

# **FAST FACTS**

"Subtropical and exotic plant collection like no other in the UK"



2-3 hours



Mid Priced



Picnic Space



Snack Bar
On site tearoom



Parking On Site
Pay & Display



No Resources

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## **Subtropical and Exotic**

Nestling in the microclimate of the undercliff, this garden has a subtropical and exotic plant collection like no other in the UK with more than 6,000 species including some extremely rare varieties.

Britain's hottest garden, Ventnor Botanic is becoming increasingly relevant in the face of the "climate emergency" - how we garden, how we practice plant conservation, and how we operate are becoming as important as the plants themselves.

#### The Ventnor Method

As a modern botanic garden, Ventnor aims to show a style of gardening that is both aesthetically pleasing and relevant. Cues have been taken from the natural world where gardeners are almost entirely absent and the genes of the plants determine survival in the environment they evolve within.

At Ventnor, plants are presented in association with each other as they might be in the wild.

In nature, plants exist in self-maintaining communities that often have highly appreciable aesthetic merit whilst making a wonderful habitat for small birds and mammals, providing both shelter and food. Ventnor has stimulated this in cultivation, and have allowed plant communities to develop and self-regulate naturally.

### Look out for the Lizards!

Ventnor has a thriving wall lizard population (Podarcis Muralis). Scurrying through leaves, they can often be heard before they are seen. On warmer days you'll find them basking in the sunshine!



