



**MODEL HOUSE:** Representation of the Airlie House. Original Airlie House was dismantled in 1958.

**AIRLIE OAK:** An N.C. State Champion Live Oak, dating back to the 1500s. This tree is one of the largest of its kind.

**SPRING GARDEN:** Designed in the early 1900s, featuring a tranquil fountain and a stone pergola structure. A natural walkway adorned by summer wildflowers leads to the original home site now off property.

**CAMELLIA GARDEN:** Vast collection of antique camellias scattered throughout a grove of old live oaks. Home to a 150-foot rose trellis.

**LEBANON CHAPEL:** Built in 1835, and deeded to St. James Episcopal Church in Downtown Wilmington.

**MYSTERY GRAVE:** Burial location of an 18th century man, “John Hill”, a tutor for the Bradley children. Legend states he might have been a marshal of Napoleon.

**PERGOLA GARDEN:** Designed in the early 1900s, it’s Pergola structure is built of tabby and covered in jasmine; featuring a tiered fountain with steps leading into lake.

**BUTTERFLY HOUSE:** Seasonal home to native butterflies and plants, May through mid-October.

**BOTTLE CHAPEL:** Features a chapel made up of over 2,800, bottles, multiple sculptures and mosaics done by local artists. This sculpture garden pays tribute to artist, Minnie Evans.

# The Gardens of Airlie...

In 1901, Airlie Gardens was transformed into a spectacular garden estate by Sarah and Pembroke Jones, later to be purchased and maintained by two generations of the Corbett family. In 1999, New Hanover County purchased 67-acres of the property, opened the historic gardens to the general public and created the Airlie Gardens Foundation. This acquisition was made possible by a commitment of the New Hanover County Commissioners, a grant from the Clean Water Management Trust Fund and the support of local residents.

Today, Airlie continues to amaze visitors with its breathtaking combination of wildlife, formal gardens, historic structures, sculptures, views of Bradley Creek and the gentle shade of ancient live oaks.

The gardens are known for their grand announcement of spring, with a collection of over 75,000, azaleas and thousands of tulips. Countless camellia cultivars bloom throughout late fall and early spring and formal display areas bloom with continuous color year-round.

In addition to the preservation of this unique property, Airlie is dedicated to environmental education. As one of the last undeveloped tracts along Bradley Creek, Airlie is one of the few places in this mostly urban county where one can witness the dynamics of a tidal creek ecosystem. Airlie's Environmental Education Program seeks to educate youth and adults about flora, fauna and environmental topics affecting our coastal area.

## Become A Member!

A membership to Airlie Gardens brings insider perks and rewards; including, advance member-only ticket offers and year-round fun! Your support as a member helps the garden continue to be a valued local attraction and allows us to provide public programs, education and special events to our community. Join online or in the gift shop!

For more info  
& a full list of  
member benefits:



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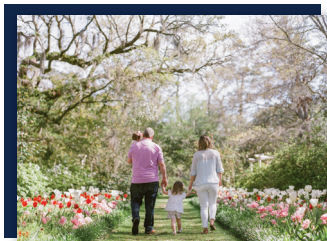


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## A Garden for all Seasons

Open 7 days a week  
(closed Mondays, Jan & Feb)



### Spring Bloom:

During late March & into mid-April, the gardens are at peak bloom. Daffodils & tulips flourish first, followed by over 75,000, stunning azaleas. Peak bloom is weather dependent.

### Birding & Butterflies:

Airlie hosts a bird hike the 2nd Wednesday of each month and a kaleidoscope of butterflies call Airlie's butterfly house their seasonal home, May through mid-October.



### Concert Series:



Live music in a variety of genres is offered on Airlie's Oak Lawn the first & third Fridays, May-September. Parking is off-site; a free shuttle is provided. (Begins 3rd Friday in May)

### Annual Art Exhibit:

July-December, a new exhibit brings extra life to the gardens, showcasing a variety of whimsical sculptures placed throughout the grounds. The exhibit is included with the price of admission.



### Low Country Oyster Roast:



Airlie celebrates the oyster on the third Friday in October. Join us for food, fun and live entertainment. Proceeds support Environmental Education. Advance tickets required.

### Enchanted Airlie:

More than a million festive lights brighten the gardens on select evenings between the Friday after Thanksgiving & December 22nd. Advance tickets only, tickets sell out.



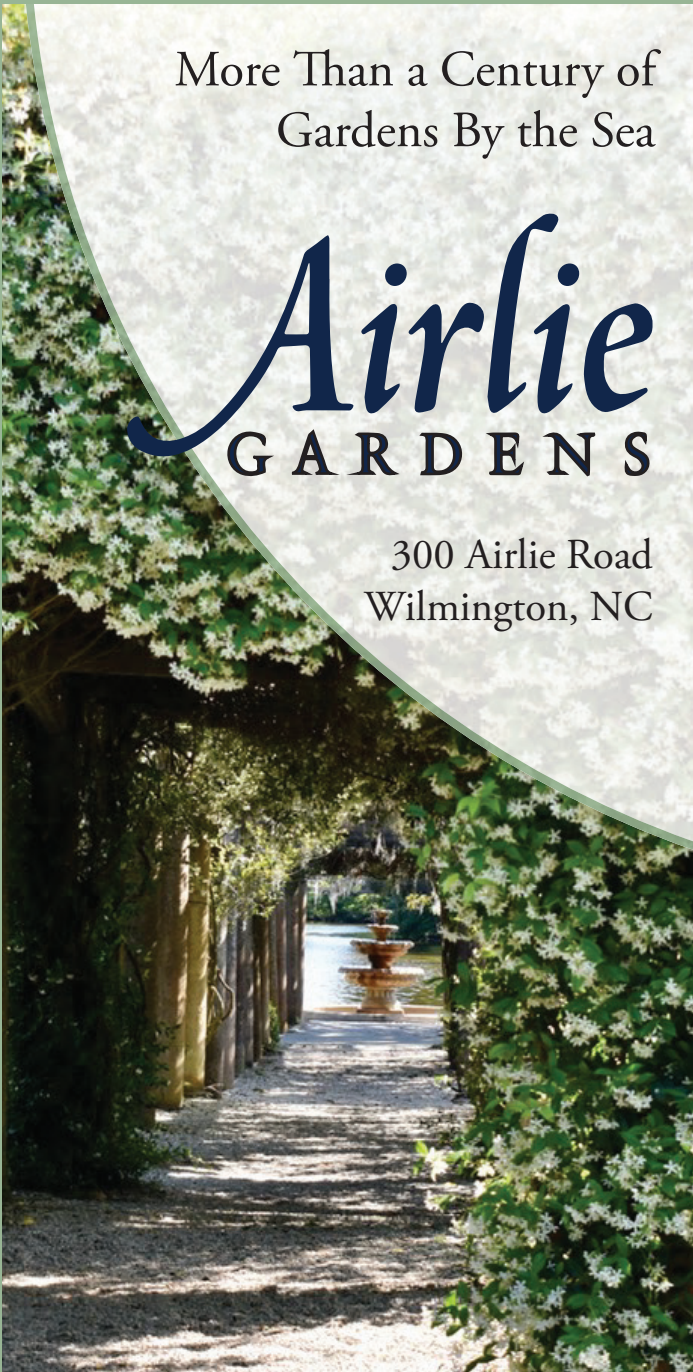
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# GARDEN MAP

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