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Experience <u>Norfolk's Nature, Art and Gardens</u> on Adkins Arboretum Bus Trip

Rich in culture, history and natural beauty, Norfolk, Va., is just begging to be explored. Join a wonderful whirlwind trip to enjoy the city's gardens, art museums and nature areas when Adkins Arboretum offers a bus trip Oct. 22 and 23.

At the Virginia Living Museum, where living exhibits depict Virginia's natural heritage from the mountains to the sea, learn about loggerhead turtles, moon jellies, colorchanging frogs and more than 200 other species native to Virginia through interactive hands-on exhibits.



Photo by Olivia Triska, courtesy of Virginia Living Museum.

Experience internationally acclaimed British artist Bruce Munro's large-scale light-based exhibit at the Hermitage Museum & Gardens, an early twentieth century Arts-and-Crafts estate located on the Lafayette River. Explore the Chrysler Museum of Art, one of America's great fine art museums and two significant historic houses, and attend a glassmaking demonstration in the new Chrysler Museum Glass Studio.

At the 155-acre Virginia Botanical Garden, explore your choice of more than 40 gardens by tram or foot. Theme gardens include the Bristow Butterfly Garden, the Sarah Lee Baker Perennial Garden, the Virginia Native Plant Garden and the Bicentennial Rose Garden.

This jam-packed overnight trip includes coach bus transportation, all admission fees, hotel with Internet and continental breakfast, and driver gratuity. Lodging is at the Residence Inn Norfolk Downtown.

The bus departs from 315 Aurora Park Drive in Easton at 8 a.m. on Wed., Oct. 22 and will return to Easton on Thurs., Oct 23 at approximately 9 p.m. Advance registration is required at adkinsarboretum.org or by calling 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

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Adkins Arboretum is a 400-acre native garden and preserve at the headwaters of the Tuckahoe Creek in Caroline County. Open year round, the Arboretum offers educational programs for all ages about nature and gardening. Through its Campaign to Build a Green Legacy, it will build the W. Flaccus and Ruth B. Stifel Center at Adkins Arboretum and a "green" entranceway to broaden educational offerings and research initiatives promoting best practices in conservation and land stewardship. For additional information about Arboretum programs, visit www.adkinsarboretum.org or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

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