



Master Gardener Society of Oakland County  
“20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY GARDEN TOUR IN 2020”  
to  
SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA  
June 25-28, 2020



From top, left: Phipps Conservatory, Pennsylvania Welcomes You!, Longwood Gardens. From bottom, left: Chanticleer, Winterthur, Mt. Cuba Center, Falling Waters

## Reservations Now Open!

With a tradition of horticulture going back 300 years, the Greater Philadelphia region is known as “America’s Garden Capital of the U.S.” **The Master Gardener Society of Oakland County** is pleased to invite you to join us on a **four-day, three-night** excursion to Southeastern Pennsylvania. Spend your days strolling through magnificent, premier gardens and arboretums. There are more famous public gardens, arboreta and historic landscapes in the region than anywhere else in North America.

Our trip will take us to Pennsylvania Amish Country where you will experience a picturesque landscape that must be witnessed in person to be fully appreciated. Rolling hills with lush grasses and crops, farms with windmills dotting the horizon, and horse and buggies sharing the road will remind you that things are simpler in Lancaster County.

We will travel by luxury motor coach from Pontiac, MI, to Lancaster, PA, leaving early Thursday morning and returning Sunday evening.

**DATES:** June 25-28, 2020 (4 days, 3 nights - Thursday through Sunday)  
**ESTIMATED COST:** \$575 - \$625 per person, double occupancy (upcharge for single occupancy)  
**DEPOSIT:** \$150 per person

## **TOUR ITINERARY WILL INCLUDE:**

- **Phipps Conservatory, Pittsburgh, PA** – *This historic 3,600 square foot glass Victorian conservatory offers 13 indoor gardens including the Desert Room, the East Room, the Fern Room, the Fruit and Spice Room, the Gallery, the Orchid Room, the Palm Court, the Parterre De Broderie (formal French-style knotted gardens), the Serpentine Room, the South Conservatory, the Stove Room, the Sunken Garden and the Victoria Room. Phipps has provided a world class garden experience to its visitors since 1893.*
- **Longwood Gardens, Kennett Square, PA** – *This jewel situated near the Philadelphia and Lancaster regions is a place of unparalleled beauty. Often referred to as the world’s premier horticulture showplace, guests will enjoy Longwood Gardens’ natural woodlands, majestic gardens, opulent four-acre conservatory and dancing fountains. Longwood Gardens boasts 11,000 varieties of plants spread out across more than 1,000 acres. The institution was originally founded by Pierre du Pont in 1906 and has since become world renowned for its dedication to botany, design, education and art.*
- **Chanticleer, Wayne, PA** - *This delightful, innovative 31-acre estate "pleasure garden" showcases spring bulbs, orchards, and native wildflowers as well as a cut-flower garden, a vegetable garden, espaliered fruit trees, courtyards with tropical plants, a perennial garden, a woodland garden, and a water garden. The estate was built in 1912 as a summer cottage.*
- **Winterthur, Winterthur, DE** – *Henry Francis du Pont, former owner of this 966-acre estate, created this extraordinary 60-acre naturalistic garden, containing an Azalea Woods, Magnolia Bend, Marsh Bank, Oak Hill, Peony Garden, Pinetum, Quarry Garden, Reflecting Pool, Sundial Garden, Sycamore Area, and a Winter Hazel Area. The gardens and landscape surrounding the Museum are not a botanical collection maintained for scientific purposes but an artistic composition that captures a significant period in the history of American horticulture. This landscape is a significant cultural artifact, and its components--plants, architecture, and decorative objects are preserved and managed as a collection.*
- **Mt. Cuba Center, Hockessin, DE** – *This thriving and intimate native plant garden will surprise at every turn as it features both formal and naturalistic landscapes. The 630 acres fosters an appreciation for the plants of the Appalachian Piedmont. The extensive grounds feature azaleas on the South Terrace, tulips, delphiniums and chrysanthemums in the Round Garden, 25 cultivars of lilacs on the Lilac Path, native trees, shrubs and wildflowers in the Woods Path, Dogwood Path and West Slope Path, native grasses in the Meadow, and native shrubs, ferns and wildflowers in the Pond Garden.*
- **Falling Waters – Mill Run, PA** - *This renowned Frank Lloyd Wright house, situated in the 5000-acre Bear Run Nature Reserve, demonstrates the integration of architecture and landscape. On the Smithsonian's list of 28 places to see in the world, this remarkable home, among its endless features, uses interior plantings to connect the man-made interiors to nature outside. The grounds around Fallingwater are covered with native rhododendrons that typically bloom with a white to light pink flower from late June through early July.*
- **Lancaster Central Market, Lancaster, PA** – *Designated as a market town in 1730, the Lancaster Central Market is the oldest, continuously running public farmers’ market in the country. More than 60 local vendors call the beautiful 1889 Market House home when it opens its doors to welcome the surrounding community. A step inside is sure to highlight all that Lancaster County has to offer. A walk through its aisles will find an abundance of produce from the nutrient-rich soils native to the local landscape; an array of prepared foods representing the proud cultural diversity of the county; and locally sourced meat, poultry, cheeses, and more.*
- **Evening Free Time** - *Enjoy local shops and restaurants within walking distance from our hotel in downtown Lancaster or just put your feet up and relax at the hotel. Restaurant and lounge are available at the hotel.*

**And there is still more to be added to this exciting itinerary!**

### **TOUR COSTS INCLUDE:**

- Three nights hotel in downtown Lancaster, PA. Extended continental breakfast with hot items included daily.
- Friday Breakfast-To-Go, snacks and water on the bus, and other meals as determined.
- Transportation by luxury motor coach with reclining seats, DVD monitors, and restroom.
- Entrance fees to all gardens and venues.
- All gratuities except for meals you purchase on your own.
- Many places to shop for plants, books, or garden art.
- Convenient Name Tag pouch for carrying your itinerary and small supplies into the gardens.
- On board movies, fun games and prizes.
- Useful products and reading material in your Welcome Bags.
- MSUE Master Gardener Continuing Education hours (number to be determined).
- Opportunities to meet, learn from, and share ideas with gardeners in other states.
- A fun time with fellow garden lovers and friends, old and new.
- Amiable tour guide, Sue Williams, and an awesome experienced Trips and Tours Team!

**Don't delay and be disappointed...space is limited. Be sure to reserve your space by sending in your Deposit Form on the following page along with a check for \$150.**

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**Southeastern Pennsylvania**  
**Deposit Form**

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**TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE:**

Please fill out the form below completely and send it with your check for **\$150** to the address listed below.  
Make checks payable to: **Master Gardener Society of Oakland County, INC. (MGSOC, INC).**

Mail your deposit form and check to:

**Master Gardener Society of Oakland County, Inc. (MGSOC, Inc.)**  
**60 Crescent Road**  
**Waterford, MI 48327**

**Important: For double occupancy, please submit deposit checks for both people at the same time. If one roommate waits too long to send in a deposit, the trip may already be filled.**

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Single Occupancy \_\_\_\_\_ Double Occupancy \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR DOUBLE OCCUPANCY:**

Do you need a roommate? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If you already have a roommate, please complete the section below:

Roommate's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**QUESTIONS? Contact Sue Williams at 734-660-1625 or email: [swillabee@hotmail.com](mailto:swillabee@hotmail.com)**