

## *The Earl Burns Miller Japanese Garden in Long Beach USA*

What is Koi fish? It is an omnivorous and cold-water fish. Koi fish has the ability to float, thus, it enables itself to come to the surface for foods and they can be trained to take foods that are hand-fed by people. To experience this, we had visited The Earl Burns Miller Japanese garden in Long Beach, California.

From a small front gate, it leads to a magnificent oriental garden with many established trees, shrubs, flowers. The pond is at the centre of the garden and colourful Koi fishes add another dimension of a living still life.



The sound of the rippling water, the singing of the birds hopping around the greenery foliage, the rock garden, the laughing of children, all play their part contributed to a harmonious setting of a Japanese garden. Visitors of a younger age, enjoy feeding the Koi fishes.



And they named the largest white Koi fish as the White Mobydick. So the story goes like this: the big white Koi fish appears from behind of the pack, then grabs the meal suddenly, then quickly disappears deep down to the bottom of the pond. Its precision is quite sharp, and unpredictable as the Moby-Dick, The Whale in Herman Melville's novel, published in 1851.

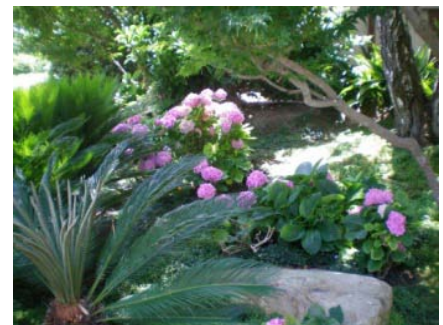
So, if you want to see the real White Mobydick Koi fish, just get down to The Earl Burns Miller Japanese garden for the experience. Check out these shots of the White Moby-Dick of the Earl Burns Miller Japanese Garden below.



For more amazing Koi fishes photos, please google search for Koi fishes at The Earl Burns Miller Garden

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A Japanese rock garden is usually called a zen garden. It is a dry landscape garden. Classical zen gardens are created at the temples of Zen Buddhism in Kyoto, for meditation about the true meaning of life. It requires a number of stones, and white gravel which is carefully raked daily by the monks. The white gravel "river" represents a metaphorical journey through life. The existence of selected vegetation is some moss around the stones. It is a peaceful setting in celebration of calmness, stillness, and the simplicity of nature.



The colour green is the colour offspring, of renewal and rebirth. It is a relaxing colour to the eye and has great healing powers. The setting of The Burns Miller Japanese garden is the sanctuary away from the stresses of modern daily living, restoring our mental and physical back to a sense of a state of well being. From a colour psychology perspective, green colour is the great balancer of the head and the emotions, creating equilibrium between the head and the heart.

And why not plan a Japanese garden if you have a small yard. The reward is an endless joy in the relaxation.

Any small space such as a garden bed, or balcony, and courtyard can still be filled with textured plants, edible herbs with irresistible scent such as rosemary, pineapple sage, Vietnamese spicy mint, curry plant, and why not Stevia or sugar leaf which is many times sweeter than sugar. Additional contrast of foliage forms and colours certainly elevate the display to another dimension of pleasure to the viewers.

So, go on, create your own sanctuary! It is a beneficial to your well being and health. The scent of organic herbs is FREE.