



# **SOUTH FLORIDA**

The Best Of Miami & Naples' Public & Private Gardens,
Public Spaces, Orchid Nursery, & Coconut Grove Arts Festival
Pacific Horticulture Society, escorted by Amelia Lima
Tour Manager - Linda McKendry
February 12 - 17, 2019



Garden admirers don't miss this rare opportunity to join PHS in South Florida. Our tour includes several famous gardens, including private properties never open to the public. Raymond Jungles, renowned landscape architect and designer of the Naples' Botanical Garden, will personally lead us on a tour of the Garden and share how South American landscape designer Roberto Burle Marx has influenced his work. The Brazilian Garden at the Naples' Botanical Garden is dedicated to Roberto Burle Marx. Raymond will also accompany our group as we visit an exclusive private garden in Naples that appears in his book, "Colors of Nature".

# PROGRAM **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Meet the directors and tour The Kampong, Montgomery Botanical Center, and Fairchild Gardens along Biscayne Bay, plus take in the exquisite beauty of a 20-acre estate in Redlands known as Patch of Heaven Sanctuary.
- Travel to Naples to experience their incredible botanical garden with one of its designers, Raymond Jungles, and become one of the privileged to see four of the private home gardens that he has created in Naples and Miami.
- Enjoy an afternoon at the Coconut Grove Arts Festival, and dine in Miami Beach at Fogo de Chao Brazilian Steakhouse.

# FEBRUARY 12 - COCONUT GROVE

Upon arrival at the Miami airport, transfer (on own) to the Residence Inn by Marriott, located in the iconic Coconut Grove, known for its trendy and artist environment and lovely settings. Following check in, you will have the remainder of the afternoon/evening at leisure to explore your new surroundings, and/or prepare for your week in South Florida. *Overnight at Residence Inn by Marriott*.

# FEBRUARY 13 - COCONUT GROVE

This morning begin your historical garden adventure along Biscayne Bay in Coral Gables. Your first stop is at one of the five gardens that belong to the National Tropical Botanical Garden, The Kampong. If available, Craig Morell, the director, will escort you as you stroll through the gardens. In 1916, Dr. David Fairchild and his wife Marian, daughter of Alexander Graham Bell, purchased the property and named it The Kampong, a Malay word for village or a cluster of dwellings for an extended family. Dr. Fairchild, one of the most influential horticulturists and plant collectors in the United States, devoted his life to plant exploration and searching for useful plants suitable for introduction into the U.S. In 1928 the Fairchilds built a house (designed by Edward Clarence Dean) that still exists at The Kampong, and made it their permanent home after David Fairchild retired.

Following your time at The Kampong, travel through the lovely banyan-lined streets, passing the wealthy homes along the bay to Montgomery Botanical Center. You will be greeted by Tracy Magellan, their Outreach Manager, and if available, executive director Dr. Patrick Griffith. They will give you a briefing about the center and show you around the home of the Montgomery family and the gardens. A National Horticultural Landmark dating to 1932, Montgomery Botanical Center holds the National Palm Collection, National Cycad Collection, and National Tropical Conifer Collection. These beautiful scientific treasures are available for study in Montgomery's 120-acre botanical garden of exemplary design.

The next stop along Biscayne Bay is Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden. Upon arrival, you will be met and given directions to the Glasshouse Café, where you can order the lunch of your choice (at additional cost) while viewing your beautiful surroundings. After lunch, you will be given a guided tram tour of the

expansive garden, after which you can stroll through the gardens at leisure. If available, you will meet Executive Director Dr. Carl Lewis, who will give an overview of Fairchild and their ongoing and future projects. Fairchild is dedicated to exploring, explaining and conserving the world of tropical plants. It is one of the premier conservation- and education-based gardens in the world and a recognized leader in both Florida and international conservation. *Overnight at Residence Inn by Marriott.* (B)

# FEBRUARY 14 - COCONUT GROVE

This morning you will visit a private garden and estate on 20 acres in the area known as the Redlands. Known as Patch of Heaven Sanctuary, this unique property encompasses tropical hammock, pine rockland, tropical gardens, exquisite home, gorgeous horse stable, and historic structures. In 2008 the site of the Hugh Matheson Jr. Estate was designated historical by Miami-Dade County, and the same year the current owners entered into a covenant with the county to protect the Tropical Hardwood Hammock. All the gardens are designed with nature in mind and blend with the forest surrounding the property. You will be met by your host, Fred Hubbard, who along with Roberto Del Cid designed one of the most interesting gardens you may have ever seen. Their style is full of nuances, a surprise at every turn. The most recent project in the garden is the cacao trees, which have taken on a life of their own. Patch of Heaven Sanctuary is featured in the excellent book Gardens of Miami. You will also have the opportunity to visit their new addition, the Friesian Horse Barn, which is magnificent. After your time learning all about Patch of Heaven, you will be served a delicious lunch and beverages.

Your next stop is at the beautiful nursery R.F. Orchids. Enjoy a tour of the property, with the opportunity to make purchases if you'd like—they will arrange for shipping to your home.

You will then head back to Miami and the New World Center to visit the Rooftop Garden, designed by Raymond Jungles using local indigenous flora. Enjoy a panoramic vista of Miami Beach, from Biscayne Bay to the Atlantic Ocean to an elevated view into the swooping depths of the atrium. After your look around at the Rooftop Garden and wonderful views, return street-side for a short walk to see Raymond's Streetscape project of the Lincoln Road Mall. *Overnight at Residence Inn by Marriott. (BL)* 

# FEBRUARY 15 - COCONUT GROVE

This morning you will meet Raymond Jungles, who will travel with you across the Florida peninsula to Naples, crossing through the Everglades on the infamous "Alligator Alley," for a visit to one of the newest and most creative Public Botanical Gardens in the U.S., Naples Botanical Garden. Raymond was one of the well-known designers that gave this garden its eclectic look and feel, which will be evident to you as soon as you enter. Raymond will be able to give you a special tour of the garden, giving you some of the backstory about the garden's design and implementation. After your tour, enjoy lunch at the Fogg Café, which features an exciting garden-totable-inspired menu; the cuisine represents Brazilian, Caribbean, Asian and Floridian themes from each garden (cost on own).

In 2006, the team of Ellin Goetz, Ted Flato, Raymond Jungles, Herb Schaal, Bob Truskowski and Made Wijaya, dubbed the "Dream Team" by the Miami Herald, completed the master plan for Naples Botanical Garden. Construction on the first phase began in 2008 with the digging of Deep Lake and Lake Tupke and the sculpting of the site with 250,000 yards of fill produced by lake excavation. In November of 2009, the Garden opened the Smith Children's Garden, Kapnick Brazilian Garden, Kapnick Caribbean Garden and the Smith River of Grass. In January 2010, The Florida Gulf Coast University Harvey Kapnick Research and Education Center, a shared use facility, opened. Later in 2010, the Garden opened the Scott Florida Garden, Buehler Enabling Garden, Garden Club of Naples Idea Garden, Lea Asian Garden and the Water Garden. Finally in October of 2014, the master plan implementation was completed with the opening the Chabraja Visitor Center including Kathryn's Garden, Irma's Garden, LaGrippe Orchid Garden, Kapnick Hall, Berger Shop in the Garden and the Fogg Café.

Before heading back to Coconut Grove, visit a private garden in Naples that was designed by Raymond. *Overnight at Residence Inn by Marriott. (B)* 

# FEBRUARY 16 - COCONUT GROVE

Following breakfast, you will meet with an associate of Raymond Jungles, who has invited you to visit several more of their projects at private homes in the Miami area. Later in the afternoon, time permitting, you may wish to join the festivities at the Coconut Grove Art Festival. This evening, celebrate the Brazilian connection of your tour with a Farewell Dinner at

Fogo de Chao Brazilian Steakhouse on Miami Beach. Overnight at Residence Inn by Marriott. (BD)

# FEBRUARY 17 - DEPARTURE

Today you will return to the Miami International Airport (on own) for your flight home. (B)

Itinerary may be subject to change.

# LAND PRICING

**\$2,950** (PHS members) **\$3,050** (Non-members)

Based on a group of 16

Program includes meals, accommodations, and activities as mentioned in itinerary; local transportation; local guides; and entrance fees.

Does not include airfare, airport transfers, gratuities, alcoholic beverages, or items of a personal nature.

# TRAVEL **PROTECTION**

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# THE FINE PRINT

Cost is based on double occupancy; for a single room throughout the trip add \$900 per person. A \$200 per person deposit and enrollment form are required no later than October 12, 2018 to hold your space on the trip. This deposit is refundable, minus a \$100 cancellation fee, until October 12, 2018, at which time non-refundable final payment is due.



# ABOUT PACIFIC HORTICULTURE

Inspiring West Coast gardeners since 1968, Pacific Horticulture believes in beautiful gardens connected to the world at large. Find out more at www.pacifichorticulture.org.

Its escort for this tour is Amelia B. Lima, a native of Brazil who has designed gardens in Rio De Janeiro and the United States. She is influenced by Roberto Burle Marx having witnessed him creating some of his famous landscapes. She is a Certified Professional Designer by the Association of Professional Landscape Designers, practicing in San Diego.









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