is a native of central and western Yunnan Province and southern Sichuan	June to August
CGN0272 R	C. assimilis Section: Eriandria	Province, China. Small white single flowers, up to 3cm in diameter borne at the tips of shoots and in leaf axils. Between 7-8 petals, broadly obovate, rounded tips fused at the base of the staminal column. Elliptic to oblong elliptic leaves. 1851, Champion ex Bentham in Hooker, native of Guandong, Guangxi and Hong Kong, China.	July to August

CGN0274	C. hybrid (uraku) 'Tarokâja'	Traditional costume of Tarokâja	Small to medium purple pink single, between 7-8 cm across. Narrowly elliptic to broadly lanceolate leaves. Bark on trees greyish to greyish white. 1739, Itô, Jukyû, Japan and named after a famous comic character in a Kyôgen drama.	June to early September
CGN0276	C. lutchuensis Section: Theopsis		Small white flowers with 5-6 petals, borne in multiples at tips of shoots. Occasional red markings on outer petals, This camellia species is much loved due to its sweet fragrance. Does not tolerate frost, although its hybrids are more resistant. C. lutchuensis Ito (1900) is a native of the Riu Kiu Islands, Okinawa prefecture, Japan.	June to August

CGN0277	C. japonica var japonica Section: Camellia C. kissi var. kissi Section: Paracamellia	Small single red flower with 5-8 petals with elliptic to elliptic long leaves. This is the native bush camellia of China and Japan, cultivated also as a source of edible oil in Japan. 1753, Linneaus, subspecies 1958, Sealy. Widespread across Asia including Japan and Japanese islands, eastern China and southern Korea. Small single cream white flower (some with greenish cast) up to 4cm in diameter with 5-8 petals. Some fragrance. Elliptic to broadly elliptic leaves. Shrub or small tree. 1820, Wallich. Widely distributed through Asia including Hainan	June to August May to July
		1820, Wallich. Widely distributed through Asia including Hainan, Guangdong, Guangxi and Yunnan Provinces in China, and in Burma, Bhutan, India, Cambocia,	
		Laos, Nepal, Sikkim, Thailand and Vietnam.	

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CGN0281 R	C. japonica 'Sakuraba- tsubaki' (trans. 'Cherry Leaf Camellia')		Single, white with pink and red specks, 7 - 9 crinkled petals, small central stamen cluster. Serrate leaves like cherry leaves. The flowers on this specimen are uniformly small, although in native Japan they can be large. 1956, Satomi, Japan, possibly dating back to 1829 when known as 'Shôkei-sakuraba'.	July to August
CGN0287	C. pitardii Section: Camellia	NB: It is likely that this specimen is a rose pink form of <i>C. pitardii</i> var. yunnanica	Small single pink flowers up to 7 cm in diameter with 5-8 petals. There is wider colour variation in this species which is now being used in breeding. Leaves various elliptic. 1916 Coh. St. widespread in Sichuan, Chongqing, Human, Guangxi, Yunnan and Guizhao Provinces, China.	May to August

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CGN0289 R	C. hongkongensis Section: Camellia		Small single rose red flowers with purple tint, up to 6.5 cm in diameter, 6-7 petals. Leaves are oblong- elliptic and young shoots are noted for their purple bronze colour. 1859 Seem, native to Hong Kong and Guangdong Provinces, China.	Late May to July
CGB0290	C. oleifera Section: Oleifera	Oleifera oil bottle	Small white lightly fragrant flowers from 5.5 to 7 cm in diameter. Elliptic to broadly elliptic leaves. Cold tolerant. There are millions of hectares of <i>C. oleifera</i> cultivated in China alone for seed oil production. 1818 Abel, native to Shanxi Province China and also found in Vietnam.	June to July

CGN0292 R	C. 'Shôwa-		Small single	May to July
	wabisuke'		flower, white	
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	the Shôwa		petals, narrowly	
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			1938, Botan-en	
			Nursery	
			Catalogue,	
			originated in	
			Takarazuka	
			City, Hyôgo	
			Prefecture,	
			Japan.	