



## EXPLORE THE HISTORIC EAST COAST

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This one-of-a-kind garden tour winds you along the dramatic and rugged coasts of Rhode Island and Massachusetts through four centuries of New England cultural history. You will explore historic gardens and estates from colonial homes to Gilded Age mansions and tour newly created landscapes and botanical gardens. Expert local guides will enhance your experiences every step along the way. Come along and immerse yourself in this cultural garden tour!

Day 1: Fly to Rhode Island. Enjoy a welcome reception and dinner when you arrive.

Day 2: Your tour begins to blossom the minute you arrive and board a private trolley to transport you to The Blue Garden. Today will include a tour of Newport, and a guided tour with "Mrs. Astor" who will fill you in on all the local rumors and scandals. You will also visit the Elms, a 1901 mansion. Dinner is at a national landmark, that was once the Newport Casino. Tonight enjoy a sunset sail on a 19th century schooner.

Day 3: Today you visit the Newport Flower show. After enjoying this beautiful display, you will tour Rosecliff Mansion, the Breakers, and Bannister wharf.

Day 4: Your first stop is the Green Animals Topiary Garden, with more than 80 pieces of topiary, along with vegetable and herb gardens and orchards. Next, visit Blithewold, a grand English Manor-style mansion situated on a dramatic waterfront site in Bristol. You will enjoy a special guided tour that includes the house, the magnificent Great Lawn and all of the surrounding gardens. At the end of your visit, gather for tea on the Breakfast Porch. Bid farewell to Rhode Island as you cross into Massachusetts on your way to historic Sandwich and the Heritage Museums and Gardens. Overnight in historic Plymouth, MA.

Day 5: Today will feature several stops at historic homes with tours of the grounds. Included are the Whipple house, Castle Hill on the Crane Estate, Cape Ann, and Rocky Neck! You will enjoy time to dine and shop in these gorgeous coastal towns as you make your way to Boston. After you check in to your hotel, feel free to spend the evening exploring the Boston night life!

Day 6: Your East Coast Gardens Tour comes to an end as you board your plane for the flight back to Texas!



#### INCLUDES:

- ROUND TRIP FROM AIR CORPUS, HOUSTON, AUSTIN, OR SAN ANTONIO
- 5 NIGHTS ACCOMMODATIONS
- 5 BREAKFASTS AND 5 DINNERS
- TROLLEY RIDE TO AND PRIVATE TOUR OF THE BLUE GARDEN
- PRIVATE TOUR OF THE BLUE GARDEN
- NEWPORT TOUR LED BY "MRS. ASTOR"
- SUNSET SAIL ABOARD A 19TH CENTURY-STYLE SCHOONER
- NEWPORT FLOWER SHOW
- TOUR OF ROSECLIFF MANSION
- TOUR OF THE BREAKERS
- TIME TO VISIT BANNISTER'S WHARF
- GREEN ANIMALS TOPIARY GARDEN
- TEA ON THE BREAKFAST PORCH AT BLITHEWOLD
- SOUVENIR GIFT AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

**COST: \$2799 PER PERSON/DOUBLE**  
**DEPOSIT: \$200 PER PERSON**  
**FINAL PAYMENT: APRIL 1, 2020**



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