

What our clients are saying about our recent tours

“Ty Mawr Mansion [is] a fabulous hotel, a perfect base for touring. I have never stayed in a more comfortable place.”

—Dr. Beverly Myers, Gold River California

“Every aspect about Célia Ribeiro is superb: subject knowledge, organization, anticipating everyone’s needs. Her sweet and upbeat personality make the trip so very special. She is a gift!”

—Joyce Woltman, Carbondale, Colorado

“The best part of the tour was the chance to visit private homes and gardens. You can’t get that on your own. It’s very special!”

—Barbara Rose, Toronto, Ontario

“I am so impressed by how professional and personal Paul’s service has been. I would go around the world with him.”

—Mary Ann Holden, Portland, Oregon

“It was wonderful seeing old acquaintances [on our tour]. Gardeners are the best. It was like a big happy family.”

—Carol Townsend, Dana Point, California

“Each garden we visited was beautiful and unique.”

—Catherine Avila, Malvern, Pennsylvania

“Alan Cross was the best guide I’ve ever had. And in combination with [driver] Brian Tainish, they can’t be beat!”

—Jack Beasley, Davidson, North Carolina

“It was my first organized tour and I am afraid the standard has been set very high. Unless I travel with you exclusively, I may be disappointed.”

—Betsy Milano, San Francisco, California

“The restaurants were all excellent; I was truly impressed. I never knew that New Zealand was a foodie paradise.”

—Gail Sapp, Austin, Texas

“Jane Brand is amazing. Her knowledge is as wide-ranging as it is complete—and matched by her grace.”

—George Miller, Minneapolis, Minnesota

“Both hotels were wonderful choices: the opportunity to stay in a genuine castle, and four days of pampering at Clow Beck, one of the best country hotels I’ve ever visited.”

—Jane Bak, New York, New York

“Altogether [the tour] was a perfect melding of art, architecture, horticulture, and history.”

—Bill Frenz, Cos Cob, Connecticut

“I especially enjoy [having] tea/coffee or lunch with the garden owners. It is so personal and pleasant to sit down with the enthusiastic people who share their gardens with us.”

—Joyce Walling, Merced, California

“Corse Lawn House is an exceptional hotel for both comfort and service. And the exceptional meals were served and presented with great style.”

—Candace Ellis, West Chester, Pennsylvania

“The itinerary was well planned and flawlessly executed, lots of info along the way, and a trouble-free vacation for us all. Many thanks!”

—Bill Gee, Timonium, Maryland

“We’re home! Great trip, great new friends, and some good photos. What else could I want? The answer: do it again, of course!”

—Jerry Boal, Albany, Oregon



Paul (left) with Richard Prideaux-Brune, owner of Plumber Manor Hotel in Dorset, which has been in his family for over 400 years. (West Country tour, page 12).