

# GRAVE ADORNMENT

CAPILANO VIEW CEMETERY

## A guide to flowers and graves

Capilano View Cemetery is a place of solace and tranquility, where the beauty of the landscape is a source of comfort for all who come to visit.

We kindly ask for your support in preserving this cherished sanctuary for everyone's enjoyment by following these guidelines:

- **Thoughtful placement of flowers and plants:** Please place flowers or potted plants in the designated flower insert. This not only maintains the Cemetery's aesthetic appeal but also assists our efforts in ensuring that flowers can be moved and replaced during lawn maintenance.
- **Avoid breakable containers:** To prevent accidents, we kindly request that you refrain from placing glass, ceramic, or breakable containers on the graves. Our staff will promptly remove any such items.
- **Artificial flowers:** If you choose to leave artificial flowers, we ask you to do so between November 1 and April 1, within the flower insert.
- **Other items of remembrance:** Out of consideration for all visitors, we ask that you refrain from placing items such as planters, picture frames, lanterns, toys, or any other non-floral objects on the graves.
- **Candle safety:** For everyone's safety, we kindly remind you to never place candles or any open flames, even when using containers.

Daily maintenance, including mowing, trimming, garbage collection, and tidying, is carried out diligently, although due to the size of the Cemetery, not every area can be attended to daily. If you ever have questions or require assistance, please don't hesitate to approach one of our staff members.

## New burials

- **Funeral tributes:** On the day of the service, you may place funeral flowers, wreath stands, baskets, and casket sprays on the grave.
- **Grace period for funeral flowers:** We will leave these flowers in place until they begin to wilt. If you wish to preserve them, we kindly ask that you retrieve them as soon as possible.
- **Floral preservation:** Once the funeral flowers have served their purpose they will be removed. We invite you to place fresh flowers or potted plants in the designated flower insert. This ensures ease of maintenance and upholds the cemetery's landscaping for everyone.

## General regulations

- **Caring for Flowers:** Flowers placed on graves are treated with care. Any items removed by our staff such as artificial flowers out of season or other items of remembrance, are stored for 30 days and can be retrieved upon request. Our staff is here to assist you.
- **Special occasions:** During Mother's Day, Father's Day, and similar occasions, floral displays are permitted for that week. Between December 15 and January 15, seasonal displays are also allowed. If you plan to place flowers for a birthday or other significant family event, please inform our staff.
- **Eco-conscious choices:** We kindly request that you consider asking your florist to avoid using foam ornaments like artificial foam "berries" to protect local wildlife.
- **Planting restrictions:** Please refrain from planting anything on a grave or within the cemetery grounds.

*The cemetery is surrounded by a forest, and occasionally wildlife visit and disturb plants or flowers left on graves.*

**Thank you for choosing Capilano View Cemetery. For more information, please visit [westvancouver.ca/cemetery](http://westvancouver.ca/cemetery).**

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**Preserving Capilano View Cemetery's serene beauty**