

Saturday - July 17, 2021

Barnstable

Todd and Ariela Harris Garden, 2260 Main Street RT. 6A, Barnstable

Tour benefiting Cape Cod Synagogue Food Pantry & Independence House

The garden at the office of Todd Harris DMD and Neil Ringler DDS was created by Master Gardener Sheila Sylvia. We are now fortunate to have Jan Towne assist us in maintaining the garden and adding her personal touch. This sunny hillside garden is home to birds and butterflies. The colors of plant materials change from blue and purple in spring to hot orange and red later in summer. There is a surprise around each corner of the space. Patients coming and going appreciate the soothing, meditative quality of this happy environment. The intent of the garden was for the staff and patients to enjoy. It is wonderful to stop and admire the latest blooms. We appreciate that this helps our patients with setting a tone for the rest of their visit. **Directions:** From Exit 68 (old exit 6) on mid-Cape highway, go north on 132 to Route 6A. Turn right on 6A (Main Street) toward Barnstable Village and 2260 Main will be on your left. If you reach the railroad overpass, you've gone too far. Coming from Barnstable Village it will be on the right past the railroad overpass and BWB Elementary School.

Gary Family Farm, 340 Cedar Street, West Barnstable

Tour benefiting Whelden Memorial Library

Open for tours: Saturday, July 17th and Sunday, July 18th

The property is a work in progress and each year we make new gains. The primary vegetable garden is a mix of raised beds and in ground beds. There are multiple additional flower beds throughout the property. A small apple orchard has been started, and fruit should be apparent during July. Fertilizer is provided year-round from the chickens in residence!

Garden Parking: Please, park on Maple Street. The Parking Attendant will guide you.

Garden Handicapped Accessibility: Not wheelchair accessible.

Bucolic Cedar Hill Farm and Garden, 349 Maple Street, West Barnstable

Tour benefiting Whelden Memorial Library

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Hoofs, feathers, trees, and flowers represent the bucolic sanctuary environment Tom and Bob foster in their gentlemen's farm and garden. Perennials and annuals surround a circular pool and adjacent to a small barnyard hosting two miniature goats 4 ducks, 7 hens and 3 roosters to entertain. The perimeter of the property is designed as a walk in a park offering a scenic pathway to secret garden areas to explore with a whimsical presentation of nature along the way. Return to a poolside resting spot with refreshments to experience the established harmony of wildlife, farm animals and garden. **Garden Parking:** Please, park on Maple Street. The Parking Attendant will guide you. **Garden Handicapped Accessibility:** Wheelchair accessible with assistance.

Cranberry Gables on Maple, 390 Maple Street, West Barnstable

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The Japanese Concept of WABI-SABI best describes our garden paradise - those gardens don't have to be perfect to be beautiful, useful & enjoyable. Come & enjoy our Unusual framed topiary - giraffe, lion (in the pet cemetery) tortoise & rabbits . . . free style topiary of trees & shrubs . . . a 30-year collection of trees, shrubs, plants & bulbs from unique Nurseries, Catalogs & Gardening Friends. My garden artistry is playful & quirky - ala Alice In Wonderland. The property is Park like with mature native trees, wide walking paths & plenty of places to sit & ponder . . . Our friend & Artist Ellen Moran will be Plein Air Painting in the garden - Saturday 17th. Her watercolors have been inspired by the simple things in life & her love of the natural beauty of the Cape's landscapes & people. **Garden Parking:** Please, park on Maple Street. The Parking Attendant will guide you. **Garden Handicapped Accessibility:** Not wheelchair accessible.

Woodland Haven, 166 Indian Trail, Barnstable **Open: 10 AM – 2 PM**

Tour benefiting Whelden Memorial Library

Hidden behind a trellis banked in climbing hydrangeas is a garden where I have tried to create some beauty and peace for all. I hope some little surprises will bring a smile as well. This land is part of an area where the Cummaquid people gathered each summer for many years. I try to honor their presence and the presence of others by planting trees that have survived for many millions of years. Several varieties of dawn redwoods, gingkoes, larches, Japanese maples, and hollies are tucked in among native trees. Butterfly bushes, mock oranges, elderberries, coneflowers, and bee balms attract butterflies and birds through summer and fall. Best of all, over 150 varieties of daylilies and hostas are waiting for visitors. **Open for Tours: July 15 & 17**

Center View, 264 Bay Lane, Centerville

Tour benefiting Whelden Memorial Library

Open for tours: Saturday, July 17th and Sunday, July 18th

Come enjoy the beauty and privacy of our Cape Cod Garden. Surrounded by natural woods with glimpses of the Bumps River, the back garden and porch overlook a former cranberry bog, now flooded and home to ducks, geese, swans, egrets, and herons. The front yard includes shady borders, bigleaf hydrangea, panicle hydrangea and colorful window boxes.

Garden Parking: We have six parking spots in our driveway.

Garden Handicapped Accessibility: Not wheelchair accessible.

Fournier's Homestead, 128 Ashley Dr., Centerville **OPEN: 1 PM – 4 PM**

Tour benefiting Unitarian Church of Barnstable

A private, natural setting with his and her veggie gardens, heather hillside, a small pond and sitting areas on over 1 1/2 acres to explore through wooded paths. **Dates: July 16th & July 17th.** **Directions:** Old Stage Rd. to Nottingham Dr. by the cranberry bog, 2nd right onto Ashley Dr. Go past Sheaffer Rd and Guildford Rd. on left. Stay right at the Y onto the cul-de-sac.

Parking: On the cul-de-sac. Handicapped parking at the house. **Accessibility:** Moderately Difficult – long stone drive, open paths, uneven ground.

Mashpee

My Hillside Garden, 11 Notre Dame Lane, Mashpee

Tour benefiting Sandwich Garden Club

Topic of Talk: Hillside Garden Creation

The most interesting part of the garden is on the hill in the back of the house. The hill is divided by a water fall in the middle of the garden. Each side is planted with a variety of perennials, evergreens and a flowering tree. A Kousa Dogwood is on one side and a Black Gum is on the other side. A variety of small Junipers as well as flowering perennials cover the hill side. One of the corner beds is made up of Roses and the other is planted with mostly a collection of Sedums as well as a number of Heathers. The garden continues on both sides of the house with a variety of perennials including Astilbes, Hostas and Heucheras. Leading down to the street you see a variety of Hydrangeas. **Directions:** Take Exit 2 off RT 6 and head south on RT 130. Take a left onto Cotuit Road and turn onto Pimlico Pond Road at the bottom of the hill. Turn right onto Notre Dame Lane. Second house on the right is My Hillside Garden. Plenty of street parking in front of the home.

Accessible: Flat land, hard ground, stone or paved walkways. Wheelchair or walker friendly.

Sandwich

The Fornari Gardens, 2 Lawrence Pond Lane, Sandwich

Tour benefiting Barnstable Education Foundation

If you love abundant flowers and a large kitchen garden, you will enjoy walking this landscape created by Dan (a scientist) and C.L. (the author of eight gardening books). Walk through the cutting garden and trial beds up top. See the solar-heated seed-starting shed, and the rustic fence Dan built out of locust. Sit in the shade of the grape arbor, note the abundant use of containers around the house, and enjoy the perennial beds and vegetable garden. Ask about the magical stump plantings, the rain garden, and blueberry patch. See many hydrangeas (mostly labeled), an assortment of groundcovers, flowering perennials, and a wide selection of shrubs and trees. This garden is located on one of Cape Cod's lovely lakes. **Open for tours: July 16 & July 17.**

Accessibility: Difficult – mulched paths, steep drive, uneven ground.

Parking: Some parking in the cul-de-sac but most parking will be on the side of Stowe Road. Be mindful of fast traffic on Stowe Rd and Farmersville.

Directions: From the rotary at Route 149 and Race Lane, head west on Race Lane which turns into Farmersville Road in Sandwich. Pass the entrance to The Ridge Club (on your left) and the second right will be onto Stowe Road. Turn right on Stowe Road and Lawrence Pond Lane is immediately on your right.

Janet Kasper's Garden, 6 Aviators Lane, Sandwich

Tour benefiting Cape Cod Hydrangea Society

The Cape Cod Hydrangea Society welcomes you to the two-acre Kasper property in Sandwich where a collection of small gardens has been seamlessly blended into the natural landscape. There are several perennial beds on the property along with a large vegetable garden, and major plantings of raspberries and blueberries. Enjoy a walk through the wooded grounds and a stroll down the hill to Little Hog Pond. **Directions:** From the Mid-Cape Highway (Route 6), take Exit 61 (old exit 3) - Quaker Meetinghouse Road. Drive south on Quaker Meetinghouse Rd about 2 miles. Turn left at the intersection (traffic light) onto Cotuit Road. Take the 2nd left onto Farmersville Road (approx 1/4 mile) and drive about 1 1/2 miles to Boardley Rd. Turn right onto Boardley Rd and then a fairly quick left onto Aviators Lane. Park anywhere along Aviators Lane; property is located directly at the end of the street.

Gardens Galore, 3 Old Barn Lane, Forestdale

Tour benefitting Sandwich Garden Club

Topic of Talk: Pruning tips for common bushes, highlighting rose bush pruning.

Stroll through a remarkable variety of enticing organic gardens including both modern and old garden roses, perennials, gorgeous shrubs growing among a variety of the popular Cape Cod Hydrangea, as well as two gardens of native perennials plants for pollinators. Not to be left out, a rock garden with an incredible assortment of hardy succulents, and a uniquely placed garden of vegetables in owner-built raised beds. **Directions:** RT 130 south toward Mashpee; turn onto Snake Pond Rd, then left onto Country Farm Rd. Turn right onto Old Barn Lane; it is the only house on right side of road. Park on the house side of the road only. **Accessibility:** Discretionary - Areas of uneven land, some stairs, many paths. Proper judgment advised. Not suggested for walkers or wheelchairs.

Orleans

Dan Pessoni's Garden, 4 Driftwood Lane, East Orleans

Tour benefitting Cape Cod Hydrangea Society

The Cape Cod Hydrangea Society welcomes you to Driftwood Garden in East Orleans. This garden is the outer Cape's only Nationally Registered American Hemerocallis (Daylily) Display Garden, with 700 different varieties of labeled current and modern daylilies. Wander past the tiered bank of perennials and then relax in the huge shade garden, where over 350 labeled varieties of Hosta are interspersed with Heuchera, Ferns, and Solomon's Seal. Special beds have been created for small and miniature Hosta. After leaving the shade garden, enjoy the Hydrangea Garden with over 100 labeled varieties. Located throughout the gardens are 15 specimen trees, including Stewartia, Heptacodium, (Seven Son Flower), Heritage Birch, Tricolor Leaf Beech, and Harry Lauder's walking sticks, green and crimson. Ample parking is available on the street in front of the house.

Bowden's Garden, 3 Seacrest Drive, East Orleans

Tour benefitting Master Gardeners Association of Cape Cod

Tip Talk Topic: The homeowner will offer talks at 11:00 and 1:00 to explain the Orleans Pollinator Pathways project and offer tips on how home gardeners can incorporate native plants, better manage their lawns, and reduce chemical use to protect and encourage our native pollinators to visit your garden. Initially planted in 2008, the current owners inherited a garden with mature evergreens, spring-blooming trees and a lovely rhododendron "wall" framing the property. Expanding the perennial beds while focusing on multi-season color and plant diversity they included more native plants in an attempt to reduce their lawn and lessen the use of mulch. The property's numerous beds have a densely planted, "cottage garden"

style and incorporate nearly 100 hydrangeas of all sizes and colors. Over 30 types of day and oriental lilies will be blooming and provide a burst of color throughout the garden. As you walk the one-acre site, look out for the recently added Berry Patch, Fern Den, Shade Garden and a bed for late-summer dahlias. **Garden open for tours: Wednesday, July 14th and Saturday July 17th.**

Yarmouth

**Rambling Rabbit, 447 Route 6A, Yarmouth Port
(Route 6A, and West Yarmouth Road, Yarmouth Port)**

Tour benefiting Yarmouth Port Library

Rambling Rabbit is a petite 0.5 acre quintessential cottage garden on Route 6A in the heart of Yarmouth Port specializing in organic cultivation of heirloom cut flowers, over 200 English fragrant roses, flavorful berries, along with unique varieties of herbs and vegetables available for purchase at their roadside farm stand. Home to a historic sea captain's house circa 1700 and an 1850s era one-room schoolhouse sitting in the garden is the artist studio of contemporary botanical fine artist Justina Freel. The garden is a sensuous mix of edibles, flowers and native plants selected for a soft pastel color palette to create calm and tranquility. Formal and free, the garden is made of many rooms of formal structure connected by meandering gravel pathways bordered with free-flowing naturalistic native plantings that lead you on a journey through the garden. **Parking** is available on the side streets off of West Yarmouth Road or at the Playground across Route 6A. Great care must be taken crossing Route 6A.

Singing Marshes, 70 Alms House Road, Yarmouth Port

Tour benefiting Yarmouth Port Library

This interesting garden borders conservation land and overlooks Barnstable Harbor and the Lighthouse at Sandy Neck. The home is situated down a narrow road, among the oaks and pines. The gardener has her own kitchen garden containing raspberries, blueberries, beach plums, and vegetables such as asparagus, rhubarb, squash, beans, and cucumbers. The unique fencing was fashioned to keep out deer, foxes, rabbits, and other wildlife. The property features walking paths through the beach plum and juniper shrubs to views of the marsh beyond. Hydrangeas flourish on the home's North side. An interesting arbor, constructed by a

friend from small cedar trees, stands by the garden shed. This is a rare opportunity to visit this special place.

Condon Garden, 181 Thacher Shore Road, Yarmouth Port

Tour benefiting Yarmouth Port Library

The Condons were commercial hydrangea propagators and growers for 40 years and, as one might suspect, this is a very hydrangea-centric site. They continue to expand their 'collections' which now contain 300 plus hydrangeas in ground with additional container specimens to emphasize this growing technique. *H. macrophylla* is the dominant species, along with collections of *H. paniculata* and *H. quercifolia* cultivars. More recently a number of *H. serrata* and *H. arborescens* plants have been added to the mix. The Condons are also serious veggie growers utilizing raised beds to produce a wide range of favorites. Fruit is in the mix too – berries and figs (always hopeful), and a new orchard of peaches and plums is developing. Mal 'The Hydrangea Guy' and Mary Kay will be in the Garden and happy to answer questions and share their learnings about their favorite 'woody ornamental' genus.

Laliberte Garden, 4084 Main St, Cummaquid, Barnstable

(Route 6A at the corner of Bone Hill Road in Cummaquid)

Tour benefiting Yarmouth Port Library

This garden features a host of blooming trees and perennials, designed for continuous bloom from April through October. In addition to hydrangeas the garden also has numerous shrubs, including large rhododendrons and a hedge that reaches eight feet in front of the house. There are also herbaceous perennials, such as peonies and hibiscus, and also gladiolus bulbs.

Parking is along the east side of Bone Hill Road, as well as in a grassy area at the bend in Bone Hill Road., a short walk to the home. After 12:00 noon it is also possible to park at the Cummaquid Post Office, but great care must be taken crossing Route 6A, as the road curves and visibility is limited.