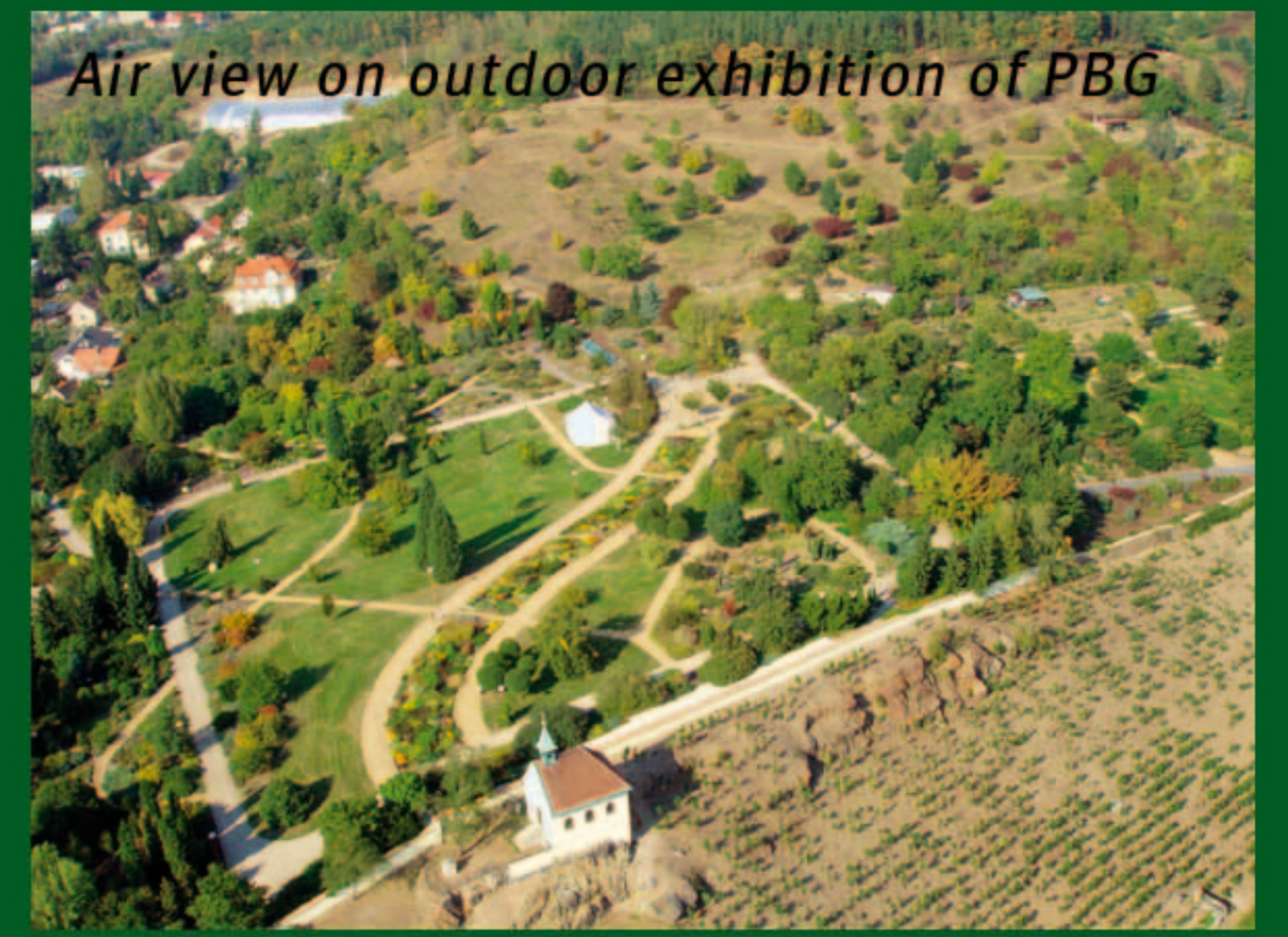


Prague Botanical Garden (PBG)

History and current development

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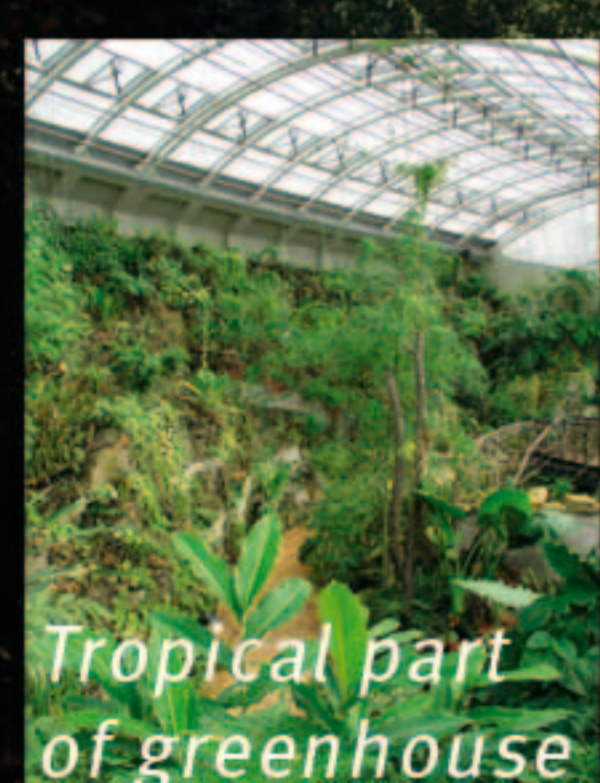
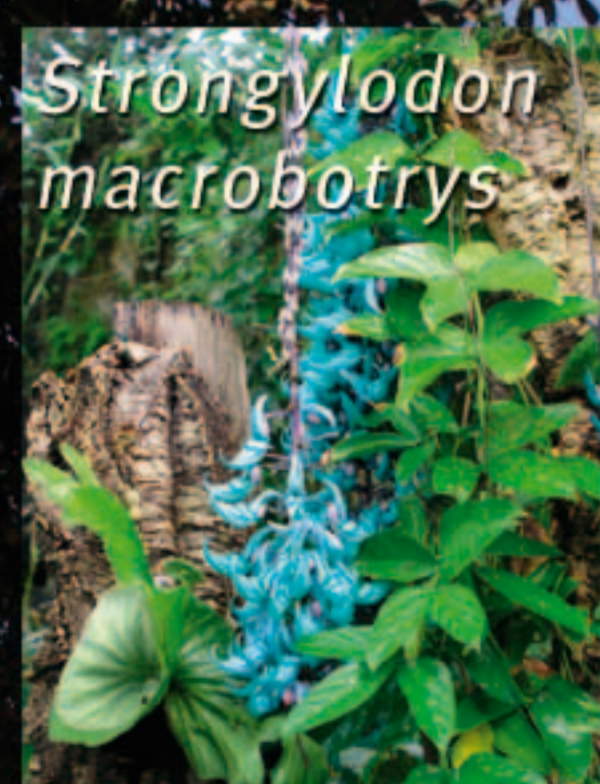
PBG is one of the youngest gardens in the Czech Republic. The garden has been established in 1968 and belongs to the Municipality of the City of Prague. The opening for public has been done in 1992. In 1997 has been the exposition of the Prague Botanic Garden enlarged with the Japanese garden and exposition of the plants of Mediterranean.



The whole garden area counts almost 70ha and all territory is divided into several parts. Most important parts are welcome outdoor exhibition with collection of trees, shrubs, ornamental perennials and annuals; tropical greenhouse; vineyard St. Clara, natural reservation area and free public forest and garden nursery.



The new tropical greenhouse Fata Morgana has been open in 2004. There are exhibition of semi desert plants, tropical rain forest and cooled exposition of plants from tropical mountains.



The main plants collections are: bulbs and tuber plants from Mediterranean area, desert and semi desert plants from NW China, carnivorous plants (*Nepenthes* spp. especially), tropical and subtropical plants, winterhard cacti and wild plants of North America, hybrids of ornamental perennials.

Public and education activities: practical training with blind people, cooperation with primary and secondary schools, folk traditional events like Easter, Christmas etc.



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