**PLACE OF INTEREST – Hijuela del Botánico**

The Hijuela del Botánico in La Orotava is an eighteenth century botanical garden. Enjoy the beauty of the exotic flora that fill this historic garden.

**1. Teaser (20 – 25 words)**

**2. Description (80 - 150 words)**

The Hijuela del Botánico was founded in 1788 by a local marquis. It was created as a branch of the larger Jardín Botánico in Puerto de la Cruz. The gardens can be found opposite the town hall in La Orotava. The gardens are 4000 square meters in size and house 3000 different plant species. The plants are tropical and sub-tropical and come from Africa, Australia, the Americas and the Canary Islands. Paths wind between flower beds each of which has a different theme. Canarian plants are on display here and sit next to rare plants such as the glinko biloba. Open from Monday to Friday, 9am to 2pm, entrance to the gardens is free. Enjoy a scented walk through the gardens declared as a place of cultural interest.