Mansions & Gardens of Philadelphia & Brandywine Valley
September 15 - 19, 2022

Proposed Program for Vanderbilt Alumni Travel as of March 2021

Travel back to a time when French-born chemist and entrepreneur E.I. du Pont made his mark in the New World. Experience how his legacy has shaped the region, from its opulent homes and world-famous gardens, to its renowned museum and cultural centers. Enjoy special openings, exclusive viewings, and picturesque walks on private estates. Also visit Philadelphia, home to the Liberty Bell, Independence Hall and many world famous museums. We will have a special visit to the Barnes Foundation and other interesting venues. This program is truly a delight for all your senses, with many special surprises including amazing meals at enticing venues.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Delight in an enriching behind-the-scenes tour of the renowned gardens and decorative arts museum at Winterthur, the 979-acre estate and former home of horticulturist Henry Francis du Pont
- Enjoy special access to Chanticleer and other gardens and venues of the Brandywine Valley, with a private farewell dinner and reception at Longwood Gardens, 1,100 acres of gardens, meadows, and forests on a property founded by Pierre S. du Pont
- Participate in a special gardening workshop with the experts at Mt. Cuba Center, which contains pristine botanical gardens set amid woodlands and rolling hills in the Delaware Piedmont, conserving more than 1,000 acres with native Appalachian and non-native flora
- Take a director-led tour of the Barnes Foundation in Philadelphia, exploring its landscape paintings and fine masterpieces by Renoir, Cézanne, Picasso, and other legendary artists
## SCHEDULE BY DAY

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<td>Sept 15</td>
<td>PHILADELPHIA</td>
<td>L / R / D</td>
<td>In the late morning, arrive in Philadelphia and have lunch at a special venue, followed by a tour with the director at the Barnes Foundation. The foundation’s mission is to promote the advancement of education and the appreciation of the fine arts and horticulture. This evening, delight in a private reception before dinner. Accommodations: TBA</td>
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<td>Sept 16</td>
<td>PHILADELPHIA / WILMINGTON, DELAWARE</td>
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<td>Today visit Chanticleer Gardens, a 48-acre botanical garden built on the grounds of the Rosengarten estate on Philadelphia’s Main Line region; the house and grounds are on the National Register of Historic Places. Before arriving in Wilmington this afternoon, stop at Mt. Cuba Center, a botanical garden in the gently rolling hills of the Delaware Piedmont. Its woodland gardens produce some of the most spectacular displays of wildflowers in the Mid-Atlantic region. Here, we will have a special gardening workshop with one of the center’s experts. Accommodations: HOTEL DU PONT</td>
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<td>Sept 17</td>
<td>WILMINGTON</td>
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<td>This morning, explore the fascinating Hagley Museum and Library, with its special insight into the remarkable history of the du Pont family. Located on the banks of the Brandywine River, Hagley is the former industrial site of the gunpowder works founded by E.I. du Pont in 1802. Following lunch, we will visit a private home and garden designed by Dan Kiley (or other, based on availability). This evening, dinner is at leisure in Wilmington. You may choose to visit the modern and trendy waterfront area on the Delaware River, with its numerous restaurants and shops. Accommodations: HOTEL DU PONT</td>
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<td>Sept 18</td>
<td>WILMINGTON</td>
<td>B / D</td>
<td>Today we will visit Winterthur Museum, Garden &amp; Library, the premier museum of American decorative arts, which is nestled in the heart of the lovely Brandywine Valley. Almost 60 years ago, horticulturist and collector Francis du Pont opened the doors of Winterthur, which was his childhood home, to the public. We will be joined by one of the directors and will have behind-the-scenes access to areas of Winterthur that are generally not open to the public. This afternoon, enjoy a very special visit to Longwood Gardens, 1,100 acres of gardens, meadows, and forests on a property founded by Pierre S. du Pont. This evening, savor a private farewell dinner at the estate. Accommodations: HOTEL DU PONT</td>
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<td>Sept 19</td>
<td>WILMINGTON / PHILADELPHIA/ RETURN</td>
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<td>After breakfast at the hotel, transfer to the Philadelphia airport for flights home.</td>
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ACCOMMODATIONS

HOTEL(S)

Philadelphia (TBD)

HOTEL DU PONT, Wilmington

With a storied elegance and tradition befitting one of the world’s most prestigious hotels, the Hotel du Pont stands as a magnificent bridge between Wilmington, Delaware’s rich past and cosmopolitan present. Since welcoming its first guests in 1913, the hotel has remained a Gilded Age icon, a monument to a time when artistry, grace, and sophistication ruled the day.

PROGRAM DETAILS

PROGRAM RATE (PRELIMINARY)

$2,999 per person, double rate
$3,599 single rate

RATE INCLUDES

- Four nights accommodations as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, R=Reception, D=Dinner)
- Bottled water and coffee/tea with all meals, house wine at welcome and farewell dinners
- Enrichment program of lectures and talks
- Escorted sightseeing, transportation, and entrance fees for all included visits
- Airport/hotel/airport group transfers for all participants on suggested flights
- Executive Tour Director from Arrangements Abroad
- Taxes, service, and porterage charges; gratuities to local guides and drivers

NOT INCLUDED

Airfare; meals not specified; alcoholic beverages other than noted in inclusions; personal items and expenses; airport transfers other than for those on suggested flights; excess baggage; trip insurance; any other items not specifically mentioned as included.

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