



MINNESOTA WATER GARDEN TOUR

All gardens are open on both days 9AM – 5PM
July 24th & 25th, 2021



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Purchase tickets online at mwgs.org or at any site the days of the Tour. \$15 advanced purchase; \$20 purchased days of Tour. For further info call 612 803 7663

The 2021 MWGS Water Garden Tour begins in the north metro and expands north of the metro. This geographic area is less dense therefore the sites are farther apart. Each site is unique and well worth the drive. Enjoy the views.

SITE A 105 Stinson Blvd NE, New Brighton, MN 55112

Tom and Sue

The water feature starts at the top of a 6 ft slope and cascades 22 feet down the hill to a 15 X 10 foot pond with goldfish and water plants. 40 tons of boulders were used to create a retaining wall, garden terraces, waterfall and pond. A set of winding granite stairs descend the slope and crosses the stream. Among the many perennials and shrubs are some unique trees; Kentucky Coffee Tree, Kousa Dogwood (Milky Way), Weeping Larch (Puli), and North Wind Korean Maple. Don't miss the metal garden art, concrete leaves, and wine fountain on the patio.

FROM I-694: Exit Silver Lake Road. Turn right (south) on Silver Lake Road. Turn right (west) on 45th Avenue NE. Turn right (north) on Stinson Blvd NE. The site is on the right.

SITE B 18844 Mississippi Blvd NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Tim and Linda

This garden paradise is located above the Mississippi river basin. There are two small ponds, a waterfall, and 11 other fountains. The gardens are filled with structures and statues, including a screened gazebo and pergola/gazebo hybrid built by Tim. The yard is divided into different areas: a Japanese themed garden, a fairy garden, and a sunken garden. This landscaped yard filled with flowers and hostas along with the water features makes it a welcoming place for a variety of birds.

FROM SITE A TO SITE B (17 minutes): Stinson Blvd NE to 45th Avenue NE. Turn left (east) on 45th Avenue NE. Turn left (north) on Silver Lake Road. Take I-694 west. Exit 47. Turn right (north) on 47. Turn left (west) on 85th Avenue NW. Turn right (north) on East River Road. Turn left on 89th Avenue NW. Turn left on Mississippi Blvd NW. The site is on the right.

FROM HWY I-694: Exit onto 47. Go north on 47. Turn left (west) on 85th Avenue NW. Turn right (north) on East River Road. Turn left on 89th Avenue NW. Turn left on Mississippi Blvd NW. The site is on the right.

SITE C 18255 S Diamond Lake Court, Dayton, MN 55327

Rafael and Patricia

In September 2020, Rafael built his large pond, taking approximately 6 weeks to complete. The pond is about 8000 gallons: 16 X 30 feet and 4 feet deep with a bog filter. He designed a bottom drain that is a 4 ft X 8 ft long PVC pipe above the liner connected to a 6000 GPH external pump, to an Aqua Ultima 4000 bit filter with an Aqua 55 watt UV light and 5 return jets back to the pond. The pond has 15 Atlantic water garden color changing lights. 10 Koi make their home in the large pond. The small pond is approximately 2800 gallons and 4 feet deep where 7 one-year-old Koi live.

FROM SITE B TO SITE C (19 minutes): Mississippi Blvd NW to 89th Avenue NW. Turn right (east) on 89th Avenue. Turn left (north) on East River Road. Take 610 west. Exit onto 81. Turn right (north) on Brockton Ln N. Turn right on S Diamond Lake Road/133 Avenue N. Turn right on S Diamond Lake Trail. Turn left on S Diamond Lake Court. The site will be on the right.

FROM 610: Exit Maple Grove Parkway. Turn right on Maple Grove Parkway. Turn left on 81. Turn right (north) on Brockton Ln N. Turn right on S Diamond Lake Road/133 Avenue N. Turn right on S Diamond Lake Trail. Turn left on S Diamond Lake Court. The site will be on the right.

SITE D

540 Polk Street, Anoka, MN 55303

Tim and Rebecca

Tim renovated his pond in 2021 to improve the waterfalls and bog. The 3 individual liners were replaced with one large liner to prevent water loss. Two waterfalls come from the back side of the garage and flow into a large pond. Unique driftwood gathered from Lake Superior can be found around the pond and throughout the property. A second stream flowing from under the garden shed is planned to be added to the pond area. Don't miss the stone bench with vintage door for the backrest, the creative window well design, and the use of a vintage truck for firewood storage.

FROM SITE C TO SITE D (16 minutes): S Diamond Lake Court. Turn right on S Diamond Lake Trail. Turn right on S Diamond Lake Road. Turn right on Dayton River Road. Take Hwy 169 north. Exit Main Street. Turn right on Main Street. Turn left on 7th Avenue. Turn left on Polk. The site will be on the left.

FROM HWY 10: Exit 7th Avenue N. Go south on 7th Avenue. Turn west on Polk Street. The site will be on the left.

This is the half way point on the tour route. If you are looking for a break, you can find ample opportunity for a restaurant and restroom stop in Anoka.

SITE E

4870 154th Lane NW, Ramsey, MN 55303

Charles

This is a newly constructed water feature located uniquely in the front of the property. There is a waterfall with several drops as water flows over the boulders into this pond-less water feature. There is plenty of curb appeal in the early stage of development to catch your eye as you visit the property.

FROM SITE D TO SITE E (10 minutes): Polk Street to 7th Avenue. Turn left on 7th Avenue. Take Hwy 10 west. Go one exit, exit 47. Turn right (north) 47. Turn right (east) on Alpine Drive. Turn left on Ute Street NW. Flow onto 154th Lane NW. The site will be on the right.

FROM HWY 10: Exit 47. Turn right (east) on Alpine Drive. Turn left on Ute Street NW. Flow onto 154th Lane NW. The site will be on the right.

SITE F

15760 Juniper Ridge Drive NW, Ramsey, MN 55303

Richard and Jennifer

Enter the site through the gate on the right side of the house. This 3/4 acre woodland setting provides a backdrop for the ponds and privacy for the property. The large pond is located just past the pool area. It was designed and built by Jennifer 20 years ago. There are several waterfalls along a stream, surrounded by ferns, that provides the relaxing sound of water. In the lowest pond area you will find Koi with a unique Heron deterrent. Water lilies can be found in the upper pond with other water plants along the stream. Follow the path along the fence to a small pond at the top of the hill on the backside of the large pond.

FROM SITE E TO SITE F (3 minutes): continue on 154th Lane NW to Roanoake Street NW. Turn left on Roanoake Street NW. Turn left on Juniper Ridge Drive NW. The site will be on the left.

FROM HWY 10: Exit 47/Ferry Street. Turn right (north) on 47/Ferry Street. Follow 47/Ferry Street to 156th Ln NW. Turn right (east) on 156th Ln NW. Turn left on Juniper Ridge Drive NW. The site will be on the left.



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SITE G 13434 Van Buren Street NE, Ham Lake, MN 55304

Jon and Lisa

Enter around the right side of the townhouse. The winding stream has several waterfalls that lead to the pond near the deck and patio area. The sound of the water can be heard inside the house. Birds are not the only ones who enjoy the stream, the grandchildren enjoy sending the rubber ducks down the stream. Natural wetlands are the backdrop for this site.

FROM SITE F TO SITE G (19 minutes): Juniper Ridge Drive NW to 156th. Turn right (west) on 156th Lane NW. Turn left (south) on 47. Turn left (east) on Bunker Lake Blvd. Turn right on Van Buren Street NE. The site will be on the right.

FROM HWY 10: Take the 65 exit: Turn right (north) on 65. Turn left (west) on Bunker Lake Blvd NE. Turn left (south) on Van Buren Street NE. The site will be on the right.

MWGS will be selling water plants at site H. Sale prices. Cash or Checks

SITE H 1936 162nd Avenue NE, Ham Lake 55304

Geno and Donna

The water feature was designed to create a up north getaway without leaving home. It is located close to the house so that the sounds of the waterfall can be enjoyed from the deck, patio and throughout the yard. Large granite slabs form bridges and steps from the bog filtration area to the pond. The bog, filled with marginal plants, feeds a small stream leading to a waterfall and the pond where 9 large friendly koi will swim over to greet you. A gazebo overlooks the pond with a short path that leads you across the water past a small lotus pond. Keep a look out for stone frogs and fish throughout the yard!

FROM SITE G TO SITE H (8 minutes): Take Van Buren Street to Bunker Lake Blvd. Turn right on Bunker Lake Blvd. Turn left (north) on 65. Turn right (east) on Constance Blvd NE. Turn right on Kenyon Street. Turn right on 162nd Avenue. The site will be on the left.

FROM HWY 10: TAKE 65 EXIT. Turn right (north) on 65. Turn right (east) on Constance Blvd NE. Turn right on Kenyon Street. Turn right on 162nd Avenue.

SITE I 13452 Lexington Avenue NE, Ham Lake 55304

Ron and Jeannine

Gardens, water features, and paths were developed on this site over the past 46 years. The water feature in the front yard consists of a bubbler rock suspended over a small pond lined with Virginia Slate slabs. A paver path leads you to the south side of the house through numerous hosta varieties and leads you to the paver circle in the backyard. Another path on the north side leads to the main garden. Overlooking the garden is a little shack called "The Garden Reading Room". The second water feature consists of a triple bubbler rock in a pondless setting. A miniature bubbler feeds a small creek under a paver bridge back to the main water source.

Parking for this site will be on Lexington Avenue. Pull off to the right, into the parking lane. Walk on the passenger side of the car to the site.

FROM SITE H TO SITE I (8 minutes): Take 162nd Avenue to Kenyon Street. Turn left on Kenyon Street. Turn right (east) on Constance Blvd NE. Turn right (south) on Lexington Avenue. The site will be on the right.

FROM HWY 10: Take the 65 exit. Turn right (north) on 65. Turn right (east) on Bunker Lake Blvd NE. Turn right (south) on Lexington Avenue. The site will be on the right.

