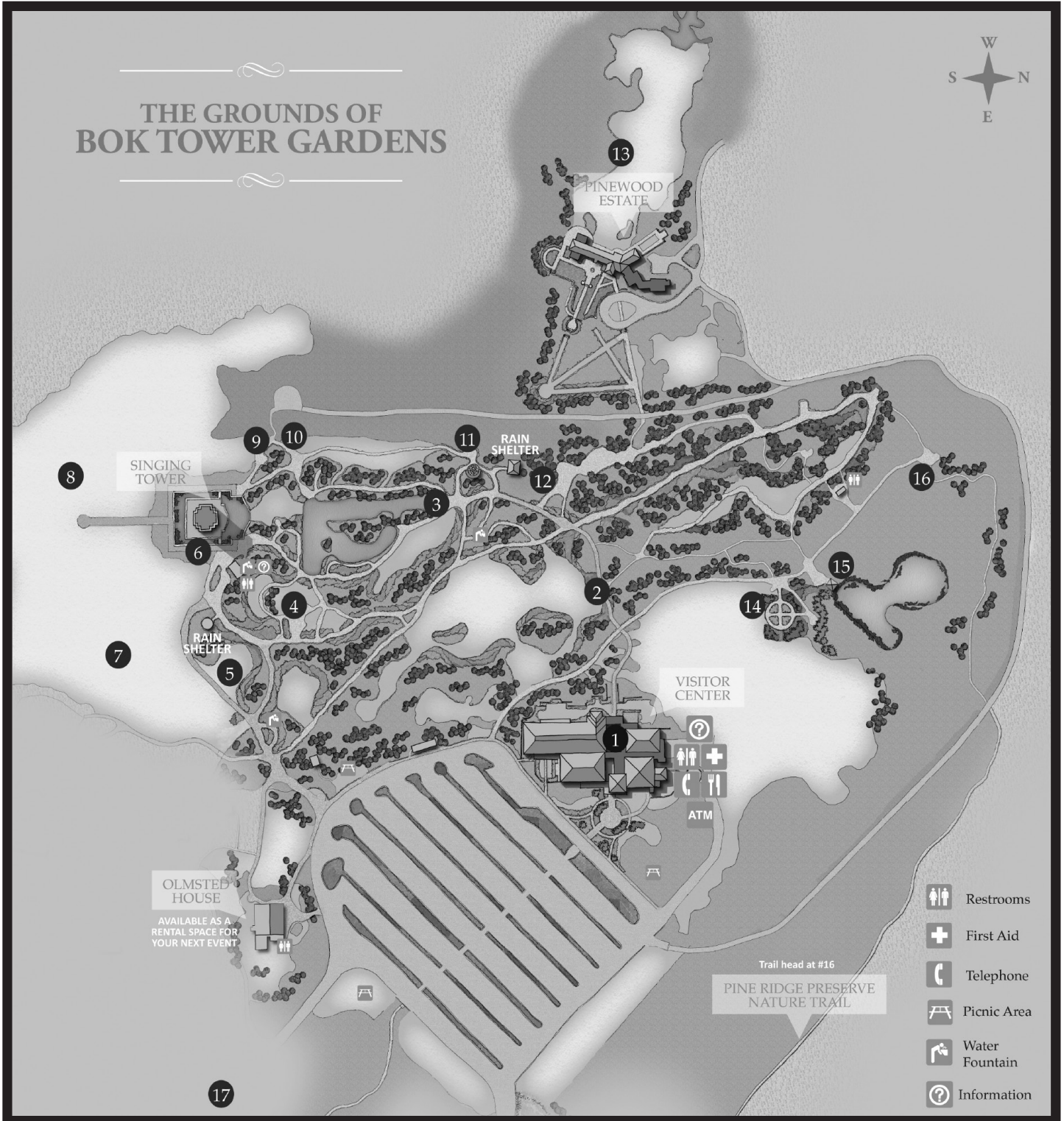


Bok Tower Gardens Visitor Guide & Map

Established in 1929, by Edward W. Bok as a gift to the American people, the 50-acre garden was designed by noted landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted Jr. to be a contemplative and informal woodland setting.



1. RIVER OF STONE

Our unique Tillandsia display.

2. DEDICATION PLAQUE

3. REFLECTION POOL

View a mirror reflection of the Singing Tower.

4. WHITE GARDEN

5. HORSESHOE GARDEN

6. SINGING TOWER

Made of pink marble and coquina, the 205-foot tall Singing Tower houses the 60-bell carillon. Sustainer level members and above are eligible to tour the Founder's Room on the grand first floor offered throughout the year.

7. GREAT LAWN

This natural amphitheater is the venue for large outdoor concerts.

8. LIVE OAK GROVE

These stately oaks were planted when the Gardens began. Distant vistas overlook rolling hills of citrus trees.

9. PEACE LANTERN

This Japanese stone lantern was a gift to the Gardens as a tribute to Edward Bok to reflect his interest in world peace, symbolized by the dove carvings.

10. CONCERT VIEWING AREA

View the carillonneur's performance at 1 & 3 p.m. daily. (See Carillon Program for availability.)

11. EXEDRA & SUNSET OVERLOOK

The marble Exedra was a gift to Edward Bok from friends. This sunset view inspired Mr. Bok's dream of the Gardens during his visits to Iron Mountain. At the elevation of 298 feet, this is one of the highest points in peninsular Florida.

12. ST. FRANCIS GARDEN

13. PINWOOD ESTATE

Step back in time to a luxurious 1930s lifestyle as you tour this 20-room Mediterranean-style mansion.

14. ENDANGERED PLANT GARDEN

A display of rare Florida native plants, this garden showcases the Gardens' work as a Center for Plant Conservation.

15. WINDOW BY THE POND

Wildlife can be viewed and studied in this natural habitat.

16. PINE RIDGE PRESERVE NATURE TRAIL

Start a ¾ mile walk through the native longleaf pine-turkey oak habitat.

17. THE KNOLL

Distant vistas seen here include a restored longleaf pine forest.

VISITOR CENTER & MUSEUM

Open 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily

Begin your visit here with a nine-minute orientation video, visit the historical museum and see changing art exhibits.

Amenities: Information, restrooms, water fountains, ATM, lost & found, first aid, shuttle, Café, Gift Shop

Pinewood Estate

Mon- Sat: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. / Sun.: noon - 3 p.m.

Experience the one-of-a-kind 1930s Mediterranean-style home on a self-guided tour. Tickets available at the Information Desk. Separate fee for entry.

Pinewood Estate will be closed: Feb. 14, Apr. 25 - 27, Oct. 24 - Nov 28.

Blue Palmetto Café and Tower & Garden Gift Shop

Open 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily

Enjoy delicious meals and refreshments inside or on the café terrace overlooking the Gardens. Take home a bit of the Gardens – visit the Gift Shop to discover unique gifts, books, plants and more.

Amenities: Mobility cart rentals, wheelchairs, strollers, pet pen

Carillon Concerts

1 & 3 p.m. daily

Listen to 30-minute carillon concerts featuring world-class carillonneurs as they play the 60-bell Singing Tower carillon. Enjoy the music from anywhere around the Tower.

Olmsted Gardens

Open 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. daily

Explore acres of natural beauty in our historic landscape gardens with shady resting places, nature trail and sweeping lawns. It is about a 10 minute walk to the Singing Tower from the Visitor Center, with an 8% incline.

VISITOR GUIDELINES

- Please enjoy the wildlife from a distance.
- View and enjoy the Gardens, but please refrain from picking or eating anything.
- Please do not feed the squirrels.
- Smoking is permitted in the parking lot only.
- Picnicking is allowed in designated areas located around the parking area. The use of the fixed grills is permitted.
- Only guide-dogs are allowed in the Gardens. A pet pen is available at the Tower & Garden Gift Shop.
- Shoes and shirts are required.
- Personal photography is allowed in all areas of the Gardens. Commercial photography must receive authorization prior to your visit. Your photo might be taken during your visit. Your attendance serves as permission for the use of your images by the Gardens and its constituents.
- Games and sports are not permitted on property.
- Bicycles and personal golf carts are permitted in the parking area only.