

Connecticut Horticultural Society Presents:

Philadelphia Flower Show & Brandywine Valley

June 18 - 22, 2022 Sat - Wed



2022 FLOWER SHOW THEME: 'IN FULL BLOOM'

Admission to Flower Show - Outdoors at FDR Park

Dinner Cruise in Philadelphia

Visits to: Grounds For Sculpture, Winterthur,

David Culp's Brandywine Cottage, Chanticleer,

& Longwood Gardens

Private Gardens

2 nights at Marriott Downtown Philadelphia

2 nights at Mendenhall Inn



David Culp



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Grounds for Sculpture

The 2022 PHS Philadelphia Flower Show, the region's most looked-to gardening attraction remains outdoors this year, making this a memorable experience that will incorporate the beautiful, lush landscapes of **FDR Park in Philadelphia**.

Day 1: GROUNDS FOR SCULPTURE, where art and nature meet. More than 270 sculptures by renowned and emerging artists, thoughtfully positioned on a landscaped parkland full of thousands of exotic trees and flowers. It's a feast for the senses!

WELCOME DINNER tonight, at one of Philadelphia's great restaurants, marks our arrival.

We will spend two nights at the **MARRIOTT DOWNTOWN**, located in the heart of Philadelphia, just steps from Reading Market! **D**



Day 2: Our morning begins at the **193rd PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY FLOWER SHOW**. As the nation's longest-running horticultural event, this Flower Show is a stunning and educational look at the world of floral design and gardening. **The Show's theme for 2022: 'In Full Bloom'** welcomes all as we journey to explore the restorative and healing power of nature and plants, while experiencing all that gardening offers to improve our lives. This year's theme connotes good health, a positive well-being, and a passion for life that culminates in a gorgeous and colorful spectacle. Don't forget to check out the marketplace for some great shopping!



We embark on a fabulous **DINNER CRUISE ABOARD THE SPIRIT OF PHILADELPHIA**. Dinner and entertainment while cruising past the unparalleled views of the Philadelphia skyline. **D**

Day 3: We're off to the fabled **LONGWOOD GARDENS**, founded by Pierre S Dupont. Explore one of the world's greatest gardens from a 4-acre conservatory, the 20 outdoor gardens to the dancing fountains. After our guided tour of these spectacular gardens, enjoy free time on our own for lunch & more exploration.

We continue to the Mendenhall Inn, our home for the next two nights, for a **WELCOME WINE & CHEESE** before **DINNER**. **D**

Day 4: We are guests of **2 PRIVATE GARDENS** this morning! Stephen & David have been gardening **TEAGATE** for 23 years. This 2-acre 'flagpole' lot includes untamed woods, a wetland meadow, rock wall beds, hostas, woodland perennials and so much more. A stunning garden with prominently featured hostas with nearly 500 cultivators and a few dozen of David's own hybrids.



TALLEY CREST may be small but it's mighty with its densely planted perimeter. With over 300 varieties of hosta, 55 varieties of conifers, 20 varieties of Japanese Maples and more!



After a delightful morning, we visit the stunning **WINTERTHUR MUSEUM & GARDEN**. Upon arrival we enjoy a **BOX LUNCH** before our tour of the house to see the exquisite spaces in which Henry DuPont entertained family and friends in grand style. The 175 rooms, many of them with historical architecture, are furnished with his outstanding collection of antiques and objects added since his death in 1969. The tour is a delight!

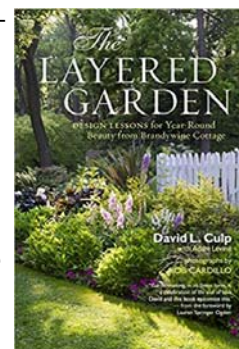
Next, we visit the gardens, comprising 1,000 acres that encompass rolling hills, streams, meadows and forests. DuPont developed an appreciation of nature as a boy that served as the basis for his life's work in the garden. He selected the choicest plants from around the world to enhance the natural setting, arranging them in lyrical color combinations and carefully orchestrating a succession of bloom from late January to November.

DINNER tonight at a local favorite!

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Day 5: After checking out, we make our first stop at the private garden of **DAVID CULP. BRANDYWINE COTTAGE** is his beloved 2-acre garden where he mastered the design technique of layering—interplanting many different species in the same area so that as one plant passes its peak, another takes over.

The result is a nonstop parade of color that begins with a tapestry of heirloom daffodils and hellebores in spring and ends with a jewel-like blend of Asian wildflowers at the onset of winter. To illustrate how layering works, Culp takes you on a personal tour through each part of his celebrated garden: the woodland garden, the perennial border, the kitchen garden, the shrubbery, and the walled garden. David is the author of *"A Year at Brandywine Cottage: Six Seasons of Beauty, Bounty, and Blooms"* & *"The Layered Garden."*



Then off for a visit to **CHANTICLEER GARDEN**, the 35-acre estate of the affluent Rosengarten family. The Chanticleer estate dates from the early 20th-century, when land along the Main Line of the Pennsylvania Railroad was developed for summer homes to escape the heat of Philadelphia. Adolph Rosengarten, Sr. and his wife Christine chose the Wayne-St. David's area to build their country retreat and moved there permanently in 1924. Adolph, Jr. left the entire property for the enjoyment and education of the public following his death in 1990. The garden opened to the public in 1993. We will enjoy a **BOXED LUNCH** while here.

We will make a **STOP AT VALLEY FORGE FLOWERS** for some last minute shopping before heading home with great memories of this great garden tour!

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Proof of Covid Vaccination Required: Starting Jan 3, 2022 all Philadelphia establishments that sell food or drinks onsite will require that everyone who enters has completed their covid vaccinations. Completing vaccinations means that they have received two doses of either the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine or a single dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. Requirements are subject to change by the City of Philadelphia.

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