



MINNESOTA WATER GARDEN TOUR

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SITE A 13611 McGinty Road, Minnetonka, MN 55305

Tom & Betty

As you enter this ½ acre wooded lot you will find a secluded hideaway. The backyard is filled with woodland plants that surround the waterfall, pond and stream area. The main pond area is 12 ft X 17 ft with an overall length of 80 ft. It is a filterless pond system with natural filtration provided by upper and lower bog areas. The flagstone path leads you along the pond to a patio and fire pit. Don't miss the custom garden and pond lights and use of driftwood placed in upper pond area. This site is a totally private space in a suburban neighborhood.

From I-494: Exit Minnetonka Blvd. Go east on Minnetonka Blvd. Turn left on Plymouth Rd. Turn left on McGinty Rd E. McGinty Rd E will turn left. The site will be on the left.

SITE B 8300 W Franklin Ave, St Louis Park, MN 55426

Westwood Hills Nature Center

The Westwood Hills Nature Center Water Garden has a 120 ft stream that flows into a 40 ft x 30 ft pond as well as a shallow wet meadow. The pond is 7 feet deep. A 15 ft stream flows out of the pond and cascades over a 6 ft waterfall, ending in a lower bog. Over 90 MN native plant species can be found in the woodland shade gardens, prairie gardens, pond, and streams. This site has chipped granite trails, stone bridges, "Art Rocks", benches, an elevated walkway, an overlook deck and a captive Red-tailed Hawk and Barred Owl.

Public Restrooms available at this site

From Site A to B (approx. 12 minutes): Turn right on McGinty Rd E. Turn left on Plymouth Rd. Turn right on Cedar Lake Rd. Turn left on Texas Ave S. Turn left on W Franklin Ave. The entrance to the site is on the right.

From Hwy I-394: Exit Louisiana Ave S. Turn right on Wayzata Blvd. Turn left on Texas Ave S. Turn right on W Franklin Ave. The entrance to the site is on the right.

SITE C 3325 Louisiana Ave N, Crystal, MN 55427

Stephen & Enit

This site features a 900 gallon pond with two streams and two waterfalls. A collection of rocks of all sizes and colors from around the world are featured throughout the site. The site contains flowers, a shade garden, a rain garden, paths, a fountain and fireplace built from the rock collection. Don't miss the small pond in the front yard. This site was featured in Minnesota Garden Magazine in 2013.

From Site B to C (approx. 13 minutes): Turn left on W Franklin Ave. Turn left on Texas Ave S. Turn left on Wayzata Blvd. Turn right on Winnetka Ave S. Turn right on 32nd Ave N. Turn left on Louisiana Ave N. The site will be on the left.

From Hwy 169: Exit 36 Ave N. Go east on 36th Ave N. Turn right (south) on Louisiana Ave N. The site will be on the right.

SITE D 7711 47 ½ Ave N, New Hope, MN 55428

Joe & Karen

The slope of the backyard is an ideal setting for a pond and stream. Walk the crushed granite rock paths and cross the bridge over the waterfall that connects the two large ponds. Take notice of the carefully stacked rocks that line the sides and bottom. You will also find a creatively designed rain garden and compost bin system. This site was recognized by the city of New Hope with the Environmental Sensitive Design Award.

From Site C to D (approx. 7 minutes): Go north on Louisiana Ave N. Turn left on 36th Ave N. Turn right on Winnetka Ave N. Turn right on 47 ½ Ave N. The site will be on the right.

From Hwy 169: Exit 49th Ave N. Go east on 49th Ave N. Turn right on Winnetka Ave N. Turn left on 47 ½ Ave N. The site will be on the right.

SITE E 4715 Norwood Lane N, Plymouth, MN 55442

Al & Toni

This large suburban lot hosts a long stream and pond with a bog filter. A few years ago this site was the "build a pond site" on the tour...see how it has developed. Cross a small foot bridge to the patio adjacent to the pond surrounded by shrubs and perennials. From the patio swing you can enjoy the fish, birds, and the soothing sound of the water. Don't miss Al's enclosed vegetable garden which keeps unwelcome visitors out.

From Site D to E (approx. 9 minutes): Go west on 47 ½ Ave N. Turn left on Winnetka Ave N. Turn right on Rockford Rd. Turn right on Larch Ln N. Turn left on 47th Ave N. Turn right on Norwood Ln N. The site is on the left side of the cul-de-sac.

From I-494: Exit Rockford Rd. Go east on Rockford Rd. Turn left on Larch Ln N. Turn left on 47th Ave N. Turn right on Norwood Ln N. The site will be on the left side of the cul-de-sac.

SITE F 5911 Independence Ave N, New Hope, MN 55428

Jim & Sharon

This standard size city lot has a river, several ponds, barrel ponds and fountains. The water features include a 35 ft river in the front yard flowing into a small bog garden. The backyard has 2 waterfall ponds, a 4 ft deep "holding" pond for keeping plants and fish during the winter, a small water lily pond, and 2 barrel ponds. The water features are constructed with molded and rubber liners and have no skimmers or chemicals used for filtration. This site has been featured in the Star Tribune and won the 1st annual New Hope city garden award.

From Site E to F (approx. 9 minutes): Turn left on 47th Ave N. Turn left on Larch Ln N. Turn right (east) on Schmidt Lake Rd. Take Hwy 169 North. Exit Bass Lake Rd. Turn right on Bass Lake Rd. At the first stop light, turn left on Gettysburg Ave N. Turn left on 59th Ave N. Turn right on Independence Ave N. The site will be on the left.

From Hwy 169: Exit Bass Lake Rd. Go east on Bass Lake Rd. At the first stop light, turn left on Gettysburg Ave N. Turn left on 59th Ave N. Turn right on Independence Ave N. The site will be on the left.

SITE G 10600 Meadow Ln N, Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

Carol

Located on this suburban site are 2 small ponds, a cactus garden, and a fairy garden. Throughout the site you will find garden art, garden statuary, and a collection of colorful flamingos. Some of the garden art was created by the homeowner. Carol is a self-proclaimed "hosta-holic" with 80+ hosta varieties.

From Site F to G (approx. 16 minutes): Turn left on 59th Ave N. Turn right on Gettysburg Ave N. Turn right on Bass Lake Rd. Take Hwy 169 North to Hwy 610. Take Hwy 610 east. Exit Noble Pkwy. Turn left on Noble Pkwy. Turn right on Fallgold Pkwy. Turn left on France Ave N. Turn right on 104th Trail N. Turn left on Meadow Ln. The site will be on the right.

From Hwy 610: Exit Noble Pkwy. Go north on Noble Pkwy. Turn right on Fallgold Pkwy. Turn left on France Ave N. Turn right on 104th Trail N. Turn left on Meadow Ln. The site will be on the right.

SITE H 8844 Mississippi Blvd NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Tim & 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 G to H (approx. 11 minutes): Meadow Ln N to 104th Trail N. Turn right on 104th Trail N. Turn left on France Ave N. Turn right on Fallgold Pkwy. Turn left on Noble Pkwy. Take Hwy 610 east. Exit East River Rd. Turn right on East River Rd. Turn right on 89th Ave NW. Turn left on Mississippi Blvd NW. The site will be on the right.

From Hwy 610: Exit East River Rd. Turn right on East River Rd. Turn right on 89th Ave NW. Turn left on Mississippi Blvd NW. The site will be on the right.

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SITE I 10510 Quincy Blvd NE, Blaine, MN 55434

Marv & Starr

This suburban city lot contains several water features including a 4 ft deep pond with waterfall, Koi, and water plants. Be sure to check out the small pond and water orb in the front yard and more fountains in the backyard. The landscape showcases a cactus garden, perennials, a variety of tropical plants, and an 8 ft tunnel of Minnesota hardy Wisteria. Don't miss the garden art and greenhouse for over wintering those tropical plants.

From Site H to I (approx. 11 minutes): Take Mississippi Blvd NW to 89th Ave NW. Turn right on 89th Ave NW. Turn left on East River Rd. Turn right on Foley Blvd NW. Turn right on 101st Ave NW. Turn left on University Ave NE. Turn right on Territorial Rd NE. Turn left on Quincy Blvd NE. The site will be on the left.

From Hwy 610: Exit University Ave NE. Turn right (north) on University Ave NE. Turn right on Territorial Rd NE. Turn left on Quincy Blvd NE. The site will be on the left.

SITE J 307 111th Ave NE, Blaine, MN 55434

Karen

This rustic cottage garden features a pond edged with New England Blue Flagstone. The pond is home to Koi and uses an ion gen copper unit to control algae. The site also contains a collection of fruit trees and a vegetable garden area. Enjoy the sound of the waterfall from the deck swing.

From Site I to J (approx. 3 minutes): Take Quincy Blvd NE north to 109th Ave NE. Turn left on 109th Ave NE. Turn right on President Drive NE. Turn right 111th Ave NE. The site will be on the left.

From Hwy 610: Exit University Ave NE. Turn right (north) on University Ave NE. Turn right on 111th Ave NE. The site will be on the left.

SITE K 1901 136th Lane NE, Ham Lake, MN 55304

Angelo & Pam

This 1 1/2 acre site has been in development over the past 10 years. Walk through a beautiful mixed border of trees, shrubs and perennials with interest for all seasons. Then pass through a circular patch of grass that entertains the fairies. The pond is 5 feet deep with a bog area where the water is only a few inches deep. This area is planted with iris, arrowhead, and many other varieties of water plants. The deep portion of the pond is perfect for water lilies and goldfish. A stream with a waterfall completes the pond and provides the soothing sound of water. Don't miss the vegetable garden tucked into the border on the east side of the driveway.

From Site J to K (approx. 10 minutes): Take 111th Ave NE to President Drive NE. Turn left on President Drive NE. Turn left on 109th Ave NE. Turn left of Central Ave NE (65). Go north on 65 to Bunker Lake Blvd NE. Turn right on Bunker Lake Blvd NE. Turn right on Isanti St NE. Turn left on 136th Ln NE. The site will be on the left.

From Hwy 10: Exit 65 (Central Ave NE). Go north on 65 to Bunker Lake Blvd NE. Turn right on Bunker Lake Blvd NE. Turn right on Isanti St NE. Turn left on 136th Ln NE. The site will be on the left.

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