Welcome Fall At Wave Hill

Open year-round, this spectacular oasis and cultural center overlooks the Hudson River and Palisades. Wave Hill’s mission is to celebrate the artistry and legacy of its gardens and landscapes, to preserve its magnificent views and to explore human connections to the natural world through programs in horticulture, education and the arts.

Perkins Visitor Center & The Shop
Plan your visit and register for programs. Become a Member. And visit The Shop at Wave Hill for a unique selection of gifts reflecting our mission.

Explore Fall Gardens

Twenty-eight acres of abundant gardens, magnificent trees, shady woodlands and spectacular views beckon visitors to Wave Hill in the fall. The rich colors of the season are present in late-blooming flowers, colorful leaves and interesting fruits and seedpods. This exhilarating display compliments the vivid fall foliage of the Palisades across the Hudson River.

2 HERBERT & HYONJA ABRONS WOODLAND
A half-mile trail ambles along the wooded slope.

5 PERGOLA OVERLOOK
Admire fiery fall color along the river from this Italianate structure. Hanging baskets, containers and beds burst with tropical plants through mid-fall.

6 FLOWER GARDEN
Surrounded by a rustic cedar fence, this exuberant garden includes eight central beds, each a different color hue. Colorful salvia, aster and dahlias flowers persist until first frost.

7 MARCO POLO STUFANO CONSERVATORY
As temperatures cool, plants are moved back inside to wait out winter.

8 PAISLEY BED
The 2021 design showcases a modern interpretation of a Victorian display garden.

11 HERB GARDEN & 12 DRY GARDEN
Nestled in the foundations of former greenhouses, terraced gardens feature herbs and ornamental plants from warmer regions. Use your cellphone to listen to “Plant Connections,” personal stories about herb plants. Look for the signs!

16 WILD GARDEN
Narrow paths meander through this hillside garden and its naturalized-style plantings, including many fall-blooming perennial and annual plants.

17 AQUATIC GARDEN
Tranquility and simplistic geometry meet in this garden, framed by neatly-trimmed hedges and pergolas. Aquatic plants are left to go dormant, their colorful leaves fading as winter approaches.

18 MONOCOT GARDEN
A display of bold, fast-growing plants, here the theme for 2021 is bananas! Tropical plants are moved inside starting in mid-fall.

19 SHADE BORDER
A shaded arbor offers a quiet corner for relaxation and reflection amongst ferns and other shade-loving plants. Specimen trees offer splendid fall foliage.

22 KATE FRENCH TERRACE
Through mid-fall, exotic foliage plants and seed-sown annuals in colorful combinations enhance the slate terrace adjacent to The Café at Wave Hill.

26 ELLIPTICAL GARDEN
A formal display of native plants is planted into the stonework of a former swimming pool. Aster-family plants, such as coneflower, Joe Pye weed and ironweed go to seed and feed hungry migrating birds.

To learn more, join a free Garden Highlights Walk on Sundays at 2PM.
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