

Jean's - The Right Plant Place

is proud to sponsor

a tour of 5 wonderful gardens.

Saturday, July 22nd 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday, July 23rd 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

This year we have five gardens on the tour. Three of the gardens on this year's tour are first timers (Kelli & Shawn, Gerry and Deb, and Kellie Ann & Marshall). The other two have been on the tour before. They are all excited to share their lovely yards with you!

Since this is a **self-guided** tour, feel free to spend as much time as you'd like in each garden. Looking at these beautiful gardens may inspire you to tackle making a new flower bed or add to your existing beds. Consider bringing along a digital camera and notebook (or Ipad) to document plants you are especially interested in. If your hosts are unsure of what any of the varieties are, bring a photo in to Jean's and we may be able to identify them for you. We have many of the plants that you will see in stock and would love to send them home with you, for a small adoption fee of course! ☺

All purchases at Jean's during the tour weekend will be 15% off! For every any \$25 purchase, receive one 'bulb buck' to be used in the fall. We expect our spring-flowering bulbs (tulips, daffodils, Alliums, etc.) to arrive shortly after Labor Day. Our hours during the tour are 9-5:30 on Saturday and 10-5:30 on Sunday (although we will stay longer if we know you are coming—give us a call at 218-346-4051).

While there is no charge for the tour itself, we do collect free-will donations at each garden. Proceeds collected this year will go to the Bridge Pantry (formerly known as the Perham Area Food Shelf). While we're sure they would be happy to receive that sauerkraut from the back of your cupboard, please consider donating money while on the tour. Eight times more food can be purchased from monetary donations due to discounts with partners. Please donate generously as you enjoy your day!

Pick up a garden bingo sheet at any garden or at Jean's. Follow the instructions and get a stamp at each location you visit. After you are finished visiting the gardens, bring the stamped sheet in to Jean's and get entered into a drawing for some prizes.

Detailed odometer readings for traveling to each garden from Jean's - The Right Plant Place have been provided for each garden, along with some additional directions for traveling between gardens. Depending on where you want to start, you may want to use GPS or Google Maps to plan your travels between gardens. Each garden will have a large yellow sign at the end of the driveway.

** As a courtesy, we respectfully request that you do not bring pets or small children.*

** Please note: Jean's - The Right Plant Place is not responsible for accidents.*

*** Most importantly, be safe and have FUN!**

SOUTH OF PERHAM

Kellie Ann & Marshall: 41507 Seclusion Point Road, Dent

Nestled in the woods on McDonald Lake, this lot reminds you of an old English garden. The home was built in 1910, and was owned by the Pillsbury family. Although the lot is not huge, there are several perennial beds nestled throughout the yard and next to the house; there are also numerous iron wagon wheels placed as accents. These areas contain around 200 hostas and 14 hydrangea shrubs. There is also a peony bed with a crib spring frame for propping them up, a Wisteria tree next to the deck, and a huge climbing rose. The garden is lined by daylilies. Kellie harvests rhubarb from 14 plants and makes 6 kinds of jam! They were hit hard by the June 20th storm, when they lost 60' of dock, several trees, and their pontoon, but only one area is unavailable to walk through.

From Jean's: Go south on Hwy 78 for 2 miles to Hwy 108 and take a right. Travel 9 miles (you will go through Dent) and take a right on Seclusion Point Road. Go 0.7 miles (past a tar turnaround onto gravel) and take a left at 41507.

WEST OF PERHAM

Blair and Betty - 44478 West Little McDonald Drive

The Andersons bought their lot in 1976 and later purchased the adjacent lots. There are some perennial beds near the house, including one with several Annabelle hydrangeas. However, the main attraction is down by the lake. There you will walk along a path with beautiful perennial beds on both sides, containing mostly hostas but also daylilies, Astilbes, and Ligularias. Since last year's tour, an additional water feature has been added to the collection of fountains, and several varieties of hostas and astilbes have been added. You'll also spot a koi pond interspersed with the perennials. The steps going down to the lake are a bit steep, but there is another trail that starts a bit past the main driveway. If you take this path, it's just a short stroll down a beautiful mulched path to reach the hosta glade. Or you can ride down in a golf cart if you would prefer; just flag down the driver! Blair has done the majority of the work on the gardens in the past, but since Betty retired, she has also been involved in weeding and getting the gardens ready.

From Jean's: Head south on Hwy 78. Take a right onto U.S. Highway 10. Travel about 1.7 miles to the Co. 34 exit. Turn left on Co. 34 and travel approximately 6.2 miles to a stop sign. Turn right onto Hwy 35. Travel 0.3 miles and turn right on West Little McDonald Drive. Follow this road to 44478 W. Little McDonald Drive. You can park along the side of the road (the Andersons own both adjacent lots) or in the driveway if there are no other cars there. You can either enter via the driveway or the trail at the end of the lot.

Sandy and Mike – 44734 410th Ave.

This is the third year this location has been on the tour. Their gardens are located on the farmstead where Sandy grew up. Some gardens display treasures she found at garage sales, plus she has gotten lots of ideas from Pinterest. In the back of the house is a large bed that is a memory garden for Sandy's Mom, Mike's parents, and Sandy's brother. Since last year, Sandy moved several shrubs around, added some daylilies, and added another garden she calls the 'granddaughter garden', which contains mostly annuals picked out by her granddaughters.

From Jean's, go two blocks west to the stop sign. Turn right. Travel north to Main Street and turn left. Go to the far edge of town and turn left onto County Hwy 34. Travel approximately 2.6 miles to 410th Avenue. Take a right. This is the first place on the right, about 0.7 miles down the road.

NORTH OF PERHAM

Kelli and Shawn, 45584 441st Street

This is the first time on the tour for Kelli and Shawn. You may recognize this property if you have been on the tour before; it was previously owned by Bruce and Cindy Hurt and was on the tour a few times. This lovely yard has a large water feature, a perennial bed recently converted to an herb garden, a large hosta bed, plus numerous other plantings. It even sports a bridge over the stream. Kelli and Shawn are relatively new to gardening, but they have embraced it wholeheartedly, as you will see!

Head north out of Perham on Hwy 8. At the edge of town, turn right on 8th St. NE. Go 1 mile to 455th Avenue and take a left. Go ½ a block and turn right on 441st street. Their home is the first one on the right, #45584. There is ample parking right off of the road in their shallow ditch.

EAST OF PERHAM

Gerry and Deb – 49735 Royal Pine Road

Gerry and Deb built this home overlooking Big Pine Lake in 2010. They have quite a deer problem, so many plants have had to be moved inside fencing. Wildflowers were started by seed on the slope by the lake. There are several hydrangeas, a beautiful Dwarf Korean lilac tree, lots of hostas, peonies from Gerry's mom, and many clumps of ornamental grass, among other plants. Several perennials and shrubs line fencing around their pool area. Vines were planted along the fence which have gotten quite large! There are also several pagoda dogwoods planted over their septic system.

From Jean's, go south to Hwy 10 and take a left (traveling East). Travel 2.5 miles and turn left on Minnesota Street. Take this road to the end (about 2.6 miles) and take left. Travel approximately 3 miles to Royal Pine Road and take a left; their home is nearly at the end on the left. This road is a loop, so if you miss the turn, just drive a bit farther and come back on the loop (then their home is on the right).

You can visit the gardens in any sequence you choose. But if you start out in Perham, we recommend the following sequence to visit the gardens: Kellie Ann & Marshall (1), Blair & Betty (2), Sandy & Mike (3), Kelli & Shawn (4), and Gerry & Deb (5). These numbers are used below for directions between gardens.

To get from the garden 1 to garden 2, go back on Hwy 108 towards Dent and turn left on Cty Road 35. Follow that for about 3.5 miles until you reach W. Little McDonald Drive (just past the turn for Cty 34). You'll come back to 34 to get to the turn for garden 3 (410th Street, take a left). To get from #3 to #4, follow 34 back to Perham. Go over highway 10 all the way to the end and take a right onto Main Street. Follow that to downtown Perham and take a left at the first stoplight. This will take you to the north edge of town where you will turn onto 8th St. NE (then follow the directions shown above). Then to get to garden 5, you can go back to Jean's and follow the directions above.

Did you know, that in addition to the garden tour, we have lots of other events going on at Jean's? Hosta Night and Customer Appreciation Days in June and Crazy Days in August are just a few! We also offer garden-themed craft classes every Wednesday night throughout the summer. Give us a call or visit our website (www.rightplantplace.com) for details!