



IN FULL BLOOM

Philadelphia Flower Show & Longwood Gardens

Saturday & Sunday, June 18 & 19, 2022

Saturday June 18

8:30am Depart Utica

9:00am Depart Rome

Break stop(s) en route, lunch on own

This afternoon we'll check in to **The Inn at Mendenhall**, a historical property and member of the Best Western Premier Collection of hotels, in Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania. After a **welcome reception** and a quick freshen-up, we depart for an evening to remember.

5:00pm Longwood Gardens – Enjoy the world's premier horticultural display garden. There are 400 acres of indoor and outdoor spaces to explore at your leisure tonight. With sunset not happening until 8:45pm you have plenty of time to take in the magnificent gardens, visit the 4-acre Conservatory, the historic du Pont House, the Terrace, Visitors Center and more. You'll find wide paved walkways that make it easy to get around on foot, using a walker or wheelchair. (There are complimentary wheelchairs based on availability, and electric scooters that can be rented.) Hungry? Dinner is on-your-own when you choose. The Café offers indoor and outdoor seating, or perhaps you'd like to visit the Beer Garden for pizza, sandwiches, a cold beer and live music in this fun outdoor setting. And while there are fountain performances throughout the evening, the highlight of the night will be the 30-minute **Illuminated Fountain Performance** as water in all shapes, sizes and heights combine with music and infinite colors. **Note:** There is no seating at the fountain show so we suggest you bring a folding lawn chair that you can set up upon arrival and then go explore. Otherwise, you must plan on standing during the performance. The show starts at 9:15 and lasts 30-35 minutes. We will return to the hotel, 2 miles away, immediately after the show. Rain or shine, plan accordingly. Severe weather could result in delay or cancelation of fountain show. Don't forget comfortable walking shoes.

Sunday, June 19

Breakfast included at the hotel before we depart for Philadelphia.

9:15am Hotel check-out and departure

- 10:00am In Full Bloom; the Philadelphia Flower Show at FDR Park**
 The world's longest running and largest indoor flower show moved outdoors in 2021 and was an overwhelming success. It's taking place outdoors one more time (but plans to return to the indoors in 2023!). Nourish the body and mind by exploring all the garden offers to improve our lives. See exceptional beauty and enjoy larger-than-life floral displays and landscape designs. Get creative ideas for your own home garden or just enjoy what you see here. Dining and shopping is on-site, as well as shaded and limited indoor areas. You might choose to visit Butterflies Live to get up close to hundreds of native butterflies in an outdoor setting (additional cost). **Note:** This is a rain or shine event, although a cancellation is possible in the case of severe or dangerous weather. Plan accordingly and bring a rain hat, poncho, umbrella, and comfortable walking shoes.
- 2:30pm Depart for home,** break stop(s) in route.
8:15pm Approximate return to Rome
8:45pm Approximate return to Utica

COST PER PERSON:

TWIN OCCUPANCY \$339.00	TRIPLE OCCUPANCY \$319.00
QUAD OCCUPANCY \$309.00	SINGLE OCCUPANCY \$429.00

TOUR INCLUDES:

Round trip transportation via Hale Bus, tour escort, one-night accommodations including tax, luggage handling, welcome reception and breakfast, admission to Longwood Gardens and Philadelphia Flower Show. **Not included:** Meals not shown on itinerary, optional but customary gratuity for driver and escort. Industry standards suggest \$2.00-\$3.00 per person, per day for each, based on your level of satisfaction. No envelopes are provided, please handle on an individual basis.

RESERVATION/PAYMENT/CANCELLATION: \$100.00 deposit per person due within two weeks of reservation. Balance/full payment by May 3. Additions after May 3 subject to availability as hotel rooms are limited. Checks payable to *Tours By Design, Inc.* (Credit cards not accepted). \$25.00 fee for returned checks. We cannot guarantee refunds for individual cancellations made after May 3; travel insurance is encouraged. Find a link to Allianz Global Assistance on our website, or call Allianz at 1-800-284-8300 and provide ACCAM# F032835, or purchase insurance wherever you choose. All cancellations are subject to a \$5.00 service fee once any payment is made. Any partial refund for cancellations after May 3 will be determined and disbursed after the tour.

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