Themed Gardens

BILL BOWMAN GARDEN

Named after a former Hershey Gardens director, this garden reflects Bill Bowman’s dedication to children and nature. Featuring “Knock Out” roses and a variety of colorful plantings, the garden also includes a statue that Bowman loved, “Girl Chasing Butterflies.”

THE CHILDREN’S GARDEN

This educational garden was designed to engage children as they learn about the wonders of nature. Entering through a caterpillar-shaped living “tunnel,” families can visit 25 themed gardens that offer interactive, hands-on fun within this 1½-acre area.

HERB GARDEN

Featuring medicinal, aromatic, household, culinary and dye-making plants, this garden offers visitors a place to see, smell and feel plants that impact daily living.

HIGH POINT GARDEN

Inspired by the historic garden at Milton S. Hershey’s home, High Point, this garden proudly features old garden roses, a tribute to his wife, Catherine (“Kitty”).

HISTORIC HERSHEY ROSE GARDEN

More than 3,500 roses are featured in this historic 3½-acre garden. Representing 175 varieties, the roses showcase a mix of heights, colors and flower forms such as hybrid tea, floribunda, shrub and miniature roses.

JAPANESE GARDEN

This garden showcases giant sequoia, dawn redwood and Japanese maple trees. A gentle stream runs through it, leading to a tranquil reflecting pond.
M.S. HERSHEY TRIBUTE GARDEN
Created in 2012 to commemorate Hershey Gardens’ 75th anniversary, this area honors Mr. Hershey’s love of horticulture and beauty. This garden showcases the newly revitalized M.S. Hershey Rose, a special seating area, and colorful plants and shrubs.

ORNAMENTAL GRASS GARDEN
From six-inch fescue grasses to 20-foot giant reed grasses, this garden allows guests to see the colors and feel the textures of these decorative and hardy plants.

PERENNIAL GARDEN
The highlights of the seasons are on display in this garden. Daffodils and rhododendrons can be seen in spring, while coneflowers and black-eyed Susans are showcased in the summer. Each fall, guests can walk among beautiful, bold-colored chrysanthemums.

ROCK GARDEN
A collection of mature boxwoods, dogwoods, dwarf conifers and hollies – in addition to spring bulbs and perennials – is set among large rocks in this colorful display garden.

SEASONAL DISPLAY GARDENS
Each spring, this garden welcomes 20,000 colorful tulips in 100 varieties. Colorful annuals are featured in the summer, and chrysanthemums are a fall favorite here.

Additional Areas

ARBORETUM
Visitors can stroll down this shaded walk to see trees that are not typically grown in the region, including bald cypress, columnar beech and Japanese cryptomeria.

OAK GROVE
The mighty oak trees in this area provide a shady break for visitors.