

A Short Bibliography of Urban Floras^{*}

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Following is a list of some urban floras from around the world, in alphabetical order by city. Apparently no floras are available for 27 of the 50 most populated cities in the world, as listed by One World - Nations Online (2002) (see Tables 1 and 2). Many of the cities for which there are no floras are located in tropical areas. I welcome any additions or corrections to this list.

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Shanghai (China)

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Table 1

The Most Populated Cities in the World

The following list of the 50 most populated cities in the world, organized by population size from most (No. 1) to least (No. 50), is from One World - Nations Online (2002).

1. Seoul (South Korea)
2. Mumbai (India)
3. São Paulo (Brazil)
4. Jakarta (Indonesia)
5. Moscow (Russia)
6. Mexico City (Mexico)
7. Shanghai (China)
8. Tokyo (Japan)
9. Istanbul (Turkey)
10. Beijing (China)
11. New York (United States)
12. Delhi (India)
13. London (England)
14. Hong Kong (China)
15. Cairo (Egypt)
16. Tehran (Iran)
17. Lima (Peru)
18. Bangkok (Thailand)
19. Tianjin (China)
20. Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)
21. Shenyang (China)
22. Calcutta (India)
23. St. Petersburg (Russia)
24. Santiago (Chile)
25. Bogotá (Colombia)
26. Guangzhou (China)
27. Madras (India)
28. Baghdad (Iraq)
29. Wuhan (China)
30. Pusan (South Korea)
31. Sydney (Australia)
32. Caracas (Venezuela)
33. Harbin (China)
34. Los Angeles (United States)
35. Chengdu (China)
36. Berlin (Germany)
37. Yokohama (Japan)
38. Alexandria (Egypt)
39. Melbourne (Australia)
40. Singapore (Singapore)
41. Wuxi (China)
42. Chongqing (China)
43. Ho Chi Minh City (Vietnam)
44. Hyderabad (India)
45. Madrid (Spain)
46. Buenos Aires (Argentina)
47. Ahmadabad (India)
48. Ankara (Turkey)
49. Chicago (United States)
50. Pyongyang (North Korea)

Table 2

The Most Populated Cities That Lack Floras

Following is a list of the 27 most populated cities (One World - Nations Online, 2002) for which floras do not exist. They are in alphabetical order by city name.

- Ahmadabad (India)
Alexandria (Egypt)
Ankara (Turkey)
Baghdad (Iraq)
Bangkok (Thailand)
Cairo (Egypt)
Caracas (Venezuela)
Chengdu (China)
Chongqing (China)
Harbin (China)
Ho Chi Minh City (Vietnam)
Hyderabad (India)
Istanbul (Turkey)
Lima (Peru)
Pusan (South Korea)
Pyongyang (North Korea)
Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)
Bogotá (Colombia)
São Paulo (Brazil)
Seoul (South Korea)
Shenyang (China)
Tehran (Iran)
Tianjin (China)
Tokyo (Japan)
Wuhan (China)
Wuxi (China)
Yokohama (Japan)