Estate Horticulturist – Nevis, West Indies

Large estate in Nevis is seeking a horticulturist to oversee the growing of ornamentals, orchids, vegetables, and fruit orchards.

Nevis is part of the St. Kitts and Nevis Federation in the Caribbean Sea. One of the most unspoiled and relaxing islands in the region, its crystal clear turquoise waters, white sand beaches, and vivid green forests create an idyllic tropical escape. Rich in history, it was known for its productive sugar plantations on fertile volcanic soils, and served as a center for European colonization of the Caribbean.

The estate consists of two properties. The Beach House is engulfed in a beautiful lush tropical landscape, full of fragrance, with botanical rarities throughout. The Main House is currently in the early phase of construction and is situated up the slope of the mountain.

This horticulturist will work closely with the Horticultural Manager, leading gardeners in the meticulous maintenance of the established landscape and orchid collection, and managing the vegetable garden and fruit orchard to ensure a bountiful harvest while the owner is in residence. Eventually, the mountain property will have significant agricultural production. The horticultural team is working with the Nevis government and EARTH University to determine the best options. This individual will be intimately involved in planning and implementing this project. The owner has a passion for plants and is very involved in the development of the gardens and land and is also assisting the government in creating a public park.

Responsibilities:
- Direct team of 5-7 gardeners
- Maintain highest horticultural standards
- Maintain detailed records

Requirements:
- B.S. in Horticulture or closely related field preferred
- Excellent supervisory/administrative skills
- Great attention to detail and keen observation
- Strong communication skills
- Knowledge of tropical plants is beneficial
- Must be energetic, dynamic and work well as part of a team

Compensation:
- Excellent salary, medical benefits, company vehicle

Interested individuals should forward resume and cover letter to:

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