



Come join us on a tour of the Arboretum at UNLV. The 1.2 mile tour begins in the Xeriscape Garden - over 2 acres of drought tolerant plants from around the globe.

From there wander over to the main mall and enjoy the grassy, tree-lined heart of campus. Artwork from renowned artists, a variety of building architecture, and of course plants and trees make this walk entertaining as well as good exercise.



Dedicated gardens along the mall, such as the Pascal Memorial Rose Garden and the AIDS Memorial Garden, add sentiment and beauty to the areas they touch.



Some of the biggest trees in the state are right here on the UNLV campus. These 'Champion Trees' are located throughout the campus, several of which are indicated on this tour map.



Getting Here: The UNLV campus is located in the heart of the city, just east the Las Vegas Strip. From the strip take Harmon east onto the UNLV campus. Harmon ends in our parking lot. During classes, parking is in high demand, look for metered public parking throughout the campus.



Self-Guided Tour



THE ARBORETUM
at UNLV

Welcome to the Arboretum at UNLV

An arboretum is a place that is set aside for the display and study of primarily woody plant material. The Arboretum at UNLV displays mature trees and shrubs considered appropriate for high desert conditions. At last count we had over 3000 trees representing more than 120 different species.



The University of Nevada - Las Vegas (UNLV) unofficially began in 1951 with 28 students. UNLV now boasts more than 27,000 students enrolled in over 200 undergraduate and graduate programs.



In May 1985, the Nevada state legislature established two arboreta: the Arboretum at UNLV and our sister arboretum at the University of Nevada in Reno.

The Arboretum at UNLV includes the entire 335 acre campus. Of this acreage, 80 acres are landscaped with trees, shrubs and turf, including the two-acre Xeric Garden.



Our Mission Statement

The Arboretum at UNLV serves the campus, the community, and the region through displays of flora adaptable to southern Nevada, the Mojave Desert, and other arid regions.

The plant collection supports teaching and research, enhances campus beauty, and fosters awareness of plants in the human environment.

The Tour -

This walking tour is 1.2 miles in length and begins at the Xeriscape Garden. Look for plant markers in the garden to identify representatives of each plant. This was one of the first public gardens in Las Vegas to utilize low water use plants on a large scale.

From the south side of the Xeriscape Garden follow the map on the inside of this brochure to see the plants, art and heritage spaces that make up the green heart of campus.

