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As a resident of Traralgon, I have been aware of the problem of the ongoing dangers of the open cut mine expansion for a long time.

I am keen to see a proper rehabilitation effort that renders the mine safe and allows for the use of the land for productive purposes into the future.

My suggestion for the rehabilitation of the Hazelwood Mine is to adopt a plan similar to the Butchart Gardens on Vancouver Island Canada.

This is now a beautiful landscape of sunken gardens of different themes, Roses, Japanese, Mediterranean with fountains, ponds and waterscapes.

It also includes concert stages and lawns and a Giant Greenhouse.

It provides wondrous examples of tourist focussed activities such as tours, restaurants, cafes, seed and gift stores and so on.

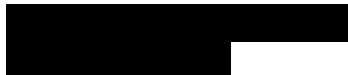
It could be adapted to our situation on a grand scale and build on the history of the coal extraction business, but blending with the future transition to sustainable businesses and green energy production.

It could be a beacon example of a transition in progress.

Some website links are below.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Butchart_Gardens
[The Butchart Gardens - Brentwood Bay, British Columbia ...](#)
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Thanks you for accepting my suggestion
Jane Caffrey



Butchart Gardens

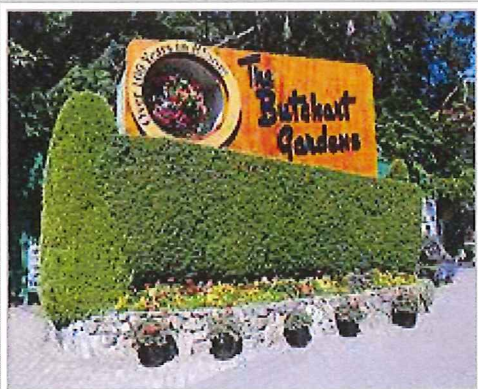
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The **Butchart Gardens** is a group of floral display gardens in Brentwood Bay, British Columbia, Canada, located near Victoria on Vancouver Island. The gardens receive close to a million visitors each year. The gardens have been designated a National Historic Site of Canada due to their international renown.^[1]

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History



Entrance to the Butchart Gardens

Robert Pim Butchart (1856–1943) began

manufacturing Portland cement in 1888 near his birthplace of Owen Sound, Ontario, Canada. He and his wife **Jennie Butchart** (1866–1950) came to the west coast of Canada because of rich limestone deposits necessary for cement production.

In 1904, they established their home near his quarry on Tod Inlet at the base of the Saanich Peninsula on Vancouver Island.^[2]

Butchart Gardens



Sunken Garden



Type	Botanical
Location	Brentwood Bay near Victoria, British Columbia
Coordinates	48°33′55″N 123°28′10″W﻿ / ﻿48.565278°N 123.469444°W﻿ / 48.565278; -123.469444
Website	Butchart Gardens (http://www.butchartgardens.com/)

National Historic Site of Canada

Official name	Butchart Gardens National Historic Site of Canada
Designated	2004

In 1907, 65 year old garden designer Isaburo Kishida of Yokohama came to Victoria, at the request of his son, to build a tea garden for Esquimalt Gorge Park. This garden was wildly popular and a place to be seen. Several prominent citizens, Jennie Butchart among them, commissioned Japanese gardens from Kishida for their estates. He returned to Japan in 1912.

In 1909, when the limestone quarry was exhausted, Jennie set about turning it into the Sunken Garden, which was completed in 1921. They named their home "Benvenuto" ("welcome" in Italian), and began to receive visitors to their gardens. In 1926, they replaced their tennis courts with an Italian garden and in 1929 they replaced their kitchen vegetable garden with a large rose garden to the design of Butler Sturtevant of Seattle. Samuel Maclure, who was consultant to the Butchart Gardens, reflected the aesthetic of the English Arts and Crafts Movement.



The Ross Fountain

In 1939, the Butcharts gave the Gardens to their grandson Ian Ross (1918–1997) on his 21st birthday. Ross was involved in the operation and promotion of the gardens until his death 58 years later.

In 1953, miles of underground wiring was laid to provide night illumination, to mark the 50th anniversary of The Gardens. In 1964, the ever-changing Ross Fountain was installed in the lower reservoir to celebrate the 60th anniversary. In 1994, the Canadian Heraldic Authority granted a coat of arms to the Butchart Gardens. In 2004, two 30-foot (9.1 m) totem poles were installed to mark the 100th anniversary, and The Gardens were designated as a national historic site.

Ownership of The Gardens remains within the Butchart family; the owner and managing director since 2001 is the Butcharts' great-granddaughter Robin-Lee Clarke. ^[3]

In 1982 the Butchart Gardens was used as the inspiration for the gardens at the Canadian pavilion opened at Epcot Centre in Orlando Florida.

In December, 2009 the Children's Pavilion and the Rose Carousel were opened. The menagerie includes thirty animals ranging from bears, to horses, to ostriches, to zebras and mirrors the world from which The Gardens draws its visitors. The designs were hand picked by the owner, in consultation with an artist from North Carolina. The carvings were done by some of the few remaining carvers of carousel art. Each animal is carved from basswood and took many months to complete. There are also two chariots able to accommodate disabled persons.

Collections

Birds

While Mrs. Butchart collected plants, Mr. Butchart collected ornamental birds from all over the world, having a parrot in the house, ducks in the Star Pond and peacocks on the front lawn. He built several elaborate birdhouses for the gardens and trained pigeons on the site of the present-day Begonia Bower.

Statuary

Several bronze statues are displayed in the gardens.



Sturgeon fountain

One, of a wild boar, purchased on a Mediterranean trip in 1973, was cast in Florence, a replica of a 1620 bronze cast by Pietro Tacca. It is called "Tacca" in honor of the sculptor and, just as the original's, its snout is shiny from the many visitors rubbing it for luck.

Another, nearby in front of the residence, of a donkey and foal is by Sirio Tofanari. A fountain statue of three sturgeon, also by Tofanari, is installed near the Japanese garden.

In 1993, "Circle of Doves", which Ann-Lee Ross gave her husband Ian in 1991 to commemorate their 50th wedding anniversary, was installed in front of the begonia bower.

In the summer of 2008, The Gardens introduced the Jennie B, an electrically driven 12-passenger boat, which plies the local coastlines in the summer giving visitors an appreciation of the waterside history plus coastal aquatic plants and animals.

On December 1, 2009, the Children's Pavilion and Rose Carousel were opened to the public. The Rose Carousel, crafted by Brass Ring Entertainment of Sun Valley, California is the only carousel on Vancouver Island. The menagerie includes thirty animals ranging from bears, to horses, to ostriches, to zebras, to cats and mirrors the world from which The Gardens draws its visitors. The designs were hand picked by Robin Clarke, The Gardens' owner and great grand daughter of Jennie Butchart, in consultation with an artist from North Carolina. The carvings were done by some of the few remaining carvers of carousel art. Each animal is carved from basswood and took many months to complete. There are also two chariots able to accommodate disabled persons.

The Rose Carousel is housed within the 700 sq m (7,534 sq ft) Children's Pavilion, which has a dome with a 23 m (75 ft) clear span, a full-fronted glass façade and a roof planted with native plant species. The pavilion also has an event room for such things as children's birthday parties.

Entertainment

In the early days, weekly symphony concerts were hosted by Mr and Mrs. Butchart. These were often held for guests of the family, but later attracted a larger audience. More recently, in the Summer Season (July and August) and during the Winter Holiday Season they provide a wide range of local entertainment, from Jazz to classical music. Also, The Weeds, a band made up of staff members from The Gardens, sometimes plays during the Summer Season. In 1977, Ian Ross's son Christopher (1944–2000) introduced firework shows accompanied by show tunes on summer Saturday evenings. During the Winter, lights and seasonal decorations adorn the gardens along with an ice-skating rink in the Waterwheel Square.

Gallery



The former residence beyond the Italian Garden.



Japanese Garden



Ross Fountain



Star Pond



Italian Garden

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External links

- The Butchart Gardens (<http://www.butchartgardens.com/>) – official website
- Butchart Gardens photo gallery (<http://www.photoree.com/collections/gallery/1463146/1>)
- Flower Photos of Butchart Gardens (<http://www.brainfuel.tv/flowers-i-saw-at-butchart-gardens-vancouver-island/>)
- Butchart Gardens - a Gardens Guide review (http://www.gardensite.com/garden/butchart_gardens)
- Butchart Gardens - Victoria BC attraction (http://www.gazebo-victoria.com/butchart_gardens.html)

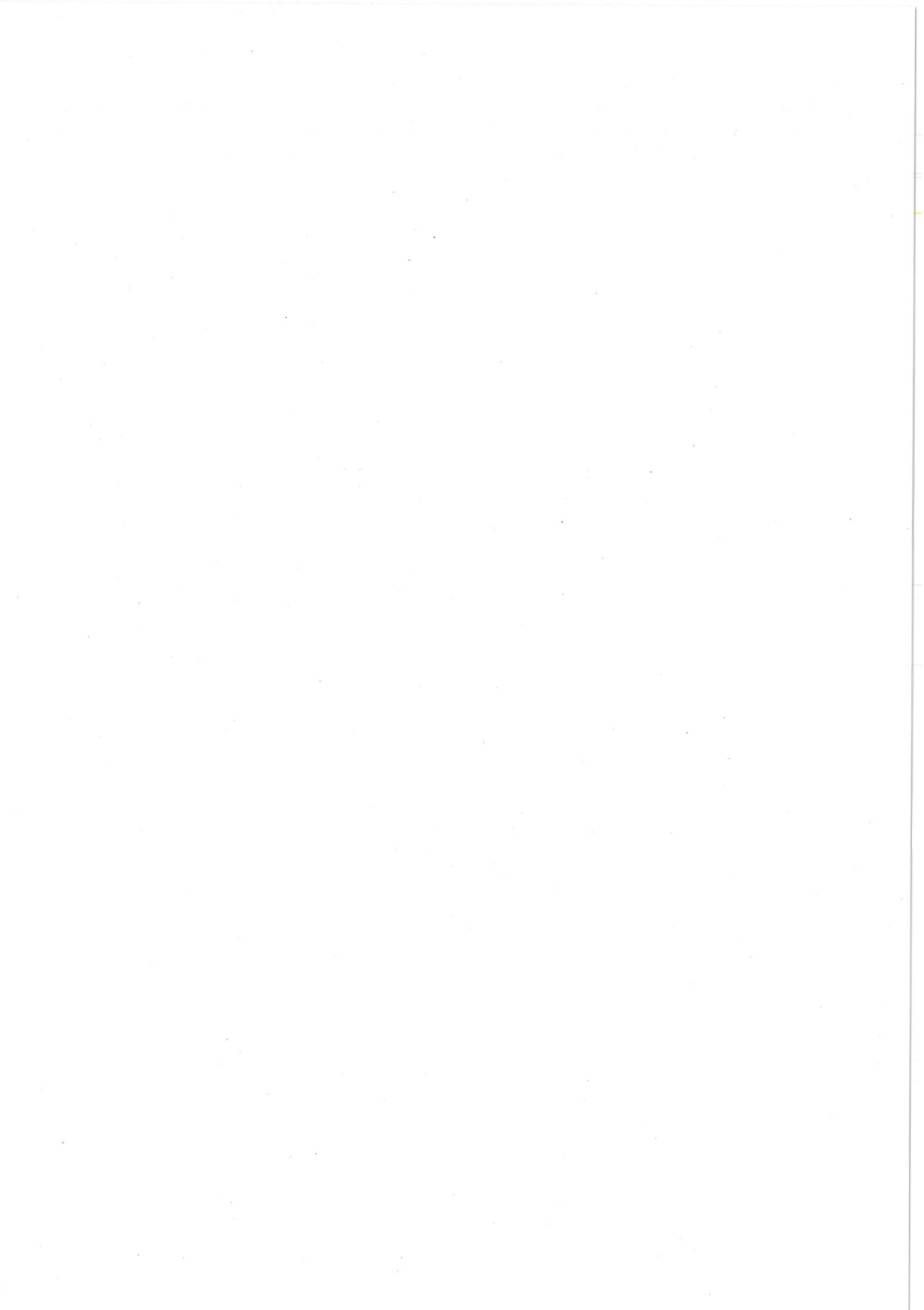


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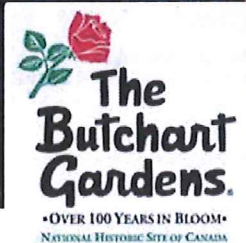
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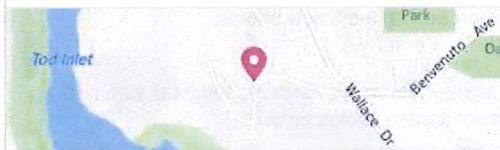


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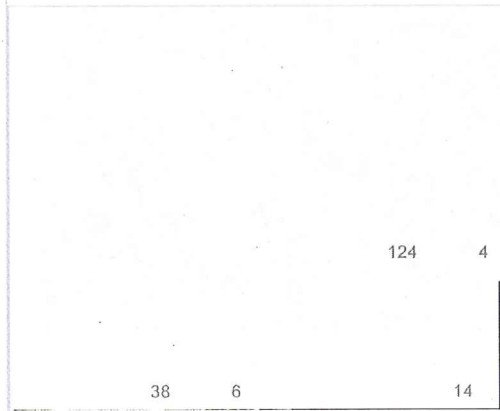
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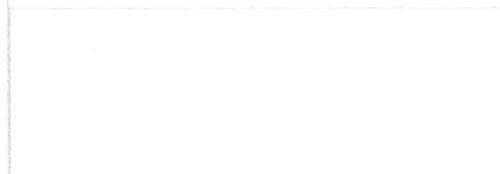
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The Butchart Gardens
8 hrs ·

Find out what's in the Butchart Summer Festival lineup for the week starting Thursday!

THIS WEEK

FRIDAY AUGUST 14
Kristina & Quinn Bachand
Taking the Celtic Music world by storm 7:30pm

THURSDAY AUGUST 13
The soul of Cuba, Grammy & Juno award winner 7:30pm
Alex Cuba

SATURDAY AUGUST 15
Uncle Wiggly's Hot Shoes Blues Band
Burnin' up the Blues! 6:15pm

SUNDAY AUGUST 16
West My Friend
Indie-Roots to Chamber Folk with four part harmony 7:30pm

MONDAY AUGUST 17
John Gogo and Blue Sky Miners
Superb songwriting, both Folk & Folk/Rock styles 7:30pm

TUESDAY AUGUST 18
The Commodores
Classic Big Band with dancing on stage 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 19
Unique arrangements, fascinating rhythms. Big time fun! 7:30pm
Nick La Riviere

This Saturday Night Fireworks! 9:15pm

Entertainment Calendar: butchartgardens.com/entertain or Tel 250.652.5256

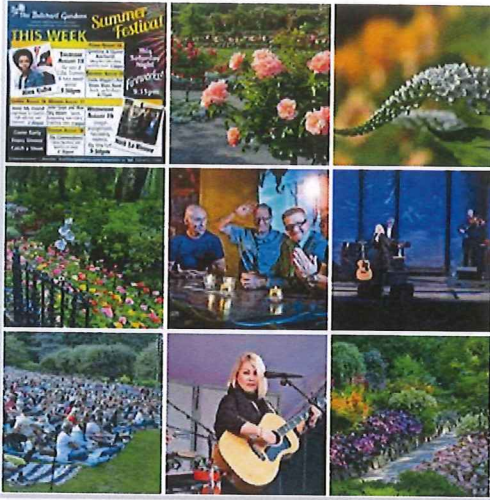
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Flower and Garden Report August 6, 2015

The Butchart Gardens is one of the world's premier show gardens, and a designated National Historic Site of Canada. It was founded by the Butcharts in the early 1900s.

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Jeremy Casellini The Harp Twins need to do a video there.
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