

16th Annual Celebration
of
Home & Garden

Features Along the Tour

Lovell & Whyte - Check-In Point

14950 Lakeside Rd.
Lakeside, Michigan
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The tour check-in will take place at Lovell & Whyte. Lovell & Whyte offers everything necessary to furnish your home, including design services and a few unnecessary things as well. From down-filled sofas to pewter serving pieces, garden furnishings and primitive antiques to contemporary designs, it's all très fab!

Ellen Carnahan & William Daniels' Country Home

John Banks, of John Bank's Architects, has designed a country home with the simplicity and calming influence of many of the buildings the couple had visited in Japan. Cynthia Winter, a Chicago interior designer teamed with the couple and the architect to achieve a very open, "glassy" feel using a two-story glass window wall with a meadow as the perimeter. Stained concrete floors work well amid the Asian theme and balance the lush green of the landscape in Spring and Summer, while adding warmth throughout the Winter.

Warmth, and restraint prevail at this retreat complete with magnificent woodlands, charming private gardens and indoor/outdoor shower, "We kept the design very simple and natural, nothing flamboyant." The landscape architect is Stan Beikman of Miles, Michigan

Family Farm in Heston

Two years ago when a Chicago couple asked realtor Gail Lowrie to help them find a place in the country with room for their young children, they had no idea they would end up with 27 acres in a 100-year-old apple orchard. They immediately enlisted architect Anthony Moss along with Lovell & Whyte to rework the existing home. The colorful interiors now offer an eclectic mix of traditional, antique and contemporary furnishings. This year Craig Bergmann will begin landscaping in earnest; his first priority a redesign of the old victory garden where last season the children learned to harvest tomatoes, squash and herbs.

The Grand Cottage

Jason Spohn & Will Schauble

A 1924 European country home, The Grand Cottage sits on a bluff overlooking Lake Michigan. Will Schauble and Designer Jason Spohn acquired the "Cottage" 24 years ago and have lovingly restored and added several additions over the years. In collaboration with Chicago architect Marvin Herman, the "Cottage" recently experienced a major addition.

Just as Normandy is tied to the English Channel, the "Cottage" and gardens are linked to the lake – situated to take in its hypnotic blue vistas. Neat boxwood and yew hedges and topiaries recall the palatial gardens of 17th century France. Stroll through the manicured yard, intimate hydrangea garden, French courtyard, or spectacular walled green room, or take in the view of Lake Michigan from its magnificent rolling lawn, or meander down the beach stairs to the private beach house and deck.

You enter the "Cottage" through the turreted foyer with an 18th century French painted fireplace found in Paris. Each room has been given a special exterior focal point, whether a lake view or a French balcony overlooking the many garden areas.

The Grand Cottage - where dreams are endless, and the style – forever personal.

Janet and Philip Rotner's Harbert Retreat

The large and open, shingle-style home of interior designer Janet Rotner and her husband Philip, sits on wooded land in Harbert, Michigan.

The rooms are filled with art and collectables, assembled from the owners' travels, and their keen eye for the "perfect find." Janet's sense of design melds everything into the subtly organized space. All fit together into the comfortable home.

Architect John Banks designed the home in collaboration with contractor Norman Zielke of Residential Builder Inc., Stevensville, Michigan. Landscape Architect, Gunner Plotter of Green Mansions, Inc., utilized the informal natural setting to further ground the home in this habitat.

The exterior of the home was designed to have three separate areas around the pool. These have been planned like individually furnished rooms. The outdoor areas mirror the interior public areas, living and lounging, dining, and cooking. All the "rooms" are gracious and well suited for both relaxation and entertaining.

Arden and Gray Carlson's Michiana Cabin

This handsome home is the result of a successful collaboration of its owners - interior designer Arden Carlson and contractor Gray Carlson. It stands among quiet old pines, surrounded by carefully placed field stone. With great attention to detail, the home retains the best of it's original warmth while opening it to much needed light and outdoor views.

Now just barely reminiscent of the 750 square foot, 1939 cabin, the owners have transformed this former log home without losing the best of it's past. Using many locally harvested woods and adding recycled materials, their main intent was kept... not to change the vernacular but to build upon it.

The dry stacked blue stone fireplace with the earthy colored Basque slate floors blend to a unified feeling. The added skylights, windows and back deck all shed welcoming light on the furnishings and accessories. Even with these various additions the home has retained the ensuing feeling of comfort that was so much a part of it's earlier beginnings.

Deanna and David Stallsmith Log Home

Sited on a hilltop in Michiana, this charming log cabin home has been totally renovated with new windows, roof, and log siding and has been expanded with striking contemporary additions for the entry, screen porch and deck. The interior of this home is a refreshing change from traditional log cabin living. It is simple, modern and youthful! Architect John Hancock of Hancock + Hancock Inc., deftly manipulated the interior and exterior spaces to provide the amenities the owners needed for improved functionality and comfort while being sensitive to the architectural integration between the old and the new. Nina Hancock, interior designer, assisted with finish and product selections but credit the owners for their creative vision in furnishing and accessorizing the home. Woodsmith Design/Build Group, Ltd. was the general contractor for the project.

Emily and Thad Wong's Family Lakefront Retreat

A Chicago family of six wanted to achieve a timeless aesthetic that drew from their memories of classic New England shore homes. The home was designed to maintain an open floor plan in the public spaces to accommodate a fluid lifestyle. From the open kitchen, the heart of this residence, it is possible to partake in most of the activity of the first floor. The rooms have expansive views to the pool, yard and lake as well. Family bedrooms are located off a shared open corridor on the second floor and each bedroom has its own large bank of windows. The master and guest bedrooms have cathedral ceilings and a balcony to maximize access to natural light and private views to the lake and landscape.

The exterior material palette of limestone, cedar and zinc coated copper were selected for their longevity and low maintenance characteristics as well as their beauty. The interior palette of hand scrapped oak floors, stone, tile and pine siding for its durability and capacity to endure gracefully. The home's architects were Wheeler Kearns Architects, the structural plans were developed by Enspect Engineering, the construction was done by Burlingame Builders, and the landscaping was done by Willson's Green Valley Plants.

Refreshment Stops

Mix & Mingle

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This once 1930's gas station on the corner of Highway 12 and Wilson Road is now home to Harbor Country's Mix & Mingle. This showplace blends custom design and retail by mixing antiques, new furniture and fine art. Each showroom vignette displays the sophisticated twist that the interior designer can offer to clients. Stop in sometime to meet Jason and Richar.

Charm Cottage

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Charm Cottage established in 1928, one of the first antique stores to open on the Red Arrow Hwy., is an eclectic assemblage of Goods gathered by well-traveled proprietors Bill Lindblom and Alan Palmer. Special customers declare the merchandise as interesting and odd as the shop's owners. Please be our guest today, have a peek and a bottle of pop.

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Burnison Galleries - "After the Walk" Party

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Judi & Tom Burnison of Burnison Galleries invite tour attendees to an "After the Walk" party for relaxing conversation about the day's architectural sights and a tour of the gallery collection of 19th, 20th, and 21st Century fine and decorative art from 4:00-6:00 p.m. (Chicago time). Burnison Galleries is celebrating its first anniversary and welcomes Heartland Alliance and guests for wine, cold drinks, and snacks. Burnison Galleries.