



American Horticultural Society
2017 President's Council Trip



CONNECTICUT GARDENS: LITCHFIELD HILLS & POINTS EAST

June 26–30, 2017

Our 2017 tour, an exclusive benefit for AHS President's Council members, takes us to the Litchfield Hills region of northwest Connecticut. Participants will enjoy tours of many exceptional private gardens and fascinating specialty nurseries in and around the region, well known for its rolling hills, bucolic scenery, and New England charm. For this year's tour, the AHS is partnering with The Garden Conservancy, and the itinerary will include a visit to one of its preservation projects, the historic Hollister House Garden in Washington, Connecticut. Our tour will also include visits to a number of notable private gardens that are otherwise only accessible through the Conservancy's annual Open Days program. Our home base for the tour will be the Interlaken Inn, a country inn and resort in Lakeville.



Itinerary Highlights

Monday, June 26 (D)

- Individual arrivals
- Reception and dinner at the Interlaken Inn

Tuesday, June 27 (B, L, D)

- Breakfast at the Interlaken Inn
- Begin the day with a visit to Bunny Williams' garden, an exquisite private garden in Falls Village
- Enjoy a picnic lunch and tour at Brush Hill Gardens
- Visit the historic Hollister House Garden, a preservation project of The Garden Conservancy
- Visit Highmeadows, a charming hillside garden with panoramic views of the Litchfield Hills
- Dinner at the Hopkins Inn on Lake Waramaug

Wednesday, June 28 (B, L)

- Breakfast at the Interlaken Inn
- This morning we travel east to O'Brien Nurserymen, renowned for its unique selection of hostas and other shade-loving perennials, along with extensive display gardens
- Visit a charming private garden that exemplifies New England's architecture and landscapes
- Lunch with President's Council members Bob and Lynn Murray in their garden in Glastonbury
- Tour Broken Arrow Nursery with its amazing collection of rare and unusual plants
- Enjoy dinner this evening on your own, either at the Interlaken Inn or at one of several delightful local restaurants



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Thursday, June 29 (B, L, D)

- Breakfast at the Interlaken Inn
- Visit Twin Maples, an estate garden that includes formal borders and naturalistic woodland and meadow areas
- Visit Michael Trapp's garden, which features cobbled paths, terraces, and reflecting pools
- Enjoy a casual lunch at the West Street Grill in Litchfield
- Browse the display gardens and sales area at White Flower Farm
- Return to the Inn to freshen up, then relax and enjoy the company of old and new friends during a special farewell dinner at the Boathouse Restaurant in Lakeville



Friday, June 30 (B)

- Breakfast at the Interlaken Inn
- Individual departures

