

# Montreal

## Botanical Gardens

with *Dave Hamlen*

September 22, 2018  
(Saturday)

"Flowers... are a proud assertion that a ray of beauty outvalues all the utilities of the world."  
~*Ralph Waldo Emerson*



We will divide our visit into 3 general sections. The first will be an exploration of the northern half of the grounds - wandering the various trails between the lakes and the Rosemont entrance/Tree Pavilion. This part is the most serene - beautiful trees, grassy lawns, and the superb Dougherty monuments made out of the woven branches of willow bushes. These monuments are so very impressive. They can't be missed.

The second part of our visit will include the southern part of the grounds, including the beautiful lakes, 1st nations' exhibits, Japanese gardens and the exceptional Exhibition gardens – you could spend half the day just wandering through the incredible display of plants and flowers here.

The final part of our visit will be spent wandering through the greenhouses. Divided into sections based on climate and species, the flow through the exhibit is well designed, allowing for a circuitous yet well defined path to enjoy all the exhibits without too much in the way of repetition.

Of course, you are welcome to just explore on your own too! Either way, come join Champlain Tours and Dave Hamlen for the 6<sup>th</sup> most popular MUST SEE locations in Montreal!

### WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Luxurious motor coach transportation
- Admissions
- Horticulturist Dave Hamlen accompaniment
- Lunch at Botanical Gardens
- Full-time tour manager

### WHAT'S NOT

- Gratuities (tour manager, Dave Hamlen, driver)

### DEPARTURE

- 7:00 am - Colchester: Shaw's Parking lot, I-89, exit 16
- 7:25 am – Milton: Park & Ride
- 7:55 am - St. Albans: Highgate Commons Shopping Ctr.
- 8:45 am - Champlain: McDonald's, Route 11 exit 42

### ITINERARY

- Travel by Premier Motor coach
- Commentary by expert horticulturist Dave Hamlen
- Lunch at your leisure
- Approximately 5 hours to enjoy the Botanical Gardens

**PRICE: \$129**

*\*Balance due at reservation*

### RETURN (Approx.)

**Return 6:40 pm**

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**Return 5:00 pm**

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