

MARIANNE NORTH 1830 - 90 Victorian Traveller and Painter

Marianne North intrepid traveller who traversed the globe recording the world's flora and writing her experiences in her journals. She completed 832 paintings in thirteen years of travel around the world. In 1879 she offered her painting collection to the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew and at her own expense built a gallery to house them. The vast majority of North's botanical paintings were carried out during her foreign travels. Since many of the plants she painted were barely known at all in Europe and few were completely unknown – her work formed an invaluable contribution to botanical science. An outstanding Victorian lady traveller whose story will told by drawing primarily on Marianne's own published memoirs and by looking at her distinctive oil paintings.

The Marianne North Gallery at Kew Gardens



Travels 1871 - 1885

Key Journeys	Travelled Out	Returned Home
USA-Canada-Jamaica	July 1871	June 1872
Portugal-Brazil	August 1872	September 1873
Tenerife	January 1875	May 1875
USA-Japan-Singapore-Sarawak (Malaysian Borneo)-Java-Ceylon(Sri Lanka)	August 1875	February 1877
India	September 1877	March 1879
Singapore-Sarawak(Malaysian Borneo)-Australia-New Zealand-USA	April 1880	June 1881
South Africa	August 1882	June 1883
Seychelles Islands	September 1883	January 1884
Chile	November 1884	January 1885



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