HILLWOOD ESTATE, MUSEUM & GARDENS

Outdoor Art and Architecture



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USE the close-ups to find the items.

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A MOTOR COURT

Eros (pronounced air-rows), the winged god of love, greets visitors in front of the mansion. He is also called Cupid. In this statue, he pulls an arrow from his quiver, the case on his back.



B FRENCH PARTERRE

This paw belongs to an imaginary creature called a sphinx (pronounced sfinks), which is part lion and part human. Hillwood's sphinx has a fancy hairstyle and clothes from long ago.

Q This sphinx is white. What other colors do you see nearby?

Sphinx, France, 1860–70, marble (72.14.1)



C FOUR SEASONS OVERLOOK

This child is wrapped in a blanket to keep warm in winter. Walk to the right in a circle to find statues for the other three seasons: children with flowers for spring, grain for summer, and grape-vines for fall.

Winter (Statues of the Four Seasons), England, about 1920, lead (72.30.1)

Q GARDEN TREASURE HUNT: Outdoor Art and Architecture



D JAPANESE-STYLE GARDEN

Hotei (prounounced hoe-tay) is the Japanese god of happiness. He has a big smile, huge ears, and a round belly, and he holds a fan in one hand. Find him tucked away near the stairs.

Hotei, United States, 1900s, stone (72.60)



G DACHA

The colorful designs on this building look like carvings on a Russian country home, called a dacha (pronouced dah-cha). The building is sometimes open for special art displays.



E VISTA TERRACE

This imaginary creature blowing a horn is half goat and half child. Can you find other creatures nearby playing pipes, cymbals, and a tambourine?

Q What sounds do you hear in this garden?

Statue, United States, 1900s, lead (72.50.2)



H LUNAR LAWN (NEAR THE MANSION)

Before going indoors, Marjorie Post's guests could scrape their shoes on this metal dog's back to clean the bottom of them.

Q What real animals can you see or hear nearby?

Boot Scraper, United States, about 1900, iron (72.41)



F PET CEMETERY

A dog with a basket of fruit in its mouth sits guarding one of the entrances to this quiet spot. Marjorie Post created this garden because she loved her dogs, including Scampi, who lived with her at Hillwood.

Dog, United States, 1900s, stone (72.54.5)



I GREENHOUSE

Gardeners grow plants all year long inside this glass building, called a greenhouse. Go inside the first room to see colorful orchids, Marjorie Post's favorite flower, and other plants.

Q What do the flowers smell like?

Q 220

Q 200

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