THE TOTALLY AWESOME, FUN AND DESTINED TO BE WORLD-FAMOUS
HILLS & DALES
TOUR ACTIVITY BOOK
WITH EARLE
THE FOX SQUIRREL
Hi, I’m Earle the fox squirrel and I live at Hills & Dales Estate.

You might see me scampering across the cotton terraces or racing toward the gardens. Most of the time, I hide when people are here. Enjoy Hills & Dales and have fun with my activities!

The Visitor Center
Watch a 14 minute film...nice and quiet and...entertaining, and then... Find fun facts in the displays!

The House & Garden
Ride the tram...Or walk up the trail to the house and gardens!

  House tour  – approximately 40 minutes
  Garden tour – take your time.

Ride the tram or walk back to the visitor center and enjoy the gift shop.

Solutions to the Activities:
For solutions to these activities or to print another copy of the Hills & Dales Tour Activity Guide Book, please go to our website at www.hillsanddalesestate.org and click on Educational Programs and then click on Student Activities.
Meet the Locals

Fill in the blanks with the correct name of each plant. Some of the plants are seen all year at Hills & Dales Estate. Others grow either summer, fall, winter, or spring.

Local Flora:
1. Azalea
2. Dogwood
3. Camellia
4. Ginkgo
5. Boxwood
6. Loblolly Pine

Local Fauna:
Fill in the blanks below with the correct number of each animal.

Number | Animal      
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 5      | Bluebird   
 9      | Raccoon    
 7      | Fox Squirrel
 2      | King Snake 
 8      | Hawk       
 4      | Red Fox    
 1      | Deer       
 3      | Chipmunk   
 6      | Lizard     

A-MAZING Boxwoods

Can you find your way out of the maze?

The maze below is adapted from the actual boxwood parterres located in front of the house.
Can you find HILLS AND DALES repeated six times in the trail through the maze? You can go any direction, but no overlapping. The first four letters have been done for you. Good luck!
Over 170 years ago a lady named Sarah Ferrell decided to expand her mother’s garden in LaGrange, Georgia. Sarah, with the support of her husband, Judge Blount Ferrell, began to plant many new and wonderful plants. She had a new idea. “I’m going to spell special words with rows of Boxwood hedges,” she said. She spelled words like, “Fiat Justicia,” which is Latin for, “Let Justice Be Done.” At the entrance to her garden, she spelled the word, “G O D,” because she knew that He had created all the beautiful plants in her garden. She planted Magnolia trees which grew beautiful, sweet-smelling, white flowers. People came from many places to see Sarah’s garden. During the War Between the States, Union Troops rode into LaGrange. Oh no! They had destroyed many things as they went along. What about Sarah’s beautiful garden? Whew! They spared it.

After Sarah and Blount died, Fuller Earle Callaway, a successful businessman, who had earned his first nickel at age eight, purchased the garden. Sarah had known him since he was a young boy. Fuller decided to build a house which would look beautiful with “Ferrell
Gardens.” Fuller’s wife, Ida Cason Callaway, began to care for Sarah’s plants. Soon, Ida was making the gardens even larger and even more wonderful. Sarah’s old house was removed to make room for the new home.

Even though World War I was going on, the house was completed. Fuller and Ida Callaway called their new residence, Hills and Dales. These are all the people who moved into the house: Ida and Fuller Callaway, their 2 sons, Cason and Fuller, Jr., Ida’s parents and Fuller’s brother, Uncle Pope. Through the years, many others lived in the house with Fuller and Ida.

When both Fuller and Ida had died, Fuller, Jr. and his wife Alice moved into Hills and Dales. The older brother, Cason, and his wife Virginia, moved to Pine Mountain and eventually developed Callaway Gardens. Fuller, Jr. set up a Foundation to provide money to help with many things: scholarships for college and nursing school, medical buildings, a swimming pool and a place to play sports, building many churches and much more! Alice Callaway continued the work in Sarah Ferrell’s garden. She worked for over 62 years in the gardens at Hills and Dales and she made them even bigger! Alice Callaway was the last person to live at Hills and Dales. She wanted everyone to be able to visit her home and enjoy her gardens, the same gardens loved by Sarah, Ida and Alice! Her dream came true!!
There are many correct answers to this activity. For instance, you may find multiple squares and rectangles in the windows, a triangle in the gable, an oval in the gable window and a cylinder implied by the columns and the fountain below.
Across:
3. “Fiat Justitia” is Latin for “Let _____ Be Done.”
5. Plant used to spell words in the garden
7. _____ Callaway, Jr. set up a foundation to provide scholarships for college students.
10. The Callaways lived at Hills and _____ Estate.
11. _____ Ferrell was the first one to use boxwoods to spell words.
12. The _____ tree has large, sweet smelling, white flowers in the summer.
14. The age of Fuller Callaway, Sr. when he made his first profit.

Down:
1. Blount Ferrell’s occupation
2. _____ Hand Callaway was the last person to live at Hills and Dales Estate.
4. _____ troops marched into LaGrange in the 1800’s and spared the gardens.
6. _____ War I was a big conflict going on when Hills and Dales Estate was being built.
8. The town where you’ll find Hills and Dales Estate.
9. Fuller and Ida Callaway had 2 sons, _____, and Fuller Callaway, Jr.
13. _____ Cason Callaway expanded Sarah Ferrell’s gardens.
Earle’s Great Hunt

Find the following facts and earn a prize.
Fill in all the blanks and bring your answers to the gift shop in the Visitor Center.

Search for these in the Visitor Center.
1. Find the bust of Fuller E. Callaway, Sr. Year he was born? _____ Year he died? _____
2. Find a picture of Mr. Callaway on his horse. Name of the horse? _____
3. Look for a garden picture on the wall. The Latin phrase, “Fiat Justitia,” is spelled in boxwood in the garden. Write the English meaning. _____

On the tram or walking the trail between the Visitor Center and the house.
4. What is the name of the tram driver? ______________
5. There is a small pool near the bridge. (#21 on the tour map) What is it called? ______________

Around the house.
6. How many columns are on the east portico, also called a porch? (#1 on map) ______________
7. A space behind the house, the north side, was once a swimming pool. (#4 on map) What is in the middle of that space now? Circle one. A) Big tree B) Water fountain C) Statue of Plato
8. The ray garden (#5 on map) has something in the middle of the “rays.” What? Circle one. A) Water fountain B) Magnolia tree C) Gazebo
9. Inside the greenhouse (#8 on map) you will find a fountain. Water is coming from the mouth of a _______.
10. The entrance to the gardens (#18 on map) has a beautiful iron gate. How many birds are on the gate? ____

Enjoy Earle’s Great Hunt during your personal visit to Hills & Dales Estate. Bring your answers to the Visitor Center Gift Shop and receive a prize.
Garden Word Find

Find and circle the following “Garden Words!”

- AMARYLLIS
- AZALEA
- BOXWOOD
- CALLA
- CAMELLIA
- DAFFODIL
- DOGWOOD
- FERN
- GARDEN
- IRIS
- JASMINE
- LAVENDER
- LILY
- MAGNOLIA
- ORCHID
- PANSY
- PEONY
- POPPY
- ROSE
- TULIP
- VIOLA
- WISTERIA
- YARROW
- ZINNIA
This is my most fabulous artwork depicting my most awesome time at Hills & Dales Estate.