

Jean's - The Right Plant Place

is proud to sponsor

a tour of 5 wonderful gardens and a prairie restoration project.

Saturday, July 21st 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 22nd 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

This year we have five gardens on the tour along with a prairie restoration area. Three of the gardens on this year's tour are first timers (Sharon and Maure, Susan and Larry, and Carol and Roger). The other two have been on the tour before but have added new plants and other features. And new this year is the chance to view an awesome prairie restoration site!

Since this is a **self-guided** tour, feel free to spend as much time as you'd like in each garden and at the prairie. 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 in stock that you will see on the tour 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 Boys and Girls Club of Perham. 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 and the prairie site 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!**

You can, of course, visit the gardens in any sequence that you choose. They are fairly close together and easy to get to. If you are starting in Perham, we would recommend following the sequence the gardens are described in below, starting with the two on Aerovilla Road and ending at the Sand residence (or doing the opposite, starting at the Sands and ending with the Toms and Haugrud gardens). All the gardens are either west or southwest of Perham.

Susan and Larry: 40339 Aerovilla Road

This is the Toms' first time on the tour. Their home was built in 2010, and the gardens have gradually been added. As you enter the driveway, you'll notice a newer flower bed on the left. It has several perennials that were split and moved from another bed (so Susan called it the 'Mini-Me' garden) and also parsley as a fun addition (you can eat it or just use it as an accent plant)! The garden next to the house has a cottage garden feel. There are two arbors, one with honeysuckle and the other with hops (be careful walking through that one, as they can scratch). There is also a huge variety of perennials and annuals in pot and on the ground. Perennials include coneflowers, daylilies, lupines, and many more; check out the giant *Thalictrum* that reaches 7' tall!! There is also a lovely pond with a huge King Tut grass and a frog that calls it home. Morning glories adorn one of the posts on the porch. The large white-flowering plant that resembles a sumac is a false Spirea (*Sorbaria*). Susan and Larry are considering removing it because it spreads like crazy. On the lakeside, note the mix of Sedums in the deck planters and a variety of hostas along the house (most of which were inherited from Susan's Mom, Donna, who used to work at Jean's!). As you return to your vehicles, you'll note the newest flower bed towards the road (AKA the Garden of 'Weeden') with bright pink double impatiens, Martagon lilies and hydrangeas as highlights. You may be greeted by their adorable dogs, Murphy and Toby!

From Jean's, travel south on Hwy 78 for 0.5 miles to Hwy 10 and take a right. Travel 4.1 miles to 460th St. (by JH Signs) and take a left. Go 0.5 miles and take a left onto Aerovilla Road. The Toms' residence is 0.7 miles down this road. Note that the Haugrud garden is also on this road, about 0.2 miles before you reach the Toms', so you can visit these two gardens in either sequence.

Carol and Roger: 40559 Aerovilla Road

Carol and Roger built this home in 1971 and were the first residents on this road! The gardens have gradually been added. As you enter the driveway, you'll see a lovely weeping willow tree on the right and a huge garden in the island of the driveway. Looking through the arbor makes it seem like you are walking into an enchanted garden. There is a fountain, a bridge flanked by Cannas, and many shrubs and perennials. Pots of strawberries, rosemary, and tomatoes are scattered throughout the garden as well. There are also many Elephant Ears planted in pots, which Carol keeps over year to year. Towards the lakeside, you'll see a volunteer grapevine growing on the deck support, but the main attraction is the path down to the lake. Retaining walls are covered in moss, with hostas and sedums tucked in crevices. Carol said her yard is a lot of work, but she enjoys it and will keep doing it as long as she can.

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Sandy and Mike – 44734 410th Ave.

This is the fourth year this location has been on the tour. Their gardens are located on the farmstead where Sandy grew up. Sandy has a wonderful eye for yard art and has made many pieces herself. 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 and Mike have added a new ornamental grass garden. Their grandkids also planted an entire garden with things they picked out themselves. There is even a watermelon plant growing there, which Sandy suspects may have come from someone spitting a seed as they walked by. ☺

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. There is the first place on the right, about 0.7 miles down the road.

From the Aerovilla Road gardens, go back to Hwy 10 and head towards Perham. Take a right onto Hwy 34, then follow the directions above to 410th Avenue.

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 and a sea of 'Royal Standard' hostas along the house. 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. Deer are kept at bay with a product called 'Scram'. Since last year's tour, Blair constructed a new fountain out of rocks and added additional perennials. You'll also spot a koi pond interspersed with the perennials. He has also marked all of the Hostas of the Year with small American flags so you can pick them out more easily. 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!

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.

From Sandy and Mike's: Go back to Hwy 34 and take a right. Travel to the stop sign and go right on Hwy 35, then turn right after 0.3 miles onto West Little McDonald Drive. The Andersons are on the right at 44478.

Anderson Prairie Restoration Site: 33142 Sybil Lake Road

The Andersons purchased this 7-acre plot several years ago with the intent to restore it to native prairie. They applied for funds and seeding through the USDA for a few years and were finally approved. In 2013, the area was sprayed and tilled; it was sprayed and tilled a second time in 2014, and planted that June. Initially, they battled thistles (often removing them out by hand!) and continue to battle some weeds, but the diversity and quantity of wildflowers and grasses after only 4 years is amazing! Feel free to walk along the mowed trail, or venture into the prairie if you'd like. There will also be a golf cart for those of you who would like to view the plants without the walk. There are many native grasses, such as Big and Little Bluestem, along with a variety of native perennials such as Bee Balm and Verbena. Every year they see more and more butterflies and bees. It is a wonderful example of how you don't need a giant space to make a difference in restoring/creating habitat for pollinators. You might even see Blair's friend, a grouse; it hops on the golf cart and even sits on his lap when he is there!

From the Anderson garden, go back to Hwy 35 and take a right. Travel 4.5 miles and turn right onto Sybil Lake Road. Go 0.6 miles to reach the property. There is not a house there, but you'll see the blue address sign and a gate so that you will know where to park. This is not a traditional garden per se, but it is absolutely worth seeing!!

Sharon and Maure: 33697 Beaver Dam Trail, Dent

Sharon and Maure moved into this home in October of 2016. Many of the plants and trees were already there, but they brought some plants with them from Bismarck and have added many additional plants and some new beds. As you drive into the driveway, you'll be greeted with several bright hydrangeas in the island flower bed. Wander to the left, past a lovely Caragana tree, to find a fire pit near an interesting area with boulders, shrubs, and perennials. Continue around that bed and nestled near the house is a water feature that doubles as Joey's (the dog's), swimming pool! There are many unique pots and planters scattered throughout the yard. Several miniature hostas were overwintered in their pots (with some sheets thrown over them) in an unheated garden storage area. Look for the awesome burgundy callas tucked in among some shrubs. The newest flower bed embraces the patio. Check out the vegetable garden on the top of the hill. Sharon collects gnomes and McCoy Pottery which you will see in many spots. They even have a worm 'farm' where fruit and vegetable scraps are composted.

From Jean's: Go south on Hwy 78 for 2 miles to Hwy 108 and take a right. Travel about 10 miles (you will go through Dent) and take a left onto Beaver Dam Road. Go 1 mile and turn right onto Beaver Dam Trail for .2 miles. They are on the right side of the road.

From the Anderson garden, go back to Hwy 35 and take a left. Travel 1.1 miles and turn right onto Co. Hwy 85. Go 2.9 miles to the stop sign and turn left onto State Hwy 108. Travel 1.3 miles to Beaver Dam Road and take a right. Go 1 mile and turn right onto Beaver Dam Trail. The Sands' residence will be on the right (0.2 miles down the road). If you went to the Prairie restoration site, go back towards the Andersons on Hwy 35 and continue as 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!