## **Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary**

## DELIGHTFUL GARDENS & DINING IN A TEA ROOM THUR JUNE 13, 2024

Departures, as applic: Beachwood/Orange, Independence, No.Olmsted, Middleburg Hts.

This tour has us traveling to the estate of the Seiberling family, sitting along the bluff that is not too distant from the Cuyahoga Valley National Park, with passenger trains still running through the trackage paralleling Riverview Road. Constructed in the early 1900s for the founder of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, its name, Stan Hywet, comes from an Old English word meaning "stone quarry", the original use of this site. Many of the ideas incorporated into this home came from tours the family made to Europe, using



the best features of English country homes that they visited. While the interior of the mansion is adorned with antiques and contemporary pieces from the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, guests are greeted by the artfully-landscaped gardens and grounds, covering 70 acres. It was designed between 1912 and 1915 and has been described as providing "an aura of beauty and color that flow into the natural surroundings".

Our luncheon today will be in a lavishly-decorated Victorian Tea Room in the Historic District of a quaint little village. We

have allowed some time to visit their Gift Shop and several of the surrounding stores.

But think about it, what made mansions and tea rooms so "quaint and inviting" back then? We think that one of the "key ingredients" was the flickering candles, used long before electricity was available to home owners and those enjoying a meal. What is a better, and most fragrant, way to bring back those memories than to visit a candlemaker, walking through aisles of colorful candles reminiscent of the early days of the 20<sup>th</sup> century . . . but now being used for parties, holidays and other festive



occasions, even birthdays. Join us as we enjoy a trip back in time to these unique places.

\$134 per person Price reduced for 2024

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