

## 2026 Spring Seasonal Display Design Overview

The spring display is designed to catch visitors' attention as they move through the gardens, encouraging them to notice smaller details along the way. This year's palette leans toward cooler tones, with pinks, purples, and blues throughout, balanced by brighter accents of yellow. The Lunar Lawn, located between the Vista Overlook and South Portico, showcases a variety of tulips in different shapes and colors, from deep purples and soft pastels to vibrant yellows. The Vista Overlook and South Portico areas feature violas, pansies, and foxgloves, adding height and contrast while tying into the Lunar Lawn display. The café plantings combine rich and light pinks with bacopa, enhanced by the dark foliage of pak choi.

Along the cutting garden wall, deep purple hyacinths, white daffodils, and soft pink tulips and snapdragons create a welcoming transition into a vibrant mix of spring flowers within. The Butler's House highlights a range of tulip and daffodil varieties, while the French Parterre brings bold energy with the flame-like tulip 'Anatolia.' In contrast, the Rose Garden offers a softer display of pastel tones and tall tulips. Along the Friendship Walk, cold hardy violas provide a subtle detail, rewarding those who take a closer look.

### **Additional Items to Note:**





- Installation of the spring display started March 23<sup>rd</sup>, and with the cold winter, tulips are a little slow to open, but they are well on their way now that spring has begun.
- By the numbers:
  - 24,066 bulbs were planted in the fall: 1,845 were for the cutting garden, 700 for the permanent gardens, and 23,737 for the seasonal display beds. Of all bulbs, 17,300 were tulips.
  - The seasonal display includes 6,005 spring plants. 4,121 (68.6%) were grown in Hillwood's greenhouse.

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(Pictures start from left to right in order of appearance in the text)

<p>Outside Conservatory</p>	<p>The larger containers start with woody shrubs (not pictured) as a base planting. Mixed around them are varying combinations of 'Deltini Yellow Jump Up', 'Sorbet Purple' violas. 'Candy Showers Trailing Yellow' Snapdragons, Heuchera 'Grape Expectations', and Osteospermum 'Blue Eyed Beauty'</p>	
<p>Motor Court</p>	<p>Tulip 'Jumbo Beauty', Pansy 'Grandio Beacon Rose', Hyacinth 'Blue Jacket'</p>	
<p>Motor Court Containers</p>	<p>Pansy 'Grandio Beacon Rose', Pak Choi Purple Leaf, Nemesia 'Nesia 'Denim'</p>	

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<p>Porte cochere</p>	<p>Viola 'Sorbet Citrus Mix', Snap 'Candy Showers Trailing Red', Lettuce 'Black Seeded Simpson', Daffodil 'Cornish King', Asiatic Lily Mix, Begonia 'Solenia Yellow'</p>	
<p>Pavillion</p>	<p>Daffodil 'Tête-à-Tête', Tulip 'Anatolia', 'Matrix Solar Flare' and 'Spring Matrix Yellow Blotch' pansies</p>	
<p>French Parterre</p>	<p>Tulip 'Anatolia', 'Matrix Solar Flare' and 'Spring Matrix Yellow Blotch' pansies</p>	
<p>Rose Garden</p>	<p>Tulip 'Pillow Talk', 'Sorbet Y.T.T.' and 'Deltini Rose Pink' viola</p>	

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Friendship Walk	Pansy 'Cool Wave Mix'	
Putting Green	Alyssum 'Wonderland White', Asparagus Densiflorus 'Myersii', Viola 'Deltini Rose Pink', Tulip 'Silver Cloud'	

Lunar	'Beaujolais' Tulip Blend and Grape Hyacinth	
South Portico	Foxglove 'Panther', Forget-me-not 'Amie Blue', 'Sorbet Pink' Viola, and Cool Wave Violet Wing', 'Delta Pro Clear White', 'Frizzle Sizzle' Pansies	

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<p>Vista Planters</p>	<p>Alyssum 'Wonderland White', Foxglove 'Panther', Forget-me-not 'Amie Blue', 'Sorbet Pink' Viola, and Cool Wave Violet Wing', 'Delta Pro Clear White' Pansies</p>	
<p>Around the Dacha</p>	<p>Ivy 'Needlepoint', Viola 'Sorbet Black Delight', Dusty Miller 'Candi cans'</p>	
<p>Holly Walk</p>	<p>'Sorbet White Jump Up', 'Sorbet Lemon Ice Blotch', and 'Sorbet Marina' Viola</p>	
<p>Security</p>	<p>Tulip 'Romantic Mixture'</p>	
<p>Butler's house pots</p>	<p>Snapdragon 'Liberty Rose', Pansy 'Cool Wave Lemon'</p>	

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<p>Butler's bed</p>	<p>Daffodil 'Pacific Rim', 'Bella Blush', 'Blushing Lady', 'Mount Tacoma' Tulips, Stock 'Mai Kaze no Mai' and Pansy 'Cool Wave Lemon'</p>	
<p>Cutting Garden Wall</p>	<p>Viola 'Sorbet Purple Face', Pac Choi 'Shikibu', Stock 'Katz Blue', Snap Dragon 'Liberty Lavender', Tulip 'Wedding Gift', Daffodil 'Actaea', and Hyacinth 'Purple Sensation'</p>	
<p>Greenhouse bed</p>	<p>'Potomac Lavender' and 'Liberty Lavender' Snapdragons, 'Hot Purple' and 'Katz Blue' Stock, Viola 'Sorbet Purple Face XP', Tulip 'Lipsticks', Lettuce 'Black Seeded Simpson'</p>	

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