



UC Santa Cruz Arboretum & Botanic Garden



Tribute Benches at the UC Santa Cruz Arboretum & Botanic Garden enhance the experience of visiting the gardens for thousands of people each year. With a commitment to the conservation of the world's botanical diversity, a renowned plant collection, and a scenic location overlooking Monterey Bay, the Arboretum is a treasured oasis for rejuvenation and serenity. At any time of the year, the Arboretum's beauty is a fitting setting for honoring loved ones and/or life's milestones. With each bench placed within the Arboretum, we hope to encourage contemplation and reflection on one's place in this world and our impact on it.

Bench Plaque Specifications and Duration and Obligation Information

Bench Plaque Specifications:

The Bench Plaque will be prepared by the Arboretum, and, if necessary, it will be replaced if it becomes damaged. Normally, it will be no larger than 2.5 inches high and 6 inches long, made of attractive and durable anodized metal with engraved white font, the same material we use for all of our outdoor plant labels. The donor will provide the wording. The Arboretum, however, will have final approval of the wording.

Tribute Cost, Duration and Obligation:

Tribute benches start at \$10,000 and are fully tax deductible. The UC Santa Cruz Arboretum will install and maintain the Tribute Bench and Plaque for a period of no less than 20 years for all benches purchased after July 1, 2022 – 10 years for benches purchased prior to July 1, 2022, at which time the condition of the bench will be evaluated with a view to restore or replace the Tribute Bench at the discretion of the Arboretum. At the 20-year anniversary of this gift, the donors will be given the option of renewing their commitment to the Tribute Bench. If the donors waive this opportunity, the Tribute Bench may become open to other donors. During the 20-year duration of this gift the Arboretum will maintain the bench in the best condition possible, notwithstanding Acts of Nature.

Arboretum Tribute Bench Order and Processing Form

Donor/Contact Information:

Donor/Contact Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

phone _____ email _____

Tribute Bench Details:

Bench location will be determined by a short garden walk with an Arboretum staff member to see possible bench sites in the gardens. Donor's wishes will be carefully considered and final placement must be approved by the Arboretum.



The Plaque:

Generally, the plaque wording should be limited to identifying the person being honored, celebrated, remembered, such as

“In Memory of _____”, and may also identify the donor and/or family or friend, such as “ Presented by the _____ Family “, and/or a short phase or quote, such as “He was an avid gardener”. The final wording must be accepted and approved by the Arboretum.

Garden Location _____ Bed # _____

Desired Wording on Plaque

Gift and Payment Information:

Total Amount of Gift _____ (Tribute benches start at \$10,000)

Gift Type:

___ Check (Made out to the "UC Santa Cruz Foundation")

___ Credit card

___ Pledge

Paying with Credit card

Name on Credit card _____
Card Number _____ Exp. date _____
Billing Address (if different than above) _____
Signature: _____

Paying with a Pledge

A pledge must be paid off within two years unless other arrangements are made with the approval of Arboretum Administration. Pledge payments can be made by cash, check or charge. Please complete the following, sign and date then contact the Arboretum to make pledge payment arrangements.

I, _____, undertake to donate a Tribute Bench placed at the UC Santa Cruz Arboretum by means of multiple pledge payments. This pledge will consist of _____ payments over _____ year(s) (3 year maximum) for a total gift of _____. This pledge commences on _____ with an initial payment of _____. Subsequent pledge payments will be made Monthly on the _____ day of the month. (Sample payment plan: \$1,000 initial payment followed by \$250/month for 36 months).

Donor's Signature

Date

Once completed, please return to the UC Santa Cruz Arboretum, 1156 High Street, Santa Cruz, California 95064. If you have any questions please contact the Arboretum at (831) 502-2998. Thank you.

Approval by:

UC Santa Cruz Arboretum Administrator

Date