



The National Tropical Botanical Gardens website speaks highly of the quality of the gardens as well as the histrocial and cultural value of this place. To learn more about the gardens you can visit their site directly, ntbg.org, or read the below excerpt from their site,

The ancient Hawaiians developed their ahupua`a system of resource management as a means to live sustainably in an island ecosystem. This system recognized the interconnection between the mountains and the ocean, and the roles that fresh water played in linking the two. By operating within this system they were able to sustain a large and healthy population while maintaining the integrity of their natural resources. Limahuli Valley was part of the ahupua`a of HÄ['ena. The name "Limahuli," which means "turning hands," aptly describes the agricultural activities of early Hawaiians in the Valley. Lava-rock terraces for growing taro (lo'i kalo) were built here 700-1,000 years ago.

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