

**July 14**  
**The Rushworth's Garden**  
**85 Linden Tree Lane, Chatham**

Paula and Duncan Rushworth purchased their one-acre property in 2000 and began planting soon thereafter with the goal of adding a new garden or feature every year. Their first endeavor was a planting of *H. macrophylla* along the spacious front veranda which now overlooks sun-loving plants, including a border of *H. paniculata* 'Phantom'. Among their other gardens are a colorful mixed border with a rustic stone wall and stairway as well as a shade garden featuring hosta, ferns, clethra, and viburnum. A sunny butterfly garden sits under a trellis covered with *Lonicera* 'Major Wheeler' honeysuckle attracting hummingbirds; a hydrangea garden tucked under a white pine tree is planted with *H. macrophylla*, *H. paniculata*, *H. quercifolia*, *H. serrata*, and a *H. petiolaris* climbing up and over an old apple tree trunk. The back patio is home to a collection of beautiful plantings in containers. This is the first time this garden will be on tour.

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**2023  
MASTER  
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TOURS**

**July 8, 10, 11, 12, & 14**  
**10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

Rain or shine

\$5.00 non-refundable  
admission per  
garden. Cash only.



**July 8**

**Hydrangea Hill at Tilly's Nest  
504 Main Street, West Barnstable**

You are invited into the private garden of best-selling author, Melissa Caughey. In this rare opening to the public, explore Caughey's favorite spaces including one featuring her flock of backyard chickens. Nestled close to the salt marshes of Sandy Neck and tucked within the bucolic landscape of historic 6A, her cottage-style garden is abundant with assorted varieties of hydrangeas, perennials bursting with blooms, and raised bed gardens full of vegetables and herbs along with dappled shady woodlands. Come and see garden spaces of various ages and what seems to grow best on Cape Cod. Sit for a spell and watch the pollinators, birds, and other wildlife in their day-to-day activities. Caughey will be present during the tour. Signed copies of her books will be available for purchase with 10% of the proceeds benefiting the Master Gardener Association of Cape Cod.

**July 10 and 12**

**Linda Coven**

**121 Camp Street, Unit 106, W. Yarmouth**

Linda Coven, owner of Strictly Hydrangeas! is one of the Cape's leading experts on hydrangeas. Bursting with blooms, pollinators, and whimsy, her oasis is a sheer delight for the senses. A meticulously maintained emerald carpet of turf welcomes you as perennials dance between the pink, blue, white, red, and purple bloom laden hydrangeas. Divided into rooms, the various inspiring areas showcase statuary, water features, trellising, hardscaping, and slope plantings. Enjoy the terraced garden, Coven's hidden workspace tucked behind a classic Cape Cod shed and this year's new garden expansion. Many containers of hydrangeas with underplanted perennials will also be on

display. At 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. each day, Coven will be giving a Pot-n-Pot container gardening demonstration.

**July 11**

**Garden with a View**

**100 Mooreland Road, Falmouth**

Welcome to 100 Moorland Road Gardens, Bill & Peggy Guggina's quintessential Cape Cod property set on a bluff overlooking Vineyard Sound in Falmouth. While the garden plantings are only one to three years old due to a recent home renovation, you will be captivated and inspired by the variety of plantings, areas of interest, and stunning ocean views of the sound. The owner has built over 250 feet of dry-stone walls on the property which provide various aesthetic and functional purposes. This is a place where human craftsmanship and natural beauty come together in perfect harmony, allowing visitors to immerse themselves in its tranquility and serenity.

**July 11 and 14**

**East Orleans in Town Garden**

**209 Main Street, East Orleans**

Diane & Brian McGurk bought this historic home in the East Orleans village in 2015. They saw the potential for restoring the old garden beds and adding more ecofriendly beds. One goal was to eliminate some lawn and develop an environment friendly to nature. The property has amazing trees-alder, weeping beech, Kousa dogwood, and a wonderful Norway Fir that provide a backdrop for a variety of perennial and pollinator gardens. The gardens also have over 50 hydrangeas that were restored by Linda Coven of Strictly Hydrangeas. Raised bed vegetable gardens were added in 2022. The varied gardens and trees offer a place to sit and enjoy nature in an in-town setting!

**July 12**

**Pat McDonald's Garden  
244 Rolling Hitch Road, Centerville**

Pat McDonald is an avid reader, a retired teacher, a proud mom, and a grandmother of seven, whose extensive and ever-changing gardens reflect these life experiences. Her property illustrates many children's literature themes through her choice of plantings and garden art. Her Snow White moon garden features Annabelle across from a row of Nikko Blue hydrangeas, and her shady Harry Potter firebox area is home to hosta, astilbe, ladies' mantle, and more. Watch for surprises in her mature perennial beds as they Make Way for Ducklings, feature Mary's little lambs' ears, and even the Three Little Pigs. A sensory rainbow garden, next to a rose garden, boasts colorful lilies, tasty nasturtiums, and other fragrant plants to delight the senses. Lower-level gardens include annuals for cutting and four raised beds of organic vegetables and herbs, blueberry bushes, pumpkins, and Jack's beanstalks. A storyteller will be in the garden to entertain young visitors.