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10Best readers cite best zoos, aquariums and botanical gardens of 2023

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As the weather warms, it's a great time to get out and explore with our friends and families. [10Best](#) readers were asked to vote for the best zoos, aquariums, safari parks, dude ranches and botanical gardens across the country, and the results are in.

Best Botanical Garden: Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden in Coral Gables, Florida



Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden wins Best Botanical Garden for third year in a row *Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden*

The warm climate of Coral Gables allows tropical plants to be grown outdoors year-round at the Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden – one of the only places in the continental United States where this is possible. Exotic butterflies fly freely within the Wings of the Tropics exhibit, while the Tropical Plant Conservatory and Rare Plant House displays 450 species of rare and endangered tropical plants from around the globe. Other themed gardens include a Tropical Fruit Pavilion, Palm Glade, Tropical Flower Garden, Succulent Garden and even a display of the dry forest plants of Madagascar.