

Gardens with Pollinator Plants within 60 miles of Philipstown

(Excerpted from GCA Visiting Gardens List)

BEATRIX FARRAND GARDEN, www.beatrixfarrandgardenhydepark.org, 4097 Albany Post Rd, Hyde Park, NY 12538 Contact: (845) 229-9115 ext. 2023
Adjacent the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt. The 1994 restoration by the Beatrix Farrand Garden Association has resulted in a stunning display of perfectly composed borders - pink; white; blush; cream and grey; and mauve and purples - set off by vine-traces walls and clipped hemlock hedges.

BAYARD CUTTING ARBORETUM STATE PARK, www.bayardcuttingarboretum.com, 440 Montauk Highway, Great River, NY
Contact: 631-581-1002

Bayard Cutting Arboretum is a 691-acre passive use state park located in Great River. The garden, originally designed by Fredrik Law Olmsted, boasts collections of fir, spruce, pine, cypress, hemlock and yew. You will also enjoy their extensive plantings of dwarf evergreens, rhododendron, azaleas, hollies and oaks. The Manor House boasts the Hidden Oak Café which serves lunch daily. Guided Tours available.

BEDFORD AUDUBON SOCIETY, www.bedfordaudubon.org, Bylane Farm, 35 Todd Road
Katonah, NY 10536, 914-232-1999

Bylane Farm is home to the Native Plant Garden at Bylane Farm, featuring over 35 species of native plants.

BOSCOBEL HOUSE AND GARDENS, <https://boscobel.org>, 1601 Route 9D, Garrison, NY,
845-265-3638

Overlooking Constitution Marsh toward the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, Boscobel's landscape showcases dramatic views of the Hudson River. The Frances Stevens Reese Woodland Trail of Discovery offers hikers a tranquil mile through the forest. The Apple Orchard features fruit trees prized by New Yorkers then and now. The Formal garden, presided over by the exquisitely restored Neoclassical mansion, is planted with perennials and shrubs favored by pollinators. The Herb Garden has geometrically laid-out raised beds surrounding an Orangery in the Tidewater style, bordered by espaliered pear trees and grape arbors, with parterres of germander and lavender and quince trees. Maintained by the Philipstown Garden Club, the garden contains more than 100 culinary, medicinal and household plants appropriate to an American garden circa 1820. The Hudson River School Artists Garden, with sculptures by Greg Wyatt, honors 19th-century painters who celebrated this landscape. Boscobel embodies, preserves, and shares the beauty of the Hudson River Valley.

BLITHEWOOD GARDEN at Bard College, www.bard.edu/campus/facilities, Annandale On Hudson, NY 12504-5000, Contact: bardcollege.edu 800-BARDCOL (227-3265)

Bard College campus has many interesting walks, buildings, and gardens. Possibly the most beautiful spot on campus, Blithewood Garden is located on the west axis of the Levy Institute. It is a formal Italian garden, designed by Francis Hoppin, an alumnus of the architectural firm of McKim, Mead, & White. Blithewood Garden still maintains the breath-taking beauty it once did including the awe-inspiring backdrop of the Catskill Mountains and the Hudson River.

THE CLOISTERS, www.metmuseum.org/visit/visit-the-cloisters, 99 Margaret Corbin Drive, New York, NY 10040 Contact: 212-923-3700

The Bonnefont Cloister has 300 herbs which were in use in Medieval times for medicinal, culinary and household purposes.

CONSERVATORY GARDEN IN CENTRAL PARK

<http://www.centralparknyc.org/things-to-see-and-do/attractions/conservatory-garden.html>

Contact: (212) 310-6600

There are five mixed borders of trees, shrubs and perennial plants, and five seasonal beds featuring spring bulbs that are followed by annual flower displays.

FORT TRYON PARK GARDENS, <https://www.forttryonparktrust.org>, 192nd Street and Fort Washington Avenue northward to Riverside Drive near 200th Street, (212) 795-1388, extension 301

The park is a fusion of natural and highly landscaped terrain. Nestled amidst wooded slopes and open lawns lie two horticultural destinations: the Heather Garden and the Alpine Garden. Each area showcases flowers and plants that are well adapted to the unique and varied terrain of Fort Tryon Park. In addition to the beautiful flowers, the natural treasures in Fort Tryon Park include 46 American elms, many of which predate the park, and more than 550 varieties of plants, trees, and shrubs.

HIGH LINE PARK, www.thehighline.org, New York, NY

The High Line's gardens are species of perennials, grasses, shrubs and trees that are noted for their sustainability and focus on the native species.

INNISFREE GARDEN, www.innisfreegarden.org, 362 Tyrrel Rd, Millbrook, NY 12545 (845) 677-8000

A unique contribution to garden art in America, its design is influenced by a Chinese style dating back 1,000 years. Lester Collins carefully edited existing vegetation to leave magnificent trees and great swaths of natives such as blueberries, iris and various ferns and judiciously added plants like Japanese primroses (best in May), Joe-Pye weed (best in August).

MANITOGA, www.visitmanitoga.org or www.info@russelwrightcenter.org, 384 Route 9-D, Garrison, NY 10524 (845) 424-3812

There are 4 miles of walking trails, and guided house, studio, and landscape tours. The garden is a woodland native plant preserve. In late May or early June there are hundreds of mountain laurel shrubs in bloom.

MONTGOMERY PLACE, www.hudsonvalley.org/historic-sites/montgomeryplace, 25 Gardener Way, Annandale on Hudson, NY (845) 752-5000

Of particular interest to GCA members is one of its former residents, Violetta White Delafield. Mrs. Delafield was an ardent gardener who won First and Second Prizes at the

International Flower Show in 1934 for her Ikebana flower designs. Violetta Delafield also designed the series of pocket gardens still in existence to the south of the mansion.

NATIVE PLANT CENTER, www.sunywcc.edu/about/npc/gardens, 75 Grasslands Road, Valhalla, NY (914) 606-6600

The Native Plant Center's two gardens on the Westchester Community College campus in Valhalla are the Lady Bird Johnson Demonstration Garden and the New American Cottage Garden. Both showcase native plants and are meant to educate and inspire people to incorporate native plants in their own landscapes. The gardens are open to the public free of charge daily until dusk.

NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN, www.nybg.org, 2900 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, NY 10458

As a National Historic Landmark, the NYBG is one of the nation's premiere public gardens. There is always something new to see, smell, and smile about. With a variety of gardens and collections on our 250 acres, including a native plant garden and wildflower meadow best in high summer.

STONECROP GARDENS, www.stonecrop.org, 81 Stonecrop Lane, Cold Spring, New York 10516 (845) 265-2000 Email: gardens@stonecrop.org

Established by renowned gardeners Frank and Anne Cabot, Stonecrop is the headquarters of The Nature Conservancy. The display gardens cover an area of approximately 15 acres and comprise woodland and water gardens, and grass gardens. Most famously, alpine plants in raised stone beds and cliff rock gardens. A must-see for alpine plant lovers. There is also an English-style flower garden and systematic order beds representing over 50 plant families.

TEATOWN LAKE RESERVATION, www.teatown.org, 1600 Spring Valley Road, Ossining, NY 10562, (914) 762-2912

Teatown is an environmental education organization with a 1,000-acre nature preserve. The property includes a two-acre Wildflower Island, a unique sanctuary that is home to over 230 native and endangered species of wildflowers.

WAVE HILL, www.wavehill.org, 675 W. 249th Street, Bronx, NY 10471 (718) 549-3200 x238, or email tours@wavehill.org

Wave Hill is a 28-acre public garden and cultural center in the Bronx overlooking the Hudson River and Palisades. Its mission is to celebrate the artistry and legacy of its gardens and landscapes, to preserve its magnificent views.

WETHERSFIELD ESTATE AND GARDENS, www.weathersfieldgarden.org, 214 Pugsley Hill Road, Amenia, New York 12501 (845)373-8037

Epitome of a country gentleman's, Chauncey D. Stillman (1907-1989), estate of the late 20th century. Wethersfield Garden is a 3-acre formal garden created mainly in the Classical Italian

style. Mr. Stillman's inspiration was the garden of the Italian Renaissance with its use of water, sculpture, topiary and terraces.