



Dear Savannah and Charleston Travelers:

Welcome to our soft launch of **SPRING GARDENS OF CHARLESTON AND SAVANNAH**, April 4-11, 2019 with Carlson Wagonlit Travel and Cole Burrell Garden and Nature Tours. We appreciate your patronage of past garden tours and look forward to welcoming you to these exciting Low Country destinations. We are doing a soft launch of the tour, without a full brochure.

Hurricanes, heavy rain and floods hitting the East Coast have caused delays in getting confirmations for private tours in many gardens in the Charleston and Savannah areas. It has taken us longer than usual to secure commitments for the number and variety of quality gardens you are accustomed to visiting on these tours. Due to this and other factors, we are late in launching this tour. But this is a special opportunity and we can operate if we can get enough sign-ups by the end of the month.

The tour begins in Savannah for three nights, and ends with four nights in Charleston. The tour highlights are listed below.

### **Tour Highlights**

- Explore the Low Country's history, culture and cuisine
- Relish a welcome reception in a private garden
- Partake of five group lunches
- Savor a festive farewell dinner
- Visit 10 private gardens
- Tour of premier public gardens, including Brookgreen Gardens and Coastal Georgia Botanical Gardens
- Experience a private guided tour of the history and horticulture of Savannah's famous Squares
- Visit the Juliette Gordon Lowe Center, Green-Meldrim House, Owens-Thomas House and Wormsloe Historic Site in Savannah
- Tour Mrs. Whaley's Garden, Calhoun Mansion and Boone Hall Gardens in Charleston
- Walk in the footsteps of history at Middleton Place and Magnolia Plantation
- Delve into the history of Charleston

- Discover the secrets of Bonaventure Cemetery, made famous in *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*

### **Land-Only Tour Price**

From \$3,995\* per person. \*Price is per person based on double occupancy and a minimum of 18 participants. Additional cost for single accommodations quoted upon request. Airfare is additional. Carlson Wagonlit Travel air coordinators can assist you with flight reservations.

### **Tour Package Inclusions**

- Seven nights' accommodations in 4-star hotels, based on double occupancy
- Five lunches, one reception and one dinner
- All ground transportation in private motor coach
- Sightseeing and garden admissions as listed on the itinerary
- Tour escort C. Colston Burrell
- Services of local guides and experts
- A tax-deductible donation of \$100 for members of the MSHS

Further tour details will be sent to registered participants in the coming months. Questions can be directed to [cole@ccolstonburrell.com](mailto:cole@ccolstonburrell.com).

The tour is limited to 18 travelers. **If you plan to join this tour, please register by Wednesday, October 31, here:**

<https://cwt-me.cvent.com/MSHSSavannahCharleston2019>

We need commitments from at least 18 people by this date to make the tour possible.

We hope to see you in April for this very special tour of these beautiful southern cities and their spectacular gardens! Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Cindy Meyer, CWT and Cole Burrell, Garden and Nature Tours