

Garden and Nursery Bus Tours

2019 Bromeliad EXTRAVAGANZA

Sunday, September 22, 9 AM to 1 PM

Registration: \$20. per person

Registration fee includes pick up and drop off at the hotel; bottled water provided on bus. A holding room for your purchased plants will be available at the hotel; plants can be picked up after the tour.

You must choose either the Nursery Tour **or** the Garden Tour. The 2 different bus tours have to be held simultaneously because of location constraints so unfortunately you must choose only one. There is limited availability – first come first served!

Bus Tour A – Nursery Tour Our nursery tour features McCrory's Bromeliad Nursery, one of the largest growers of bromeliads in the United States. They will be walking us through their entire process, from receiving tissue culture to shipping out plants ready for installation. Start picturing oceans of beautiful plants!

Bus Tour B – Garden Tour Our garden tour features the home gardens of two different Bromeliad Society of Central Florida members, Lisa Robinette and John Boardman. Both are excellent growers, tackling common problems: the need for growing space, cultural issues while growing outside, and the desire to create gardens that are functional and also beautiful.



For Bus Tour Registration please complete the following:

Name #1 _____

Name #2 _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Credit Card # _____

Expiration date: _____ cvv _____

_____ of Bus Tour A – Nursery Tour registrations @ \$20. each = \$ _____

_____ of Bus Tour B – Garden Tour registrations @ \$20. each = \$ _____

Make check payable to BSCF and mail to:

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Bus Tour B – Garden Tour

John Boardman

John Boardman started collecting bromeliads in 1982 after winning several bromeliads on a public television auction. He joined the Bromeliad Society of Central Florida in 1990 and became active in showing bromeliads.

At the 2002 World Bromeliad Conference in St. Petersburg, Florida, he won Best Neoregelia with a mounted multiple of Neoregelia 'Ronald'. Years later he became an accredited Bromeliad Society International Master Judge.

John's favorite genus is Neoregelia for the amazing colors and patterns on the foliage. He grows bromeliads in Saint Cloud Florida under a 35' x 30' greenhouse, also growing many different genera, but his favorite is growing variegated Neoregelias.

Plants will be available for sale.



GARDEN TOUR

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Bus Tour B – Garden Tour

Lisa Robinette

In 2005 my husband Raleigh and I bought our home in Orlando. The property is only 60' wide and 148' deep.

Four years ago we sold an additional 1+ acre of property north of Tampa, which was loaded with plants. Fortunately my brother-in-law could take most of my overflow. I sold some of them but continue to bring my old mother plants back to his home, so I'm still maintaining 2 properties full of plants.

For those of you that have visited me before, I have doubled my plant intake here in Orlando. I previously welcomed an Extravaganza tour in 2009 and the World Bromeliad Conference in 2012. Why host another bus tour? To clean up the collection, of course. We'll see how far I get.

When you see our front yard it looks as if a plant person lives here. With the 20 foot bromeliad berm, succulents, plumeria, crotons, and hanging plants. To visit the back yard, now that's an obsession. Going vertical has been a big help to our space problem.

I love to collect foliage Vriesea, big Tillandsia, x Sincoraea varieties, Neoregelia, mini Neoregelia, Cryptanthus, Hohenbergia, and Aechmea species.

We extend a warm welcome to come visit us.

Plants will be available for sale.





Bus Tour A – Nursery Tour

McCrary's Bromeliad Nursery

McCrary's Bromeliad Nursery was started in 1977 by Buddy & Dolores McCrary in the hills of Lake County, Florida. The Bromeliad business started as a hobby on the porch of the house and has expanded to 30-acres, making it one of the largest growers of Bromeliads in the country.

Come take a tour and see how we handle the plants from the time we receive the tissue culture to the time orders get shipped out. Along the way you will also learn about the different ways we deal with the climate and the other ins and outs of everyday growing.

We are a wholesale commercial nursery not open to the public.

Plants will be available for sale.

