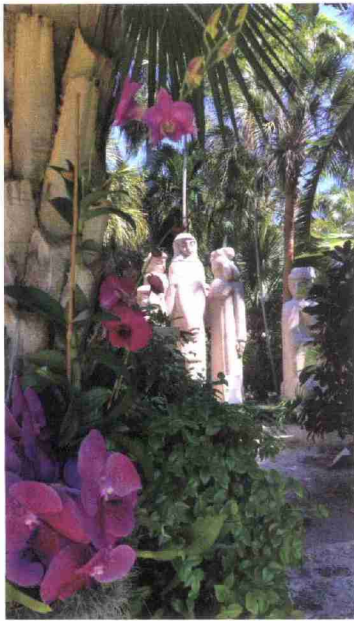


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# WHISPERS in the gardens

NATURE HOLDS THE SECRETS OF ANN NORTON'S  
GARDENS AND MONUMENTAL SCUPLTURES

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*On a clear day amid the tropical breezes, one can almost hear the soft whispers of the silent, mysterious sculptures that stand tall within the dense, jungle-like vegetation of the Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens. Designed by world-renowned botanist Sir Peter Smithers, the Gardens hide nine monumental sculptures, eight in brick and one in granite. Intended as surprises, embrace the discovery of Norton's monoliths ... listen closely and imagine the secrets of art as one with nature. [ansg.org](http://ansg.org)*

ABOVE: The Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens comprise the former residence of sculptor Ann Weaver Norton (1905-1982) and the two-acre property on the Intracoastal Waterway in West Palm Beach that presents an assemblage of over 250 rare palm species. Designed by renowned architect Maurice Fatio in 1925, the home features coquina pathways, pecky cypress ceilings and beautiful gardens.



ABOVE AND RIGHT: The Gardens' rare palm species, cycads and unusual tropicals is recognized as one of the largest public collections in Florida. The home in the El Cid neighborhood was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1990.

