

Lowee's Group Tours Presents...

# GARDENS OF LONG ISLAND

September 24-25, 2010 **With George Weigel**

## Friday September 24, 2010

- 5:00 AM Weis Markets Simpson Ferry Rd, Mechanicsburg
- 5:30 AM Target, Rt 283, Harrisburg
- Fast food breakfast – on your own
- 10:00 AM Old Westbury Gardens ~ **Old Westbury Gardens**, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is the former home of John S. Phipps, his wife, Margarita Grace Phipps and their four children. Completed in 1906 by the English designer, George A. Crawley, the magnificent Charles II-style mansion is nestled amid 200 acres of formal gardens, landscaped grounds, woodlands, ponds and lakes.
- Lunch included at Old Westbury Gardens – choice of . . . .
- Turkey, Lettuce and Tomato on Wrap or Roll
  - Grilled Chicken with Roasted Peppers, lettuce & tomato on a wrap on roll
  - Roast Beef, lettuce, tomato on an Onion or Plain Roll
  - Ham & Swiss on Rye or Roll
  - Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad w/homemade croutons
  - Grilled Veggies on a Roll or Wrap
- 1:30 PM Planting Fields Arboretum – House and Formal Guided Tour  
Planting Fields Arboretum State Historic Park, Long Island's premier public arboretum and historic site located in Oyster Bay, New York. A former Gold Coast estate, the arboretum is comprised of 409 acres of greenhouses, rolling lawns, formal gardens, woodland paths, and outstanding plant collections. The original historic estate buildings remain including the 65 room Tudor Revival mansion and Coe Hall. The grounds, landscaped by the Olmsted Brothers of Brookline, Massachusetts.
- 5:15 PM Check in to the Hampton Inn Brookhaven, 631-732-7300
- 6:30 PM Dinner included this evening



**Saturday September 25, 2010**

Breakfast included at the hotel

9:00 AM Check out and depart

10:00 AM Madoo Conservancy

Over the last forty years, artist and writer Robert Dash has established a green, organic encyclopedia of gardening on two acres of land in Sagaponack, featuring Tudor, High Renaissance, early Greek, as well as Oriental garden influences. The myriad greens that abound in the garden, some alongside daring colors on railings, gates, windows and doors, together with innovative pruning techniques, all display an artistic genius at work. However, within this very original vision, an indigenous pattern surfaces. The continual introduction of native plants, the placement of a wheel-away bench (a rarely seen native design), a millstone, still in its barn, and migrant shack on the property pay homage to generations past. Now on the National Register of Historic Places, Madoo's residences also display interiors of exceptional and distinctive design, like the spiral staircase constructed of fallen timbers from the last hurricane as well as a bed designed to make one feel as though one is sleeping in the forest.

12:00 PM Depart – box lunch on the coach

1:00 PM Landcraft Environments garden center

Landcraft custom grows many plants for a variety of television shows in an effort to help broaden the horticultural pallet of gardeners everywhere. The owners have appeared in national and international television programs such as Martha Stewart Living TV and Gardeners World. One of the owners has worked on TV productions for The Today Show, Better Homes & Gardens TV, HGTV and has been a regular guest on Martha Stewart Living TV where he has demonstrated "how to" projects ranging from making topiaries, planter combinations, and propagating plant material to plant profiles such as fragrant house plants, passion flowers and tropical plants.

2:30 PM Depart for return

5:30 PM Dinner stop en route – on own

8:00 PM Approximate return

**To register please contact & mail payment to:  
Lowee's Group Tours, PO Box 6658, Harrisburg, PA 17112  
717-657-9658 or 1-888-345-6933  
\$339 per person Double Occupancy / Passports Required**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Rooming with \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Special requests: \_\_\_\_\_ Pick-up: West Shore \_\_\_\_\_ or East Shore \_\_\_\_\_

Travel insurance must be taken at the time of reservation. Travel Insurance \$57pp yes / no  
(Trip is non refundable without travel insurance)

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