



**GLEN COVE MANSION**  
HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER

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***DESTINATION GUIDE***  
***To the Storied Long Island***  
***“North Shore Gold Coast”***

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**IDEAL LOCATION:**

Glen Cove Mansion epitomizes the luxury and elegance of Long Island's historic and storied North Shore Gold Coast. Gatherings take on new meaning at this former estate imbued with the charm of yesteryear beautifully complemented by the modern conveniences of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Situated on the estate's original 55 sprawling acres, Glen Cove Mansion is ideal for weekends of leisure, corporate events and social outings. Its location near Exit 39 of the Long Island Expressway (I-495) offers ease of access from Manhattan as well as JFK and La Guardia International Airports.

**THINGS TO DO, PLACES TO GO:**

In the heart of Long Island's historic Gold Coast, where Gilded Age tycoons and their families lived and entertained in palatial mansions on sprawling country estates, Glen Cove Mansion offers a glimpse into a dazzling bygone era. The Mansion was originally known as The Manor when the country house of John and Ruth Baker Pratt, and many of the original architectural adornments, as well as sweeping views of Long Island Sound, remain. Nearby are other historic mansions, wonderful beaches, excellent museums, President Theodore Roosevelt's beloved country estate and Summer White House, charming villages, and so much more.

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## **Museums**

### **Sagamore Hill National Historic Site – Presidential Museum**

In nearby village of Oyster Bay

President Theodore Roosevelt's beloved High Victorian mansion and Summer White House. Fully furnished with the President's and his family's original personal belongings.

20 Sagamore Hill Road

Oyster Bay, NY 11771-1807

(516) 922-4788

<http://www.nps.gov/sahi/>

*(Schedule visit in advance.)*

### **Clayton Estate, now the Nassau County Museum of Art**

Former Clayton Estate, a Gold Coast Mansion, and now a superb art museum, specializing in 19th and 20th century European and American art. The estate offers extraordinary grounds and gardens, and the well-preserved Mansion.

1 Museum Drive

Roslyn, NY 11576-1138

(516) 484-9338

[www.nassaumuseum.com](http://www.nassaumuseum.com)

In 1919 Henry Clay Frick, co-founder of U.S. Steel Corporation, purchased the Georgian mansion that now houses the Museum as a wedding gift for his son, Childs Frick. Originally the land belonged to the poet and preservationist William Cullen Bryant. Longtime editor of the New York Evening Post, Bryant settled in Roslyn in 1843. When the Fricks assumed ownership of the estate, overlooking Hempstead Harbor, in 1919, they hired British architect Sir Charles Carrick Allow to redesign the mansion's façade (originally designed by Ogden Codman, Jr), as well as much of the interior of their new home, named Clayton. A 1905 Princeton graduate, Childs Frick became a vertebrate paleontologist and devoted naturalist. Childs and Frances Frick lived at "Clayton" for almost 50 years. Frick died in 1965 at the age of 81. Four years later the estate was purchased by Nassau County for the purpose of conversion into the Nassau County Museum of Art.

### **Hillwood Art Museum**

C.W. Post Campus

Long Island University

720 Northern Boulevard,

Brookville, NY 11548-1300

(516) 299-4073

<http://www.liu.edu/cwis/cwp/but06/hillwood/>

The Hillwood Art Museum on the CW Post Campus at Long Island University. Built 1921, the property was originally the estate of E.F. Hutton and Marjorie Merriweather Post. The Hillwood Art Museum is the caretaker of Long Island University's Permanent Art Collection. Included in its Permanent Collection are works of art from Africa and from the Han dynasty of China.

### **Glen Cove Mansion Hotel & Conference Center**

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## **Parks**

### **Morgan Park**

Germaine St

Glen Cove, NY 11542

Leased to the residents of Glen Cove and Locust Valley, for \$1 by J.P. Morgan in memory of his wife, this beautiful park overlooks Long Island Sound and has a picnic area, bathing beach, playground, walks along bluffs overlooking the harbor. It is located at the mouth of Hempstead Harbor and is the site of Fourth of July Fireworks and the Morgan Park Music Festival, a series of free Summer Concerts during July and August on Sunday evenings.

**Also, see Old Westbury Gardens and Planting Fields Arboretum below.**

## **Historic Gold Coast Mansions Open to the Public**

(There were originally about 600 mansions ... only about 100 remain)

**Glen Cove Mansion Hotel and Conference Center**, John Teele/Ruth Baker Pratt estate  
(Open to the public for lodging, dining and events)

200 Dosoris Lane

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[www.glencovemansion.com](http://www.glencovemansion.com)

Originally known as The Manor and opened in 1910, the fifty-five acre estate of John and Ruth Baker Pratt was considered by *Country Life Magazine* as one of the "best twelve country houses in America."

Designed by the noted architect Charles Adams Platt, (1861-1933) the brick Georgian mansion set in pastoral surroundings was an integral part of the many glamorous estates, which once comprised Long Island's Gold Coast.

(Four other Pratt mansions still stand nearby, although three are not open to the public.)

**Welwyn**, the Harold Pratt estate

Crescent Beach and New Woods Roads

Glen Cove, NY 11542

The 204-acre, densely wooded preserve, Welwyn, is the former estate of Harold Pratt, an avid Horticulturalist. The preserve has four marked nature trails that provide access to a magnificent wooded stream valley, fresh water ponds and swamps, a coastal salt marsh, and a stretch of Long Island Sound shoreline. More than 100 species of birds and a variety of small native mammals, reptiles and amphibians inhabit the preserve's grounds. The preserve also is host to the Holocaust Memorial & Educational Center, which offers exhibits and other educational programs.

### **Old Westbury Gardens Museum**

**The best preserved North Shore Gold Coast Mansion, with extraordinary, award-winning Formal Grounds & Gardens**

**Café and picnic area available with views the Mansion**

71 Old Westbury Road

Old Westbury, NY 11568-1603

(516) 333-0048

<http://www.oldwestburygardens.org/>

Stately mansion designed in the style of an English manor house by George A. Crawley with gardens inspired by owner, John S. Phipps', English wife Margarita Grace. The mansion is exquisitely furnished with the family's original Georgian period antiques. Acres for formal gardens include rose gardens, English-style walled garden, fountains and ponds. Opened 1909.

### **Planting Fields Arboretum State Historic Park**

#### **Coe Hall Mansion Museum**

(Contains stained glass windows from Ann Boleyn's [Henry VIII's 2nd wife] family castle in England)

In nearby village of Oyster Bay

1395 Planting Fields Road

Oyster Bay, NY 11771

516-922-8600

<http://www.plantingfields.org/>

William Coe estate, built in 1921. Known today as Planting Fields Arboretum, the property is renowned Botanical collection, conservatories, and elegant Limestone mansion with and Tudor-style detail. The entrance gates were originally created in 1712 for the Carshalton Park estate in England and purchased by William Coe for Coe Hall.

### **Eagles Nest**

William K. Vanderbilt II estate now the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum and Planetarium

180 Little Neck Road

Centerport, New York 11721-0605

General Information: (631) 854-5555

<http://www.vanderbiltmuseum.org/>

Designed by Whitney Warren, the Spanish Mediterranean-style mansion's most prominent feature is an arched entrance tower which leads to the central courtyard. On display are many of Mr. Vanderbilt's original possessions and private collections.

### **Coindre Hall (and Boathouse)**

101 Browns Road

Huntington, NY 11743-1852

(631) 854-4410

Romanesque-style mansion built by George Brown in 1910, now houses the Museum of Long Island's Gold Coast, featuring exhibits, photography and other artifacts from this extraordinary Gilded Age period.

### **Caumsett**

The Caumsett Foundation

25 Lloyd Harbor Road

Huntington, NY 11743

(631) 423-1770

<http://www.caumsettfoundation.org/>

Marshall Field III estate, built in 1922. The Georgian style mansion was designed by John Russell Pope. At one time Caumsett was a working farm and dairy, and a self-sufficient community. The Field estate boasted polo fields, stocked game hunting, indoor and outdoor tennis courts, and a dock for Field's yacht.

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## **Sands Point Preserve**

### **Hempstead House**

<http://www.sandspointpreserve.org/htm/hempstead.htm>

The castle-like Hempstead House was built originally by Howard Gould and in 1917, became the home of Daniel and Florence Guggenheim.

### **Falaise**

<http://www.sandspointpreserve.org/htm/falaise.htm>

127 Middle Neck Road

Port Washington, New York 11050

516-571-7900

Falaise was built for Harry F. Guggenheim and his wife Caroline Morton in 1923. The architecture is French eclectic. The design is based on a 13th century Norman manor house. Furnished with antiques, many from the 16th and 17th century, the mansion also includes wood carvings, sculptures, Renaissance paintings and several important pieces of modern art. Mr. and Mrs. Guggenheim founded Newsday.

<http://www.sandspointpreserve.org/htm/falaise.htm>

## **Chelsea Mansion**

**At the Muttontown Preserve**

516-571-8551

34 Muttontown Lane.

East Norwich, New York 11732

<http://chelseamansion.com/>

The Benjamin Moore estate built in 1923 and now part of Muttontown Preserve. The mansion is surrounded by a moat. Cobblestones used around the property originally came from the Chelsea section of Brooklyn, which is where the mansion name comes from.

## **White Eagle / Templeton / De Seversky Center**

Northern Boulevard

Old Westbury NY 11568

516-686-7675

The Georgian-style mansion was designed in the Neo Federal style by the renowned architects Carrere and Hastings in 1916 for Alfred I du Pont. The estate was originally known as "White Eagle" The du Pont's sold the mansion in 1923 to the Frederick Guest family, who renamed it "Templeton." Mr. Guest was the cousin of Winston Churchill and the grandson of the Seventh Duke of Marlborough. Mrs. Guest was the daughter of Henry Phipps, Andrew Carnegie's partner in Carnegie Steel Company. The mansion now serves as the De Seversky Conference Center for the New York Institute of Technology.

[www.nyit.edu/resources/restaurant/index.html](http://www.nyit.edu/resources/restaurant/index.html)

## **Of Note, however, Not Open to the Public:**

Winfield Hall (F.W. Woolworth Mansion - within walking distance of Glen Cove Mansion)

## **More Resources about the Mansions in Glen Cove & on the Long Island Gold Coast**

<http://www.ligoldcoast.com/>  
[www.historiclongisland.com](http://www.historiclongisland.com)  
<http://www.oldlongisland.com/>

### **The Pratt Family of Long Island, where they build palatial country houses**

**Charles Pratt** (1830 – 1891), the Patriarch, was a capitalist, businessman and philanthropist. Mr. Pratt was a pioneer of the US petroleum industry, and established the kerosene refinery Astral Oil Works in Brooklyn, New York. He formed Charles Pratt and Company in 1867, which became part of John D. Rockefeller's Standard Oil in 1874.

Mr. Pratt was a strong advocate of education. He founded and endowed the Pratt Institute, a specialized private college in New York City and today one of the leading art schools in the US offering programs in art, architecture, fashion design, illustration, interior design, digital arts, creative writing, library and information science, and other areas.

Pratt purchased large tracts of land in Glen Cove, Long Island, where his children built palatial mansions.

### **The Pratt Children and their Mansions in Glen Cove**

1. Frederic B. Pratt (1865-1945), **Poplar Hill** - now owned by Glengariff Nursing Home.
2. Helen Pratt (1867-1949);
3. George Dupont Pratt (1869-1935), **Killenworth** - now the retreat for the Russian Delegation to the United Nations
4. Herbert L. Pratt (1871-1945), **Welwyn** - now Welwyn Preserve and The Holocaust Memorial and Education Center of Nassau County.
5. John Teele Pratt\* (1873-1927), **The Manor** (*opened 1910*) - now Glen Cove Mansion Hotel and Conference Center
6. Harold I. Pratt (1877-1939), **The Braes** - now the Webb Institute of Naval

Architecture and Marine Engineering.

\* *Ruth Baker Pratt, wife of John Teele Pratt, was the first Republican Congresswoman from the state of New York. She represented New York City's "Silk Stocking" district. Ruth and her family maintained the estate until her death in 1965.*

### **Movies Filmed On or About the Long Island Gold Coast:**

**Old Westbury Gardens** -First featured in the Alfred Hitchcock classic *North By Northwest*, starring Cary Grant, this is, without a doubt, Hollywood's favorite Gold Coast mansion. Numerous films have been shot at this location. Among them: *Love Story*, *Age of Innocence* starring Wynona Ryder, *Wolf* starring Jack Nicholson and Michelle Pfeiffer, and most recently, *Cruel Intentions* with Reese Witherspoon, Ryan Phillippe, and Sarah Michelle Gellar. Most recently, *Doris & Bernard*.

**Planting Fields** -*Love Story* used this mansion only for the Main Gate shot, which, in a twist of Hollywood magic, lead to "Old Westbury Gardens". The remake of *Sabrina* also used the estate for some scenes.

**Hempstead House** -*New Jack City* used this Sands Point mansion for interior shots.

**Knole** -*Reversal of Fortune* starring Jeremy Irons and Glenn Close. This Old Westbury mansion was chosen as the Hollywood version of the Claus Von Bulow mansion.

**Salutations** -*Sabrina* the remake, starring Harrison Ford and Julia Ormond was filmed at this Glen Cove mansion. The original *Sabrina*, starring William Holden, Humphrey Bogart and Audrey Hepburn, was also filmed in Glen Cove.

**Falaise** -*The Godfather* used this Sands Point mansion for the famous "horse head in the bed" scene.

**Caumsett** -*Arthur* filmed stable scenes on this Estate.

**Eagle's Nest** -*Crocodile Dundee II* was filmed at this Wm K. Vanderbilt II mansion.

**Mill Neck Manor** -*Trading Places* starring Eddie Murphy.

**The Braes** -*Batman Forever* starring Val Kilmer.

**Oheka Castle** -*Citizen Kane* used this mansion in the opening scenes, utilizing aerial shots of the impressive rooflines. The 2008 film, *What Happens in Vegas* starring Cameron Diaz and Ashton Kutcher, was also filmed here.

**Mansion's Movie Source:** [www.ligoldcoast.com/limovies.html](http://www.ligoldcoast.com/limovies.html)

## **Filmed at Glen Cove Mansion**

*Sabrina* (Audrey Hepburn, William Holden, Humphrey Bogart)

*Sabrina* (Harrison Ford, Julia Ormond, Greg Kinnear)

*It's a Lovely Day to Die* (Kirk Douglas) - filmed almost entirely inside and outside Glen Cove Mansion

*White Collar* (USA Network, 2010) - - extensive footage on Glen Cove Mansion's interiors, exteriors, original Pratt family pool

## **Suggested Reading on the Historic Long Island North Shore Gold Coast**

*The Mansions of Long Island's Gold Coast*, by Monica Randall

*Winfield: Living in the Shadow of the Woolworths*, by Monica Randall

*The Gold Coast* - Gold Coast novel by author Nelson DeMille

*The Gate House* - Gold Coast novel by author Nelson DeMille (sequel to *The Gold Coast*)

## **New York City and the Pratts**

One of the world's greatest cities is just a quick train ride away from Glen Cove, which provides three train stations, including the Sea Cliff Station (located on Sea Cliff Avenue), Glen Street Station (located at the intersection of Glen Street and Cedar Swamp Road), and Glen Cove Station (located at the intersection of Duck Pond Road and Town Path – made famous in *Sabrina*). For an afternoon or evening getaway, Manhattan beckons with superb Broadway Theater, world-class shopping, and endless excitement. Following, return to the 55 acres of historic serenity beloved by the Pratt family, Glen Cove Mansion.

### **Pratt Homes / Townhouses in Manhattan**

#### **Pratt Mansions**

Herbert Pratt's Fifth Avenue mansion  
1026-1028 Fifth Avenue (84th Street)  
New York, NY 10028  
Office 1027 Fifth Avenue  
212-744-4486, ext. 173

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212-744-0163-F

Weekend tours of Pratt Mansions upon request.

<http://www.prattmansions.org/>  
<http://www.prattmansions.org/docs/about.htm>  
<http://www.prattmansions.org/docs/history.htm>  
<http://www.uppereast.com/uesmansions.html>

A triple delight on Fifth Avenue at the corner of 84th. The present home to Marymount School, these former three separate homes, now collectively known as the Pratt Mansions, were built during 1901-1903 and were occupied by different owners. 1028 Fifth, the first one to be built, was home to leather merchant Jonathan Thorne, and then to Florence Vanderbilt Burden. C.P.H. Gilbert designed this building. Marymount bought this home in 1925. 1026 and 1027 Fifth were home to Benjamin Williams, banker George Crawford Clark and the former president of Standard Oil, Herbert Lee Pratt, who bought the property in 1919 and lived there with his wife, children and household staff. Marymount bought 1027 in 1936 and 1026 in 1950. Architects Van Vleck and Goldsmith designed the buildings. The Pratt mansions boast a dramatic spiral staircase, ornate chandeliers and parquet floors. The marble walls in one of the buildings were deemed to be the finest example of their kind when erected. This opulent décor and prime location makes the mansions a popular rental site for special occasions. "These buildings achieved landmark status in 1977," says Susana Acosta, Marymount's archivist. Mrs. Acosta says that the buildings have been left "pretty much as they were, although we have made some additions, such as a gym in accordance with the building's landmark status." Mrs. Acosta also says that some of the original furnishings from the bygone era still exist, such as the chairs and a dining room cabinet in building 1027. The mansions have also been featured in popular culture. The remake of the movie "The Producers" features a scene that was filmed in the lobby, showcasing the famous marble walls.

### **Other Long Island Gold Coast Activities:**

**Beaches:**                    **Morgan Memorial Park** (Beach Pass required)  
Germaine Street, Glen Cove, NY 11542

**Boating:**                    **Glen Cove Yacht Club**  
Foot of McLoughlin Street, Glen Cove, NY 11542

**Brewer Yacht Yard at Glen Cove**  
128 Shore Road, Glen Cove, NY 11542  
Tel. 516.671.5563

**Golf:**                         **Glen Cove Golf Club**  
Lattingtown Road, Glen Cove, NY 11542  
Tel. 516.676.6537

**Other Recreation:**    **Please ask our friendly Front Desk team at 516.671.6400**