



The Wonderful World of Plants Road Trip

Apr 17 - Apr 20, 2019

You are invited to join TIEG for a fun-filled, action-packed excursion to the Portland area. Trip includes transportation, 3 nights hotel, breakfast, nursery visits, legendary public gardens, private gardens, shopping, and the largest indoor plant sale in the Pacific Northwest as well as a day at the spectacular Oregon Coast!

Price - \$456 double occupancy (\$646 single)

The following is a brief itinerary -



Wed Apr 17

7am - Depart Spokane via full-size bus from **Spotted Rd Parking Express**, 1610 S Spotted Rd

1pm - Lunch/Shop - **Good News Gardening**, Hood River, OR - cool 3 acre garden center with a garden cafe

3pm - **The Grotto Botanical Garden**, Portland, OR - Serene woodland sanctuary comprised of tranquil paths dotted with intricately carved shrines--full of spring-blooming rhododendron, trillium, magnolia, dogwood

5pm - Dinner/Shop - **Cascade Station**, Portland, OR - Shopping/dining complex with the only Ikea Store in Oregon with Swedish restaurant

7:30pm - Hotel - Check-in - same hotel for entire trip - **Best Western Inn at the Meadows**, 1215 N Hayden Meadows Dr, Portland, OR 97217



Thur Apr 18

8am - Depart hotel - Complimentary full breakfast, choice of breads, cereal, fruit, hot eggs, hot breakfast meat, other hot items, yogurt, juice, and coffee

8:30am - Private Garden - **Dayrol Griffin & Peter Eastman** - A colorful and serene garden 30 years in the making

10am - Private Garden - **Bruce Wakefield & Jerry Grossnickle**, Old Germantown Gardens - A 2-acre garden lush with more than 2,000 species of plants

11:30am - Lunch on your own

1pm - **Portland Japanese Garden** - Considered the most authentic Japanese Garden outside of Japan, with extensive recent expansion. We will have guided tour of this magical garden at the peak of its spring bloom

3pm - **Lan Su Chinese Garden** - One of Portland's greatest treasures and one of the most genuine Chinese gardens outside of China. We will have a guided tour of this creative botanical wonder

5:30pm - Dinner/Shop - **Pioneer Place** - Popular downtown Portland dining and shopping complex

“Oregon welcomed me like a beloved child, enfolded me in her cool arms, shushed my turbulent thoughts, and promised peace through her whispering pines.”

- Colleen Houck



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Tax-free Shopping - In Oregon, you'll find everything you expect from big-city shopping except the sales tax. Whether you're in the market for a big purchase from a major brand or a handcrafted souvenir, Oregon has it with zero sales tax

Please note itinerary/places subject to change due to circumstances beyond our control



Fri Apr 19

7:30am - Shop/Lunch - Depart Hotel for leisurely day trip to **Seaside, OR** - Explore their bustling downtown with charming shops and restaurants. Stroll the oceanside promenade, walk the flat, expensive sandy beach. We will have a guided tour of the town's lovely themed pocket gardens

3pm - Shop - **Dennis' 7 Dees Garden Center**, Seaside, OR - Voted as one of the 10 Best Garden Centers and Nurseries in Oregon--2 acres of plants

4pm - Depart for hotel - dinner on your own



Sat Apr 20

8:30am - Check out/depart hotel

9am - **Hortlandia!** The Hardy Plant Society of Oregon's Plant & Garden Art Sale at the Portland Expo Center. One of the largest of its kind in the Pacific Northwest. Vendors from far and wide from nearly the Canadian border to the California border come to Portland to offer the latest plant introductions as well as the time-tested plants. Complementing the plant vendors are specialty garden art vendors bringing one-of-a-kind pieces made from metal, wood, glass, ceramic, fabric, and stone. Each work of art is handcrafted by the vendor. This is a wonderful event, and it's particularly nice to have so many nurseries and artists, with so many plant choices and specialty works, all under one roof.

2pm - Depart for Spokane - dinner on your own at **Kennewick Mall**

Details - Road trip includes round trip luxury full-size bus transportation, 3 nights hotel with daily breakfast include and local attractions. Lunches and dinners on your own. Price - \$456 double occupancy (\$646 single)

Group limited to first 32 people, deposit secures your reservation. Trip is non-refundable. Once you have paid your deposit, you have made a commitment. No trip insurance available through the garden club. There are several insurance companies online like www.travelinsurancecenter.com. If you would be more comfortable with travel insurance, you will need to arrange that for yourself

A \$200 deposit is required by 2/28/19. A balance of \$256 is due by 4/1/19. Or pay the entire amount up front. Please call 535-8434 or email tieg@comcast.net to be placed on the sign-up sheet. If you need a roommate, we can try to match you with another single traveler. If the trip becomes full, we still start a waiting list

Presented by The Inland Empire Gardeners--Tour Guide - Chris Sheppard

Thank you for traveling with us--*Oh, the Places You Will Go!*

“May your quest go well. May we continue to find accord and high purpose. May we forever prove by our action that people can join together for mutual benefit and greater good. May we continue to work together. May we face and endure every winter with spring--forever on our mind.” - Tom McCall

