

Dear Garden Friends:

**We** are thrilled to invite you share in Sagers Garden Travelers' trip to Kentucky, Tennessee and Georgia. You will visit the home of country music, southern hospitality, times gone by and beautiful fall gardens.

Come stroll the paths of multiple don't-miss gardens, take a stroll through history, indulge in some of the world's best entertainment, enjoy amazing vistas of nature – and did we mention walk in magnificent gardens?

Garden lovers will be delighted to visit many of the stunning Southern world class gardens that are included on this tour. It is wonderful to include so many world-class gardens on one tour. Your trip will be a delightful blend of gardens, history and entertainment. Tours just don't get any better!

Dine on sumptuous food and relax in great accommodations throughout the tour, but one stop is a tour site in itself. Pamper yourself in the luxurious Opryland Hotel Resort's comfortable rooms, amazing Atrium, indoor river and flatboat ride. Enjoy fine dining, Nashville's music greats and more.

Visit some all-time favorite sites and many we haven't taken you to see before. Check our website at [www.larrysagers.com](http://www.larrysagers.com) for pictures and details.

**Don't wait! Call now and make reservations!** We'll have a wonderful tour!

## Day 1

Fly from Salt Lake City to Louisville

## Day 2

Start your tour with a flourish at a plant lover's paradise at one of America's best gardens – **Yew Dell Gardens** in Louisville, KY! Stroll among several thousand rare, unusual and newly introduced plants in a range of garden styles that grace 33 acres. Walk among whimsical topiary, enjoy the dancing colors of the English Walled gardens, and wander the paths of the Serpentine Garden with thousands of rare specimen trees and shrubs and the delightful secret gardens with everything from dwarf conifers, to Lenten roses, hardy ferns and more. Yew Dell's

exquisite gardens surround a small stone castle and a Cotswold-style home of a private estate. The mood of the garden is ever-changing with the seasons.

The beautifully restored 19th Century antebellum **White Hall Mansion and Gardens** are nestled into rolling Kentucky farmland. As you come through the elegant wrought iron gates to the Entrance Garden you'll walk the meandering paths bounded by a woodland border. A hidden treasure of ferns growing amid woodland plants and perched on dead tree stumps are nestled in the, The Woodland Garden. It is "heaven" to a "ferntastic." Choose your favorite plant among many in the Specimen Garden. Whitehall's Formal Garden is the perfect Florentine backdrop for the Italianate mansion.

Tour the grounds of the **Farmington Historic Home** and you will get the sense of a working plantation in the 1830's. The land supported lovely grounds to enhance the mansion in front and in back, it grew farm and garden crops, See the outbuildings and yards that supported domestic activities like cooking, butchering, washing and soap making.

## Day 3

Meet the memory of men, women and children who called Kentucky home for more than a century at **Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill**. These stalwart, diligent people created a strong communal society. They designed and built solid, beautiful buildings, harvested the fruits of the earth and practiced sustainability. Their quest for a simple lifestyle, perfection and resourcefulness made their community strong and peaceful. This restored Shaker colony is the largest of its kind in the country and is a must-see historical treasure.

Abraham Lincoln walked the hills of Kentucky in his early years. Journey along some of those paths at the **Abraham Lincoln National Historic Site**. Start your trek at the visitor's center for a look at the original Lincoln family Bible and a video of his early life. Stop at the Sinking Spring that gave the farm its name and walk up 56 steps (one for each year of Lincoln's life) or follow the "Pathway of a President" walkway to the Memorial Building that houses a symbolic cabin on the place where Lincoln was born. When Abe was two, the Lincolns moved to a nearby cabin of his boyhood home.

## Day 4

After a good night's rest at the **Opryland Hotel and Resort**, awake, stretch and enjoy your morning as you choose. Dine on a full breakfast served at your leisure in the grandeur of the five-acre Atrium gardens. Take time to browse nine acres of magnificent plant life in indoor gardens or take a dip one of three heated pools. Pamper yourself with your own extra activities from their pallet of wonders. Do a little shopping, find the spa, or float on a flatboat down the delta river. The Opryland Hotel and Resort offers guests all the excitement and energy of Music City under one spectacular roof.

That afternoon remember the heritage of Country Music at Nashville's **Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum**. You'll feel the Southern Culture and Country Music before you even step inside. Once indoors, discover film and audio clips, glittery costumes and well-traveled instruments used by greats like, Roy Acuff, Gene Autry, Patsy Kline, Dolly Parton, Little Jimmy Dickens, Tennessee Ernie Ford, Garth Brooks, Glen Campbell, Johnny Cash, Carrie Underwood – the list goes on and on!

Your day in Music City will get you primed and ready for an exciting evening at the **Grand Ole Opry**. Since 1925 the Country's best have mesmerized audiences at the legendary Grand Ole Opry which broadcasted the radio program that made country music famous. The performing artists will be a delightful surprise featuring popular stars, bluegrass bands, comedians and gospel artists.

## Day 5

Celebrate plants and art in **Cheekwood Botanical Garden and Museum of Art** – another don't-miss garden of the South. Walk through bloom-laden gardens. Enjoy the Japanese Garden, wildflower garden and breathtaking views of rolling Tennessee hills. Walk among waterfalls, pools, fountains and outdoor statuary then step inside a Georgian Style Mansion to see more statues in the Museum of Art., A lovely private garden was moved to Cheekwood 40 years ago. A near-million dollar renovation is expected to garner national attention for its horticulture, design and environmental impact.

The rugged hilltops of Tennessee offer spectacular views and caves beneath offer even more. See both from Lookout Mountain. The vista from **Lookout Mountain**

**Tower** covers miles of forested hills. **Ruby Falls** is a majestic, 145-foot underground waterfall. Get to the formations and falls in the cave by elevator and an easy walk on a gradually sloped paved pathway with only a few stairs paired with handrails.

### Day 6

The **State Botanical Garden of Georgia** is a 313-acre home to stunning collections, displays and trails. Enjoy the Main Conservatory, Herb and Physic Garden, the Shade and Native Flora Gardens as leaves change to fall glory, International Garden with something for everyone, Heritage Garden, Horticulture Greenhouses and more.

### Day 7

Today will be a fabulous full-day treat at one of North America's finest gardens. Magnificent 13,000 acre **Callaway Gardens** has glorious plantings reputed to rival the Garden of Eden. Enjoy luxurious gardens featured on PBS's celebrated *Victory Gardens* program. Follow the trails to themed gardens like the rock garden, sculpture garden, fern grotto and exotic plant collections.

Enjoy fluttering color of a different sort in Callaway's **Butterfly house**. Finish your day in grand style in the lush foliage and fall flower show of the **John A Sibly Horticultural Center** conservatory. Don't miss the 22-foot high indoor waterfall inside.

### Day 8

Learn more about the South: the history of Atlanta, the Civil War, Southern Folk arts and African-American history at the museums of the **Atlanta History Center**. Six gardens and woodland trails connect the historic **Swan House**, a 1928 classically styled mansion, Tullie Smith Farm, and the delightful quarry garden.

Your 8-day tour will end as it began – with a flourish! Don't miss the buzzing **Atlanta Botanical Garden** before we head home! This too ranks among the top gardens in the United States. You'll love the main formal gardens and the enchanting Children's Garden. Browse the herb and vegetable garden and the oriental beauty of the Japanese Garden. Take time to go inside the lovely glass-enclosed Fuqua

Conservatory which protects tropical, Mediterranean, desert and endangered species plants. Enjoy the pergolas, and don't miss the Woodland Shade Garden.

Relax after a delightful eight days in the South on our non-stop flight from Atlanta to Salt Lake City.

**The tour price includes everything you need for an amazing trip\*:**

Airfare, luxury coach transportation, tips, fees, taxes, excellent hotel accommodations, portage for one piece of luggage, admissions to listed tour sites, breakfast and dinner daily on this eight-day escorted tour.

**Not included** are souvenirs, personal items and airline luggage fees.

*\*See sign-up sheet for pricing*

#### About our tour company:

The late Larry Sagers, co-founder of our company was a horticulturist with Utah State University Extension and garden guru of the Saturday Morning KSL Greenhouse show.

His wife and tour director, Diane, is an Advanced Master Gardener and garden writer. She has organized and conducted tours in 40 states and 7 countries.

Gretchen Campbell, co-tour director, is an Advanced Master Gardener and Horticulture Education Director at Thanksgiving Point Gardens in Lehi, Utah. Gretchen has assisted with many of our tours.

**Tours fill fast, so call now to reserve your spot for this great tour!**

For more information, call the number below or check the web page at [www.larrysagers.com](http://www.larrysagers.com). Contact us to let us know if you will join us.



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Country Music Hall of Fame  
Callaway Gardens  
Atlanta Botanical Gardens  
Yew Dell Gardens  
Abraham Lincoln National Historic Site  
Cheekwood Botanical Gardens  
Ruby Falls  
Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill  
Atlanta History Center



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