The Garden Series Presents: MICKEY'S PLANTS AND GARDENS OF CENTRAL FLORIDA With George Weigel

Tuesday. February 2-9, 2016

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Arrive via Air in Orlando, Fl—Today you will have a 2 hour guided tour at the Harry P. Leu Gardens in Orlando and some time to explore on your own before heading to your hotel.

Check into the Comfort Suites Maingate East. Located next to Old Town with over 60 shops and Restaurants your hotel is just 10 minute ride to Disney Theme Parks. ~ Dinner included tonight.

Wednesday, February 3, 2016

Enjoy Breakfast at the hotel before departing for our early morning tour at Epcot, "Behind the seeds" is a one-hour tour of the fish farm and four greenhouses that make up The Land Pavilion at Epcot. It is perfect for anyone with an interest in gardening or natural sciences.

Spend the rest of the day as you like. You will receive a 2 day Hopper Park pass which allows you to visit any of the 4 Disney Parks on your two days of Free time. Feel free to come and go as you like at Epcot, Magic Kingdom, Animal Kingdom and Hollywood Studios.

There will be a return trip on the motorcoach, however the hotel also offers shuttle service to and from the Disney sites offering you great flexibility in your day. ~Breakfast included today

Thursday, February 4, 2016

After breakfast at the hotel, we'll travel to Tampa Electric's Manatee Viewing Station to view colonies of Manatee. On today's list is also a Luncheon at the Der Dutchman, the Marie Selby Botanical Gardens in Sarasota with a guided tour and a stop at Parksdale Market for the most amazing Strawberries and Strawberry creations you've ever had. ~ Breakfast & Lunch included today.

Friday, February 5, 2016

After breakfast at the hotel, the day is yours to do as you please. Enjoy the fitness Center, Pool, Hot tub and Barracuda Bart's Poolside Tiki Bar on site, take a stroll to Old Town within walking distance or use the shuttle service to visit any (or all) of the 4 Disney Parks covered on your day 2 ticket. ~ Breakfast included today

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Saturday, February 6, 2016

After Breakfast at the hotel we'll board the coach for Vero Beach and McKee Botanical Gardens (Founder by Penn State University Trained engineer) This once 80 acre Jungle garden was nearly killed by the Disney sites, it is now reduced to an 18 acre garden, but well worth the visit, also we will visit the Heathcote Botanical Gardens in Fort Pierce with tropical themed exhibits and an amazing Bonsai garden. ~ Breakfast, Box Lunch included today.

Sunday, February 7, 2016

After breakfast at the hotel board the coach and depart for Lakeland. We have a guided tour of the Hollis Gardens, this small site is a real treat and our guide has been taking care of it for years. We'll enjoy lunch and the Bok Towers Gardens next. This is a 50 acre garden with a 205 foot "singing tower" that has a carillon organ. This place also has a strong Pa. connection, as the founder, Edward Bok, was a Philadelphia editor (Ladies Home Journal), and an 8-acre section with a home called "El Retiro" was the retirement estate of C. Austin Buck, a VP of Bethlehem Steel. ~ Breakfast and Lunch Included today

Monday, February 8, 2016

The adventure begins after Breakfast at the hotel. Dress comfortably and wear your hiking shoes! Board the coach and depart for Kelly Park where we will start a 2 hour cruise on the Banana River Lagoon and 1000 lakes where you are sure to spot Manatee, Dolphins maybe even an alligator. Enjoy Lunch at Shiloh's and the depart for Merritt Island National Refuse, here you can split into smaller groups to explore the visitor's center, the 1/4 mile bird trail and short hike to the manatee viewing area. We'll head back to the hotel about 4pm so you can freshen up before your Polynesian Dinner. ~ Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

Tuesday, February 9, 2016

Breakfast at the hotel before we depart for home this morning.

Itinerary subject to change





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