

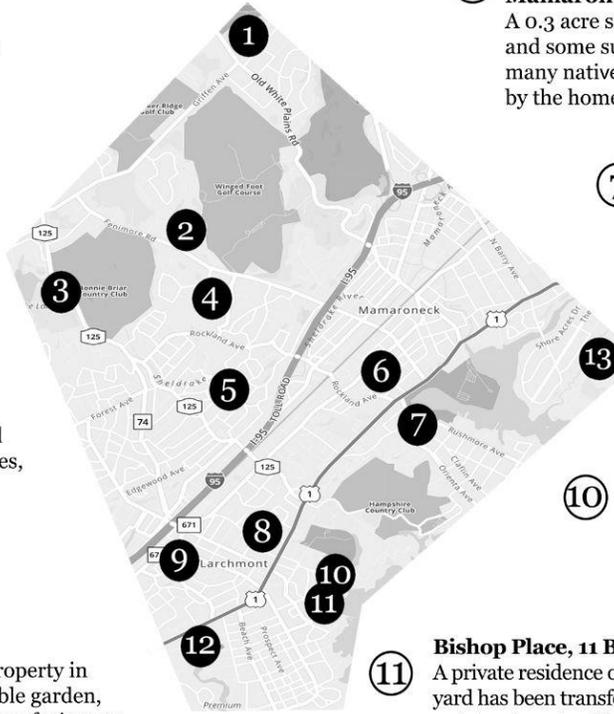
Sunday, June 13, 10 am to 1 pm

Important, visit: [www.healthyyards.org/tour/](http://www.healthyyards.org/tour/) for directions and parking information!

## Larchmont/Mamaroneck Pollinator Garden Tour

To launch our new Larchmont-Mamaroneck Pollinator Pathway initiative, we reached out to friends from environmental and pollinator groups and garden clubs of both Villages and Town to ask if they would open their yards to the public on June 13. As friendly gardeners, we also approached a few people we had never met who had lovely yards full of natives. Our goal is to discourage pesticide use and encourage pollinator-friendly planting, to preserve our great asset, the LI Sound, and make southern Westchester a home to birds, bees, butterflies.

- ① **Stonewall Lane, 8 Stonewall Lane, Mamaroneck.**  
Almost an acre with a pollinator garden and a very small 'forest' with a wood chip path. Most of yard was planted within the last two years. A compost bin in back.
- ② **Wildlife Wonderland, 871 Fenimore Road, Larchmont.**  
Note: there is no parking allowed on Fenimore. Visitors may park across the road on Winding Brook Drive and walk carefully across Fenimore. The property was a traditional two acre park-like landscape but has been transformed over 14 years into a wildlife-friendly habitat garden with a large selection of native plants. The lawn has been reduced to serving as pathways connecting the different areas of the garden. Garden includes a sunny meadow, shady woodland and a waterfall.
- ③ **Sheldrake Environmental Center, Weaver Street, Larchmont.** Drive down to the 687 Weaver Street entrance. The Sheldrake Environmental Center is a local nonprofit focusing on nature education and conservation. The Sheldrake Meadow is a very small area within the conservancy. The meadow is restored with native grasses, plants, and flowers. This is a multi-year project and lots of work still needs to be done.
- ④ **Hidden Green, 9 Hidden Green Lane, Larchmont.**  
A 0.75 acre garden with several garden beds and nice flowering trees and natives. There is wet and dry compost.
- ⑤ **Brookside Drive, 47 West Brookside Drive, Larchmont.** A lovely 0.3 acre English cottage and kitchen garden with raised beds for vegetables, berry shrubs, perennials, herbs and annuals.
- ⑥ **Munro Avenue, 615 Munro Avenue, Mamaroneck.**  
A 0.3 acre single-family property with lots of shade and some sunny areas, packed with perennials and many native plant species. The yard is maintained by the homeowner.
- ⑦ **A Truly Edible Garden, 340 Orienta Avenue, Mamaroneck.**  
Orienta Ave does not allow parking. Please park carefully on streets nearby. This is a 0.4 acre sloping yard newly planted with around 30 native species of flowers and shrubs, under guidance of Kim Eierman of Ecobeneficial over past five years.
- ⑧ **Suburban Wilds, 5 Forest Park Avenue, Larchmont.** This small home in the village of Larchmont is signed up as "The Suburban Wild Organization".
- ⑨ **Iden Avenue, 10 Iden Avenue, Larchmont.** A Brick Center Hall Colonial with three gardens containing native species, mature plantings and lots of happy birds, bees and insects. No pesticides are used. Compost is added to the soil.
- ⑩ **Douglas Lane, 7 Douglas Lane, Larchmont.** Small waterfront private property planted and maintained without pesticides, fertilizers, chemicals or leaf blowers. Right side of house has rain barrel and composter.
- ⑪ **Bishop Place, 11 Bishop Place, Larchmont.**  
A private residence on a small inlet in Larchmont Manor. The front yard has been transformed into a pollinator garden with a large variety of species. The property qualifies as a National Wildlife Federation habitat, meeting the requirements for sources of food, water and shelter for native wildlife.
- ⑫ **Beach Avenue, 106 Beach Avenue, Larchmont.** A small, pretty residential property in Larchmont Manor with a dedicated vegetable garden, many native plant/pollinator plantings, some fruit trees, a tulip magnolia and a very large oak tree. There are four open compost bins and a rotating composter.
- ⑬ **Otter Creek Preserve, Taylors Lane, Mamaroneck.** Turn onto Taylors Lane from Boston Post Road and go 0.5 miles, past the 'Private Road' sign. Near the end of Taylors Lane, the preserve is visible on the right side of the road. Parking is on the right along the split rail fence. Otter Creek Preserve is a mix of coastal waters, marsh, wooded wetlands, vernal pool, and edge habitats; and is an important site for migratory birds, marine life, insects, reptiles and amphibians, fish, and mammals. The Preserve is part of the Pollinator Pathway Project.



### Highly recommended in Rye and Greenwich:

#### **The Secret Garden of Celestial Happiness, 330 Park Avenue, Rye.**

Landscape designer, Jay Archer, his own landscape -- an ever-evolving project! The design is based in ecological principals, and is a model of biodiversity, resource conservation and a pollinator paradise!

**Back Country Modern Habitat, 37 Day Road, Greenwich, CT.** From Sterling Road turn onto Douglas Road, turn left onto Day Road, follow into gated community. Gate nr #1999 Residential Garden. Open 10 am-4 pm. The 5-acre property is exquisitely designed with the idea of creating what entomologist Douglas Tallamy calls a "homegrown national park," to support local species through the seasons.