



Private Gardens of Minnesota

AUGUST 6-11, 2026

Explore Minneapolis in Bloom

New
Tour

Experience the beauty and charm of Minnesota on this garden-themed tour filled with history, nature, and local culture. Highlights include visits to private gardens, the Mill City Museum, Stone Arch Bridge, Como Park Conservatory, Summit Avenue, and Paisley Park. Enjoy a Lake Minnetonka boat cruise, stroll through the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum, and explore Stillwater by trolley. This journey will leave you with lasting memories of vibrant blooms and peaceful landscapes in the Land of 10,000 Lakes.

DAY 1: WELCOME TO MINNESOTA!

Begin your Minnesotan adventure with an evening Welcome Dinner—an opportunity to meet your Tour Director and fellow travelers. **D**

DAY 2: MILL CITY MUSEUM/STONE ARCH BRIDGE/ LYNDALE PARK

This morning, we'll head into the heart of Minneapolis. Begin with an exclusive visit to a private garden, where we can enjoy the peaceful beauty of a hidden urban oasis. Next, explore the Mill City Museum, located in the ruins of what was once the world's largest flour mill, to uncover the city's industrial past along the Mississippi River. The tour continues with a stroll across the iconic Stone Arch Bridge, offering stunning views of the river and Minneapolis skyline. Finally, unwind at Lyndale Park, where vibrant gardens and peaceful walking paths await. **B, L**



Enjoy a historic trolley tour through the celebrated town of Stillwater



DAY 3: COMO PARK/GARDENS OF RICE CREEK/SUMMIT AVE

Spend a delightful day exploring some of the Twin Cities' most picturesque and historic destinations. Begin at the Como Park Zoo & Conservatory, where you can enjoy a vibrant blend of exotic animals and lush botanical gardens. Then, venture to the Gardens of Rice Creek for a peaceful walk through meticulously landscaped grounds and native plants that highlight Minnesota's natural beauty. The day concludes with a tour of Summit Avenue, one of the country's longest stretches of preserved Victorian architecture where historic homes tell the story of St. Paul's rich cultural and architectural heritage. **B, D**

DAY 4: PAISLEY PARK/LAKE MINNETONKA/MINNESOTA LANDSCAPE ARBORETUM

Today blends music, nature, and scenic beauty that is sure to be memorable. A visit to Paisley Park offers a rare glimpse into the creative world of music legend Prince at his former home and recording studio. In Waconia, a peaceful private garden provides a quiet escape surrounded by natural charm. A relaxing boat cruise on Lake Minnetonka showcases sweeping views of the shoreline and calm waters. At the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum, this stop offers flowering gardens, native woodlands, and wetlands, highlighting the natural beauty of Minnesota's diverse ecosystems. **B, L**

DAY 5: STILLWATER HISTORIC TROLLEY/NURSERY GARDEN

This morning, we'll travel to Stillwater to enjoy a historic trolley tour through one of the state's oldest towns filled with stories, architecture, and scenic river views. A visit to a nearby nursery follows, showcasing a vibrant array of plants and blooms. The day concludes with a special farewell dinner featuring local dishes, creating a warm and festive atmosphere to celebrate our journey together. **B, D**

DAY 6: FAREWELL MINNESOTA

Return home, departing with lasting memories of vibrant blooms, peaceful landscapes, and the unique charm of the North Star State. **B** 🌍



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TOUR DETAILS

6 Days • 10 Meals

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Price Per Person:

Double: \$2,099; Single: \$2,499

Pre/Post Hotel: \$149/night

Depart/Return:

Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN

HIGHLIGHTS

- Exclusive visits to private gardens
- Tour Mill City Museum
- Experience Paisley Park
- Cruise on Lake Minnetonka
- Stillwater Historic Trolley tour
- Shuttle to Mall of America

INCLUSIONS

- Free airport shuttle or hotel parking
- Welcome Dinner and meals as indicated (B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner)
- Fees and tips for included attractions and meals
- Luggage handling at most hotels
- 24-hour emergency call service
- Free bottled water on coach

ACCOMMODATIONS

Nights 1-5: Hilton Minneapolis, Bloomington