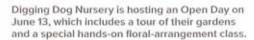
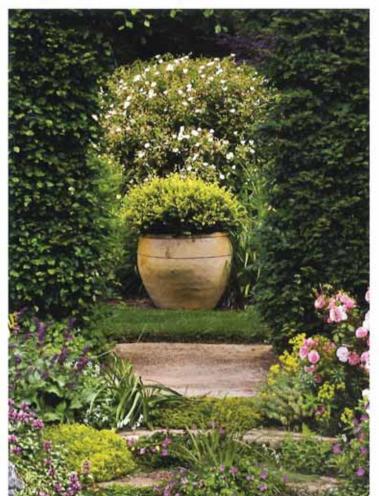
THE RARE DAYS OF SPRING

The Garden Conservancy's Open Days program kicks off spring around the country with more than 165 gardens open over 17 days throughout May and June. Mark your calendar-you won't want to miss the tours in your area! Visit gardens of a variety of styles, including rustic Connecticut farmhouse gardens, courtyards in North Chicago, and gardens of plant connoisseurs like Dan Hinkley's home on Bainbridge Island in Washington. We've listed a few we want to visit, but if you want a complete list of garden tours, go to gardenconservancy.org.





MAY/JUNE CALENDAR 2015

MAY 16

The Chocolate Factory

Red Hook, NY-A series of courtyards and gardens nestled within the restored stone walls of a turn-of-the-century chocolate factory. A hillside of native woodlands features a dramatic waterfall.



June 6 Sudden Delight

Canton, CT-With a red New

England-style barn as its backdrop, this garden features meandering paths, a hosta hill, a cedar arbor, and a variety of native perennials.



Digging Dog Nursery

Albion, CA-The garden will host a Slow Flowers event at which acclaimed floral designer and instructor Dundee Butcher will show attendees how to create arrangements using local materials.



JUNE 28

Indianola, WA-Located at the home of plant-hunter Dan Hinkley, this garden showcases Hinkley's over-two-decades-worth of plants collected during his travels around the world. Especially notable is the one-half-acre experimental meadow, and collections of Acer, Sorbus, Mahonia, and more.



JUNE 28

Crowe Garden

Lake Forest, IL-The late Rosemary Verey, internationally known English garden designer, designed a garden with a lilac room and rose arbor at this property. A new allée of plane trees features a large bronze casting of a horse and rider.

