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Gardens Galore: From Connecticut to the Big Apple
Bus Tour—Itinerary

# Dates TBD—Due to COVID-19 | 2020

#### DAY 1

We will be departing from Pettengill Farm on our beautiful motorcoach bound for Hartford, Connecticut. Our first visit will be to Elizabeth Park, Hartford's beautiful and large state park which was opened to the public in 1897 and is the home of America's oldest and second largest rose garden. It is the centerpiece of the garden. It boasts 15,000 bushes in 475 beds. Our tour date will allow us to see the roses at their peak. We will stop for lunch after we depart on own. Then it's off to Thomaston, Connecticut to visit Peony Heaven, which has hundreds and hundreds of peonies. Unfortunately, will not be peak bloom—there will be a few still in bloom. We have scheduled a tour with their owner for a part of our visit and then folks can do their own thing including purchasing plants. We continue on our journey to Niantic, CT to The Sleep Inn which will be our home tonight. Get settled in and catch your breath. We will depart the hotel by 3:15 p.m. to head up to Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam. We have scheduled a lovely 90-minute cruise on the Connecticut River which will give you a wonderful picture of the history of the area including Gillette Castle, Goodspeed Opera House and so much more. When we return, we'll head to Old Saybrook where we have scheduled a wonderful dinner at the famous Penny Lane Pub—you will have your choice of entrée indicated on the Reservation Form. After this amazing and busy day, most likely it will be nice to return to the hotel for a good rest.

## DAY 2

Rise and shine! Time for another action-packed day. Enjoy a good breakfast at the hotel. You will need to bring your luggage and all personal items down to the bus for our departure. We will be stopping at the Florence Griswold Museum and Gardens for our first visit. Florence Griswold loved art and gardening and was instrumental in making Old Lyme Art Colony famous for art appreciation. She was a keen gardener. From seed catalogues and references to gardening books, she was constantly in search of new plants. In 1998 her gardens were restored making a wonderful opportunity for visitors. Next Stop, New York City, where we have a date to see the New York Botanical Gardens. We are fortunate that there is a fantastic exhibit going on during our visit—Kusama: Cosmic Nature, a multisensory presentation of the work of celebrated Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama. We also have a reservation for the Infinity Mirror Room. And of course, all the spring flowers!! We'll depart late afternoon to head over to our hotel for the night—Hampton Inn Manhattan Times Square Central, 220 West 41st St., New York right by Times Square. Your luggage must be delivered to your room—union contract. At 6:00 p.m. we'll meet in the lobby for the short walk over to Planet Hollywood where we will enjoy our dinner this evening. You will have your choice of entrée but this can be done that evening. The rest of evening is yours! Why not look around Times Square?

(Trip information continued on next page. . .)

#### DAY 3

Breakfast included today right at the Hampton Inn. Please put your luggage out at the time indicated. Hotel personnel will pick it up and load it on the bus—union rules. We will be departing at 9:30 a.m. and we will have a wonderful tour guide from Guides Association of New York City to take us on a **tour of the Big Apple**—highlighting major locations and features. Always a wonderful way to see the City in all of its grandeur. Then we're off—traveling via Rt. 95 homeward bound. But the trip isn't over yet! We will make a stop in Westport, CT at **Terrain Garden Center**. There is so much to see—this company has locations across the country and have gorgeous displays of furniture, decorating ideas, planters and ever so much more. And of course, plants. They have food service at this location as well. This is a truly fitting way to end the tour. Following this visit we will head home to Salisbury, MA expecting to arrive around 7:00 p.m.—another wonderful Pettengill Farm tour in the books. **We hope you will join us!** 

Deposit: \$250.00 Per Person: We will accept bookings right up to date of departure IF THERE IS SPACE		
AVAILABLE. Early booking is definitely recommended as our Pettengill Farm tours usually sell out!		
COST PER PERSON:	Double \$679.00 (2 to a room):	Triple \$659.00 (3 to a room):
	Single \$859.00 (1 to a room):	

## TOUR INCLUDES ALL THESE FEATURES:

- Roundtrip deluxe motorcoach transportation from Salisbury departing at 8:00 a.m..
- Visit to Elizabeth Park, Hartford's beautiful city park, home of the second largest rose garden in the United States.
- Visit to Peony Heaven, a garden center devoted to the propagation of peonies—hundreds and hundreds of them.
   Tour and opportunity to purchase.
- One night hotel accommodation, at The Sleep Inn in Niantic, CT including room tax and breakfast the next morning.
- 90 minute cruise on the Connecticut River, focusing on the history of the area and famous sights such as Goodspeed Opera House, Gillette Castle and more.
- Wonderful dinner in Old Saybrook, at the famous Penny Lane Pub with choice of entrée.
- Visit to Florence Griswold Museum and Gardens in Old Lyme, CT, featuring her wonderfully restored gardens. It is a beautiful place.

- Visit to New York Botanical Gardens in the Bronx where we have reservations for admission to the Kusama exhibit as well as the Infinity Mirror Room.
- We'll depart mid-afternoon for our hotel for the night— The Hampton Inn Manhattan Times Square Central on 41st St.
- Luggage will be delivered to your rooms and then on brought to the bus..
- Dinner at the world famous Planet Hollywood right in Times Square. This will be so fun because the memorabilia in simply fabulous.
- Breakfast included at Hampton Inn.
- Professional guided tour of New York City.
- Departing after city bus tour, we'll head to Westport, CT for an extraordinary visit to Terrain Garden Center.
- Services of a professional tour director throughout the tour from Groups, Inc