

## Guidebook: Great Houses

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#### **Montgomery Place**

<http://www.hudsonvalley.org/montgomeryplace/index.htm>

River Road, Route 103  
Annadale-on-Hudson, NY 12504

Hours: May-October: weekends only, 10 AM - 5 PM  
Admission is \$7.00 for adults, \$6.00 for seniors, \$4.00 for children 5-17, and children under 5 are free. Grounds fee is \$4.00.

Notes: Reservations needed for group tours. Call ahead for Special Events.

Phone: (845) 758-5461

#### ***Historical Description:***

Montgomery Place was established by Janet Livingston Montgomery, widow of Revolutionary War hero General Richard Montgomery. She built the Federal-style house in from 1804 to 1805 and established a successful commercial nursery on the property. During the first half of the nineteenth-century, her descendants created one of the most beautiful estates in the nation. The era's greatest designers, architect Alexander Jackson Davis and landscape designer Andrew Jackson Downing, assisted them in their endeavor. In the 1930s, the generation living there created a twentieth-century horticultural showcase, one that continues to flourish today.

#### ***The Site:***

The estate features guided tours of the painstakingly restored mansion, exquisite gardens with greenhouse, nature walks and trails, and a museum and garden shop. Picnicking is encouraged and permitted anywhere on the estate. An extensive program of special events takes place throughout the year. Montgomery Place also includes an A.J. Davis designed mansion, woodland trails, gardens, and a "pick your own" orchard.

#### ***Directions:***

From the New York State Thruway (I-87), take exit 19 for Kingston onto Route 209/199 east across the Kingston-Rhinecliff Bridge and proceed east on Route 199 to 9G. Take a left on Route 9G and travel 3 miles, then left again on Annandale Road, bearing left onto River Road to the estate entrance.

