# Buffalo Garden Festival Tour!

Monday July 20<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

<u>THE BUFFALO GARDEN FESTIVAL</u> is a five week celebration of the greater Buffalo area's gardens, outstanding Victorian architecture from the turn-of –the century and fabulous tree-lined neighbourhoods.

- The Garden Walk is the largest private garden viewing in the world with over 350 private gardens open to the public we will select the most spectacular gardens to include in our visit of private gardens
- Included is a tour of the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens featuring a 1900 tri-domed glass conservatory and gardens designed by Frederick Law Olmsted.
- The **Erie Basin Marina Gardens**, located on the waterfront, are a "test" garden for floral and seed companies. Companies test their products so the gardens are beautiful plus educational as well.
- Smug Creek Gardens is home to Mike and Kathy Shadrack "Mr. & Mrs. Hosta"!!!

  Author(s) of: "The Color Encyclopedia of Hostas"; "Timber Press Pocket Guide to Hostas"; "The New Encyclopedia of Hostas" and the "Book of Little Hostas"

#### **Itinerary:**

#### **Monday**

We set out with an early departure from Toronto and head for the border and the beginning of our discovery of the Gardens of Buffalo!

Our day starts with a stop at the Erie Basin Marina Test Gardens, after which we are then joined by Marla, our Buffalo guide, who will uncover the wonders of Buffalo and its architecture of bygone years. After an included lunch, our afternoon is then spent touring private gardens in the area. We then check into the Millenium Hotel, just beside the Walden Galleria. Dinner is on your own, with a large selection of restaurants just steps away from your hotel. (L)

#### **Tuesday**

After an enjoyable breakfast, we will then head south of Buffalo to discover the fabulous hosta gardens of Mike and Kathy Shadrack – authors of numerous books on Hostas. Their Smug Creek Gardens will absolutely delight all hosta fans. We also tour another fabulous private garden before heading back to Buffalo and lunch on your own.

An optional tour of the famous Knox Albright Art Museum OR the Frank Lloyd Wright — Darwin Martin House OR the Botanical Gardens will be arranged. Dinner is on your own, with a shuttle to the Galleria, provided. (B)



#### Wednesday

After breakfast, we will spend the morning touring the Buffalo area, viewing spectacular and sometimes even quirky private gardens.

We depart for Canada – stopping for lunch provided by the lovely Church ladies of the Grace United Church in Dunnville.

After lunch, we stop at the spectacular private garden of Beth Powell. We will arrive in the GTA in the early evening. (B,L)



#### Your package includes:

- Return motor coach transportation
- 2 nights at the Millennium Hotel close to the Galleria Mall (shuttles will be provided)
- Meals: 2 breakfasts; 2 lunches;
- All applicable taxes
- Admission and tours to gardens/attractions listed in itinerary
- Note that itinerary specifics are subject to change

**COST:** \$ 669. per person, double occupancy. Single occupancy is \$ 879.

A non-refundable deposit of \$250. is due upon booking – Balance due June 1<sup>st</sup>.

(Please note that this tour is in Canadian funds and is exempt from HST)

- > This tour SOLD OUT in 2019!!!!
- > Please do not hesitate in booking.
- Deadline for the release of the hotel rooms if June 1st.

### **READY TO BOOK?** Simply call us and you are on your way

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We will gladly take all your personal information; fully explain the details of the excursion and go over the pick-up points and travel requirements.

Please note: All travelers must have a valid/current Canadian Passport - if not Canadian, please contact the office for instructions.

<u>PICK-UP INFORMATION:</u> This tour originates in Bowmanville with pick-ups along Hwy 401 West (Oshawa/Ajax) into the GTA, then westbound through the Golden Horseshoe. Please call the office for exact departure information.

CANCELLATION INSURANCE AND OUT OF THE PROVINCE INSURANCE is always recommended, please contact SANDERSON TRAVEL INSURANCE 1-877-226-8728 and tell them  $\overline{HNA}$   $\overline{TRAVELS}$  sent you!

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