

2015 House & Garden Tour



Homes five and six are located off Lakeside Drive. There is parking along the roadsides just before the dirt laneways. An attendant will direct you where to park along the stonewalls. Please wear good walking shoes as the driveways are not paved. Stop seven is located one mile from the Southeast Lighthouse – please carpool with friends.

5. Dowling Cottage, off Lakeside Drive

Built about 1910 and moved from Mohegan Bluffs to this location above what was known as the Mohegan Tap, this classic Block Island summer cottage has been renovated by the Dowling family.

This is a beautiful and aesthetically pleasing stop to have a cup of lemonade midway on the tour. Views of Peckham Pond in the distance from the open deck and creative details by owner and interior designer Elizabeth Dowling. Look for her blogging of the House Tour this week on her lifestyle and design blog thewryhome.com. The original clawfoot bathtub and beautifully restored walls and floors highlight this charming cottage. The Dowlings purchased the cottage in 2001. They preserved the original fireplace and the old 4' by 4' windows and floors. There originally were five and a half acres and development rights have been donated to the Nature Conservancy. What was an enclosed porch that now has an open roomy deck built by Chris Lishke for entertaining and relaxing. New ceilings and walls have been restored by contractor Jim Murray.