

DENMARK & SWEDEN

GARDEN HISTORY & INNOVATION

May 27 - June 11, 2017 (16 days)



with Vancouver horticulturalist Egan Davis
Charming cities, spectacular gardens of ancient
estates, castles, historic museums and progressive
gardening await us in Scandinavia.

NEW ZEALAND

GARDEN & NATURE SPECTACULAR

October 25 - November 12, 2017 (19 days)



with Master Gardener Roger Phillips
Breathtaking landscapes and lush gardens.
We'll journey by boat, train, bus and gondola
to the far corners of the land of kiwis and Maoris.

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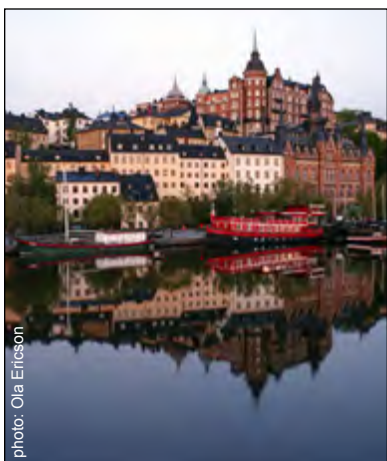


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A WORD FROM SPECIAL TRAVEL

Dear Travelers,

After the past exciting garden tours to Italy and the follow up tour to The French Riviera and Italian Lakes, we are looking forward to new adventures in 2017.

The response to our past tours was so overwhelmingly positive that we are offering **two** new adventures in the coming year. Each destination is very distinct from the other.

Roger Phillips, our Master Gardener (and popular host of the previous tours) with whom we have started this special line of tours has brought a new man on board. And Egan Davis is a perfect fit for our concept. He brings incredible knowledge and enthusiasm, and his experience in the field is unsurpassed. He is well known on Canada's West Coast and when he is not digging up or planting something, he out there doing his presentations and lectures.

We start the spring with a tour to Denmark and Sweden. Egan Davis, the host on this tour, has been working in Sweden and is very eager to bring our group to an environment that is full of innovation and functionality. But what else would you expect from a country that brought us IKEA .

Roger Phillips will escape with you in autumn to the land of the Kiwis. New Zealand has an enormous variety of climates and wonderful gardens to showcase. We will also be attending one of the best Garden Festivals the country puts on every year.

All of our tours are unique and well planned and great care is being taken so you see more than just the standard fare. Apart from the obvious focus – gardens – we also want to make sure you get to see the highlights and hidden gems. Great landscapes, cultural adventures, unique museums and charming villages and cities are all part of the experience that awaits you.

And you will travel with like minded people who share your love for nature and gardens. We keep the group size to a pleasant and manageable number so personal attention is guaranteed.

On our tours, while busy, we still want you to have time to explore on your own and most importantly, we try and arrange the routes so we can stay put in each place for a few days to avoid frequent packing and unpacking.

It might not always be easy but I believe that we have once again achieved that for the upcoming tours in 2017.

Maybe one of the 2 great destinations will be on your travel agenda for 2017 and we would be happy to do our best to make them A Trip of a Lifetime for you.

We look forward to having you join us!

Gery Valtiner, Program Director

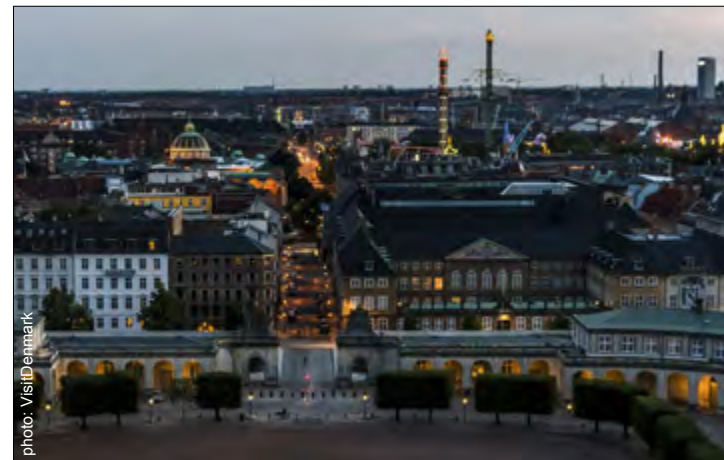


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SCANDINAVIAN TOUR HOST EGAN DAVIS

Egan Davis has had a lifelong passion for gardens, plants and the natural world. Currently, he is the instructor for the horticulture program at UBC Botanical Gardens. Previous to this, Egan has been at VanDusen Botanical Garden, Park & Tilford Gardens and the Mendel Floral Conservatory. As a guest speaker at many events and a personality on CBC radio, Egan has always been an active member in the gardening community for over 20 years. With his Norwegian blood, Egan has a deep connection to the Scandinavian region. In 2015, Egan spent time working with Peter Korn in Sweden and in the summer of 2016, Egan will be back in Sweden working at Gothenburg Botanic Garden and Peter Korn's garden again. This experience in Sweden has exposed Egan to progressive gardening techniques that he is very excited to bring back to Canada.



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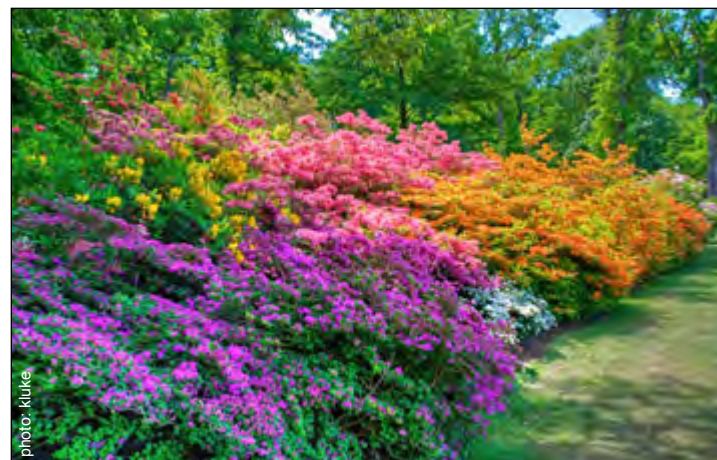


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DENMARK & SWEDEN GARDEN HISTORY & INNOVATION

COPENHAGEN – HILLEROD – ORESUND – MALMÖ
KIVIK – HELSINGBORG – HALMSTAD – GOTHENBURG
STOCKHOLM – UPPSALA

May 27 – June 11, 2017 (16 days)

Day 1
CANADA / USA – COPENHAGEN
We board our flight to Copenhagen.

May 27, Sat

Day 2
ARRIVE COPENHAGEN
We arrive in the afternoon, transfer to hotel and have some time to relax before dinner. (D)

May 28, Sun
DENMARK

Day 3
COPENHAGEN
On today's **City Tour** we will explore the history and beauty of the city, passing highlights such as the Amalienborg Palace, dramatic waterfront Opera and of course we'll visit the city's best-known mascot, the Little Mermaid. After time for lunch on your own we will have a guided tour of **Tivoli Gardens**. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure until dinner. (B,D)

May 29, Mon

TIVOLI GARDENS

The Tivoli Gardens has enchanted visitors from across the globe since its first season in 1843. Nestled like a fairytale village in the heart of the city, the gardens offer something to visitors of every age. While widely known for its bustling amusement park, more sophisticated delights abound, including the Hanging Garden and Japanese Garden.

Day 4
COPENHAGEN
This morning we have a special tour of the **University of Copenhagen Botanical Garden**. The rest of the day is free to enjoy some of Copenhagen's beautiful neighbourhoods and entertainments. Perhaps wander around Gammer Strand, admire the gabled houses of picturesque Christianshavn, take a short canal boat cruise, visit the National Museum or plan an evening at the theatre or opera. This evening you can sample the rich nightlife and dining options of this elegant and cosmopolitan capital. (B)

May 30, Tue

UNIVERSITY OF COPENHAGEN BOTANICAL GARDEN

This research-based institute in the heart of Copenhagen houses the country's largest collection of living plants and has three gene banks. Part of the Natural History Museum, the garden serves to develop the scientific collections of living and preserved plants and fungi from across the globe, making them and the affiliated literature and research available to further understanding, and promoting interest and conservational values globally.

Day 5
COPENHAGEN

May 31, Wed

After breakfast we depart for Hillerod to tour scenic **Frederiksborg Castle**. Started in the 16th century, it is an excellent example of Renaissance and Baroque architecture. We will see some of the exquisite staterooms and the Baroque Castle Park created in 1850, with its canals, winding paths, and artificial lakes. Next we travel to Oresund to visit the **Louisiana Museum of Modern Art** and its sculpture garden. Returning to Copenhagen, the evening is at leisure. (B)

LOUISIANA MUSEUM OF MODERN ART GARDENS

The landscaped grounds of the museum are sited on a plateau sloping towards Oresund with sweeping vistas to the sea. Dominated by huge, ancient specimen trees, the sculptures by a variety of leading artists such as Joan Miro, Max Ernst and Henry Moore are strategically placed in harmony with sightlines from the Museum, the landscape and the wider environment.

Day 6
COPENHAGEN – MALMÖ

June 1, Thu
SWEDEN

We leave Denmark and travel via the monumental 8km Oresund Bridge (8km) and the 4km Drogden Tunnel to Sweden. Near Malmö we will have a tour of **Katrinetorp Manor** before ending the day in the city. Following check-in we will gather for dinner. (B,D)

KATRINETORP MANOR

Set in lush, idyllic surroundings near the Oresund Bridge, the Manor was built at the beginning of the 1800s for a wealthy local merchant family. Situated in a country estate comprised of Formal, Rose, Kitchen and Conservatory gardens and an English landscape park, it is one of the best-preserved Empire style manors in Sweden.

Day 7

June 2, Fri

MALMÖ

An introductory tour will acquaint us with the city, its best-known landmarks and distinctive architecture. Most notable of these is architect Santiago Calatrava's 190m Turning Torso, a gleaming tower in the Western Harbour which spirals through a full 90 degrees from the base to top. Western Harbour is a residential area reclaimed from industry which rewards further exploration of its winding alleyways, interesting architecture and marina. The rest of the day is devoted to the **Malmö Garden Show** and we meet up again for dinner. (B,D)

MALMÖ GARDEN SHOW

Malmö is the biggest city in Southern Sweden, often known as the city of parks. Behind magnificent Malmöhus Castle, Scandinavia's oldest surviving renaissance castle, is the castle garden which accommodates the celebrated garden show. Throughout the Slottsträdgården, you'll enjoy beautiful balcony and garden exhibitions, ingenious design ideas and leading trends from top garden designers, a Garden Market and a Children's Garden Show. You may even get involved at one of the inspiring workshops.

Day 8

June 3, Sat

MALMÖ

We have a beautiful loop tour today as we visit the pretty town of **Kivik** and the charming **Ulriksdals Trädgård**. Known for its annual market and trade in herring and apples, Kivik is also notably site of a 3,000-year-old Bronze Age tomb which is the largest circular burial site in Sweden. We then proceed to **Hovdala Manor and Orangerie** and then tour **Wanas Castle and Gardens**. (B)

ULRIKSDALS TRÄDGÅRD

A garden in 1800s English style, replete with pond and island gazebo, babbling brook, open lawns, enclosures surrounded by rare trees, a small orchard, rockery, woodland, and kitchen gardens and a nursery specializing in hellebores, maples and magnolias. It has grown to encompass more than 100 different genera and more than 500 different species and varieties and often a little unusual for Swedish conditions. A comprehensive compendium can be accessed for more information on the more than 400 different labeled plants found throughout.

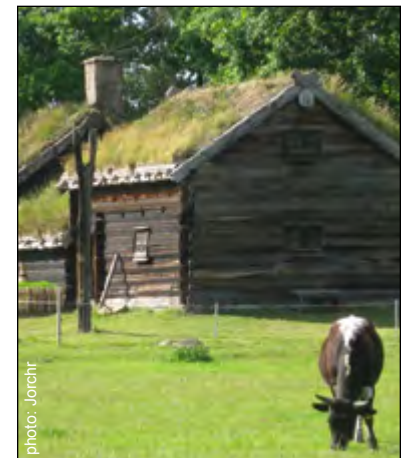
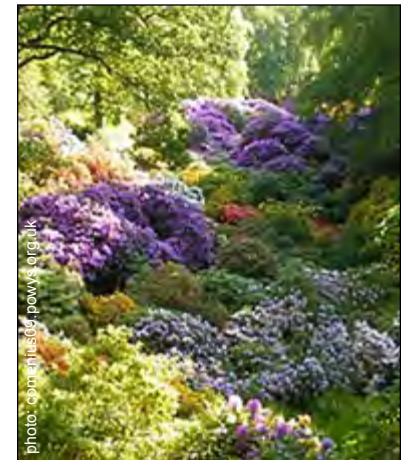


HOVDALA MANOR AND ORANGERIE

Home to the Ehrenborg family from 1665 to 1981, Hovdala Castle has a Park (Slottspark) and Castle Garden (Slottsträdgård), a Kitchen Garden enclosed by a hornbeam hedge and a late 18th century Orangerie. The Kitchen Garden was restored by landscape architect Barbara Johnson and supplies fresh food for the Hovdala restaurant. Plantings are selected according to both cultural and historical criteria at this beautifully-restored estate.

WANAS CASTLE AND GARDENS

The Wanås estate consists of a white castle in elegant medieval Danish style, an organic milk farm, forests, pastures, and farmland, art gallery, shop, café and sculpture park. Located northeastern Skåne, until the late 17th century this was a war-torn Danish-Swedish borderland region. Wanås is now famed for its contemporary arts outreach programs and exhibitions. Initially focused on site-specific sculptures and installations from Nordic countries and the US, their mandate has expanded to showcase top artists from around the world and in artistic disciplines as diverse as design, dance, architecture, text and science. Annually since 1987, international artists have been invited to create art in the Park, and a permanent collection of over 50 works produced specifically for Wanås represent artists such as Jacob Dahlgren, Dan Graham, Charlotte Gyllenhammar, Ann Hamilton, Henrik Håkansson, Jan Häfstrom, Jenny Holzer, Per Kirkeby, Marianne Lindberg De Geer, Srinivasa Prasad, Yoko Ono, Ann-Sofi Sidén and Robert Wilson.



Day 9

June 4, Sun

MALMÖ – HELSINGBORG – HALMSTAD – GOTHENBURG

We depart Malmö to visit **Sofiero Palace** with its luscious Gardens in Helsingborg and **Fredriksdal Museum and Gardens**. In the afternoon we head to Halmstad and there visit the Piet Oudolf-designed **Juvelen, Jungfrun and Vallas** pocket parks. Then we proceed to Gothenburg, check in and enjoy dinner. (B,D)



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SOFIERO PALACE GARDENS

Sofiero was founded as a summer palace in 1864, but the garden took on a leading role when given as a wedding present to Prince Gustaf Adolf and his new wife Margareta from England. During her time at Sofiero, Princess Margareta expanded the gardens, planting new flowerbeds and building stone walkways. After her death in 1920 and even after becoming king, Gustaf Adolf continued to take a keen interest in developing the castle gardens, and rhododendrons in particular. Richly decked with rhododendron blossoms in the Spring, the gardens are a huge draw and visiting an annual tradition for many. Drawing tens of thousands of visitors each year, Sofiero was named Europe's most beautiful park in 2010 and is one of Sweden's most popular destinations.

To honour Sofiero's 150th Jubilee a new 2,000m² garden was inaugurated June 6, 2016. The Jubilee Garden designed by Mona Wembling is a place of inspiration, relaxation and innovative garden design.

FREDRIKSDAL MUSEUM & GARDENS

One of the largest Open Air Museums in the country, this hidden gem features a 10th century mansion, historical buildings and a working farm spread out over several gardens, parks and fields. The collections include botanical gardens featuring regional flowers and plants, a spectacular collection of roses, and historical kitchen and herb gardens.

JUVELEN, JUNGFRUN, VALLAS PARKS

These three parks in Halmstad showcase the work of Piet Oudolf, an influential Dutch garden designer, nurseryman and author. He is a leading figure of the New Perennial movement, employing bold drifts of herbaceous perennials and grasses which are chosen and much for their structure as for their flower color.

Day 10

GOTHENBURG

A **City Tour** will introduce us to the highlights of this beautiful city, with its 17th century canals. The afternoon is dedicated to the **Gothenburg Botanical Garden**. (B,D)

June 5, Mon

GOTHENBURG BOTANICAL GARDEN

Gothenburg Botanical Garden is one of the largest in Europe, covering 175 hectares (430 acres) of varied topography, much of which is nature reserve. On the site of a great country estate named Stora Änggården, construction of the vast gardens owes much to donations and gifts of land since its conception. Work on the gardens began in 1916, the Woodlands opened to the public in 1919 and the cultivated gardens in 1923. Around 16,000 species can be found in its 40 acres of cultivated gardens, amongst which are largest collection of tropical orchids in Sweden, carnivorous plants and such rarities as the Easter Island tree, *Sophora toromiro*, which is extinct in the wild. The award-winning Rock Garden boasts two Michelin stars, but the Rhododendron Valley, Japanese Glade, Kitchen Garden, Arboretum and the Green Houses all deserve a visit. There is also an Art Gallery, Shop, Restaurant and Cafeteria.

Day 11

GOTHENBURG

A Swedish designer shows us how to walk on the wild side! Thousands of rare wildflowers have been painstakingly collected and given a new home in **Peter Korn's** carefully constructed garden wilderness, evoking their native Alpine and Himalayan sites. It will be a fascinating look at otherwise inaccessible plants and innovative gardening techniques. Egan Davis has designed a wonderful day and will open your eyes to new possibilities. After our visit there the evening is at leisure to explore Gothenburg's dining and entertainment options. (B)

June 6, Tue

PETER KORN'S GARDEN

Peter Korn has transformed his 12 acre property in to a garden that attracts visitors from around the world. Inspired by his plant hunting trips to the Caucasus and elsewhere in the world, Peter has moved hundreds of thousands of tons of soil and boulders by hand to create this magical space with a boggling plant inventory of 20,000, many of which were wild-collected. He grows some of the most rare alpine and temperate plants with an intuition that stems from an inspiring passion. His success as a gardener can also be attributed to his progressive gardening techniques. Peter's garden is 100% sand and gravel. He has removed all of the soil in his garden and replaced it with sand to replicate the conditions that he has observed in the wild. In this way, plants grow lean and hard. They require no water or fertilizer and the growth is healthy. At Peter Korn's Garden, you will be inspired by beauty, see rare plants from around the world and see gardening techniques that will amaze you.

Day 12

June 7, Wed

GOTHENBURG – STOCKHOLM

After busy days of exploring gardens and cities, today we can sit back and enjoy vistas of the Swedish countryside unfolding before us as we travel along Lake Vattern toward the capital. We'll enjoy a few refreshing stops including time for lunch on your own before we close the day with our arrival in Stockholm and dinner. (B,D)

Day 13

June 8, Thu

STOCKHOLM

Stockholm, one of the most beautiful capitals in the world, is built on 14 islands connected by 57 bridges. On today's **City Tour** we will learn about the history, enjoy views from different island vantage points, see great buildings from the Palace to the Opera and visit the suburb of **Skärholmen** to see another of Piet Oudolf's award-winning small public Perennial Park designs. The afternoon is yours to enjoy the centre of Stockholm, where many of the city's attractions are within walking distance. Maybe wander through Djurgården or the Skansen Open Air Museum. With its 750 year history and rich culture, Stockholm offers a wide selection of world-class museums and attractions. (B)

Day 14

June 9, Fri

STOCKHOLM – UPPSALA – STOCKHOLM

We visit the university town of Uppsala with a focus on Carl Linnaeus, botanist and father of modern taxonomy as we visit the garden at the **University of Uppsala Botanical Garden**. The 500-year old University has the management of three Linnaeus Gardens. We will tour the main garden and, time permitting, perhaps one of the satellite gardens before we return to the capital in time for dinner. (B,D)

UNIVERSITY OF UPPSALA BOTANICAL GARDEN

Founded in 1655 it is the oldest botanical garden in Sweden, and still serves both the public and the academic community as a living plant museum for its 8,000 species. Highlights include the Baroque Garden, 200-year old Orangery, Tropical Greenhouse and Alpine plant collection. 18th century Professor Carl Linnaeus will be front and centre today as we pay tribute to the Swedish botanist, physician and zoologist who formalized the modern system of naming organisms called binomial nomenclature.

Day 15

June 10, Sat

STOCKHOLM

Home to the world's only preserved 17th century ship, the unique **Vasa Museum** is our first stop. Then we conclude our horticultural tour with a visit to the **Stockholm Botanical Garden** and draw our adventure to a close with a Farewell Dinner. (B,D)

STOCKHOLM BOTANICAL GARDEN

The Bergius Botanic Garden is managed by Stockholm University and the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences Bergius Foundation, and aims to spread knowledge about biodiversity and botany and provide research material. The Director of research here bears the title Professor Bergianus. Designed on scientific principles when it was moved to its current site in 1885, it is comprised of phytogeographical regions, systematic sections, mountain-shaped rockeries, the Victoria House and the Victoria Pond.

Day 16

June 11, Sun

STOCKHOLM – VANCOUVER

Today we transfer to airport for our flight home. (B)

Depending on interest, a two-night Extension with a train journey Stockholm – Oslo might be offered.

June 11 – 13, 2017

INCLUDED:

- Airfare Canada - Copenhagen, Stockholm - Canada
- Accommodation in comfortable superior tourist-class hotels
- Breakfast (B) , Lunch (L) and Dinner (D) as noted in itinerary
- Garden visits, entrances, special events per itinerary
- Private bus and guide
- City Tours with local experts

NOT INCLUDED:

- Airport departure taxes (approx. \$620; varies per departure city)
- Most airlines now apply Seat Assignment charges
- We will advise you if so and how much at time of booking
- Travel insurance
- Meals not mentioned in itinerary
- Gratuities for driver and guide
- Drinks and items of a personal nature

COST

in Canadian funds, based on double occupancy

from Vancouver	\$5900
from Toronto	\$5700
Single Supplement	+\$2100
for rates from other cities, please call our office	
Group size 25 - 29 maximum	





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NEW ZEALAND TOUR HOST ROGER PHILLIPS

We are very pleased to have Roger Phillips returning as our convivial host on this tour of the lush landscape and gardens of New Zealand.

Roger is a retired educator who has dabbled in gardening matters throughout his life. From his grandfather's Victory garden in wartime England to his father's passion for exhibiting hybrid tea roses and his own eclectic backyard garden on the West Coast, these influences prompted him to complete his credentials as a Master Gardener and share his perspectives on gardening.

The adventure of travel started early, moving from the English Cotswolds to study Forestry in Snowdonia then post-graduate studies amongst the Cascade range of Washington. Having experienced that 'travel is the best education' he took his rugby teams to England and France and visited Italy with his school's exchange programme six times. Personal outdoor adventures have taken him from ocean racing, rafting both the Tatshenshini River and the Burnside River into the Arctic Ocean, and kayaking in Haida Gwaii, the Sea of Cortez and Tonga.

An avid reader of J.R.R. Tolkien's epic trilogy "The Lord of the Rings", Roger delighted in movie director Peter Jackson's visual interpretation of the story with his use of New Zealand's stunning scenery as settings for the action. The country has mountains and fjords, beaches and seascapes, volcanoes and geysers and pastoral farmland. The gardens he's chosen to visit complement the scenic splendours with their colour, character and influences from Maori culture and transplanted European ideals. As a rugby player, referee and supporter for decades it was with regret that the famous All-Black venues were omitted!

A NOTE FROM ROGER

Coming off the success of our 2013 Gardens of Italy tour I selected our destination gardens to best suit the following goals:

- Allow the party to stay in a hotel for several days and take daily jaunts by STI's comfortable bus with its knowledgeable guide and friendly driver, to see the selected locations. Our suitcases can rest in the closet for several nights before being packed and we can adopt our hotel, share the happy hour before dinner, and get to know the local streets, shops and restaurants.
- Illuminate the links between a garden and its place in the history and culture of the time. Gardens have inspired many artists, painters and poets.
- Offer a variety of garden experiences, including an extended visit to a Festival of Gardens in Taranaki where dozens of prominent gardens are opened to visitors.
- Keep the pace of the tour sedate with plenty of time to relax, explore the surroundings, taste the food and wine and enjoy the ambience.

NEW ZEALAND GARDEN & NATURE SPECTACULAR

AUCKLAND – COROMANDEL – ROTORUA
WAIMANGU – WAIOTAPU – WAIPAHIA
NEW PLYMOUTH – QUEENSTOWN – LAKE
WAKATIPU – MILFORD SOUND – ARROWTOWN
LAKE WANAKA – CHRISTCHURCH – AKAROA

October 25 – November 12, 2017 (19 days)

Day 1

DEPART CANADA / USA

Nonstop flight from Vancouver to Auckland.

Day 2

LOSE A DAY CROSSING THE INTERNATIONAL DATELINE

Day 3

ARRIVE AUCKLAND

We arrive early morning and after clearing Customs we will be met by our guide and take a short drive to **Auckland Botanic Gardens**. We'll take a leisurely walk through, and enjoy breakfast before heading into the city to check into our hotel. After a time for rest and lunch on your own, we will head out for a mid-afternoon orientation **Tour of Auckland**. The main gateway to New Zealand, Auckland is a cosmopolitan city of 1.3 million, with fine boutiques and restaurants. Our tour will take in the bustling downtown and waterfront areas, points of historic interest, and a 360-degree panorama of the city from the Sky Tower, with the graceful lines of the Harbour bridge, the sparkling waters of Waitemata Harbour and the Hauraki Gulf so closely identified with the city. We'll also visit quaint Parnell Village, affluent residential suburbs and Tamaki waterfront drive. We'll return to the hotel this evening and gather for dinner. (B,D)

AUCKLAND BOTANIC GARDENS

A spectacular 64 hectare (156 acre) garden and native forest with a distinctive South Pacific flavour, designed with a focus on sustainable horticultural principles to optimize the health of the gardens and waterways without relying on fungicides or insecticides. The collections of natives and exotics are complemented by lakes, the award-winning Potter Children's Garden and a growing collection of large scale outdoor sculpture by New Zealand artists. www.aucklandbotanicgardens.co.nz

October 25, Wed

October 26, Thu

October 27, Fri

NEW ZEALAND

Day 4

AUCKLAND – HAMILTON – WHANGAMATA

After breakfast we depart Auckland for a behind-the-scenes tour of **Hamilton Gardens**, where still ponds and cascades of water create a sense of tranquillity. It's a garden filled with drama and heady perfume. After time for lunch on your own, we continue over the Bombay Hills, heading east around the Hauraki Gulf. Stopping along the way, we'll have an opportunity for a reviving and intriguing **Rainforest Walk**, and cross the hills of the interior range to arrive at our destination. Rustic, relaxed and unspoiled, the **Coromandel Peninsula** is one of New Zealand's best-loved holiday destinations. The rugged volcanic hills are cloaked in native rainforest, and more than 250 miles of spectacular coastline promises you can find the beach of your dreams. Inspired by the region's idyllic setting, many artists and crafts people have made the Coromandel their home, and visitors to the area are welcomed into their studios. We will stop in a town en route allowing time for lunch at your discretion. For the next two nights we will stay in beautiful Whangamata which is a popular holiday destination with its pristine white sandy beaches and delightful small township. (B,D)

HAMILTON GARDENS

A fairytale transformation from a rubbish dump into Waikato's most visited attraction with approximately one million visitors each year, Hamilton Gardens was awarded International Garden of the Year in 2014. Exploring the history of gardening and cultures through themed garden collections, Hamilton Gardens recreates historically important garden styles from the farthest reaches of the world. Each visit is a path of discovery as you step from a peaceful Sung Dynasty Chinese Scholar's garden through an Italian Renaissance Garden, to be enthralled next by the grandeur of the Indian Char Bagh ('four quartered') Garden.

Day 5

COROMANDEL COAST + NATURE WALK

This morning we will be joined by expert local guides who will take us on a private **Tour** to experience the Coromandel Peninsula's natural heritage and scenic beauty. A photographer's dream, today's tour will offer us a chance to enjoy the flora & fauna of the semi-tropical rainforest with giant ferns, kauri trees and crystal clear streams. We'll visit the old **Historic Gold Caves** sparkling with glowworms and hear the fascinating history of this magical area. Then we'll be treated to stunning coastal scenery with white sand beaches, magnificent cliffs adorned by ancient Pohutukawa trees, old Maori pa sites and picturesque offshore islands. Tide permitting, we may even be able to visit the Hot Water Beach. (B,L,D)

October 28, Sat





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photo: Chris McLennan

Day 6

WHANGAMATA – MATAMATA – ROTORUA

This morning we depart for Rotorua travelling through the beautiful countryside of the Waikato region. We'll visit the **Hobbiton** Movie Set for a guided tour around the remarkable confection of Hobbiton Village. After a stop in Matamata Township with time for lunch on your own, we'll make our way to the **Agrodome** for a show of some of New Zealand's best-known inhabitants. Here the sheep are the stars. We'll see a flock mustered by highly trained sheep dogs along with traditional drenching and shearing demonstrations and a little dairy history, plus some opportunities to visit with the animals. This afternoon we visit **Te Puia Thermal Reserve** and the **Maori Arts and Crafts Institute**, Rotorua's most famous attraction. We'll see woodcarving, weaving displays, and the spectacular Thermal Valley with its geysers, fumaroles, colourful silica deposits and boiling mud pools. (B,D)

HOBBITON SET AND GARDENS

On suitably picturesque private farmland we can step into the world of the The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit film trilogies in a guided tour of the Hobbiton Movie Set. Completely rebuilt for The Hobbit, it offers us the chance to see the Hobbit Holes, The Green Dragon Inn, The Mill, the double arched bridge and other structures and gardens used in creating Tolkien's arcadian ideal on film.

Day 7

ROTORUA – MAORI VILLAGE

This morning we can enjoy another captivating geothermal pageant as we head south for a **Nature Walk and Cruise in Waimangu Thermal Valley** (shuttles are available for those with limited mobility), a beautiful region of volcanic crater lakes and geothermal activity. This valley is best known for the 1886 eruption of Mount Tarawera. A **Cruise on Thermal Lake Rotomahana** reveals steaming cliffs and the former site of the Pink & White Terraces, which were world-renowned before the eruption. Next we'll continue our scenic drive to **The Buried Village**, passing the Blue and Green lakes. During our guided tour we will learn of the Tarawera eruption which buried the village in ash and see buildings excavated and numerous recovered Maori artefacts. We'll also hear some of the intriguing village stories, in particular that of Tuhoto Ariki, who foretold the destruction of the village - his house has been excavated and is here on display. Proceeding to our destination, we'll arrive in Rotorua and enjoy some time to rest. This evening we venture out to a village where we are guests at a traditional **Maori Hangi** meal and **Concert** at a Marae (Maori community house). At the end of the evening we will be taken on a floodlit **Tour through Rainbow Springs'** pristine native bush to see New Zealand's iconic shy Kiwi bird and a three-eyed "living dinosaur", the Tuatara, the sole survivor of a 200 million year-old order. (B,D)

October 30, Mon

October 31, Tue

Day 8

ROTORUA – TAUPO – NEW PLYMOUTH

This morning we visit **Waiotapu** "Sacred Waters", New Zealand's most colourful and diverse geothermal attraction. We'll explore this natural wonderland of stunning geothermal activity and watch the spectacular Lady Knox geyser. Departing for Lake Taupo, a major holiday destination for locals and overseas visitors alike, we'll also have a chance to see Wairakei Geothermal Power Station and the mighty Waikato River roaring over **Huka Falls**. In Taupo we'll visit the **Waipahihi Scenic Reserve**, its rich floral tapestry offering scenic vistas of Taupo township, Mount Tauhara and the lake with its mountain backdrop. We'll have some time for lunch before we continue our journey through rural farmland to the city of New Plymouth, where we'll check in and enjoy dinner. (B,D)

WAIPAHIIH BOTANICAL RESERVE

The lovely 35 hectare hillside gardens were established in 1966 as a native plant reserve and refuge for native birds, and have been developed enriched as a labour of love by dedicated volunteers ever since. Discover the fascinating alpine garden, lemonwood walk or marvel at the 2,000 rhododendrons, azaleas and camellias skillfully intermingled with the forest and other feature plantings that are a ravishing spectrum every Spring. High on a hill, the reserve offers spectacular views over Lake Taupo to the mountains of the Tongariro National Park. This is a magical and romantic place due to the lush walks, native fauna and outstanding views. waipahihibotanicalgardens.co.nz

Day 9

NEW PLYMOUTH

The following major garden events will be operating simultaneously. Details of each are yet to be published, but we'll spend two full days visiting the participating gardens of both festivals.

The **Powerco Taranaki Garden Spectacular** was previously known as the Taranaki Rhododendron Festival. A major festival celebrating the most beautiful gardens in a region surrounding Mt. Taranaki known for its horticultural excellence, with an array of gardens and special events.

The **Taranaki Fringe Garden Festival** was launched to display those gardens that had not previously been featured in the other event. Independently assessed to exacting standards, both festivals' changing rota showcases dozens of Taranaki's most extraordinary gardens, providing a wonderful, inspirational experience and welcoming forum for gardeners to share their profound knowledge and passion.

If you crave a break from garden gazing, a number of special events will be happening throughout town in conjunction with the festival, and attractions such as the Puke Ariki Museum hold some excellent heritage collections to be explored. (B,D)

November 1, Wed

November 2, Thu

POWERCO TARANAKI GARDEN SPECTACULAR and TARANAKI FRINGE GARDEN FESTIVAL

We plan to visit 6 gardens each of the 2 days that we have devoted to New Zealand's largest garden festivals. Events include access to more than 50 of Taranaki's most exceptional gardens, a landscape design project, tours, guided walks, art and community celebrations. Delight in the splendour and variety of the famously lovely gardens of Taranaki. www.gardenfest.co.nz & www.taranakigardens.co.nz

Day 10 NEW PLYMOUTH

November 3, Fri

Another glorious day of exploring the **Taranaki Garden Festival** and **Taranaki Fringe Garden Festival** and adjacent garden and tourist attractions. The evening is free, allowing you leisure to explore the city and its many great restaurants, or linger over the sights. (B)

Day 11 NEW PLYMOUTH – QUEENSTOWN

November 4, Sat

This morning we will visit the **Govett Brewster Gallery** before transferring to the airport for **flight to Queenstown**. The Len Lye Centre in the Gallery features the experimental films and kinetic sculpture of this artist, whose work is prominent throughout New Plymouth. On arrival in Queenstown we will be met and transferred to our hotel, where we will enjoy some time at leisure before dinner. (B,D)

Day 12 QUEENSTOWN

November 5, Sun

We start the day in beautiful **Chantecler Gardens** which should be a mass of Spring bloom at over 700 plants and 200 varieties through several acres of garden and woodlands. Next we can tour and sample the wines at nearby **Amisfield Vineyard**. This is the southernmost wine growing region in New Zealand, just north of the 45th Parallel. High altitude, cool climate, long summers, and clean soils allow this area to produce some of the best Pinot Noirs and aromatic white wines in New Zealand. The Amisfield Wine Company's Winery & Bistro is housed in an iconic stone building ten minutes from Queenstown, with great views of snow covered mountains and Lake Hayes.

Snow-capped mountains towering over the deep blue waters of Lake Wakatipu, fringed by poplars and weeping willows, set the stage for Queenstown, possibly New Zealand's most spectacular and popular resort destination. We'll tour some of the sights as we return to the city, allowing time for you to have lunch at your discretion and rest up for the evening. Tonight is a special treat as we board the **vintage steam ship TSS Earnslaw**, crossing the lake to **Walter Peak High Country Station** for a sumptuous **BBQ** dinner and a demonstration by well-drilled sheep dogs and sheep. (B,D)

CHANTECLER GARDENS

A 12 acre garden designed in 2006 with ponds, waterfalls, fountains, bridges and a stream. In the rich soil the plantings have matured with staggering speed, providing a wonderful array of colors, designs and scents, all set in the scenic Waikiti Basin with views of the aptly named Remarkables Mountains. Planned in themes from English to Formal to Tuscan to French to Oriental-themed and Native Gardens. www.chantecler.co.nz

Day 13

November 6, Mon

QUEENSTOWN – MILFORD SOUND EXCURSION

We depart early for a beautiful journey along the shores of Lake Wakatipu to New Zealand's prettiest lakes as we head toward Te Anau and Milford Sound. Prepare to be awestruck by the extraordinary beauty of the hanging valleys, precipices and cascades as we make our way to this world-famous beauty spot. Once through the Homer Tunnel and the Eglinton Valley, we emerge on the shores of Milford Sound. Cleft during the ice age and dominated by the mile high Mitre Peak, Rudyard Kipling once described the Sound as the "Eighth Wonder of the World." A **Nature Cruise on Milford Sound** affords you breathtaking views of the Fiord, as it may have been seen by the earliest explorers. We'll enjoy lunch on board as we cruise the length of the Fiord right up to the soaring 1,200 foot cliffs and thundering waterfalls. Turning where the Fiord meets the Tasman Sea, we'll have the enchanting experience of watching this majestic fiord emerge and unfold before us. The captains are adept at seeking out playful schools of dolphins and fur seals basking on the sunny rocks to punctuate our unforgettable journey. Returning to Queenstown, the evening is at leisure to relax or seek out some of the city's abundant dining options. (B,L)

Day 14 QUEENSTOWN

November 7, Tue

After breakfast we depart for a visit to beautiful **Blair Garden**. It's a beautiful setting, rich with texture and impressive views of the surrounding mountains. Next we visit **Arrowtown**, an historic gold mining town on the banks of the Arrow River where we'll learn a little about the industry that shaped its development. We'll return to the hotel and have the afternoon at leisure to enjoy lunch, relax or enjoy the many activities that Queenstown offers. You may find treasures and bargains in the shops, stroll through the civic gardens, or hire clubs and chase a ball around one of the prettiest golf courses in New Zealand. An extraordinary dinner tonight awaits us at the **Skyline Restaurant** at the top of **Bob's Peak**, which is accessed by gondola. Sensational views of the town and the lake framed by the Remarkable Mountains accompany the meal. (B,D)





BLAIR GARDEN

Begun 34 years ago, this imaginative and innovative country garden is the reflection of the passion and vision of its owner Janet Blair. An old pioneer cottage and an equally old stone shed with corrugated iron roof form the centrepiece, together with very old and craggy elderberry trees.

A large colour-themed bed borders the old shed and there are large drifts of old roses together with herbaceous plants, bulbs, shrubs and trees. Throughout, the garden is well maintained and attention to detail is a feature with apple trees trained into swirls and lawns cut to reflect the evening shadows. There is a masterful use of green and much thought has gone into ensuring there is seasonal colour to reflect the surrounding landscape.

Day 15

November 8, Wed

QUEENSTOWN – WEST COAST – FRANZ JOSEPH

Departing Queenstown we head north through an area steeped in the fascinating history of New Zealand's early settlement and the gold mining era as we head toward **Lake Wanaka**, a picture-postcard resort town on the lake's edge. Past Lake Hawea and the upper reaches of Lake Wanaka into the Mt. Aspiring and Westland National Parks, we cross to the West Coast. We'll enjoy an exhilarating **Cruise on the beautiful Haast River** and lunch at the World Heritage Hotel. Continuing along the rugged beaches and dense rainforests of the West Coast, we'll travel towards the **Fox and Franz Josef Glaciers**. Arriving at the hotel we'll check in with some time to rest before dinner. (B,L,D)

Day 16

November 9, Thu

WEST COAST – TRANZALPINE TRAIN TO CHRISTCHURCH

This morning we depart Franz Josef and continue along the west coast past small villages to Hokitika, where we will visit a **Greenstone Workshop** to see craftsmen cutting and polishing boulders to create fine jade jewelry. After time for lunch on your own, we will continue to Greymouth, where we board the **TranzAlpine Train**. One of the world's top rail journeys, this route across the country's greatest mountain range offers up a succession of fabulous panoramas. As we cross the Southern Alps, we will travel over massive viaducts and through spectacular gorges and river valleys to the garden city of Christchurch. We arrive in time to check in and enjoy dinner. (B,D)

Day 17

November 10, Fri

CHRISTCHURCH

We begin today with a **Tour of Christchurch**. The city was devastated by an earthquake in 2011 and with determination and creative minds the city is being re-imagined. We'll see evidence of the destruction juxtaposed with innovative architecture like that of the new Christchurch art gallery in the city centre. The ingenious Re-Start Mall,

made out of shipping containers, is a sight worthy of note. We'll also visit the **International Antarctic Centre**, the base for the joint New Zealand, Italian and US Antarctic Exploration programs. Next we visit **Mona Vale Gardens** with its mature trees, sloping lawns, herbaceous borders, large rose garden, irises and water lily pond. Then we have some time for lunch before meeting the gardening crew for a tour of **Christchurch Botanical Gardens**. Our tour ends with the option to explore the adjacent **Christchurch Museum** and walk back to the hotel, or return by coach. The rest of the afternoon we are at liberty to rest and enjoy the city sights. We will come together again in the early evening to enjoy cocktails and celebrate our adventure with a Farewell Dinner. (B,D)

MONA VALE GARDENS

Just five minutes from Christchurch city centre, Mona Vale is a serene haven covering five and a half hectares sloping gently down to the Avon River that flows through the city. With beautifully manicured lawns and exquisite flower beds, the gardens will delight both keen gardeners and those seeking a restful oasis. A particular highlight is the Rose Garden, established in 1994, which exhibits many heritage varieties alongside modern hybrids.

CHRISTCHURCH BOTANIC GARDENS

Since 1863 the natural wetlands and sand dunes have been gradually transformed into an elegantly cultivated 21 hectare park with more than 10 different gardens framed by mature trees and expansive lawns, mostly contained within a loop of the Avon River. With more than one and a half million recorded visits each year, the Gardens are at the heart of Christchurch's reputation as the Garden City. A temperate climate supports many thousands of plants, gathered from around the world and across the country. Highlights include lush annual bedding displays, a prominent rose garden containing 150 varieties, native plant gardens, and a tropical conservatory collection.

Day 18

November 11, Sat

CHRISTCHURCH – AKAROA

Today we will visit lovely **Fisherman's Bay Garden** and the scenic French settlement of **Akaroa**, where there will be time for lunch or sightseeing on your own. You may want to linger to explore all the pretty harbour town has to offer. Adventurous souls can walk up to the charming **Giants House Garden**, a riot of colourful motifs and mosaics in a scenic setting overlooking the harbour. We leave Akaroa later in the afternoon and return to our hotel in Christchurch for dinner. (B,D)

FISHERMAN'S BAY GARDEN

Fishermans Bay Garden is a haven in the rugged and dramatic landscape of the Banks Peninsula coastline. Winding paths and a varied landscape have inspired a garden with many parts, including a traditional flower border, herb garden, farm garden, fern garden, a shaded streamside valley and pond and a wild, exposed rock garden. An extensive variety of locally sourced native plant species offer visitors a unique snapshot of the rich and varied plants of Banks Peninsula. The gardener is also a keen collector of native hebes, and the site currently boasts more than 150 species and cultivars. A diverse array of native and non-native plants, artfully blended.

GIANTS HOUSE GARDEN

"The happiest garden on earth" has been deemed a Garden of National significance by the New Zealand Garden Trust. Romantic, secluded, whimsical, quiet, and truly unique, this garden showcases sculpture, a mosaic garden and Gallery.

INCLUDED:

- Flight Vancouver - Auckland, New Plymouth - Queenstown, Christchurch - Auckland - Vancouver
- Accommodation in comfortable superior tourist-class hotels
- Special Events, Train, Boat trips, Cultural Activities, Entrances to all Sites and Gardens listed in Itinerary
- Breakfasts (B), Lunches (L) and Dinners (D) as noted in itinerary
- Private bus and guide
- City Tours with local experts

NOT INCLUDED:

- Airport departure taxes (approx. \$880; varies per departure city)
- Most airlines now apply Seat Assignment charges
We will advise you if so and how much at time of booking
- Travel insurance
- Meals not mentioned
- Gratuities for driver and guide
- Drinks and items of a personal nature

COST

in Canadian funds, based on double occupancy

from Vancouver	\$8900
from Toronto	\$9200
Single Supplement	+\$1690
for rates from other cities, please call our office	
Group size 25 - 29 maximum	





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INSURANCE PREMIUMS

Following are the main areas of coverage and the two packages we offer for this trip. Please carefully read the brochure you will receive after booking for full details.

For insurance purposes the key point is that you are in GOOD health. Please note that PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS are not covered. Please contact us if you have any questions or would like further information.

Please Note: Travellers need to have current Provincial Health Plan coverage in order to qualify for the ALL-INCLUSIVE insurance package.

THE ALL-INCLUSIVE PACKAGE consists of:

- Cancellation & Interruption
- Emergency Medical (\$5 Million limit)
- Baggage & Personal Effects
- Flight Accident
- Travel Accident

OPTION 1: THE ALL-INCLUSIVE PACKAGE

DENMARK & SWEDEN GARDENS TOUR (16 days):

AGES ↓		0-60	61-65	66-70	71-76	77 +
SUM INSURED	\$5,000	\$271.00	\$341.00	\$418.00	\$483.00	\$971.00
	\$5,500	\$291.00	\$367.00	\$449.00	\$518.00	\$1,041.00
	\$6,000	\$311.00	\$392.00	\$481.00	\$553.00	\$1,111.00
	\$6,500	\$331.00	\$418.00	\$512.00	\$588.00	\$1,181.00
	\$7,000	\$351.00	\$444.00	\$544.00	\$623.00	\$1,251.00
	\$7,500	\$372.00	\$470.00	\$575.00	\$658.00	\$1,321.00
	\$8,000	\$392.00	\$495.00	\$607.00	\$693.00	\$1,391.00

OPTION 1: THE ALL-INCLUSIVE PACKAGE

NEW ZEALAND GARDENS TOUR (19 days):

AGES ↓		0-60	61-65	66-70	71-76	77 +
SUM INSURED	\$8,000	\$410.00	\$527.00	\$639.00	\$769.00	\$1,659.00
	\$8,500	\$430.00	\$553.00	\$671.00	\$804.00	\$1,729.00
	\$9,000	\$450.00	\$579.00	\$702.00	\$839.00	\$1,799.00
	\$9,500	\$471.00	\$605.00	\$734.00	\$874.00	\$1,869.00
	\$10,000	\$491.00	\$630.00	\$765.00	\$909.00	\$1,939.00
	\$10,500	\$511.00	\$656.00	\$797.00	\$944.00	\$2,009.00

If you wish you may also choose the Cancellation & Interruption insurance alone. This plan is suitable if you have sufficient medical coverage already and rates apply to any trip length.

Please Note: To cover Land cost and Air fare, add the flights purchased through STI to total insurable amount (in case of Package not including Air.)

Note: Insurance rates are valid at time of printing and are subject to change.

Premiums are quoted per person, in Canadian funds, and subject to Provincial Sales Tax: 8% Ontario, 9% Quebec, 7% Manitoba

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OPTION 2: CANCELLATION + INTERRUPTION INSURANCE

EITHER TOUR:

	AGES 🗳️					
COST 📉	0-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80 +
\$5,000	\$250.00	\$289.50	\$326.00	\$372.50	\$495.00	\$592.50
\$5,500	\$268.00	\$312.00	\$515.00	\$593.00	\$531.00	\$633.00
\$6,000	\$286.00	\$334.50	\$380.00	\$435.50	\$567.00	\$673.50
\$6,500	\$304.00	\$357.00	\$407.00	\$467.00	\$603.00	\$714.00
\$7,000	\$322.00	\$379.50	\$434.00	\$498.50	\$639.00	\$754.50
\$7,500	\$340.00	\$402.00	\$461.00	\$530.00	\$675.00	\$795.00
\$8,000	\$358.00	\$424.50	\$488.00	\$561.50	\$711.00	\$835.50
\$8,500	\$376.00	\$447.00	\$515.00	\$593.00	\$747.00	\$876.00
\$9,000	\$394.00	\$469.50	\$542.00	\$624.50	\$783.00	\$916.50
\$9,500	\$414.00	\$492.00	\$569.00	\$656.00	\$819.00	\$957.00
\$10,000	\$432.00	\$514.50	\$596.00	\$687.50	\$855.00	\$997.50
\$10,500	\$448.00	\$537.00	\$623.00	\$719.00	\$891.00	\$1,038.00



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FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW

RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENT:

A deposit of \$600 per person is required at the time of making a reservation on this Special Travel International (hereafter called STI) tour. A second payment of \$1,000 per person is due by **November 30, 2016 for the Denmark & Sweden tour, January 31, 2017 for the New Zealand tour.**

The final payment is due by **March 18, 2017 for the Denmark & Sweden tour, August 10, 2017 for the New Zealand tour.** Travel documents will be sent to you approximately 14 days prior to your trip departure, provided full payment has been received. Flights which are not part of the group allotment, might require additional earlier payments.

TOUR PRICES:

All tour prices for land arrangements are based on rates effective at the time of printing and are expected to be in effect at the time of departure. Should these rates change, it may be necessary to surcharge the price of your vacation. Should the tour price increase by more than 10%, the passenger shall have the right to cancel within seven days of notification without penalty.

CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS:

Notice of cancellation must be made in writing. The effective cancellation date is the date when written notification is received by STI. **The deposit of \$600 is non-refundable.** The following scale of charges will apply when cancellation is received prior to departure:

Denmark & Sweden Tour

Until November 30, 2016	deposit of \$600
December 01, 2016 – March 18, 2017	\$1600
After March 18, 2017	100%

New Zealand Tour

Until January 31, 2017	deposit of \$600
February 01, 2017 – August 10, 2017	\$1600
After August 10, 2017	100%

Note: Different payment/cancellation policy applies to airline tickets; you will be advised at time of booking

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Additional expense, if any, shall be borne by the passenger. The right is reserved to withdraw any or all tours should conditions warrant, and also to decline to accept or retain any passenger as a member of the tour. In such instances, full or equitable amounts will be refunded.

INSURANCE:

STI recommends that each tour participant has health, cancellation, interruption, accident and baggage insurance for the duration of his/her travel (in situations where insurance is not included in the tour price).

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS:

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AIRLINE RESPONSIBILITY:

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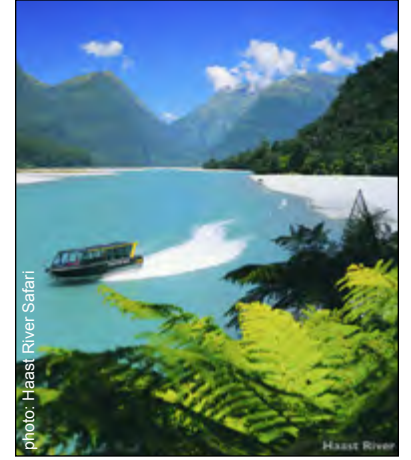


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| ☐ DENMARK & SWEDEN GARDEN HISTORY & INNOVATION | MAY 27 - JUNE 11, 2017 (16 DAYS) |
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