Who is authorized to remove plants at Hillwood?

April 29, 2025

Visitors, as well as staff and volunteers who are not part of the Horticulture team, are <u>not</u> permitted to pick or collect flowers, plants, cuttings, or even weeds from the gardens. As a year-round pleasure garden, Hillwood's focus is on preserving and enhancing the formal gardens and landscape throughout the campus. Rest assured that any plant material removed during the growing season is sent to our compost pile to support Hillwood's sustainability goals. We are not equipped to distribute plant material to visitors, volunteers, or staff.

Only assigned Horticulture volunteers who are actively removing unwanted plants during a scheduled shift may take select unwanted plants home, and only with prior approval from their supervisor. To ensure fairness and consistency, no exceptions will be made.

Thank you for your continued support in preserving the gardens, ensuring that this special oasis can be enjoyed by all.

Questions?

If you have questions about the above policy, please don't hesitate to contact:

Volunteer Department

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