

**Template for a Written Lesson Plan for a Garden Tour  
2024 Garden Docent Training  
Hillwood Estate, Museum & Gardens**

(Note: sections above the line are not spoken to visitors; they are only expressed in writing by the docent.)

Name of Docent-in-Training:

Audience: Intelligent, curious adults with little to no knowledge of the tour's subjects

Objective: As a result of participating in this tour, visitors will be better able to:

1. Describe/Discuss/Identify (feel free to choose one of these words & complete the rest of the sentence)
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Tour Path: A (could also be B or C)

Theme:

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Introduction, aka Advance Organizer (find out what visitors already know, give a brief overview, and introduce the theme):

Hook Question:

**Motor Court** (5 minutes, including the above introduction)

Design

Transition from Design to Features

Features

Transition from Features to MMP/Museum Today

MMP/Museum Today

Transition to next room

**Cutting Garden** (5 minutes, including walking to next room)

Design

Transition from Design to Features

Features

Transition from Features to MMP/Museum Today

MMP/Museum Today

Transition to next room

**Lunar Lawn** (9 minutes, including walking to next room)

Design

Transition from Design to Features

Features

Transition from Features to MMP/Museum Today

MMP/Museum Today

Transition to next room

**French Parterre** (9 minutes, including walking to next room)

Design

Transition from Design to Features

Features

Transition from Features to MMP/Museum Today

MMP/Museum Today

Transition to next room

**Rose Garden** (9 minutes, including walking to next room)

Design

Transition from Design to Features

Features

Transition from Features to MMP/Museum Today

MMP/Museum Today

Transition to next room

**Friendship Walk/Four Seasons Overlook** (9 minutes, including walking to next room)

Design

Transition from Design to Features

Features

Transition from Features to MMP/Museum Today

MMP/Museum Today

Transition to next room

**Putting Green** (5 minutes, including walking to next room)

Design

Transition from Design to Features

Features

Transition from Features to MMP/Museum Today

MMP/Museum Today

Transition to next room

**Japanese-style Garden** (9 minutes, including walking to next room)

Design

Transition from Design to Features

Features

Transition from Features to MMP/Museum Today

MMP/Museum Today

Transition to Conclusion

Conclusion (a summary of the experience):

Concluding question assessing visitors' take-aways:

Sources: list those consulted