

## A-Plant USA Tour 5-15 September 2024-Program as of 20 FEB 2024

Date	Time	Agenda	Hotel Arrangements
<b>Thursday, 5 September</b>  <b>Travelers arrive - Vans will shuttle guest from airport to Hotel</b>	travelers arrival times TBD  PM PM	Shuttle guest to Hampton Inn St. Charles for check in Welcome dinner - restaurant TBD	Hampton Inn 2875 Foxfield Rd St Charles IL 60174 630-584-0222
<b>Friday, 6 September</b> <b>Chicago Tour Day</b>	AM AM AM AM AM PM PM PM PM PM	Breakfast at Hotel-Board bus to Chicago <a href="#">Cloud Gate / The Bean (Sculpture - Millennium Park)</a> <a href="#">Lurie Garden (Millennium Park)</a> <a href="#">Art Institute South Garden</a> <a href="#">Lunch Cherry Circle Room</a> <a href="#">Willis Tower - 110-Story, 1,451 Foot skyscraper</a> <a href="#">Alfred Caldwell Lily Pool - Iconic example of Prairie School landscape architecture</a> <a href="#">Graceland Cemetery, est. 1860 - Entry Sequence Renovation</a> <a href="#">Lurvey's Home and Garden Center</a> Return to St. Charles	Hampton Inn 2875 Foxfield Rd St Charles IL 60174 630-584-0222
<b>Saturday, 7 September</b> <b>Midwest Companies Tour</b>	AM AM AM AM/PM PM PM	Welcome - Coffee and donuts at MG St Charles Board bus for tours Tour Midwest Groundcovers St Charles Nursery (including MG south propagation) Tour and lunch - Midwest Natural Gardens Midwest Groundcovers and Midwest Trading Tour in Virgil Cookout - St. Charles Patio	Hampton Inn 2875 Foxfield Rd St Charles IL 60174 630-584-0222
<b>Sunday, 8 September</b> <b>Depart for Oregon</b>	AM Late AM PM PM PM PM PM	departure to O'Hare Airport for Portland OR - Board bus Arrive in Portland - Buses will be arranged for transportation <a href="#">Portland Japanese Garden</a> Lunch TBD <a href="#">International Rose Test Garden</a> <a href="#">Hoyt Arboretum - 6,000 tree and shrub specimens from 2,300 species</a> evening event dinner - TBD	Hotel in Hillsboro OR TBD
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<b>Monday, 9 September</b> <b>Oregon Nursery Tour</b> <b>west and north</b>	AM	Breakfast at hotel	Hotel in Hillsboro OR TBD
	AM	Board bus for Bailey Nursery	
	AM	<a href="#">Bailey Nurseries Tour - Sauvie Island (between the Willamette and Columbia Rivers)</a>	
	PM	Lunch TBD	
	PM	<a href="#">Bailey Nurseries tour - Yamhill (rich viticultural and agricultural area)</a>	
	PM	evening dinner at a local winery (TBD)	
<b>Tuesday 10, September</b> <b>Oregon Nursery Tour</b> <b>east</b>	AM	Breakfast at hotel	Hotel in Hillsboro OR TBD
	AM	Depart hotel for J. Frank Schmidt Nursery	
	Late AM/PM	<a href="#">J. Frank Schmidt Nursery Tour - Boring OR</a>	
	PM	Lunch TBD	
	PM	<a href="#">Iseli Nursery - Boring OR</a>	
	PM	<a href="#">Hans Nelson Nursery - Boring OR</a>	
	PM	Dinner TBD	
<b>Wednesday 11, September</b> <b>Oregon Nursery Tour</b> <b>coast</b>	AM	Breakfast at Hotel	Hotel In Salem Oregon TBD
	AM	Depart hotel for coast of Oregon	
	Late AM/PM	<a href="#">arrive in Cannon Beach - scenic coastal city</a>	
	PM	Lunch - TBD	
	PM	<a href="#">Dennis' 7 Dees Garden Center</a>	
	PM	<a href="#">Hiking in Oswald West State Park</a>	
PM	Dinner on the Coast - TBD		
<b>Thursday 12, September</b> <b>Oregon Nursery Tour</b> <b>south</b>	AM	Breakfast at hotel	Vancourver Washington Hotel TBD
	AM	Depart hotel for Nursery	
	AM	<a href="#">Heritage Nursery</a>	
	AM/PM	<a href="#">Monrovia Nursery</a>	
	PM	Lunch TBD	
	PM	<a href="#">Terra Nova Nursery</a>	
PM	Dinner TBD		
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<b>Friday, 13 September</b>	AM	Breakfast at hotel	Vancourver Washington Hotel

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Travel Day	AM AM  PM PM	Depart hotel for Airport - Fly from Oregon to Chicago O'Hare Flight times TBD  Arrive at Chicago O'Hare Airport  <a href="#">Dinner at Dunham Woods Riding Club</a>	Hampton Inn 2875 Foxfield Rd St Charles IL 60174 630-584-0222
<b>Saturday, 14 September</b> Open day - travel day	AM AM AM/PM  PM PM	Breakfast at the hotel Hotel check out by 11am Open day: <a href="#">Chicago Premium Outlet Mall - Shopping</a> <a href="#">Morton Arboretum</a> <a href="#">Midwest Groundcovers Nursery walk</a> <a href="#">Downtown St. Charles</a> Light lunch - Midwest Groundcovers Hickory Hall Depart for Chicago O'Hare Airport - transportation by MG Van	luggage can be kept at Midwest Groundcovers until departure to O'Hare airport
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