





Wonder in the Garden

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden hosts two events against its lush backdrop of 83 acres.

For its 14th year, Fairchild's annual chocolate event debuts a new name: **Chocolate Garden**. The event gives visitors samples galore of chocolate as well as information about its origins with presentations on the life cycle of the cacao plant. Visitors also enjoy local vendors, artisan chocolatiers, cooking lectures and a beer garden. (Jan. 25-26, 9:30 a.m. 4:30 p.m.)

At **Splendor in the Garden**, more than 300 visitors from around South Florida enjoy a Champagne reception, catered lunch and fashion shows. In addition, an award ceremony recognizes leaders of the South Florida community, including Jennifer Montoya, Eilah Campbell Beavers, Karyn Cunningham, Lucy Marillo and Maria Del Carmen Sarria. Proceeds from the event, presented by Neiman Marcus of Coral Gables and other organizations, benefit Fairchild Gardens' programs for the ninth year in a row. Tickets start at \$300. (Jan. 23, 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)

Fairchild is located at 10901 Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables. Visit fairchildgarden.org.

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