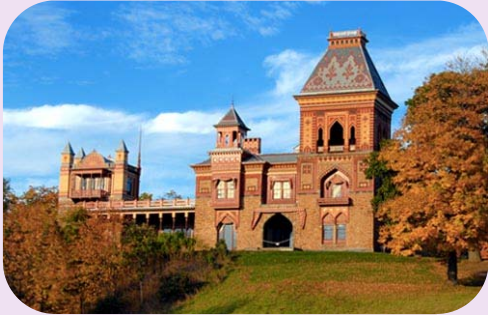


Connecticut Horticultural Society Presents:

Gardens of New York: Hudson Valley to Brooklyn

Sept 28 - Oct 1, 2022
Wed - Sat 4 day/3 nts



Olana: Frederic Church Estate

Cedar Grove: Thomas Cole National Historic Site

Stonecrop * Boscobel

Night in NYC to enjoy Broadway or other show

The High Line

Brooklyn Botanic Garden

2 Nights in Hudson Valley & 1 Night in NYC

2 Dinners, 3 Lunches

**SPECIAL GUEST: Jana Milbocker, garden designer, speaker,
and author of the Garden Tourist travel guides.**



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Come Join us on this great trip through the Hudson Valley to Brooklyn! This trip will be Escorted by Brett Isaacson and we will be joined by special guest, Jana Milbocker. Jana is a garden designer, speaker, and author of the Garden Tourist travel guides.

DAY 1: Our first stop will be Olana. In the early nineteenth century, many in this country were searching for a style of art that they could call their own - something uniquely American.

Frederic Church, the famous landscape architect, so loved the Hudson River Valley he bought a 126 acre farm in Hudson, NY. Here he created the magnificent Olana with its Moorish architecture and fantastic views of the river. Our Guided Tour will take us on a trip through time, seeing a remarkably preserved home, complete with much of the original furniture. We learn the story of Church's life and how he came to build this wonderful mansion overlooking the Hudson. Tour the home and garden.



Lunch at the Creekside Restaurant in Catskill, NY before heading off to the Thomas Cole Historic Site, Cedar Grove. Our visit provides entry into the world of the man who became the father of American landscape painting and founder of the Hudson River School of Art. Tour the 1815 Federal Main House and Gallery Room where exhibitions of art are on display. See "The Old Studio" where many of Cole's works were created.



Check into our home for two nights, the Courtyard by Marriott Fishkill before our Welcome Dinner at Eleven 11 Grille.

Lunch, Dinner

DAY 2: Today we head out to see two fabulous gardens in the area. Our first stop is Stonecrop, located in Cold Spring, New York and was originally the home of Anne & Frank Cabot. It became a public garden in 1992 under the direction of Caroline Burgess.



At its windswept elevation of 1100 feet in the Hudson Highlands, Stonecrop enjoys a Zone 6a climate. The display gardens cover an area of approximately 15 acres and comprise a diverse collection of gardens, woodlands, water gardens, cliff rock gardens and an enclosed English-style flower garden. We'll have a guided tour upon arrival.

We continue to the Boscobel Mansion is nestled in the Hudson Highlands, perched high above the Hudson River, Boscobel has a magnificent view of West Point and the entire river.

This elegant Federal Mansion was built in 1804 and moved to Garrison, New York to save the home. Today it's has magnificently beautiful interiors and lovely gardens. Guided tour reveals the charm of the family who so loved this home. We will then have a wonderful buffet lunch before our tour of the gardens.



Dinner tonight at Hudson's Restaurant.

Lunch, Dinner

DAY 3: We check out and head for NYC! First stop is Lyndhurst . Overlooking the Hudson River in Tarrytown, it is one of America's finest Gothic Revival mansions. Designed in 1838 by Alexander Jackson Davis the mansion's architectural brilliance is complemented by its comprehensive collection of original decorative arts and the estate's park-like landscape.



The estate was shaped for more than a century by three families and their staff: The Pauldings, The Merritts, and the Goulds, including French duchess, Anna Gould, Duchess of Tallyrand. Their influence is evident in the expansion of the main house from a country villa "in the pointed style" to a Gothic mansion, the park-like design of the grounds, as well as in the rich furnishings and decorations inside.

Lunch stop today is Tarry Tavern a cozy tavern serving hearty, modern American meals in a rustic cherrywood space.

We continue onto NYC where we check into our hotel for one night. Tonight is yours to explore NY or take in a show. We can arrange theater tickets for you.

Lunch

DAY 4: Today we will walk the High Line, a park created from a former raised railway. The High Line runs up the west side of Manhattan with an entrance near Chelsea Market. Because it is two-stories above street level it offers a unique view of the city. We'll have a chance to grab a bite to eat at Chelsea Market.



Our last stop will be the Brooklyn Botanic Garden...Come Experience a



great day in the 52 acre Brooklyn Botanic Garden with it's Japanese Gardens. When Brooklyn Botanic Garden was founded more than a century ago, New York City area was quickly being developed into a cityscape of buildings and paved roads. Creating a public garden was one way to ensure that some green space remained. Today, the Garden has come to represent the very best in urban gardening and horticultural display. Explore at your leisure.

We return home with a fond memory of this section of NY!



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