



## Gardens of the Lower Hudson River Valley

June 21-23, 2020

\$525 double occupancy or \$595 single occupancy

### Summary

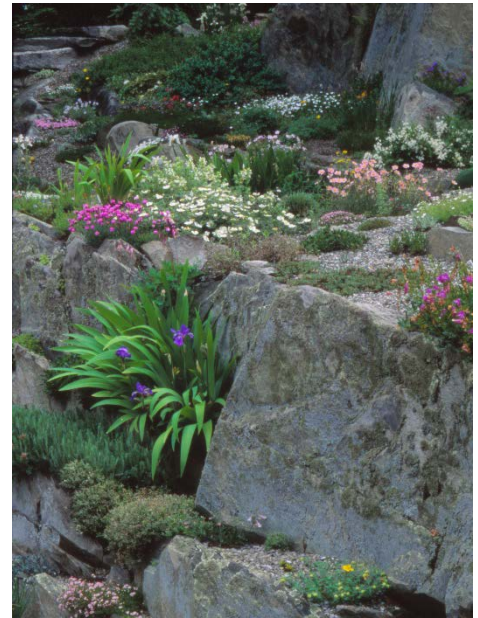
This tour will occur immediately after the NARGS Annual General Meeting at Cornell University. The tour includes visits to five fabulous gardens in the Lower Hudson River Valley. At each garden, we will have a guided tour as well as time for individual exploration. Hyperlinks in the following text provide additional information about the gardens. The tour will use a 28-passenger, professionally driver minibus throughout the tour and will be limited to 25 participants.

### Sunday, June 21

The tour will depart from Cornell at 8:00 am and will travel to Innisfree Garden in Millbrook, NY, with a stop for lunch before arriving. [Innisfree](#) was constructed in the mid-20<sup>th</sup> century using 'cups' (enclosed areas) that integrate plants, rocks, water, and sky with the surrounding environment based on eastern and western design influences. We will have dinner and spend the evening in Poughkeepsie, NY, as well as visit Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park.

### Monday, June 22

We will visit Anne Spiegel's garden in the morning and Stonecrop Gardens in the afternoon, with a stop in Cold Spring, NY for lunch. Anne's garden includes everything from rock outcrops to a meadow and stream, plus a number of troughs, and reflects the enthusiasm of an avid rock gardener. [Stonecrop](#) was started as the private garden of Frank and Anne Cabot and has a number of individual gardens, including a rock ledge, troughs, a scree garden, a woodland garden, and an alpine house. We will end the day near White Plains, NY for dinner and lodging.



### Tuesday, June 23

The tour will visit [Wave Hill Gardens](#) in the morning and the [New York Botanical Garden](#) for the afternoon. Wave Hill is located on a high bluff overlooking the Palisades of the Hudson River. The guided tour will include alpine house and trough garden area and the wild garden trails and vistas. After visiting Wave Hill, we will travel to the NYBG for lunch, a guided tour of the rock garden and native plant garden, and individual exploring. Our goal will be to leave NYBG in time to arrive at LaGuardia Airport by 4:00 pm.

### Other information:

- Meals: The tour price includes breakfast at both hotels as well as water and snacks on the bus. We will provide transportation to recommended local restaurants for lunch and dinner, but each participant will be responsible for selecting and paying for these meals.
- Lodging: Final selection of hotels has not been made, but they will be highly rated by Trip Advisor. Single participants may be asked to share room if necessary for all participants to stay at the same location.
- Transportation: Air conditioned bus driven by professional driver. The bus is not equipped with bathroom facilities, but will makes scheduled stop every two hours. The tour is scheduled to end at LaGuardia Airport, but an option exists for the bus to return to Ithaca if there are sufficient requests to cover the cost.
- Entrance Fees and Guides: Guides and entrance fees to all tour sites are included in the cost.
- Hikes: Mostly on garden paths with some steps, slopes, and uneven terrain.
- Group Size and Price: The tour price is based on 20-25 participants. If there are less than 20 participants, NARGS may need to cancel the tour or increase the price.