

DELAWARE VALLEY SELF-GUIDED TOUR:

Longwood Gardens, Winterthur DuPont Country Estate, and Church of the Holy City

LONGWOOD GARDENS

Address: 1001 Longwood Road, Kennett Square, PA 19348

Phone: 610-388-1000

Website: www.longwoodgardens.org

Hours (subject to change):

May 27—Sept. 30, 2017

Sun—Wed, 9:00 am—6:00 pm

Thurs—Sat, 9:00 am—10:00 pm

Admission Fees (subject to change):

Adults	\$23
Seniors (Ages 62+)	\$20
College Student (with valid ID)	\$20
Youth (Ages 5-18)	\$12
Children (Ages 4 & under)	Free

Longwood Gardens contains over 1,077 acres of gardens, woodlands, and meadows, in Kennett Square, Pennsylvania, in the Brandywine Creek Valley.

The property that is now Longwood Gardens was purchased in 1700 from William Penn by a fellow Quaker, George Peirce. In 1798 Joshua and Samuel Peirce planted the first specimens of an arboretum, and by 1850 had amassed one of the finest collections of trees in the nation. Pierre S. du Pont purchased the property from the Peirce family in 1906 to protect the arboretum from being sold for lumber. Du Pont made it his private estate, adding additional land, a conservatory, a pipe organ, and a system of fountains.

The Peirce-du Pont country house dates from 1734, with substantial expansion and modernization in 1824 and 1909. Mr. du Pont opened the estate to the public many days each year during his occupancy. In 1937 he chartered the Longwood Foundation, which in 1946 was charged with operating the grounds for public education and enjoyment.

We will enjoy two hours of viewing the beautiful gardens and tree collections of Longwood before departing for Winterthur Museum.

WINTERTHUR MUSEUM

Address: 5105 Kennett Pike (Route 52), Winterthur, DE 19735

For in-car GPS and online mapping services, use: 5105 Kennett Pike, Wilmington, DE 19807

We recommend using Mapquest for directions to Winterthur as we have found that Google Maps sometimes gives inaccurate directions. We are working with Google Maps to correct the problem. If you are using a GPS, please make sure your GPS directs you to Route 52/Kennett Pike and Winterthur Road, the front entrance of Winterthur.

Phone: 800-448-3883

Website: www.winterthur.org

Tuesday–Sunday, 10:00 am–5:00 pm

Last house tour tickets sold at 3:15 pm. Museum Store and Bookstore open Tuesday–Sunday, 10:00 am–5:30 pm.

Closed Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

Library

Monday–Friday, 8:30 am–4:30 pm

Closed holidays

General Admission

General admission tickets are honored for two consecutive days and include access to the garden, a garden tram tour, the Galleries and special exhibitions, and an introductory house tour. The Introductory Tour is offered throughout the day and does not require reservations (last tickets sold at 3:15 pm).

Member	Free
Adult	\$20
Child (2–11)	\$5

Infant (under 2) Free

Senior (62) \$18

Student (with valid ID) \$18

The Winterthur Museum, Garden, and Library in Winterthur, Delaware, houses an important collection of Americana. It was the former home of Henry Francis du Pont (1880–1969), a renowned antiques collector and horticulturist.

In the early 20th century, H. F. du Pont and his father, Henry A. du Pont, designed Winterthur in the spirit of 18th- and 19th-century European country houses. The younger du Pont added to the home many times, increasing its number of rooms by nearly six-fold. After establishing the main building as a public museum in 1951, he moved to a smaller building on the estate.

Winterthur is sited on 979 acres near Brandywine Creek, with 60 acres of naturalistic gardens. When du Pont used it as his country estate, it had 2,500 acres and a premier dairy cattle herd.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CITY, WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

Address: 1118 N Broom St, Wilmington, DE 19806

Phone: 302-654-5014

Website: www.churchoftheholycity.org

The first known Swedenborgian in Wilmington, Delaware, was Margarita Lammot, who married Alfred A. du Pont in 1824. Later, her sisters arrived. Their father, Daniel Lammot, a national lay leader, moved to Wilmington in 1855, by which time the congregation numbered about twenty members.

Artist and author Howard Pyle, best known for adventure books for young people, was a member of the church until his death in 1911. He often asked his secretary to read Swedenborg to him as he painted.

Construction of the church began in 1856 and was completed in 1858, when the sanctuary was dedicated. The original site of this Brandywine blue granite structure was Delaware Avenue and Washington Street. In 1916, to prevent demolition during road construction, the church was disassembled and transported stone by stone to its present location on Broom Street. Pierre du Pont, a relative of Daniel Lammot, assisted with the financing of the move.