

Carolina Gardener Magazine & Garden Discovery Tours present

*the gardens of historic*

# Philadelphia

*and the Brandywine Valley*

*July 13-18, 2009*

City Hall. Photo by Andrea Golod,  
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## THE GARDENS OF PHILADELPHIA

- Scott Arboretum
- Hedgleigh Spring
- Private Secret Gardens
- Longwood Gardens
- Hortulus Farm Gardens
- Morris Arboretum
- Chanticleer

Join *Carolina Gardener Magazine* and Lee and Larry Newlin of Garden Discovery Tours for a six-day motor coach tour of historic Philadelphia and her lush gardens. This is where American horticulture took root with Penn's "greene Country towne" and John Bartram's plant discoveries. Today, it serves as the dynamic epicenter of the landscape gardening movement. Our tour takes us to the best of the best public gardens and some very enticing private gardens. It is timed to take advantage of the height of flowering season when gardens are in their glory.



*Chanticleer*



*Meadowbrook Farm*



*Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College*

# ITINERARY

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Our host hotel is the Philadelphia Radisson-Warwick, a luxury historic hotel located footsteps from Rittenhouse Square, Philadelphia's prestigious district of excellent restaurants and boutique shops. The newly renovated hotel features a business center, fitness center and concierge service.

## DINING

There's more to Philadelphia cuisine than cheese subs and soft bagels. The city offers one of the most diverse cuisines on the East Coast, and you will enjoy your free evenings testing the wide array of restaurants near our host hotel. Our group meals include five breakfasts, three lunches, and two dinners. We will have water and refreshments on the bus each day.

## GROUP TRAVEL

We will travel by modern motor coach and leave from departure points in North Carolina selected to accommodate tour guests.

On previous trips we scheduled pickups in Statesville, Greensboro and Durham, N.C., with arrangements made for security of automobiles during the course of the trip.

Purchase of travel insurance is highly recommended to guard against loss due to unexpected cancellation. This coverage is available at minimal cost from your travel agent.

**Monday, July 13:** Depart North Carolina on modern motor coach to arrive in Philadelphia after a lunch stop along the way. We'll check in at our host hotel and then enjoy a welcome dinner at a nearby restaurant. **D**

**Tuesday, July 14:** After breakfast, we begin with a guided walking tour of Independence Mall, great houses and their authentic gardens in **Old City** and **Society Hill**, including the **Rose and Magnolia Tribute Gardens**, the **Physick House**, and the gardens of the **Pennsylvania Hospital**, America's oldest. After lunch on your own at the **Reading Terminal Market**, the first afternoon stop is the **Scott Arboretum** of Swarthmore College with more than 4,000 kinds of ornamental plants. Curator Andrew Bunting will guide us through the gardens with the greatest seasonal interest. Nearby is **Hedgley Spring**, the two-acre collector's garden of garden writer and horticulturist Charles Cresson, who will be our host. Return to hotel for dinner on your own. **B**

**Wednesday, July 15:** We head north to **Meadowbrook Farms** for a guided tour of the home and garden of florist and garden designer, the late J. Liddon Pennock. A formal garden sculpted over a 50-year period, it has been described as "one of the finest gardens in the world" and was a crowd pleaser on our 2006 tour. We will enjoy a box lunch en route to **Hortulus Farm Gardens**, an 18th Century farmstead offering 30 acres of imaginative gardens. Both Hortulus and Meadowbrook feature outstanding garden rooms, and each has nurseries for shopping. The **van Dyke/Reynolds Garden** is a small-scale, all season garden that was a standout on Garden Conservancy's Open Garden Days in 2008. Dinner on your own. **B,L**

**Thursday, July 16:** This morning we head to **Frog Hollow**, the private garden of Eve and Per Thyrum. Eve is a devoted collector of woody plants and among the many garden rooms are wonderfully shady niches for a collection of hundreds of hostas. Lunch is at the **Brandywine Conservancy River Museum** and the paintings of three generations of Wyeths. World-famous **Longwood Gardens**, developed by the late Pierre S. du Pont, features 20 outdoor gardens and 20 indoor gardens in its four acre conservatory including the recently renovated East Conservatory. Dinner on your own at the Longwood Cafe. Longwood's charm and romance are enhanced at dusk accentuated by the exhilarating Festival of Fountains – an illuminated fountain show set to music. **B,L**

**Friday, July 17:** **The Morris Arboretum** is a 92-acre Victorian landscape featuring 12,000 labeled plants, gathered from around the world during a century of plant exploration and cultivation. We will enjoy a group lunch at the arboretum's café. Our last garden is **Chanticleer**. The garden is a dynamic mix of formal and naturalistic areas – seven distinct gardens each designed by its head gardener in this ever-changing garden. We return to our hotel and our farewell dinner. **B,L,D**

**Saturday, July 18:** After breakfast and check out we head back to drop off points in North Carolina with a lunch stop along the way. **B**

# Registration

- Registration fee is \$1,749.00 per person and must be paid in full by May 1, 2009. Take a \$50 early bird discount if registration is received by April 15, 2009.
- A \$500 deposit per person is required to reserve your space.
- If traveling alone, we will attempt to pair you with a compatible roommate. If a roommate is not available, or you prefer a single room, a single room supplement of \$400 applies and must be paid by April 1, 2009.
- Registration is limited to 30 persons and taken on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Registration fee includes hotel accommodations for 5 nights, 10 meals, all transportation, all entrance fees and tour and travel guides.
- Full registration payment is due by May 1, 2009.

- Written notice of cancellation must be received by Carolina Gardener before May 1, 2009, to qualify for a full refund less \$50 administrative fee. All payments after this date are non-refundable. Travel insurance is highly recommended.

## TO REGISTER:

**To pay by credit card** (MasterCard and Visa accepted):

- Register by phone at (800) 245-0142; or
- Fax completed registration form below to Carolina Gardener at (336) 574-3848.

## To pay by check:

- Mail check and completed registration form and check to:  
Carolina Gardener, PO Box 4504, Greensboro, NC 27404

**For details on this and other tours and events, visit [www.carolinagardener.com/travel](http://www.carolinagardener.com/travel).**

## The Philadelphia Registration Form

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (daytime): (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

In case of an emergency, contact (name & phone): \_\_\_\_\_

Any medical concerns we should be aware of: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I prefer to share a room with: \_\_\_\_\_, who is registering separately, **or**

\_\_\_\_ I prefer a single room and agree to pay the \$400 single room supplement (payable now or with final payment).

\_\_\_\_ I have special dietary requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee is \$1,749.00 per person (double occupancy); add \$400 for Single Room Supplement (if applicable).**

Registration Fee enclosed (\$1,749.00 per person) **or** Deposit (\$500.00 per person): \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Balance due by 5/1/09)

Less the Early Bird Discount (\$50 per person, expires 4/15/09): -\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Subtotal: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Plus \$400 Single Room Supplement (if applicable; may be paid with balance due): +\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total of enclosed check or credit card: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment: \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ MasterCard \_\_\_\_\_ Check

Credit card number: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration date (mo./yr.): \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Longwood Gardens



*Join us for an exciting tour of gardens in historic Philadelphia.*

**\*Registration has begun!**

\*Registration is limited and taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Details and registration form inside.

\*Itinerary described is as scheduled at time of printing. Due to unforeseen circumstances, itinerary may be altered. Tour commences rain or shine. For questions, call (800) 245-0142, 9am-5pm, Mon-Fri, or visit [www.carolinagardener.com](http://www.carolinagardener.com)

- 5 nights lodging
- All transportation
- 10 meals, plus snacks and beverages on motor coach
- Admission fees for all gardens
- Tours guided by hosts and garden curators

The Gardens of Philadelphia Tour includes:

**The tour at a glance...**



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