



CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN

# *Gardens of the Pacific Northwest*



*June 21 - July 1, 2020*

Mark your calendars for June 21 – July 1, 2020, as Friends of the Chicago Botanic Garden travel to the west coast to visit the extraordinary gardens of **Portland, Seattle, Victoria, and Vancouver**. For eleven days we see some of the finest gardens in the region--a region known as the best place to grow plants in North America.

We begin in Portland, fly to Vancouver, travel by coach and ferry to Victoria, and then sail by ferry to Seattle.

The cost per person is \$5,350 (double occupancy, land package). We see beautiful gardens, extraordinary cities, and natural scenery that will take your breath away.

Our accommodations are first class with center city locations in four of the most beautiful and exciting cities in North America.

A member of the Chicago Botanic Garden staff will be hosting the tour.

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## ITINERARY

This itinerary is subject to change.

Included meals: (B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (T) Tea, (D) Dinner

### Day One – Sunday, June 21, 2020

Today we fly (on our own) to Portland International Airport and meet at our group hotel, the [Hotel deLuxe](#) in downtown Portland.

### Day Two – Monday, June 22

Our exploration of the gardens of the Pacific Northwest starts with a morning visit to the **International Rose Test**



Private garden in Portland

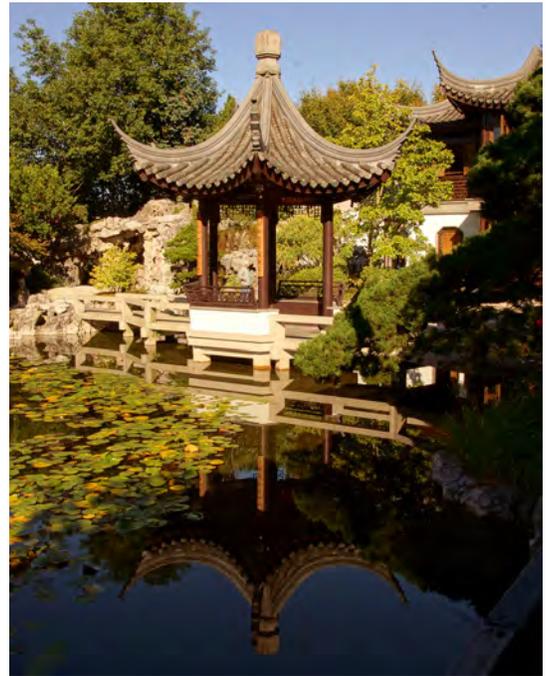


Portland Japanese Garden

**Garden** where we have some time on our own to smell the roses and enjoy this excellent collection of roses from all over the world. Conceived in 1915, this garden was a safe haven for European hybrid roses from during World War I. Afterward, we have a guided tour of the beautiful **Portland Japanese Garden**. Begun in 1963, the garden represents the strong connection between the people of Portland and the country of Japan. Next we make our way to see the **Columbia River Gorge** and the magnificent **Multnomah Falls**, before returning to enjoy a get-acquainted dinner at McMenimin's Edgefield Restaurant. [Lodging: Portland \(B\)\(D\)](#)

### Day Three – Tuesday, June 23

We begin our day with a visit to two lovely **private gardens**. Portland has a unique network of garden enthusiasts who eagerly open their gardens for us, all the while telling us about the challenges of gardening in Oregon. In the afternoon, we visit **Lan Su Chinese Garden**, one of the city's great treasures. Built by craftsmen from Suzhuo, China, Lan Su is as authentic a Chinese garden as you will find anywhere. We take time for dinner before our evening flight to Vancouver. Lodging: [Hotel Blu, Vancouver \(B\)](#)



Lan Su Chinese Garden in Portland

### Day Four – Wednesday, June 24

Our morning in Vancouver begins with a driving tour of the city to see the highlights of this intriguing city by the sea. Our tour ends at **VanDusen Botanical Garden**, an amazing 55-acre garden in the heart of the city. Afterward, we have a guided tour through the

**University of British Columbia Botanical Garden** on the campus of UBC. We explore the new **TreeWalk**, a new addition to the garden. Afterward, we enjoy the beautiful **Nitobe Memorial Garden**, a traditional Japanese Tea and Stroll garden, considered to be the one of the most authentic Japanese gardens in all of North America. Lodging: [Vancouver \(B\)](#)



Private garden outside Vancouver

### Day Five – Thursday, June 25

Today we venture outside the city to visit two extraordinary **private gardens** located very close to the American border. Like Portland, Vancouver has a perfect climate for growing plants and therefore many garden enthusiasts create remarkable private gardens for themselves. On our return to Vancouver, we have the rest of the afternoon free to explore the city on your own. Lodging: [Vancouver \(B\)\(L\)](#)



Butchart Gardens in Victoria

## Day Six – Friday, June 26

Today we journey from Vancouver to Victoria by coach and ferry, all the while surrounded by exquisite scenery. We reach Victoria in time to visit the incomparable **Butchart Gardens** with its 55 acres of stunning horticultural displays woven into the remains of an old rock quarry. We enjoy **high tea** at the garden before driving into Victoria proper where two marvelous **private gardens** await our arrival. **Lodging:** [DoubleTree by Hilton, Victoria \(B\)\(T\)](#)

## Day Seven – Saturday, June 27

We return to the U.S. today aboard a ferry from Victoria to **Port Angeles**, Washington. It is a 90-minute crossing of the Strait of Juan de Fuca. After disembarking the ferry, we drive to the seacoast town of **Port Townsend** for lunch and free time for shopping. On our way to Seattle, we see extraordinary scenery before catching the Bainbridge Island Ferry to Seattle where we stay for our final four nights. **Lodging:** [The Andra Hotel, Seattle \(B\)](#)

## Day Eight – Sunday, June 28

We gather in the lobby this morning to meet our guide for our visit to **Pike Place Market**. We then head to the base of the Space Needle to see **Chihuly Garden and Glass**, a museum and outdoor space devoted to Tacoma's world famous glass artist, Dale Chihuly. We finish the day with a short drive to Medina, in east Seattle to visit a remarkable **private garden** there. **Lodging:** [Seattle \(B\)](#)



Dan Hinkley's garden, Windcliff

## Day Nine - Monday, June 29

Bainbridge Island is our destination via ferry to visit **Bloedel Reserve**—150 acres of a unique blend of natural woodlands and beautifully landscaped gardens. Afterward, we have a picnic lunch at the quaint Country Store in Indianola before our special visit to **Windcliff**, the home and garden of Dan Hinkley. **Heronswood**, Dan's former garden

and nursery, is our final stop for the day before the Kingston Ferry takes us back to Seattle.  
Lodging: Seattle (B)(L)

### **Day Ten – Tuesday, June 30**

Today you have the entire day free to explore Seattle on your own. Our hotel is located right in the heart of the city close to interesting places and fun activities. Then, later on this evening we have a farewell dinner together at a restaurant nearby. Lodging: Seattle (B)(D)

### **Day Eleven – Wednesday, July 1**

Today brings to a close our journey through the gardens of Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia. We make our way (on our own) back to Chicago. (B)



Private garden in Seattle

MCDUFFTOURS LLC is a travel company founded by Nancy and Robert McDuffie, both former professors at Virginia Tech. Nancy is a soprano and was on faculty in the Department of Music, while Robert is a Landscape Architect and was in the Department of Horticulture. After establishing the first group Horticulture Study Abroad program 20 years ago, they now take garden lovers around the world visiting public and private gardens.



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## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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### **Deposit and Final Payment information:**

\$5350.00 Total cost per person (double/twin occupancy, land package only)

\$1600.00 Single room supplemental fee

**While we attempt to find roommates for single participants, if a roommate is not available, the participant is subject to pay the single supplement fee. The maximum number of participants is 34.**

*Included in the cost is a tax-deductible donation of \$250.00 per person to the Garden.*

### **Payment deadlines:**

\$1000.00 **March 12, 2020** Deposit due

\$4350.00 **May 4, 2020** Final payment due

\$1600.00 **May 4, 2020** Single supplemental fee due

### **Method of Payment: by check only, payable to: MCDUFFTOURS LLC**

*Please note that this garden tour requires a considerable amount of walking and since most of the gardens we visit are not wheelchair accessible, participants must be able to walk on paths with steps. Participants must also be able to manage their own luggage.*

### **Included in the Cost**

The cost of this tour includes lodging, entrance fees, ground transportation, all breakfasts, bottled water, all included boat rides, and several dinners and lunches. Also included is the cost of a mid-tour flight from Portland to Vancouver. While we attempt to find roommates for single participants, if a roommate is not available, the participant is subject to pay the single supplement fee.

### **Not included in the Cost**

Costs of obtaining passports, visas, excess/overweight baggage charges, items of a purely personal nature such as drinks, laundry, telephone and optional tours are not included. All meals except those included in the tour are not included. Trip insurance is not included as well as tips to driver/guides and any foreign departure taxes. Transportation from home to the airport, along with any connecting flights to Portland, Oregon, and from Seattle, Washington, are not included. Please note: the flight from Portland to Vancouver is included in the cost.



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## TRIP INSURANCE:

It is strongly recommended that you purchase Travel Insurance to protect your tour investment against covered unforeseeable circumstances.

I wish \_\_\_\_\_ do not wish \_\_\_\_\_ to purchase travel insurance. Client's initials: \_\_\_\_\_

**Cancellation and Refund Policy:** The total deposit is refundable until March 12, 2020. If you must cancel between March 12 and May 4, \$200 of the \$1000 deposit will be retained. After May 4, the \$1000 deposit plus actual expenses incurred in hotel arrangements will be retained and the remainder will be refunded. If the tour is cancelled by the Chicago Botanic Gardens or by MCDUFFTOURS LLC, all payments will be refunded.

MCDUFFTOURS LLC acts only as agents for the passengers with respect to transportation, hotels and restaurants, and exercise every care possible. MCDUFFTOURS LLC assumes no responsibility to any person or entity for liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, breakdown, disruption of advertised schedules, delay or irregularity in connection with the service of any ship, ferry, airplane, train, automobile, motorcoach, carriage, or any other conveyance used in carrying out these tours, or for the acts or defaults of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangements of the tour. We cannot accept responsibility for losses or additional expense due to delay, refusal of visa, or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, violent acts, quarantine, acts of God, or any other causes beyond our control. All such losses will have to be borne by the passenger, as our tour rates provide for arrangements only for the time stated. We reserve the right to make such alterations to the itinerary or accommodations as may be deemed necessary for carrying out the tour. The right is reserved to cancel any tour prior to departure, in which case the entire payment will be refunded without further obligation on our part. The right is reserved to decline to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour. No refund will be made for the unused portion of any tour. Baggage is at the owner's risk entirely. The acceptance of any service provided as part of tour or any ticket or voucher shall be deemed to be acceptance of, and consent by the tour member to these conditions. Services are subject to the laws of the country where services are provided.

### I understand and accept these terms and conditions.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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



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RESERVATION FORM

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Please print – each participant must complete this form

Full Legal Name (as on passport) \_\_\_\_\_

First name for NAME TAG \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Passport# \_\_\_\_\_ Place of issue \_\_\_\_\_

Date of issue \_\_\_\_\_ Date of expiration \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Special food requirements or allergies \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of preferred roommate \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail your completed reservation form, a signed copy of the Terms and Conditions form, and a deposit check by March 12, 2020 to:**  
  
MCDUFFTOURS LLC  
4810 Susannah Drive  
Blacksburg, VA 24060

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