



**SOOKE GARDEN CLUB'S**

# **Etiquette Guidelines for Touring Gardens**

- Compliment honestly and freely.
- Don't suggest what you would do differently.
- Bring a notebook, pen, water, camera, hat and sunscreen.
- No pets.
- No smoking or littering.
- Stay on pathways.
- Ask about taking photos.
- Assume that washrooms are not available.
- Ignore what you don't care for; everyone's tastes are different.
- No seeds/cuttings or picking fruit or vegetables.
- Never ask to come at a time other than the scheduled time.
- Don't point out or pull weeds.
- Don't ask "what happened to this plant?"
- Don't control the conversation.
- Keep conversation relevant to the tour.
- Leave plant tags where they are.
- Be on time.
- Let your host know what makes your heart go "pitter-patter."
- Enjoy the big picture, the minutiae, the art, the whimsy and the effort put into the making the garden great for a tour.
- Appreciate imperfection as an integral part of gardening.
- Don't overstay your welcome

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& Growing  
Together  
in 2023!**

