

# Coastal New England Gardens

Sept 12 - 14, 2024 Thu-Sat



Lee, NH

Portsmouth, NH

Boothbay, ME

Boylston, MA

Chelmsford, MA



*Featuring:*

*Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens,  
**Bedrock Gardens, Tower Hill Botanic Garden,**  
Moffatt Ladd House & Garden, and More*



**With Special Guest:**

**Nancy DuBrule Clemente,  
Author & Founder of  
Natureworks Horticultural  
Services**

- \* Bedrock Gardens \* Moffatt Ladd House
- \* Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens
- \* Tower Hill \* Shop at Weston Nursery
- \* 2 Nights Hotel Accommodations at the  
AC Hotel Portsmouth Downtown/  
Waterfront, Portsmouth, NH
- \* 2 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 1 Dinner
- \* Friendship Tours Escort

**DAY 1:** We depart for the 30-acre **Bedrock Gardens** in Lee, NH. Bedrocks Gardens began as the private garden of sculptor and horticulturist Jill Nooney and her husband Bob Munger. We will enjoy a **tour with Garden Director and past speaker at CT Hort., John Forti** through the series of imaginative gardens highlighted with Jill's whimsical sculptures.



Stop at local favorite, Popover's for lunch. From there we will head to the historic city of Portsmouth, NH, which will serve as our home base for the trip. Our afternoon will include a tour of the **Moffatt-Ladd House and Garden**, dating from the Colonial era. The home is beautifully decorated with rich carvings, handblocked wallpapers and period furniture.



The lovely terraced gardens feature old-fashioned perennials and arbors smothered in roses.

Check in AC Hotel Portsmouth Downtown/  
Waterfront, Portsmouth, NH Dinner at The  
Old Salt Lunch, Dinner

**DAY 2:** Our second day will be spent at the gorgeous **Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens**, which has been ranked as one of the best public gardens in the US. Located on 325 acres in Boothbay, ME, Coastal Maine features diverse natural ecosystems, dramatic topography, and innovative plantings. Some of the themed gardens include a Five-Senses Garden, delightful



Children's Garden, rhododendron garden, a woodland meditation garden, kitchen, garden, and butterfly house. We will also get to experience the Guardians of the Seeds exhibit of mammoth wood troll sculptures hidden throughout the woods. **We will enjoy a guided tour by Head of Horticulture and past CT Hort. Speaker, Andy Brand.** Plenty of time to have lunch explore the acres of beautiful plantings on our own. We will depart the garden at 4:00 pm, with time to sightsee and dine in charming Boothbay Harbor. Return to Portsmouth. Breakfast



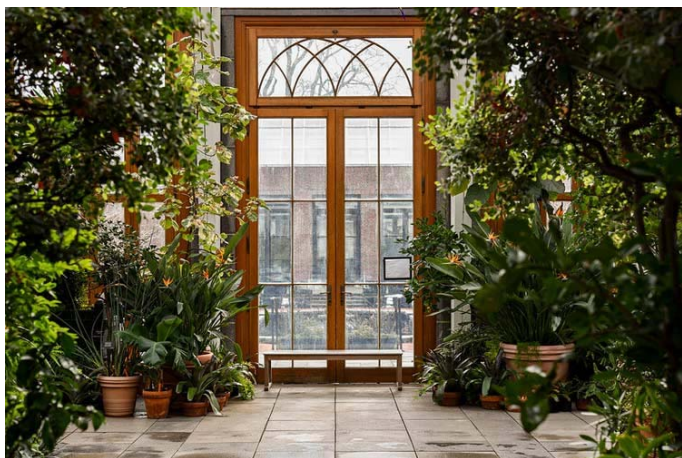
**DAY 3:** After breakfast we will check out and make a stop at **Prescott Park**. The 10-acre



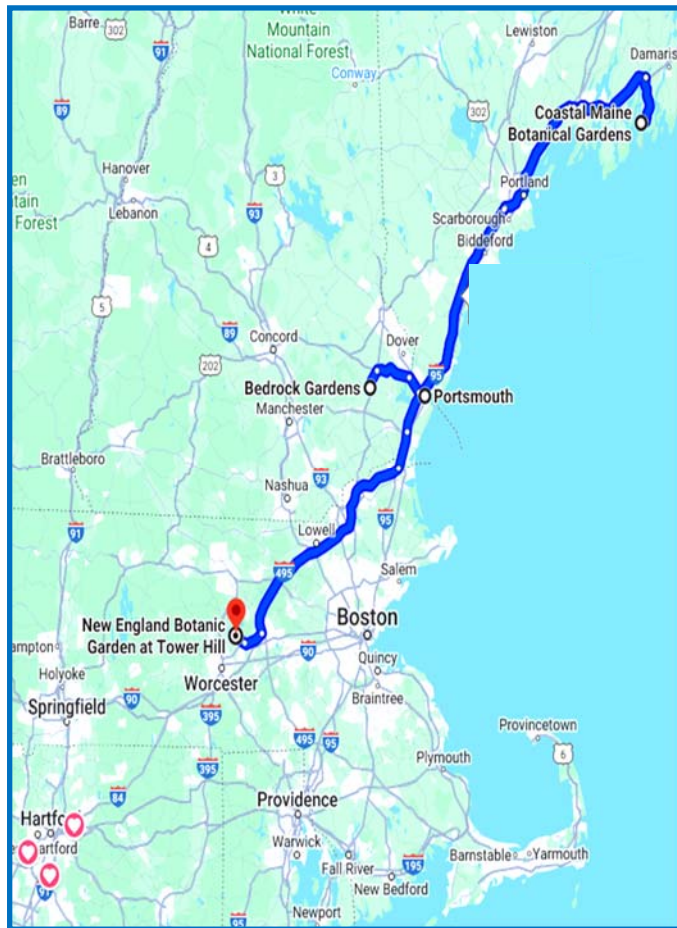
gardens were created by the Prescott sisters in the 1930's and have been willed to the city in 1954. They include formal plantings around the massive anchor and Cabot Lyford's 'Whale' to beds of hosta. Designed with an eye for height, color and massing.

There is always time to make a quick shopping stop at Weston Nursery in Chelmsford.

Our last stop and visit will be at **Tower Hill Botanic Garden** in Boylston, MA. Our guided



**tour** of this magnificent garden includes breathtaking view of Mt Wachusett, specimen trees and shrubs, the special Secret Garden with perennials chosen for fragrance and texture, and the charming Cottage Garden and so much more....We will enjoy a boxed lunch and also free time to explore before heading for home.





**\$1254pp double / \$1684pp single**

Based on 30 passenger minimum

**CT Hort Members will receive a \$55.pp discount**



**Includes: Deluxe motorcoach, 2 nights hotel accommodations, tax & baggage, 2 breakfast , 2 lunches, 1 dinner, sightseeing per itinerary, all gratuities, Donation to CT Horticultural Society, Friendship Tours Tour Director**

**Departure Points:**

**Farmington, CT Park & Ride—575 Colt Highway (Rte 6) & South Rd**

**Middletown Commuter Lot, 171 Eastern Dr, Middletown (Rte 9 @ Silver St - exit 22)**

*Parking in lots is at your own risk. Friendship Tours is not responsible for cars left in any lot.*

**DEPOSIT:** \$400 pp with reservation to secure your space. Space is subject to availability at the time of reservation.

**FINAL PAYMENT:** June 15, 2024

**FOR RESERVATIONS:** [www.friendshiptours.net](http://www.friendshiptours.net) or Call Barbara at Friendship Tours: 860-243-1630

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