Tours

From flowers and fragrance to fruits and textures, the Arnold Arboretum is a dynamic landscape throughout the year! Come for a tour and experience the Arboretum in a new light.

For individuals, choose from a wide schedule of free special theme tours or general interest tours.

For groups, request information to schedule a private experience, either on foot or by bus.



Private Tours						
	Activity	Description	Reserve			
	Private Group Tour	Our Visitor Education staff will work with you to provide a memorable experience, whether you are a group of avid gardeners seeking to gain horticultural knowledge or simply want to experience an historic landscape of remarkable beauty. Walking or Bus tours are available. Note: Prices and full tour information are displayed when you select 'Request.' Complete and submit the request form, and you will be contacted as soon as possible to confirm a date for your visit. Please allow at least three weeks advance scheduling for your Group Tour's requested date.	Request			
Theme Tours						
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	Fall Into Health	Fall Into Health Rhoda Kubrick, Arboretum Docent Choose from three Saturdays: Sept. 10, Oct 8, Nov 12 10:00-11:30am Location: Hunnewell Building (September and November), Peters Hill Gate (October) Fall is one of the most beautiful times of the year to visit the Arboretum. Explore the less-traveled paths of the Arboretum on brisk walks designed for getting fit. Pause to hear about interesting plants while you	Register			

	catch your breath. Sign up for one or take all three! Please dress appropriately and bring water. In case of inclement weather, contact 617.384.5209. This activity is free	
Fall Bird Walks	Fall Bird Walks Bob Mayer, Arboretum Docent and Marc Devokaitis, Visitor Education Staff Choose from 4 Saturdays. All walks will be from 8:00-9:30am. This fall, two great birders offer four great walks. Catch a glimpse of migrating birds as they fly to wintering grounds and say hello to year-round residents feasting on the fruits and seeds that are abundant in the landscape at this time of year. Good for all experience levels. Bring binoculars if you have them; some binoculars will be available to share. Choose one or sign up for more! See map for Meeting Locations: October 1: Arborway Gate October 8: Bussey St. Gate October 15: Arborway Gate October 22: Peters Hill Gate In case of inclement weather, contact 617.384.5209. This activity is free	Register
Marvelous Maples	Marvelous Maples Nancy Rose, Editor, Arnoldia Thursday, October 20; 1:00-2:30pm Location: Hunnewell Building Maples are a great group of plants when it comes to brilliant fall color in shades from gold to orange to fiery red. The Arnold Arboretum is a treasure trove of maples, from common North American species to rare and endangered Asian types. On this walking tour we'll look at a number of the Arboretum's special maple accessions in all of their autumn glory. In case of inclement weather, contact 617.384.5209.	Register

	Weld Hill: Science and Sustainability	Weld Hill: Science and Sustainability Julie Warsowe, Manager of Visitor Education Friday, October 21, 1:00-2:00pm or Wednesday, October 26, 4:30-5:30pm. Location: Weld Hill Research Building Take a guided tour of the state-of-the-art Weld Hill Science and Administration Building. Learn about some of the cutting edge plant research and explore the "green" building design. This activity is free	Register
General Tours			
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	Arboretum Guided Tour	Experience the Arboretum in a new waytake a free guided tour with a knowledgeable volunteer docent. Tours begin in front of the Hunnewell Building, last around 60-90 minutes, and are geared toward adults. There is no need to register. Tour Schedule The general tour season runs from April 9 through November 13: Saturdays at 10:30am Sundays at 1:00pm Wednesdays at 12:15pm select Fridays at 6:00pm: 5/13, 6/3, 7/8, 8/5, 9/9 Click on the calendar above for specific dates. These tours are intended for individuals. For a tour tailored to your group, please request a private group tour.	