Join the University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum for a fun-filled journey to historic and inspiring Key Biscayne estate gardens, the fascinating Art Déco neighborhoods of South Beach and the eclectic atmosphere of Key West.

On this sun-filled trip we will take a respite from the chilly Minnesota winter and indulge our senses by touring and exploring these southernmost U.S. cities. On this journey we will experience the sights and smells of lush, tropical gardens, insightful tours through historic estates, hanging out in Ernest Hemingway’s and Jimmy Buffet’s famous haunts, and, of course, relaxing under a palm tree and walking the warm beaches.

How can you resist? Take a break from the cold and join us.

February 18-24, 2010
Air, Hotel & Tour Package
From $2,500.00 per person

Price is per person based on double occupancy. Single supplement from $726.00 per person. Airfare from Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport is included. Approximate taxes and fuel charges of $63.00 are not included and are subject to change.

Included Features:
- Roundtrip airfare between Minneapolis-St. Paul to Miami, Florida, with return flights from Key West
- Three nights hotel accommodations at the Marriott Courtyard Miami Beach
- Three nights hotel accommodations at the Southernmost Hotel in Key West
- Breakfast daily
- Three lunches
- Sightseeing and transfers as included in the itinerary
- Spectacular sunrises and sunsets
- Hotel taxes and service charges
- A contribution to the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum
- Expert hosts throughout tour: Peter Olin of MNLA and Robin Fox of Macy’s Group Travel

There’s no better time to travel and no better value!
Travel Itinerary

Thursday, Feb 18 - Departure to Miami: Morning departures from Minneapolis-St. Paul to Miami, Florida. Upon arrival, you’ll retrieve your luggage and be transferred to the Marriott Courtyard Miami Beach. Upon arrival at the hotel, lunch will be served on the deck. Following lunch, we will be picked up at the hotel for the Tropical Deco in a Fabled Playground guided tour. This will be both a bus and walking tour of Miami Beach’s famous Art Deco District. You will experience and learn about the history, recreational lifestyle and beautiful architecture. At the end of the tour you have the option of exploring South Beach on your own or returning to the hotel. Dinner is on your own.

Friday, Feb 19 - Miami Beach: After your included breakfast, we depart for a private tour of Kampong Gardens. Here you will see many unusual plants and trees such as the Sausage Tree and a 100 year old Baobab Tree from Tanzania. These gardens are part of the National Tropical Botanical Gardens and are located in the only tropical climate zone in the United States. Before lunch, we will transfer to the Fairchild Tropical Botanical Gardens. Here we will have a guided tram tour of the gardens, have lunch, and explore the gardens on our own. The Fairchild Botanic Garden is one of the world’s preeminent botanic gardens with extensive collections of rare tropical plants including palms, cycads, flowering trees, tropical fruit trees, vines and succulents. At the end of this visit, we will return to the hotel. Dinner is on your own.

Saturday, Feb 20 - Miami Beach: Today, after your included breakfast, you will have the morning to explore the surrounding area or do some shopping. After lunch, we will depart for a tour of the Vizcaya Museum and Gardens. This Italian Renaissance-style villa and formal gardens was built in 1916 as the winter residence of agricultural industrialist James Deering. This amazing villa features a main house; lush, subtropical forest and walkways lined with fountains and foliage. The main house is filled with priceless treasures from around the world.

After our visit at Vizcaya, we will go to the historic Biltmore Hotel located in Coral Gables. This hotel was built in the 1920’s and has been a favorite of world leaders, celebrities and sports stars since its opening. We will have a guided tour of the hotel and an opportunity to purchase cocktails on the veranda. After relaxing on the veranda, we will return to our hotel. Dinner is on your own.

Sunday, Feb 21 - Departure for Key West: After your included breakfast, we will depart for Key West. You will have a chance to travel the famous Seven Mile Bridge to Key West. Along the way, we will make two stops. The first is at the Ocean Reef Club. Peter Olin has arranged for a private tour of their spectacular gardens. We will then continue to Islamorada to stop at the Hungry Tarpon for lunch. While there, you will be able to walk around Robbie’s Pier, shop, or feed the tarpons that come to eat lunch each day. Upon arrival in Key West, we will check in to the hotel—the famous Southernmost on Duval Street. Dinner is on your own.
**Miami & Key West, Florida**

**Biscayne Bay Estates and Key West Gardens**

**Monday, Feb 22 - Key West:** After your included breakfast, we will start our day early for a full day exploration of Key West. We will be picked up at the hotel by the famous Conch Train for a one-hour narrated tour of Key West. After the tour, we will be dropped off at the Audubon House and Tropical Gardens for a private tour. The tour explores the local history and folklore of Key West. The experience also features a visit to the lush grounds including a one-acre tropical garden. As a group, we will walk to the Little White House, where President Harry Truman maintained his winter residence, for another private tour. We will then be off to the popular Kelly’s Restaurant for lunch. After lunch, we will continue by trolley to the famous Key West Cemetery for a narrated tour. Upon completion of the tour, we will be picked up from the cemetery and returned to the hotel. Dinner is on your own.

**Tuesday, Feb 23 - Key West:** Today is your day to experience Key West at leisure. Your breakfast is included at the hotel. We will be on hand to recommend many sites of interest: Perhaps shop along world-famous Duval Street, visit the butterfly garden or make a stop at the Key West Garden Club. Dine at some of the amazing local bars and restaurants. You may also choose an optional, full-day tour to the Dry Tortugas National Park. This National Park is located 70 miles west of Key West and is a cluster of seven islands composed of coral reefs and sand. It is known for its famous bird and marine life, its legends of pirates and sunken gold, as well as its military past. Lunch and dinner are on your own.

**Wednesday, Feb 24 - Key West and Departures for Home:** After your included breakfast, we will pick up box lunches on our way to Nancy Forrester’s “Secret Garden.” This is an opportunity to experience a true rainforest and exotic garden—unique in the U.S. because of its frost free-status, its palm collection, and many rare and endan-

ered plants and animals. Nancy is also an artist and passionate environmentalist. We will arrive at Nancy’s in time to participate in her Speaker’s Corner soapbox oration (rants and raves for the environment with humor, wisdom, poems and frivolity).

Following the presentations, we will have a private tour of her garden and art. We will then transfer to the airport for flights to our home cities.

**B = Breakfast  L = Lunch  D = Dinner**

**Not included in the tour:** Airline taxes and fuel surcharges, any airline fees for checked pieces of luggage, optional sightseeing activities, gratuities to drivers and guides, meals not indicated in the itinerary, excess baggage charges, travel insurance, any other items not specifically mentioned as included in the itinerary.

**Deposits:** $500 per person at the time of booking. Travelers will be provided with a deposit and payment schedule.

**To join the journey, book your trip or for more information contact**

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