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Redwoods of America

June 1 – 5, 2024



Highlights:

- Napa Valley and Sterling Winery
- Redwoods National and State Parks
- Skunk Redwoods Train
- Avenue of the Giants
- Trees Of Mystery Park and Gondola
- Pacific Oceans and Hwy 101



Included:

- Roundtrip Airfare
- 8 Meals Included
4 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 3 Dinners
- 4 Nights Lodging
- Attractions
- All Taxes

“And into the forest I go, to lose my mind and find my soul.”- John Muir
Now is your chance to witness the majesty and greatness of these giants!

Spots still remain but you only have a few days to sign up before it closes!

Itinerary

Day 1: Fly to Sacramento, California. Our short drive will lead us to America's largest wine country, Napa Valley! Located in central Northern California, Napa, boasts more than 400 wineries, featuring world-class wines, as well as beautiful countryside and near perfect weather year-round. We will have time to enjoy strolling the streets of historic Calistoga, known for its mineral Hot Springs. Later, a visit to the renowned Sterling Winery is a remarkable experience. Perched on the hillside, the beautiful Mediterranean-style white stucco winery complex overlooks the valley. To get there we will board the winery's unique gondola tramway with sensational views! We will stay overnight and enjoy dinner in north Napa country near Ukiah, California.(D)

Day 2: Our morning exploring begins in Willits, California known as the “Gateway to the Redwoods.” Here we will board the famous Skunk Train. Operated originally as a logging railroad in the late 1800s, the Skunk Train is now a passenger train, offering year-round excursions treating riders to a unique view of towering redwood groves, and pristine rivers on a journey of exceptional beauty. We can move freely between enclosed and open-air cars throughout our rail trip. Our afternoon is simply magical as we get deeper into the forest at Humboldt Redwoods State Park. America's redwoods are the tallest and oldest trees in the world dating between 2,000 and 4,000 years old and rising higher than a 30 floor skyscraper, so high that the tops are out of sight. Their trunks can grow more than 27 feet wide and standing at base is one of life's most humbling and amazing experiences. We will drive through the park along the famous “Avenue of Giants” leading us to the visitors center and walk amongst these natural wonders! The largest surviving groves of these ancient coast redwoods are found here along California's northern “hidden” coastline. This evening we will stay overnight along the Pacific ocean in Arcata, California with dinner overlooking the coastline. (B, D)

Day 3: This morning our stunning coastal drive north, through the dense forest takes us through Redwoods National and State Parks into Klamath, California. We will visit the oldest redwood's attraction built to educate, maintain and preserve the trees – “Trees of Mystery.” Since 1946 the park has been introducing visitors from the world over to this awe-inspiring natural treasure. We will also take the park's 1/3 mile journey through the forest treetops via the SkyTrail gondola ride, giving us a chance to get an up close downward perspective from the tops of the redwoods! Our overnight will be below the Giants in the quiet village of Klamath.(B)

Day 4: This morning we will leave the coastal and redwoods region behind heading east through the spectacular Coastal Cascades, and Six Rivers National Forest. Our drive is beautiful today experiencing Northern California's diverse natural landscapes. We will end today in Woodland, California – near Sacramento airport, bringing it into the journey of a lifetime! (B)

Day 5: Transfer to Sacramento airport for our flight home. (B)



\$2397.00 Double
\$2717.00 Single

May Mystery Fly Away

May 31 - June 4, 2024

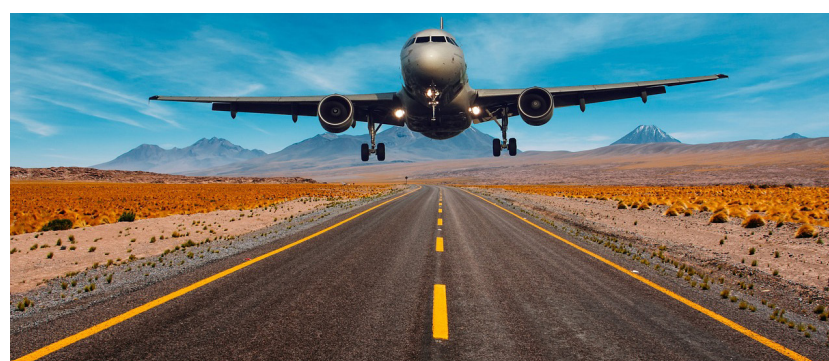


Join us on an unknown journey to a surprise destination just a short flight away. Prepare to be delighted as you uncover hidden gems, explore fascinating sites, and create unforgettable memories. Don't miss out on this thrilling adventure!

Included

- Roundtrip Airfare
- 7 Meals Included
4 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners
- 4 Nights Lodging
- Attractions
- All Taxes

\$1697.00 Double
\$1892.00 Single



Jazz, Candy, and All That's Dandy Glenn Miller Orchestra Spectacular

June 3 – 4, 2024



Itinerary:



\$479.00 Double
\$567.00 Single

Day 1: Get ready for an adventure-packed journey as we kick off our tour from St. Louis. But hold onto your hats because the fun is just getting started! After lunch, we'll make our way to the legendary Schimpff's Candy Store, where sugary dreams come true! Brace yourselves for a candy demonstration that'll make your taste buds dance with joy! Then, it's time to swing into the afternoon with the showstopper event of the day—the incredible Glenn Miller Orchestra at the Derby Dinner Theatre. Get ready to tap your feet and sway to the rhythm of timeless tunes, all while indulging in delectable desserts that will sweeten the show even more! After the performance, we'll check into the cozy and welcoming Drury hotel. After settling in, we'll tantalize our taste buds with a mouthwatering dinner, sampling the best flavors Louisville has to offer. With satisfied smiles and full bellies, we'll retreat to the Drury hotel for a well-deserved rest, eagerly awaiting the adventures that tomorrow will bring!

Day 2: Rise and shine, adventurers! Today is all about exploring the magic of Corydon, IN with our fantastic guide leading the way. We'll start our day with a visit to Zimmerman Art Glass, where we'll be mesmerized by the dazzling art of glassblowing. And guess what? You will even get your own unique paperweight to take home as a keepsake of our epic adventure! Afterward, it's time to hit the streets and dive into the bustling downtown scene of Corydon. Get ready to shop till you drop and discover hidden gems around every corner! But wait, there's more fun in store as we embark on a fascinating tour of the First State Capitol, unlocking secrets of the past and marveling at history come to life. And what's a day of exploration without a hearty meal? We'll treat ourselves to a scrumptious lunch at the Overlook Restaurant, where delicious flavors and breathtaking views go hand in hand. With hearts full of joy and memories to last a lifetime, we bid farewell to Corydon, knowing that the adventure never truly ends when you're in great company!

Kicks on Route 66

June 8 – 14, 2024



Highlights:

- Route 66 from "St. Louie to Santa Monica" MISSOURI, OKLAHOMA, NEW MEXICO, ARIZONA, AND CALIFORNIA
- Iconic Route 66 Sights
- Grand Canyon Caverns
- Cool Springs Station
- Santa Monica Pier
- Mojave Desert

Included:

- Air and Motorcoach
- 11 Meals Included
6 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches,
3 Dinners
- 6 Nights Lodging
- Attractions
- All Taxes



Itinerary

Day 1: After our morning flight west, we will arrive in Los Angeles and begin our journey - at "the end" of Route 66 to the west at Santa Monica Pier on the Pacific Ocean. After enjoying lunch and browsing, we begin east along the old route with our overnight in Pasadena, CA. (L)

Day 2: After breakfast, we begin cruisin' on 66 with our first stop at Elmer's Bottle Tree Ranch on 66. The love of one man created this unique pit stop featuring many tree-shaped sculptures made from glass bottles & vintage items. Here we find one of the most photographed spots on the route - Roy's Café, Motel and Gas Station. Today, the closed site has been restored in patch work throughout the years to keep it standing in the Mojave Desert sun. Just across the state line into Arizona, we will have dinner out and spend the night in famous Kingman, AZ. right on the old route! (B, D)

Day 3: As we begin our expedition east, we are going to a favorite along the old route... "Cool Springs Station". Located on a portion of the old road literally in the "middle of nowhere" up the Gold Hill Grade near Oatman, AZ. This amazing hand built stoned station has a new lease on life for "66" travelers to enjoy today. Afterwards, our short travels on the route will take us our stop at one of the oldest route 66 attractions - the Grand Canyon Caverns and Grotto in Peach Springs, AZ. We will enjoy lunch on the route in Seligman, AZ and enjoy photographing its many restored Route 66 icons from retro diners to motels. Our afternoon along the route will lead us through Williams, AZ - a famous Route 66 stop-over and into Winslow, AZ - as the song says "Standing On The Corner in Winslow, Arizona" - so will we! Our day ends on the route in Holbrook, AZ. (B, L)

Day 4: After breakfast at the hotel, we will drive down the street and stop to see one of the route's original Wigwam Motels - even though we won't "sleep in a Tee Pee tonight" it's super cool kitschy architecture is a must-see! This afternoon we visit the Petrified Forest National Park visitor center and museum. Motoring east on the route we will travel through Navaho Nation and Torvino Canyon, filled with scenic buttes and mesas - some say this is the most naturally beautiful area on the route! Before leaving Arizona behind, a fun stop at the Tee Pee Trading Post at the state line is a must. Just east we will find one of the oldest stops on our adventure - San Jose Mission church in Laguna, NM.

The Original Route 66 Motorcoach Journey!
Celebrating our 8th annual tour tracing the
"The Mother Road" across America the
Beautiful!

**Spots still remain but you only have a few
days to sign up before it closes!**

Dating back to 1699, the mission is one of the best preserved adobe-style buildings in the country. We will gallop through Gallup, NM and follow the route through Albuquerque's "Route 66" bi-way in old downtown. We will overnight and enjoy dinner on the route near Moriarty, New Mexico. (B, D)

Day 5: This morning we will explore one of 66's most famous stop-overs - Tucumcari, NM! It's famous name gave to the slogan "Tucumcari Tonight" luring weary travelers with the catchy slogan on billboards to the town's many mid-century retro motels. Tucumcari became a 66 motorist's destination and we will tour the old strip and make a stop for lunch in town and another at the famous Tee Pee Curios. Back on the route we go... a break at Russell's Route 66 Memorabilia and Car Museum is a fun spot before we get into "The Lone Star" state. An afternoon photo stop at the quirky Cadillac Ranch and at the famous "Big Texan" in Amarillo where we will also have dinner before our overnight in Shamrock, TX. (B,D)

Day 6: Here in Shamrock we stop by to see the restored Tower Conoco station and U-Drop Inn. Built in 1935, and named for the four-sided obelisk rising from a flat roof and topped by a metal tulip, the station was, and again is, a vibrant art deco oasis on Route 66. Set against a backdrop of the unrelenting dusty plains, the station was used as the inspiration for "Ramone's Body Shop" in the Disney/Pixar movie "Cars". In Clinton, OK, we will explore the Oklahoma Route 66 Museum offering a great presentation of the history, myths, signs, photos and music of the iconic road, plus a diner replica. The museum is one of the largest along the route to visit. Passing through Oklahoma City leads us to a Route 66 iconic swimming home, the Blue Whale in Catoosa, OK. Our overnight will be in Miami, OK. (B)

Day 7: Our departure this morning will bring us into the Show-Me state and highlight Missouri's iconic Route 66 elements from today and yesterday. In Springfield, known as the "birthplace of Route 66", we will learn about the efforts of many to create a national road that would soon become famous world-wide. Our drive east, the route will lead us through the "Devil's Elbow" in Pulaski County and later into Cuba MO. Cuba is home to the restored Wagon Wheel Motel, Murals of Main Street and Fanning Outpost - where sits the world's largest rocking chair. What a journey - you made it - winding every corner of amazing nostalgia and sights and sounds of the "Mother Road of America" with even so much more than we can write about here, we hope you can join us!
(B)

\$2466.00 Double
\$2973.00 Single

Wild West Wonders

June 17 – 22, 2024



Highlights:

- Dinner at the Archway Kearney , NE
- Ride with the Wild Bunch North Platte, NE
- Wyoming State Capital
- Wyoming State Museum
- Old West Museum
- Terry Bison Ranch Feed the Bison
- Fort Laramie
- Exclusive Tour of Sunrise Mine
- Register Cliff/Oregon Trail Ruts
- Dinner at the Stampede in Chugwater
- Deerwood Ranch Wild Horse EcoSanctuary
- Albany Lodge
- Wyoming Territorial Prison
- Hell on Wheels Rodeo
- Chuck-wagon Dinner

Included:

- Motorcoach/Airfare
- 5 Nights Lodging
- Attractions
- 13 Meals Included
5 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches,
5 Dinners
- All Taxes



Come on a thrilling western journey from St. Louis, where each day brings new adventures and unforgettable experiences. Explore the legendary tales of Colonel Buffalo Bill Cody, savor mouthwatering Dutch oven lunches, and immerse yourself in the rich history of Wyoming's iconic landmarks. From horse-drawn wagon rides to encounters with bison and wild horses, every moment is filled with excitement. Conclude your expedition with the thrill of the Hell on Wheels Rodeo before bidding farewell to the West and returning home with cherished memories.

Itinerary

Day 1: Embark on an exhilarating western adventure departing from St. Louis. Your stop for the evening will be in Kearney, where you'll settle in for the night and indulge in a delightful dinner followed by a captivating tour at the Archway, setting the stage for the journey ahead.(D)

Day 2: Next, after a short drive to North Platte, prepare to "Ride with the Wild Bunch" as you meet Colonel William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody and his wife, immersing yourselves in tales of their fascinating lives and adventures. Following this, climb aboard a horse-drawn wagon en route to the Lincoln County Historical Museum for a mouthwatering Dutch oven lunch. Explore the museum's treasures, including an authentic recreation of an Old West town and artifacts chronicling the heroic story of the North Platte Canteen during World War II. After the North Platte visit, continue the journey to Cheyenne for a savory dinner at the Bunkhouse Bar & Grill, a location favorite. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Delve into the history of Wyoming with a morning tour of the Wyoming State Capitol and see the room where women were first given the right to vote. Then head over to the State Museum, and a tour of the Old West Museum on the grounds of Cheyenne Frontier Days. Enjoy a leisurely lunch with free time to explore downtown Cheyenne, including the historic train depot. Later, venture to the Terry Bison Ranch for an unforgettable encounter with bison via a train ride, culminating in a delectable Steak Frye dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Today we journey back in time with a tour of Fort Laramie, followed by an exclusive tour of the Sunrise Mine, with a mining history dating back to the Paleo-Indians. Next step into the path of the western migration with a stop at Register Cliff, and Oregon Trail Ruts, immersing yourselves in the rich history of the region. Conclude your adventure with a scrumptious dinner at the Stampede in Chugwater, reminiscing about the unforgettable experiences shared throughout this western odyssey.(B, L, D)

Day 5 : The adventure continues with a visit to the Deerwood Ranch Wild Horse EcoSanctuary, followed by a scenic lunch at the Albany Lodge. Tour the historic Wyoming Territorial Prison the only prison to ever house Butch Cassidy, before enjoying some free time in downtown Laramie, should your schedule permit. In the evening, experience the thrill of the Hell on Wheels Rodeo and indulge in a hearty Chuckwagon dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 6: It's time for our western adventure to come to an end. This morning we will head to Denver for our flight back to St. Louis. (B)

Dear Valued Guests,

It is with great excitement and gratitude that I welcome you to Directions Tours under my ownership. Having grown up immersed in the motorcoach industry, the opportunity to take the reins of a tour company like my grandparents once did has long been a dream of mine. As the new owner, I am committed to upholding the legacy of exceptional service while also enhancing the quality and variety of our tours. With a dedication to innovation and customer satisfaction, I look forward to embarking on this journey with you and creating unforgettable experiences together. Welcome aboard!

Warm regards,
Ryan Sanders



Ryan Sanders, CTP
Owner & CEO

\$2449.00 Double
\$3057.00 Single

Danish Delights to Lighthouse Heights Exploring Door County's Charm

June 18 – 21, 2024



Highlights:

- Larsen's Bakery - Kringle Tour
- Cave Point
- Bjorklunden Boynton Chapel
- Millionaire's Row & West Islands Cruise
- Fish Boil Dinner at White Gull Inn
- Northern Sky Outdoor Theater
- Washington Island
- Milwaukee Public Market
- Jackson Harbor Maritime
- Schoolhouse Beach
- Downtown
- Stavkirke Church
- Island Farm Museum
- Fragrant Isle Lavender Farm

Included:

- Motorcoach
- 3 Nights Lodging
- Attractions
- 7 Meals Included
3 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch,
3 Dinners
- All Taxes



Embark on our Door County Delight tour for coastal adventures and island escapes! Departing on June 18th, indulge in Racine's Larsen's Bakery delights before settling into Sturgeon Bay's Best Western Maritime Inn. Join local guide Patrick Hutton on June 19th for sea cave explorations, Millionaire's Row cruising, and a fish boil dinner. On June 20th, discover Washington Island's attractions. Concluding on June 21st in Milwaukee, enjoy the Public Market before heading home. Join us for an unforgettable journey!

Itinerary

Day 1: Today, we'll kick off our journey by departing for Racine, WI, where you'll enjoy an independent lunch break before indulging in sweet treats at Larsen's Bakery—a multi-generational Danish bakery featuring their famous Danish Kringle and a fascinating tour. Our next stop takes us to Sturgeon Bay, WI, where the cozy Best Western Maritime Inn awaits us for a three-night stay. We'll cap off the evening with dinner at a local joint. (D)

Day 2: Today promises a day packed with excitement! After a hearty breakfast at the hotel, we'll join local guide Patrick Hutton for a full-day tour. Explore the picturesque limestone sea caves at Cave Point, marvel at the ancient Norwegian-style Bjorklunden Boynton Chapel in Baileys Harbor, and enjoy an independent lunch break. Then, set sail for Millionaire's Row & West Islands Cruise, where you'll soak in stunning views and rich history. In the evening, feast on a classic fish boil dinner at White Gull Inn and catch a show at the Northern Sky Outdoor Theater. (B,D)

Day 3: Today begins with a delicious breakfast before another action-packed day with Patrick Hutton. Hop on the Washington Island Ferry for a day of exploration, including visits to Jackson Harbor Maritime Museum, Schoolhouse Beach, downtown attractions, Stavkirke Church, Island Farm Museum, and Fragrant Isle Lavender Farm. After returning to the mainland, we'll head back to Sturgeon Bay for dinner at a local hotspot. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Enjoy a final breakfast at the hotel before hitting the road to Milwaukee, WI. Make a fun pit stop at the Milwaukee Public Market for some local flavor and enjoy lunch at Cracker Barrel. Then, it's time to bid farewell to our adventure as we journey back home. (B)



\$1499.00 Double
\$1747.00 Single



Summer Mystery Vroom Vroom

June 24 – 28, 2024



Included

- 7 Meals Included
4 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners
- 4 Nights Lodging
- Attractions
- All Taxes

Follow the winding road where speed meets history's embrace, leading to a haven of automotive legends where sleek curves tell tales of American muscle's glory. Traverse the mysterious waters, where ancient whispers dance amidst the tranquil ripples, weaving tales of folklore and hidden depths. Finally, seek sanctuary within the hallowed halls where faith echoes softly, inviting contemplation and reflection beneath the watchful gaze of timeless devotion. Join us on this mysterious journey as we unravel secrets and uncover wonders at every turn.

\$1457.00 Double
\$1754.00 Single



9-5, Bridges & Brushstrokes

Myer's Theatre, Crawfordsville, Indiana

July 5 – 6, 2024



Itinerary

Day 1: Welcome to Montgomery County, where your adventure begins with a mouth-watering included lunch that will tantalize your taste buds and set the stage for an exciting journey ahead. Get ready to dive into local flavors and prepare for a day filled with exploration and fun in Hillsboro and Crawfordsville! After indulging in lunch, it's time to dive into the captivating Carnegie Museum in Crawfordsville. Uncover the area's fascinating history and cultural treasures through its vibrant exhibits, from ancient relics to contemporary marvels. Get ready for an immersive journey through time and culture that promises plenty of excitement and discovery! As the sun sets, the real fun begins at the Myer Theatre in Hillsboro! Get ready for an evening of laughter and entertainment with the fantastic performance of "9 to 5," accompanied by a mouth-watering dinner included with the show. Indulge in delicious delights while immersing yourself in the magic of live theater—it's an experience you won't forget! After the show, kick back and relax in your accommodation, reliving the highlights of the day and gearing up for another day of adventure and exploration in this charming corner of Indiana. (L, D)

Day 2: Rise and shine with a hearty breakfast at your Crawfordsville hotel, fueling up for a day packed with sightseeing and fun. Start your day with a visit to the historic Rotary Jail, where you'll uncover fascinating stories and marvel at its unique architecture. Next up, it's time to explore Crawfordsville's hidden gems, from its charming, covered bridges to its vibrant murals. Each stop promises excitement and surprises, offering a glimpse into the rich heritage and culture of the region. As the day winds down, take a moment to savor the sights and sounds of Crawfordsville, enjoying a leisurely lunch at a local eatery before saying goodbye to this enchanting corner of Indiana. With memories made and adventures shared, you'll leave with a heart full of joy and a longing to return soon! (B, L)

\$457.00 Double
\$567.00 Single



Zoom, Zip & Sip

KY is the Trip

July 8 - 11, 2024



Highlights:

- Old Friends Thoroughbred Retirement Farm
- Dinner at Wilshire's
- Candlelight Tour of Ward Hall with Dessert
- Toyota Motor Manufacturing Tram Tour
- Shaker Village with lunch
- Guided Horse Country Tour
- Kentucky Horse Park
- Bourbon Tasting
- Lunch at Claudia Sanders Dinner House

Experience a thrilling four-day journey through Kentucky, where adventure, history, and culinary delights await. From the vibrant streets of Clarksville to the majestic horse farms of Georgetown and the historic charm of Lexington, each day promises excitement and discovery. Indulge in delicious cuisine, sip on bourbon, and uncover hidden gems on guided tours. This tour offers unforgettable experiences that capture the essence of the Bluegrass State.

Itinerary

Day 1: Get ready for an adventure as you depart for Clarksville, IN, where the excitement begins. Brace yourself for a time shift as you enter the Eastern Time Zone, adding an extra hour of fun to your day! Indulge in a tantalizing independent lunch at Chillburger, Joella's Hot Chicken, or CoreLife Eatery, with a plethora of delicious options waiting just around the corner at Mission BBQ, McAlister's Deli, Jersey Mike's, and Qdoba Mexican Eats. But the journey doesn't end here - next stop, Georgetown, KY! Get ready for an unforgettable experience at the Old Friends Thoroughbred Retirement Farm Tour. Witness the majestic beauty of over 100 former racing champions as they roam freely, and don't miss the chance to share a snack with the legendary Silver Charm, Kentucky Derby's oldest living winner. And speaking of legends, brace yourself for an evening filled with Kentucky flair as you check into the Home2 Suites and indulge in a dinner at Wilshire's. Savor the iconic Kentucky Hot Brown while sipping on the state's beloved bourbon, all within the historic confines of General John Paynes Old Home. And just when you thought the day couldn't get any more enchanting, prepare for a candlelight tour of Ward Hall. Step back in time to the 1850s as you explore this opulent villa, once purchased with a staggering \$50,000 worth of gold. Listen to tales of Sallie Ward, the 'Belle of Louisville,' who thrived on scandalizing polite society. It's a day filled with history, charm, and a dash of intrigue! (D)

Day 3: As the sun rises on another day of adventure, prepare to set off for Lexington, KY, where the spirit of the Bluegrass Region awaits. Join a guided Horse Country Tour, where you'll visit farms that embody the essence of Kentucky's equestrian heritage. Then, brace yourself for a visit to the iconic Kentucky Horse Park, a paradise for horse lovers. Explore the sprawling grounds, home to dozens of horse breeds, and delve into the park's rich history at the International Museum of the Horse and the American Saddlebred Museum. Immerse yourself in the daily equine presentations, horse-drawn tours, and captivating shows that celebrate the bond between humans and horses. And as the day draws to a close, indulge in a delectable dinner at Fava's of Georgetown, a historic eatery that has been serving up Southern comfort food since 1910. It's a day filled with majestic horses, fascinating history, and culinary delights that will leave you craving more. (B, D)

Included:

- Motorcoach
- 3 Nights Lodging
- 8 Meals Included
3 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches,
3 Dinners
- Attractions
- All Taxes

Day 4: As your journey draws to a close, savor one last breakfast at the hotel before bidding farewell to Georgetown and setting off for Frankfort, KY. But wait - there's one final surprise in store! It's time to sip and savor at a bourbon tasting at a local distillery, where you'll discover the rich flavors and history behind Kentucky's beloved spirit. And what better way to cap off your adventure than with a mouthwatering lunch at Claudia Sanders Dinner House in Shelbyville, KY, where Southern hospitality meets culinary excellence. As you depart for home, memories of your unforgettable journey through Kentucky will linger, promising tales to be told and adventures to be cherished for years to come. (B,L)



\$1745.00 Double
\$2215.00 Single

Ten Countries Without a Passport

July 14 – 18, 2024



Highlights:

- Arabia Steamboat Museum
- Guided Omaha Tour
- Old Market District Shopping
- Joslyn Castle - Scotland
- Ukraine Linese & Traditions Presentation
- Father Flanagan's Boys Town
- Big Mama's Kitchen Lunch
- Durham Museum
- China Tea presentation
- Omaha's Lithuanian Bakery
- Czech & Slovak Museum
- Polish Lunch Entertainment
- Lauritzen Botanical Garden
- Taste of Ireland at Brazen Head Irish Restaurant

Included:

- Air and Motorcoach
- 4 Nights Lodging
- 10 Meals Included
4 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches,
4 Dinners
- Attractions
- All Taxes

\$1587.00 Double
\$1967.00 Single

Get ready to embark on a whirlwind adventure through Omaha, where we'll explore the flavors and cultures of Germany, Greece, China, Lithuania, Czech/Slovakia, Poland, and Ireland! From savoring authentic German dishes and dancing the night away, to indulging in homemade Greek cuisine and experiencing the flavors of China through tea sampling, our journey promises to be a feast for the senses. With stops at historical landmarks and cultural hotspots, this trip is bound to be an unforgettable exploration of the world right here in the heart of the Midwest!

Itinerary

Day 1: Let's kick off our adventure-packed journey setting off for Omaha, but not before indulging in a delightful independent lunch at the City Market in Kansas City. Picture this: a lively market filled with an array of eateries, fresh produce stands, aromatic baked goods, and even crafts and jewelry to peruse. Then, it's time to dive into history at the Arabia Steamboat Museum. Prepare to be amazed as we explore the replicated wood-planked deck of the Arabia, discovering treasures from the past. Afterward, we'll settle in for four nights of luxury at the Omaha Marriott Regency Hotel. But wait, the fun doesn't stop there! Get ready to dine and dance the night away at our Germany Dinner extravaganza! Omaha's German American Society will treat us to an authentic meal featuring delicious rouladen, sauerbraten, or jagerschnitzel. And don't forget the entertainment! We'll be joining in on German dancing and singing, led by the spirited German men's choir. It's a lively evening that'll transport us straight to Deutschland, no passport required!

Day 2: Today kicks off with a scrumptious breakfast at the hotel, followed by an exciting, guided tour of Omaha. From the cobblestone streets of the historic Old Market Entertainment District to the impressive bronze sculptures of Pioneer Courage Park, we'll be soaking in all the sights and sounds of this vibrant city. And of course, there will be plenty of opportunities for independent lunch and shopping in the charming Old Market District. Next up, we'll embark on a cultural journey around the world without leaving Omaha! From Scotland to Ukraine, we'll be treated to fascinating presentations and delicious treats, all while learning about different customs and traditions.

And let's not forget dinner in Greece at St. John's Greek Orthodox Church, where we'll indulge in homemade Greek cuisine and dance the night away in true Mediterranean style.

Day 3: Today promises even more excitement with visits to Boys Town, the Durham Museum, and a tea tasting at the Tea Smith. Plus, we'll get to savor soul food at Big Mama's Kitchen and experience the flavors of China with a tea sampling from different regions. And what better way to end the day than with a traditional Greek dinner and dance performance?

Day 4: Now we'll dive into the culinary delights of Lithuania, Czech/Slovakia, and Poland, sampling delicious treats and learning about the rich cultural heritage of each country. And we'll cap off our unforgettable journey with a taste of Ireland at the Brazen Head Irish restaurant, complete with traditional dishes and live folk music. Get ready for the adventure of a lifetime – this is one trip you won't want to miss!

Day 5: As our whirlwind adventure around the globe starts winding down, it's time to bid farewell to the wonders of Omaha and set our sights back toward St. Louis for our final leg of the journey. But fear not, fellow travelers, for we're not done yet! Today promises to be a delightful blend of reflection on our incredible experiences and a few more surprises along the way. After savoring one last delicious breakfast at the hotel, we'll embark on our journey back to St. Louis.



Wonderful Wisconsin Dells

July 24 – 26, 2024



Highlights:

- Sunset Dinner Cruise
- Lost Canyon Tour
- HH Bennet Studio & Museum
- Wisconsin Deer Park
- Fawn Creek Winery - wine tasting
- Ropp Jersey Cheese

Included:

- Motorcoach
- 4 Meals Included
2 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches
- 2 Nights Lodging
- Attractions
- All Taxes



\$1069.00 Double
\$1297.00 Single



Come on a thrilling journey through Wisconsin Dells and beyond! Cruise the Wisconsin River, explore history at the H. H. Bennett Studio & Museum, visit Wisconsin Deer Park, and enjoy wine at Fawn Creek Winery. Discover Lake Delton on the Lost Canyon Tour and indulge in sweet treats at Ropp Jersey Cheese. Join us for an unforgettable adventure!

Itinerary

Day 1: Let the fun begin! We're setting off for Wisconsin Dells, WI, where the excitement awaits. But first, let's fuel up with a lunch of your choice – freedom tastes delicious! Check into the fabulous Fairfield Inn & Suites, your home away from home for the next two nights. Tonight, get ready for an unforgettable experience aboard the Dells Boat Tours® - Sunset Dinner Cruise. Picture this: stunning scenery, live entertainment, and mouthwatering food, all against the breathtaking backdrop of sandstone cliffs and rock formations along the Upper Dells on the Wisconsin River. Ah, pure magic! Don't miss the loading dock located Downtown! (D)

Day 2: Wake up to a scrumptious breakfast at the hotel – the perfect start to another epic day! Today, we're off to Lake Delton, WI, for the Lost Canyon Tour. Climb aboard comfortable horse-drawn carriages and journey through cliff-walled gorges. Feel the thrill as the guides skillfully navigate through narrow passages while you marvel at rock formations untouched by sunlight for over 50,000 years! Next stop: Wisconsin Dells! Dive into history at the H. H. Bennett Studio & Museum.

Explore the 1875 photography studio and immerse yourself in 6,000 sq ft of interactive exhibits. Hungry? Grab a bite downtown! Then, it's off to the Wisconsin Deer Park for a wild encounter with over 100 deer and other wildlife! Feed, photograph, and even pet these majestic creatures – it's a nature lover's dream come true. But wait, there's more! Indulge in a delightful wine tasting at Fawn Creek Winery before enjoying the hilarious Sneaky Pete's Wild West Dinner Show at Legacy Dinner Theater. Yeehaw! (B, D)

Day 3: Rise and shine for one last breakfast at the resort before bidding farewell to Wisconsin Dells. But fear not – the adventure continues! First, a pit stop at Jason's Deli with Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburgers and Chick-fil-A nearby. Save room for dessert because we're headed to Normal, IL, for a sweet treat at Ropp Jersey Cheese! Watch cheesemakers in action, stroll through the cow barn, and savor a scoop of hand-dipped ice cream – the perfect ending to an unforgettable journey. Get ready to make memories that last a lifetime! Let's hit the road and turn every moment into an adventure! (B)

Balloons, Bridges & the Duke National Balloon Classic

July 29 – August 1, 2024



Highlights:

- Stop at American Gothic House
- National Balloon Museum
- West Hill Brewery Tour and Tasting
- VIP suite at the National Balloon Classic
- World Food Prize Hall of Laureates
- Lunch and performance at Des Moines Metro Opera HQ
- Honey Tasting at the Studio
- Edge of Woods Raspberry Farm
- Guided tour of the Bridges in Madison County
- Iowa Quilt Museum
- John Wayne Museum and Birthplace
- National Balloon Classic Nite Glow

Included:

- Motorcoach
- 8 Meals Included
3 Breakfasts, 2 Lunch, 3 Dinners
- 3 Nights Lodging



\$1477.00 Double
\$1779.00 Single



Embark on an unforgettable adventure with our captivating tour, where every moment is infused with excitement and discovery! From tracing the footsteps of American art history at the iconic white house that inspired Grant Wood's masterpiece to soaring through the skies amidst the spectacle of the National Balloon Classic, our journey promises unparalleled thrills. Delve into the rich tapestry of Iowa's culture as we explore charming downtowns, savor delectable local cuisine, and uncover hidden gems like the National Balloon Museum and the Iowa Quilt Museum. With exclusive experiences like private opera performances and honey tastings, each day is a symphony of delight for the senses. Whether wandering through historic bridges or basking in the glow of illuminated hot air balloons, our tour is a testament to the beauty and wonder that awaits at every turn. Join us for an adventure of a lifetime and create memories that will last forever!

Itinerary

Day 1: First off, let's swing by the cute little white house that inspired Grant Wood's famous American Gothic painting. We can even dress up and take some fun photos there! Then, we'll head to the National Balloon Museum, which is pretty cool 'cause it's the only one like it in the country. You'll learn all about the history of flight and hot air balloons from way back in 1783 to today. After that, we'll chill at West Hill Brewery for some tasty local brews, dinner, and a cool tour of the brewery. Later, we'll hit up the National Balloon Classic, where you'll see over 100 awesome hot air balloons lighting up the sky. There's live music and entertainment too! We'll crash at the Drury Inn in West Des Moines for the night.

Day 2: We'll start the day with a visit to the World Food Prize Hall of Laureates to learn about Norman Borlaug and the World Food Prize. Then, we'll wander around Indianola's downtown area, which is full of historic buildings and cute shops. Lunchtime means we're off to Des Moines Metro Opera HQ for some fancy eats and a private opera performance – how cool is that? Next, we'll check out The Studio for a honey tasting and then head to Edge of the Woods Raspberry Farm for some berry picking. Back in Des Moines, we'll relax at the Drury Inn before dinner at a local spot.

Day 3: We'll explore Madison County's famous bridges and learn about their history and the movie "The Bridges of Madison County." Then, we'll enjoy lunch at Madison County Winery with a gorgeous view of Iowa's countryside. After lunch, it's on to the Iowa Quilt Museum for some artsy vibes, followed by a visit to the John Wayne Birthplace & Museum. We'll end the day at the National Balloon Classic's Nite Glow – watching those balloons light up the sky at night is magical!

Day 4: After breakfast at the Drury, it's time to head back home to St. Louis. What an awesome trip it's been!



Bubbles, Bluffs & Dancing Shoes - Good Clean Fun at Starved Rock

August 5-6, 2024



Itinerary:

Day 1: Peoria Fun Galore!**

Our first stop is in Peoria, where our adventure kicks off with a bang! Once we're fueled up from our included lunch, it's time for some "clean" fun! We'll roll up our sleeves and get crafty, whipping up our very own bath products. It's like a DIY spa day—how cool is that? After our hands-on escapades, we bid adieu to the city hustle and bustle, heading straight for the natural wonderland of Starved Rock State Park. After we check in to our rooms for the night, we will enjoy dinner and a free evening. (D)



\$477.00 Double
\$579.00 Single

Day 2: Rise and shine, adventurers! Today's all about soaking in the beauty of Starved Rock. We start the day with a leisurely breakfast, gearing up for a day of exploration and excitement. With plenty of time to roam, enjoy free time to hit the trails, take in jaw-dropping views or just relax in the peace of nature. At lunchtime, we'll gather for a delectable buffet followed by a hearty dose of "Good Clean Fun" – a family-friendly entertainment experience that's bound to get everyone laughing and dancing! This dynamic show boasts a playlist of party hits spanning over seven decades, guaranteeing a high-energy performance that'll keep you grooving. With performances across the US and abroad, "Good Clean Fun" delivers the ultimate dance party, playing everyone's favorite hits from every era. It's no wonder they're one of the most sought-after party bands around! After the show, we will head back to St. Louis and reflect on the awesome experiences we've shared, from creating something new to laughing our socks off at the show. With memories made and hearts full, we say goodbye to Starved Rock, knowing the adventure isn't over—it's just begun! (B, D)



Tractor Tracks & River Rhythms

A Quad Cities Adventure!

August 16 – 18, 2024



Highlights:

- John Deere Plant Tour
- John Deere Pavillion
- Celebration Belle Dinner Cruise
- Cinnamon Ridge Farm
- Iowa 80 Truckstop and museum
- Circa 21 Dinner Show
- Quad Cities Botanical Center
- Deere Wiman House
- Butterworth Center

Included:

- Motorcoach
- 5 Meals Included
2 Breakfasts, 1 Snack,
2 Dinners
- 2 Nights Lodging

\$785.00 Double
\$965.00 Single

Join us on a thrilling journey through the heartland with our 'Tractor Tracks & River Rhythms: A Quad Cities Adventure!' Experience the excitement of touring John Deere's iconic factories, indulge in delicious meals aboard a scenic Dinner and Dance Cruise along the Mississippi River, and explore the rich agricultural heritage of the region at Cinnamon Ridge Farms. Delight in Broadway-style entertainment at Circa 21, and discover the sweet allure of chocolate at the Quad Cities Botanical Center. With charming downtown explorations and immersive historical tours, this tour promises unforgettable moments and cherished memories in the heart of the Midwest.

Itinerary

Day 1: Enjoy an exhilarating journey from St. Louis, your excitement palpable as you settle in for a delightful adventure with a lunch stop en route to the Quad Cities. The anticipation builds as the landscapes shift outside your window, hinting at the experiences awaiting you. Arrive at the John Deere Davenport Works, where the towering buildings stand as a testament to innovation and industry. Check in for the factory tour, eager to delve into the heart of manufacturing excellence. As you step inside, the hum of machinery surrounds you, setting the stage for an immersive exploration. Follow your guide through the vast facility, marveling at the precision and skill that goes into crafting each piece of equipment. Don't forget to browse the factory store before you depart, a treasure trove of John Deere memorabilia awaiting your discovery. Next, venture to the Pavilion and Store in Moline, where the iconic green and yellow colors of John Deere greet you. Spend time wandering through exhibits that celebrate the rich history and ingenuity of the brand. From vintage tractors to cutting-edge technology, immerse yourself in the world of agriculture and innovation. Afterward, check into the hotel, where you have a moment to refresh and recharge before the evening's festivities. As the sun begins to set, board the Celebration Belle for a Dinner and Dance Cruise along the majestic Mississippi River. Indulge in a feast for the senses as you dine on delicious cuisine, sip cocktails, and sway to the rhythm of live music. The gentle lapping of the water against the boat's hull provides the perfect backdrop for an evening of relaxation and camaraderie. (D)

Day 2: Saturday morning dawns with the promise of new adventures. Fuel up with a hearty breakfast before setting out for Cinnamon Ridge Farms, a beacon of innovation in the heart of the countryside. From robotic dairy technology to sustainable farming practices, immerse yourself in the world of modern agriculture. Sample farm-fresh delights and browse the on-farm store, where homemade treats and treasures await. Then, journey to the iconic Iowa 80 Truckstop, a mecca for travelers and truck enthusiasts alike. Explore aisles lined with vintage trucks and trucking memorabilia, marveling at the evolution of transportation over the years. Indulge in a delicious meal at one of the many eateries, each offering a taste of home-cooked comfort and hospitality. In the evening, make your way to Circa 21 for a performance of Menopause The Musical, a hilarious and heartwarming celebration of womanhood. Laugh along with the characters as they navigate the trials and triumphs of "the change," accompanied by a buffet-style feast fit for a queen. (B,S, D)

Day 3: Sunday morning brings a leisurely start, with breakfast at the hotel and a visit to the nearby Farmers Market. Take time to explore downtown Davenport, with its charming shops and historic landmarks, before venturing to the Quad Cities Botanical Center. Discover the sweet allure of chocolate as you explore the gardens at the Quad Cities Botanical Center and learn about the history of this decadent treat. Then, journey to the Deere Wiman House and Butterworth Center, where the stories of John Deere's descendants come to life against the backdrop of exquisite architecture and lush gardens. As you bid farewell to the Quad Cities, your weekend is filled with unforgettable experiences and cherished memories, a testament to the beauty and bounty of the Midwest. (B)

Baseball, History, and Heartland

August 9-11, 2024



Highlights:

- 2 Baseball games
- National WWI Museum
- Harry Truman Library
- Military Trails of Missouri

Included:

- Motorcoach
- 3 Meals Included (2 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch)
- 2 Nights Lodging
- Attractions



\$725.00 Double
\$917.00 Single

Join us on a whirlwind weekend adventure from St. Louis to Kansas City! Dive into the heart of America's favorite pastime with thrilling baseball games between the St. Louis Cardinals and the Kansas City Royals at Kauffman Stadium. But that's not all; immerse yourself in history as you explore the Harry S. Truman Library & Museum and the National WWI Museum & Memorial, gaining insights into pivotal moments of the past. With included lunches and ample time to explore, this tour promises an unforgettable blend of sports, culture, and adventure, leaving you with memories to cherish long after the final pitch. **Reservations must be made by June 7, 2024.**

Itinerary

Day 1: Embark on a weekend adventure from St. Louis to Kansas City, a journey filled with anticipation and excitement. Begin your day with a short drive to Kansas City, Missouri, immersing yourself in the scenic landscapes along the way. Upon arrival, head straight to lunch at a local eatery of your choice, savoring the diverse flavors of the city. After lunch, make your way to the Harry S. Truman Library & Museum to explore the life and legacy of the esteemed president. Spend the afternoon immersing yourself in exhibits that capture key moments of Truman's presidency. As evening approaches, prepare for the night's baseball game. Head to Kauffman Stadium to join the fervent crowd for the first pulse-pounding match between the St. Louis Cardinals and the Kansas City Royals. Absorb the electrifying atmosphere and cheer on your favorite team as you indulge in the excitement of live baseball.

Day 2: Awake to a new day in Kansas City and enjoy a hearty breakfast at a local café or diner. If you're participating in the Military Trails of Missouri, seize the opportunity to collect stamps and coins from designated locations. Spend the morning exploring the National WWI Museum & Memorial, immersing yourself in the history of the Great War. Afterwards, continue your exploration of Kansas City's attractions, perhaps visiting the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art or indulging in some leisurely shopping at the Country Club Plaza. Pause for an included lunch at a local eatery. After lunch, enjoy a little free time before the game. As evening approaches, return to Kauffman Stadium for the second thrilling baseball game between the Cardinals and the Royals. Cheer on your favorite team and revel in the excitement of the game. (B, L)

Day 3: After a leisurely morning and breakfast at the hotel, we will head back to St. Louis after a fun weekend celebrating America's Pastime and learning more about our military heroes. As we journey homeward, we carry with us the echoes of roaring crowds, the solemn stories of sacrifice, and the camaraderie forged over baseball games and museum visits. Until we meet again, Kansas City, thank you for an unforgettable experience. (B)



Sinners, Saints & Songs Ark Encounter & Creation Museum

August 20 – 23, 2024



Highlights:

- Red Skelton Comedy Museum
- Hofbrauhaus Dinner
- Creation Museum
- Concert at Creation Museum - Justin Cole and True Song
- Gangster Tour
- Riverboat Dinner Cruise
- Ark Encounter
- Concert with Karen Peck and New River
- Breakfast with Penguins at Newport Aquarium.



Included:

- 3 Nights Lodging
- Motorcoach
- 6 Meals
3 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch,
2 Dinners
- Attractions
- All Taxes



Get ready for a wild ride with our “Sinners, Saints, and Songs” tour! Picture this: we’re hitting the road to explore the epic Ark Encounter and groove to the beats at the 40 Days of Music Festival. It’s a mashup of spirituality, history, and pure entertainment! Hang on tight as we dive into the Ark’s epic tale and sway to the rhythms of live music. And hey, along the way, we’ll dish out juicy stories of saints and sinners, unraveling the quirkiest urban legends. Join us for a rockin’ journey where faith, music, and a whole lot of fun collide!

Itinerary

Day 1: Depart for Vincennes, IN. Remember, we’re moving from Central to Eastern time, so adjust your watches accordingly! Lunch awaits us at Dogwood BBQ, a buffet-style haven featuring mouthwatering barbecue pork, beef, or chicken alongside Amish delights. It’s southern cooking at its finest in a charming, rustic setting. After lunch, let’s dive into laughter at the Red Skelton Comedy Museum, celebrating the comedic genius of one of America’s finest. Explore the life and characters of Red Skelton and be inspired by his resilience and humor. Next stop: Newport, KY! Check into the cozy Fairfield Inn & Suites Newport on the River for three nights of comfort. Cap off the day with a delicious dinner at Hofbrauhaus! (L, D)

Day 2: Start your day with a hearty breakfast at the hotel because today is packed with excitement! Journey to Petersburg, KY for an eye-opening experience at the Creation Museum, where biblical stories come to life in vivid detail. Designed by a former Universal Studios exhibit director, the state-of-the-art 75,000-square-foot Creation Museum brings the pages of the Bible to life, casting its characters and animals in dynamic form and placing them in familiar settings. Prepare to believe. Included in admission is the museum’s walk through, Special Effects Theater, Botanical Gardens and Petting Zoo. Get ready for some foot-tapping tunes at the 40 Days & Nights Festival featuring Justin Cole & True Song! After an independent lunch, join us for a thrilling Gangster Tour in Newport, uncovering the town’s fascinating history. Explore the streets where the mob made their millions, gamblers lost their lives, and ladies of the night earned their reputations. Join our gangster guides for a raucous, high-energy presentation inside an old casino to explain the historic significance of Newport and discover how this little town gave birth to the modern-day gaming industry. Top it all off with a scenic BB Riverboat Dinner Cruise on the Ohio River! (B, D)

Day 3: Prepare for adventure as we explore the wonders of the Ark Encounter in Williamstown, KY. Step inside the colossal replica of Noah’s Ark and immerse yourself in its awe-inspiring story. The largest timber-frame structure is 510-feet long, seven stories high, and is an exact replica of Noah’s Ark according to the book of Genesis. This beautiful piece of architecture is filled with state-of-the-art exhibitions to tell the true story of Noah and the flood. Today you will have an independent lunch and dinner at the Ark. Feast your ears on the melodious performances of Karen Peck and New River, along with True Song, at the 40 Days & Nights Festival. (B)

Day 4: Our final day starts with an exclusive breakfast with the Penguins at Newport Aquarium. Experience the wonders of the underwater world before we bid farewell. Your group will partake in a Biologist presentation and then have early admission to view our exhibits in a self-guided tour of the Aquarium prior to opening for the public. Have an experience your group will never forget when you surround them with the wonders of an underwater world. You will have access to all the Aquarium’s exhibits, shows and galleries. As we journey home, we will make a stop for lunch as we transition from Eastern to Central time. Get ready to wrap up this incredible journey with memories that’ll last a lifetime! (B)

\$1587.00 Double
\$1935.00 Single

Smitten with the Mitten- Mackinac Island Adventure

August 25 – 29, 2024

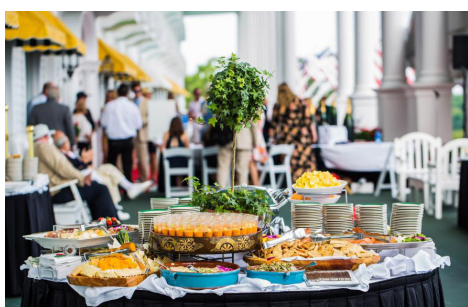


Highlights:

- Noto's Old World Italian Dinner
- Shepler's Ferry to Mackinac Island
- Dinner at local Mackinac Island restaurant
- Horse Drawn Carriage Island Tour
- Grand Hotel Buffet Luncheon
- One way taxi voucher to downtown Mackinac Island
- Ferry to St. Ignace, MI
- Tour & lunch at Castle Farms
- Dinner at local restaurant in Holland, MI
- Saugatuck Dune Rides

Included:

- 4 Nights Lodging
- Motorcoach
- 9 Meals
4 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches,
3 Dinners
- Attractions
- All Taxes



Embark on a lively Michigan escapade filled with memorable moments and delightful discoveries. From the bustling streets of Grand Rapids, renowned for its culinary scene, to the timeless charm of Mackinac Island, where horse-drawn carriages and sumptuous buffets await, each day offers its own unique charm. Explore the historic gardens of Castle Farms in Charlevoix, enjoy wine tastings, and brace for excitement on the Saugatuck Dune Rides. Traverse the iconic Mighty Mac Bridge, soak in panoramic views, and savor local flavors at every stop. Whether wandering along the island's porch or sampling delicious fudge, every experience adds to the tapestry of your Michigan adventure. As the journey concludes, reflect on the memories created and the beauty of the Great Lakes state.

Itinerary

Day 1: Get ready for a whirlwind Michigan adventure! On Day 1, kick off your journey as you depart from St. Louis and hit the road towards Grand Rapids. After a scenic drive, check into the Drury Inn and get ready for some serious foodie action with dinner at Noto's Old World Italian. Get ready to be wowed by their award-winning atmosphere and classic family recipes, where every bite is a journey through Italian culinary delights. (D)

Day 2: Day 2 is all about the magical Mackinac Island! Start with a delightful lunch in Mackinaw City before hopping on Shepler's Ferry to Mackinac Island. Check into the Murray Hotel, your cozy island retreat. Dinner will be at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 3: After a wonderful breakfast at the hotel, it's off for a horse-drawn carriage tour around the island and a feast fit for royalty at the Grand Hotel Grand Luncheon Buffet. Indulge in an array of delectable dishes while taking in panoramic views of the Straits of Mackinac. With free time, dive into delicious fudge from local shops, strut along the world's longest porch at the Grand Hotel, marvel at the natural wonder of Arch Rock, and explore the charming historic island homes that dot the landscape. (B, L)

Day 4: On Day 4, get ready for another day packed with excitement! Begin your morning by crossing the Mighty Mac Bridge, a magnificent structure that spans the Straits of Mackinac, offering breathtaking views of the surrounding landscape. As you journey towards Charlevoix, prepare for an unforgettable experience at Castle Farms. Delve into 100 years of history as you explore acres of meticulously manicured gardens, enchanted forests, and intriguing architecture. Indulge in a delicious lunch and guided tour of the castle, immersing yourself in the charm and grandeur of this historic landmark. As the day unfolds, wind down with a delightful dinner at a local restaurant, savoring the flavors of the region and reflecting on the adventures of the day. Our overnight stay will be in Holland, MI. (B, L, D)

Day 5: On Day 5, embark on your final escapade as you head to Saugatuck Dune Rides. Buckle up and hold on tight as you experience 40 minutes of sand and excitement aboard Michigan's premier dune ride attraction. Learn about the lost town of Singapore, marvel at local wildlife, and soak in the stunning summer views from the open-air vehicles. As the journey comes to a close, bid farewell to the beauty and charm of Michigan as you drive back to St. Louis, cherishing the memories of your unforgettable adventure. (B)

\$2077.00 Double
\$2657.00 Single

Salt Lake City Heritage Quest

September 10-14, 2024



Highlights:

- Step On Guide
- Red Butte Garden
- The Family Library Search
- Tabernacle Organ Performance
- Tabernacle Choir
- Snowbird Tram Ride
- Hidden Peak

Included:

- Airfare
- 8 Meals Included
4 Breakfasts, 4 Dinners
- 4 Nights Lodging
- Attractions
- All Taxes



Embark on a captivating five-day journey in Salt Lake City, Utah, where each day is filled with discovery and wonder. From exploring the serene Red Butte Garden to unraveling family histories at The Family Search Library, our adventure is enriched with guided tours, breathtaking excursions to Snowbird, and leisurely explorations of iconic landmarks like Temple Square. With memories and newfound knowledge in tow, our journey culminates as we bid farewell to the enchanting city.



Itinerary

Day 1: Let the excitement begin as we board an early flight to the captivating Salt Lake City, Utah. Upon arrival, our comfortable motorcoach waits to whisk us away to the enchanting Red Butte Garden. This 100-acre oasis of botanical gardens and serene hiking trails will rejuvenate us after the flight and let you bask in the beauty that is Utah. Afterward, we will indulge in a Welcome Dinner and settle into our hotel for a splendid 4-night stay! (D)

Day 2: Rise and shine to a scrumptious breakfast, setting the tone for a day filled with exploration and charm. Our Step-on Guide will reveal the city's hidden gems, from the historic Pioneer and Temple Squares to the vibrant Trolley and Library Squares. Be enthralled by a live Tabernacle Organ performance before lunch. Post-lunch, immerse yourself in the world of ancestry at The Family Search Library, where we will participate in a Discovery Experience. In this experience, we will learn what the library can offer us as we research our own family lineage. Dinner will be as a group tonight. (B, D)

Day 3: Today holds another chapter of discovery at The Family Search Library. The morning allows you to delve deep into your family history, filling in the gaps with excitement. Lunch on your own beckons at the charming Trolley Square, providing a chance to savor local flavors. As the afternoon unfolds, relish some leisure time at the hotel before an enchanting evening of Tabernacle Choir practice and an exquisite dinner. (B,D)

Day 4: Embrace the luxury of sleeping in a little longer before we venture to the majestic Snowbird in the Rocky Mountains. A breathtaking aerial tram ride awaits, carrying us up 2,900 vertical feet in a mere 13 minutes. At the summit, relish a 360-degree panorama from Hidden Peak, a view that will surely leave you in awe. Following a delectable lunch on your own, seize the afternoon to wrap up any remaining research at The Family Search Library. Our final group dinner will be tonight. (B, D)

Day 5: Today marks the culmination of our tour, but it's far from the end. With time at your fingertips, explore the iconic Temple Square and its myriad attractions. Delight in a leisurely lunch on your own amidst the splendor. As the sun begins to set, we board our late afternoon flight home, carrying with us new information on our family history and great memories of our time in Salt Lake City. (B)



\$2827.00 Double
\$3637.00 Single



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WWII Memorial Tour 16 Day Tour of Europe

September 11 - 26, 2024



Highlights:

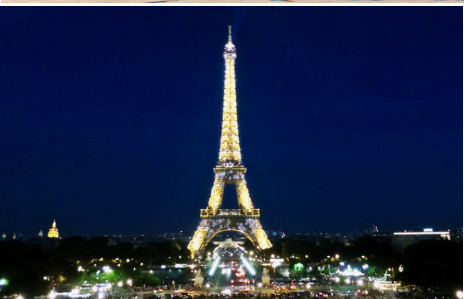
- Dachau Concentration Camp.
- Glockenspiel
- Fort Hackenberg, part of the Maginot Line.
- Bastogne, synonymous with the “Battle of the Bulge”.
- Glide gracefully past castles and vineyards on a scenic Rhine River boat ride.
- Eiffel Tower and Arc de Triomphe in Paris.
- Canals of Amsterdam on a serene boat tour.
- Normandy Landing Beaches and Military Cemetery.



Embark on an unforgettable journey through the poignant history of World War II with our immersive European tour. From the somber reflections at Nuremberg’s rally grounds to the eye-opening exhibits at Dachau Concentration Camp, each day is filled with profound insights and historical landmarks. Traverse through picturesque Bavarian villages, explore the bustling streets of Munich, and marvel at the serene beauty of the Rhine River. Delve into the stories of bravery and sacrifice at the Normandy Landing Beaches and pay respects at the American Cemetery in Luxembourg. Alongside the solemn experiences, enjoy leisurely moments cruising Amsterdam’s iconic canals and savoring French cuisine in Paris. With expert guidance from our Tour Manager and deluxe accommodations throughout, this journey blends learning with leisure, offering a truly unforgettable exploration of World War II’s enduring legacy in Europe.

Included:

- Airfare
- 24 Meals
14 Breakfasts, 10 Dinners, plus in-flight meals.
- A Tour Manager will be your guide throughout the European adventure.
- 15 Nights Lodging
- Attractions



Itinerary

DAY 1 : Overnight Flight to Europe: Relax and let Image Tours take care of the details as you embark on your overnight flight to Europe.

DAY 2 : GERMANY - Arrival in Bavaria: ** Welcome to Germany! Arrive at Frankfurt Airport, meet your tour manager, and head to Bavaria. Get to know your fellow travelers during a cozy “Welcome to Europe” dinner. (D)

DAY 3 : GERMANY - Nuremberg - Bavaria: ** Explore Nuremberg’s historical landmarks and reflect on its past. Return to Bavaria for a delightful dinner. (B,D)

DAY 4 :GERMANY - Dachau, Munich, Tyrolean Village: ** Visit Dachau Concentration Camp and explore Munich’s elegant streets. Wind up in a charming Tyrolean Village for a cozy night’s stay. (B, D)

DAY 5 : GERMANY - Tyrolean Village: Enjoy a leisurely day in Tyrolean Village or opt for a Salzburg & Eagle’s Nest excursion. Spend another peaceful night in the mountains. (B)

DAY 6 : GERMANY - Ulm, Bad Herrenalb: Marvel at Ulm’s imposing Minster and pay respects at Erwin Rommel’s grave. Relax with a buffet dinner in Bad Herrenalb. (B, D)

DAY 7 : FRANCE - St. Avold, Fort Hackenberg, Trier: *Journey through the Alsace Region and the Vosges Mountains. Explore Lorraine’s American Cemetery and tour Fort Hackenberg. Rest in Trier, Germany’s oldest city. (B, D)

DAY 8 : LUXEMBOURG, BELGIUM, GERMANY - Luxembourg, Bastogne, Trier: Visit General Patton’s resting place, the Ardennes, and the Luxembourg National Museum of Military History. Return to Trier for a relaxing evening. (B)

DAY 9 : GERMANY - Rhine River, Remagen, Rhine-Ruhr Region: ** Cruise the beautiful Rhine River and marvel at Remagen’s Ludendorff Bridge. Arrive at your Rhine-Ruhr region hotel for a delightful dinner. (B, D)

DAY 10 : HOLLAND - Groesbeek, Nijmegen, South Holland: ** Explore sites significant to World War II liberation efforts in Holland. Learn about Operation Market Garden and enjoy dinner at your South Holland hotel. (B, D)

DAY 11 : HOLLAND - Amsterdam, South Holland: Discover Amsterdam’s canals and gabled houses. Enjoy a leisurely afternoon exploring the city before returning to your hotel for dinner. (B,D)

DAY 12 : BELGIUM, FRANCE - Antwerp, Caen: Travel from Holland to France with a stop in Antwerp, Belgium. Arrive in Caen for a delightful dinner. (B, D)

DAY 13 :FRANCE - Normandy Landing Beaches: Spend the day touring the famous Normandy Landing Beaches and reflecting on history. Enjoy an independent dinner in Arromanches. (B)

DAY 14 : FRANCE - Caen, Paris: Explore the Caen Peace Memorial and Museum before heading to Paris. Enjoy a festive “Farewell Dinner” in the City of Lights. (B, D)

DAY 15 : FRANCE - Paris: Dive into Parisian charm with visits to iconic landmarks. Spend the evening exploring Montmartre’s artistic ambiance and savoring French cuisine. (B)

DAY 16 : Return to USA: Say goodbye to Europe and board your daytime flight back to the USA. (Breakfast) There you have it, a life changing take on your European journey through the echoes of World War II. Get ready for a blend of history, culture, and unforgettable experiences!

\$6340.00 Double
\$8035.00 Single

Million Dollar Melodies: A Musical Journey through Legends

September 13– 19, 2024



Highlights:

- Grand Ole Opry Show
- Country Music Hall of Fame
- Johnny Cash Museum
- Johnny Cash Hideaway Farm/Storytellers Museum
- Singing Tour of Nashville
- Graceland
- Rock & Soul Museum
- Branson Craft Mall
- Elvis Tribute Artist - Dean Z
- Opry Backstage Tour
- Historic Studio B
- Patsy Cline Museum
- Performance by Johnny Cash's Nephew
- Tour of Memphis
- Sun Studios
- Table Rock Lake Visitors Center
- Presley's Country Jubilee
- Million Dollar Quartet Show
- Downhome Country Show

Included:

- Motorcoach
- 15 Meals Included
6 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 6 Dinners
- 6 Nights Lodging
- Attractions
- All Taxes



\$2529.00 Double
\$3199.00 Single



Embark on our “Million Dollar Melodies” tour, exploring Nashville, Memphis, and Branson! From Johnny Cash’s soulful tunes to Elvis Presley’s electrifying charisma, dive into American music history. Start in Nashville with the Grand Ole Opry for country melodies and backstage secrets. Explore the Country Music Hall of Fame and visit Elvis’s iconic Graceland. The tour peaks with the Million Dollar Quartet’s legendary jam session in Memphis, featuring Elvis, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, and Carl Perkins. Experience the magic from Sun Studio to Branson’s theaters. Meet descendants of these legends for personal stories and insights. Let the melodies of the Million Dollar Quartet take you on a soulful journey through American music!

Itinerary

Day 1: Let’s kick off at the new Old Glory Restaurant in Clarksville, TN, known for its delectable dishes and Tennessee Spirits. Then, we’ll dive into the backstage magic of the Grand Ole Opry, strolling through its iconic halls and cozy dressing rooms. After checking into our hotel, we’ll enjoy a feast at Santa Fe Cattle Company before catching the Grand Ole Opry Show at the Opry House, where country legends come to shine. (L, D)

Day 2: We’ll explore Nashville’s Country Music Hall of Fame, where we’ll trace the footsteps of country music legends and immerse ourselves in their stories. Studio B, where Elvis recorded many hits, is our next stop. The Johnny Cash Museum offers insight into the Man in Black’s life, and a city tour reveals Nashville’s hidden gems. Dinner with live entertainment awaits at Paula Deen’s Family Kitchen, promising a night of Southern hospitality and toe-tapping tunes. (B, D)

Day 3: Join us for stories at Johnny Cash’s Hideaway Farm, where Mark Alan Cash shares personal anecdotes. Lunch in Jackson with a surprise guest adds a touch of authenticity to our journey. A Memphis city tour reveals the city’s musical legacy, while dinner at Marlowe’s lets us savor the flavors of authentic Memphis barbecue. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Today, we tour Graceland, Elvis Presley’s iconic home, where we’ll explore the Jungle Room and Meditation Garden. Lunch at Vernon’s Smokehouse offers a taste of Memphis tradition before we visit Sun Studio, where the legendary night depicted in Million Dollar Quartet unfolded. The Memphis Rock ‘n’ Soul Museum takes us on a musical journey before dinner at Blues City Cafe, featuring tales from Jerry Lee Lewis III. (B, L, D)

Day 5: We’re off to Branson! Enjoy the scenic drive, a visit to Table Rock Lake Visitors Center, and dinner at a local restaurant, where Branson’s charm comes alive. Then, it’s showtime at Presley’s Country Jubilee, a toe-tapping extravaganza featuring live performances and side-splitting comedy. (B, D)

Day 6: Shop and grab lunch at Branson Craft Mall, where unique finds await around every corner. Later, catch Dean Z as Elvis, one of the premier Elvis Tribute artists, channeling the King’s spirit. The electrifying Million Dollar Quartet show at Shepherd of the Hills brings the legendary night to life, offering a glimpse into rock ‘n’ roll history. (B, D)

Day 7: As our journey ends, we reflect on the legendary music experienced together, from Elvis to the Million Dollar Quartet. Until next time, keep on rockin’ and rollin’! (B)

Beef, Boards & Alpacas A Million Dollar Quartet Adventure

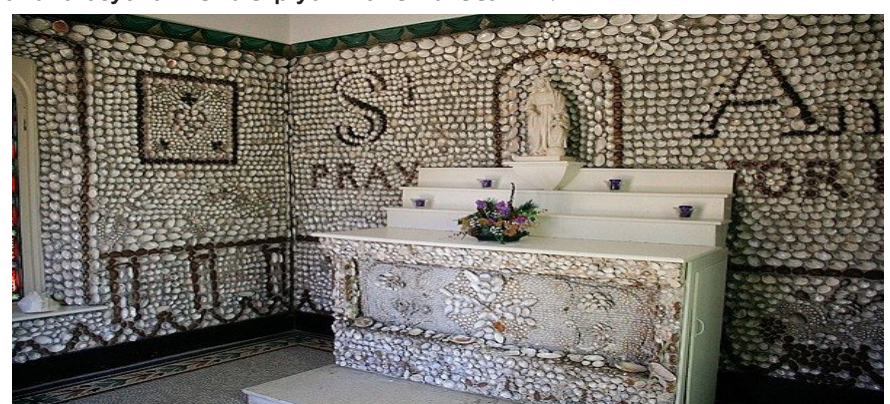
September 21– 22, 2024



Itinerary:

Day 1: Kick-start your morning with a visit to the Shrine of Saint Mother Theodore Guerin, where you’ll discover the inspiring story of this remarkable saint. From there, dive into the whimsical world of alpacas at the Alpaca Farm located at Saint Mary’s of the Woods College. Spend the afternoon cuddling these adorable creatures and exploring the beautiful grounds. As the day rolls into evening, prepare for a night of excitement at Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre. Indulge in a delectable meal before being whisked away by the electrifying performance of “Million Dollar Quartet.” Lunch will be included on day one, adding to the culinary delights of your journey.

Day 2: Day two promises even more excitement as you venture out to explore a local attraction, adding another layer of fun to your adventure. Whether it’s a museum, botanical garden, or historical site, there’s something for everyone to enjoy. And before bidding farewell to this charming locale, savor one last mouthwatering meal at a cozy local eatery. With hearts full of joy and memories to last a lifetime, embark on your journey back to St. Louis, relishing in the scenic views and recounting the highlights of your two-day escapade. Get ready to immerse yourself in the magic of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods and beyond – it’s a trip you won’t want to miss!



\$485.00 Double
\$602.00 Single

Cape Cod Capers: Island Hopping Adventure

September 23 – 27, 2024



Highlights:

- Red Jacket Beach Resort
- Nantucket Sound
- Martha's Vineyard Island Excursion
- Oak Bluffs
- Chatham
- Chatham Light
- Cape Cod National Seashore
- Whale Watch Cruise
- Nantucket Island
- Hyannisport
- Dexter Grist Mill
- Sandwich Glass Museum

Included:

- Airfare
- 8 Meals Included
4 Breakfasts, 4 Dinners
- 4 Nights Lodging
- Attractions
- All Taxes



Embark on a whirlwind journey through the vibrant coastal wonders of New England with our “Cape Cod Capers: Island Hopping Adventure”! From the moment you touch down at Boston’s Logan International Airport, you’ll be swept away on a wave of excitement. Feel the salty breeze as you settle into the luxurious Red Jacket Beach Resort, your home base for four nights of seaside bliss. Get ready to explore Martha’s Vineyard and Nantucket, two iconic islands steeped in history and charm, where each street tells a story and every corner beckons with adventure. Cruise through the Cape’s quaint villages, embark on thrilling whale watches or dune tours, and savor traditional New England lobster dinners as you create unforgettable memories. From sandy shores to scenic vistas, this journey promises laughter, discovery, and endless fun in the sun!

Itinerary

Day 1: Welcome to Cape Cod
Touch down at Boston’s Logan International Airport, where your adventure begins! Get ready for a warm welcome from your Local Tour Guide and hop aboard our luxurious motorcoach as we journey towards the captivating shores of Cape Cod. Feel the salty sea breeze and anticipate the coastal delights awaiting you at the Red Jacket Beach Resort, overlooking the stunning Nantucket Sound. After settling in, freshen up for a delightful dinner together. (D)

Day 2: Martha’s Vineyard Island Excursion
Rise and shine for a day of island magic! After a scrumptious breakfast, we set sail to the picturesque Martha’s Vineyard. Marvel at its rich history, from a sanctuary for coastal ships to a vibrant whaling community, now transformed into a haven for tourists. Wander through quaint towns, stroll along pristine shores, and relish in the island’s relaxed vibe. Dive into a guided tour of Oak Bluffs, famed for its charming Carpenter Gothic cottages, and Edgartown, adorned with majestic Greek revival homes. Return to the mainland after a day filled with exploration. (B, D)

Day 3: Chatham, Cape Cod National Seashore & Provincetown Adventures. Today is all about adventure! After breakfast, join us as we explore the lower and outer Cape. Discover the seaside charm of Chatham, snap photos at Chatham Light, and behold the breathtaking views at Cape Cod National Seashore. In Provincetown, immerse yourself in its artistic waterfront scene before embarking on an exhilarating Whale Watch Cruise (weather dependant). Keep your cameras ready for awe-inspiring moments! (B, D)

Day 4: Nantucket Island Exploration
Embark on a high-speed cruise to Nantucket Island, affectionately known as “The Gray Lady.” Delve into its rich history as the former whaling capital of the world and marvel at its cobblestone streets and Quaker-style homes. Enjoy a guided tour of the island, explore charming shops, and indulge in a traditional New England Lobster Dinner before returning to the mainland. (B, D)

Day 5: Hyannis and Sandwich Delights & Departure
Savor your final breakfast in Cape Cod before bidding farewell to its treasures. Explore Hyannisport, the Kennedy’s haven, and take in the scenic beauty at Veteran’s Beach. Journey to Sandwich, Cape Cod’s oldest town, where history comes to life at the Dexter Grist Mill and the Sandwich Glass Museum. Relive the fun-filled memories as we return to Boston Logan International Airport for your departure home. (B)



\$2627.00 Double
\$3217.00 Single

Colorado Train Adventure

October 1-7, 2024



Highlights:

- Ride Georgetown Train
- Colorado Railroad Museum
- Georgetown Loop Railroad
- Glenwood Springs
- Durango Silverton Narrow Gauge
- Mesa Verde National Park
- Pagosa Springs
- Royal Gorge Route Railroad
- Octoberfest Dinner Train
- Royal Gorge Park and Bridge
- Pike's Peak Cog Railway

Included:

- Air Fare and Motorcoach
- 6 Nights Lodging
- 11 meals
6 Breakfast, 1 Lunch,
4 Dinners
- Attractions
- All taxes



Set off on an exhilarating seven-day journey through Colorado's historic railways and breathtaking landscapes. Begin with a warm welcome dinner in Denver before diving into the rich history of the Colorado Railroad Museum and the thrilling Georgetown Loop Railroad. Traverse the Rockies to Glenwood Springs, where hot springs beckon for relaxation. Explore Silverton and ride the Durango Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, then venture to Mesa Verde National Park to discover ancient cliff dwellings. Enjoy the healing waters of Pagosa Springs and a scenic Royal Gorge Route Railroad dinner train. Conclude with a thrilling ascent of Pikes Peak on the Pike's Peak Cog Railway. Depart from Denver Airport with cherished memories of Colorado's iconic trains and majestic mountains.

Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive at the Denver Airport today, before 4 pm MST, and take your shuttle to the hotel where you will meet your local guide. Tonight, meet the group for a get-acquainted dinner. (D)

Day 2: This morning our first stop will be at the Colorado Railroad Museum in Golden. This museum's mission is to acquire, preserve and exhibit railroad equipment, artifacts, and photographs emphasizing Rocky Mountain area railroads. You will learn about the history of this region from the 1860's to present. After departing the museum, we are on our way to the town of Georgetown nestled in the mountains and take a journey on the historic Georgetown Loop Railroad. This spectacular stretch of three-foot narrow gauge was considered an engineering marvel for its time. Continue our journey through the Rockies for the scenic mountain town of Glenwood Springs and your overnight stay. This evening you may enjoy a soak in the local hot springs. (B, D)

Day 3: This morning travel to the historic town of Silverton, enjoy some free time to explore the many shops and have lunch on your own. After your explorations, board the Durango Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, one of the last such railroads operating in the United States. "All aboard!" for a delightful trip through the Colorado Rockies between Silverton and Durango. The rugged peaks, alpine meadows, and crystal lakes take you back to the early days of the West when mountain men searched this untouched land for traces of bear and mountain lion. Upon arrival in Durango re-board your motorcoach and check into your hotel for a two-night stay with the rest of the day free to explore this fun western town on your own. (B)

Day 4: After breakfast, travel to nearby Mesa Verde National Park for a day of exploration. Here you will visit Cañon City, Colorado cliff dwellings where the mysterious Anasazi once lived. Known as the "Ancient Ones" to the Navajo, the Anasazi lived in the Four Corners area almost a thousand years ago, then suddenly disappeared leaving their incredibly well-preserved dwellings to intrigue and challenge modern man.

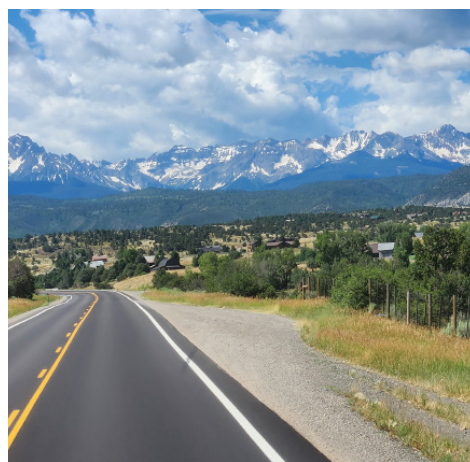
This is the nation's largest archeological preserve with 4,000 sights including 600 cliff dwellings. Spend some time in the Visitors Center with its large collection of ancient artifacts for an introduction to the ancient culture. A local expert will guide you through the most famous ruin sites with a stop at the Spruce Tree House Restaurant for lunch on your own. After a fascinating tour of the park, return to Durango for dinner on your own. (B)

Day 5: After a leisurely morning we will depart for Pagosa Springs, nestled in southwest Colorado. This is one of the state's last undiscovered gems. Known for its amazing hot springs, abundant sunshine, and small-town feel, you will enjoy a lunch on your own. We will then make our way to Canon City and check into our hotel. This evening we will board the Royal Gorge Route Railroad on the Oktoberfest Dinner Train for a vintage train ride along the legendary Arkansas River deep within the Gorge. (B, D)

Day 6: Pack up your bags, partner, because today you are off! This morning we will first stop at the Royal Gorge Park & Bridge, where the world's highest suspension bridge towers 1,053 feet above the Arkansas River. Here you will have time to walk out on the bridge and explore other sights in the park. After a pizza party in the town of Canon City travel to Manitou Springs and take a ride on the Pike's Peak Cog Railway that climbs to the top of Pikes Peak. Looking at this famous peak, rising 12,110 feet above sea level, you will understand the meaning of "Rocky Mountain High!" What a great end to our Colorado Train vacation. This afternoon check into your hotel and freshen up but do not wander too far because tonight you will rejoin your fellow passengers for a farewell dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Say farewell to Colorado and the Rocky Mountains. After breakfast you will transfer to the Denver International airport before noon for your departure. Please make departure flights after 12:00 pm MST for your journey home. (B)

This exclusive tour is conducted in collaboration with our esteemed travel partner, Western Leisure While Directions Tours manages the preliminary arrangements, Western Leisure oversees the tour operations. A dedicated Tour Director from Western Leisure will accompany you on one of their deluxe motorcoaches throughout the journey. Ahead of the trip, we will furnish you with the Tour Director's contact details and ensure that all your travel particulars are confirmed with them. We are confident that you will have a wonderful experience traveling with Western Leisure and make new friends as a result.



\$4509.00 Double
\$5085.00 Single

99 Reasons to Visit Nashville Celebrating the Opry's 99th Birthday

October 3-6, 2024

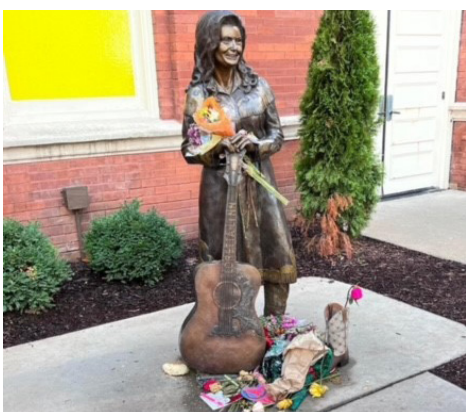


Highlights:

- Story Tellers Museum
- Wonders Center Planetarium
- Dinner at Wonders Center
- City Tour with singing guide
- Opry Backstage Tour
- Dinner at Sante Fe Cattle Company
- Songwriter performance
- Country Music Hall of Fame
- Historic Studio B
- Ryman Auditorium Tour
- Dinner at Paula Deen's Family Kitchen

Included:

- Motorcoach
- 6 Meals Included
3 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners
- 3 Nights Lodging
- Attractions



\$1499.00 Double
\$1899.00 Single

Get ready to tip your hats and tap your boots as we embark on a rollicking 4-day group tour celebrating the 99th birthday of the Grand Ole Opry! Our journey kicks off in Bon Aqua at the Storyteller Museum, where we'll be treated to the soulful tunes of Mark Alan Cash, Johnny Cash's nephew, as he spins tales and strums melodies that echo the essence of his legendary uncle's music. From there, we'll dive headfirst into the heart of country music lore at the Country Music Hall of Fame in Nashville, immersing ourselves in the stories and sounds of the genre's legends. We'll hit the streets for a Singing City Tour, soaking in the vibrant music scene that reverberates from every corner. Next, we'll step into the historic Ryman Auditorium, the Mother Church of Country Music, and explore its storied halls where echoes of Hank Williams and Patsy Cline still linger. With backstage access to the Grand Ole Opry, we'll rub elbows with stars and soak in the magic of live radio broadcasts. As our journey winds down, we raise a toast to 99 years of toe-tappin' tunes, unforgettable memories, and the enduring spirit

Itinerary

Day 1: Welcome to Tennessee! Our journey begins in Downtown Clarksville, where you'll have the opportunity to explore various dining options for lunch at your leisure. Next, we head to Bon Aqua, TN, to explore the Storytellers Museum, located at Johnny Cash's Hideaway Farm. Step into Johnny Cash's world at the 1837-built Farmhouse, adorned with memorabilia, videos, and captivating stories. At the Storytellers Museum, delve into the history of the property and its deep ties to Johnny Cash. Witness the iconic One-Piece-At-A-Time Cadillac and a remarkable collection of behind-the-scenes photos featuring Country Stars from the 50s to the 90s. Experience a special performance by Mark Alan Cash, Johnny's nephew, as he shares personal anecdotes about his famous uncle and enchants the audience with his soulful voice. Later in the afternoon, we journey to the Wonders Center, situated just 35 minutes from Downtown Nashville. Founded by David Rives Ministries, this expansive science museum upholds biblical values. Indulge in a catered dinner at the dinner theatre and immerse yourself in a show at the 140-seat Heavens Declare Planetarium. Ranked among the top 10 planetariums globally, it offers real-time cosmic experiences and groundbreaking visual effects. After our exploration, we return to the hotel for check-in and relaxation.

Day 2: Start your day with a hearty breakfast at the hotel before embarking on a Nashville city tour, guided by a singing enthusiast. Delight in the melodies and tales that embody the soul of Nashville. Following the tour, enjoy lunch on your own and shopping at Opry Mills, a premier shopping destination in Nashville. Later, gain exclusive access to the Grand Ole Opry backstage tour, where you'll journey behind the scenes of this iconic institution. Walk in the footsteps of country music legends as you explore dressing rooms, rehearsal spaces, and the hallowed stage where countless performers have made history. Gain insight into the inner workings of the Opry and discover the stories that have shaped its legendary status. It's a unique opportunity to experience the magic of the Opry from a perspective few have seen. Indulge in a savory meal at Santa Fe Cattle Company Nashville, accompanied by private entertainment from a Nashville songwriter.

Day 3: After breakfast, delve into the rich history of country music at the Country Music Hall of Fame, an iconic institution dedicated to preserving and celebrating the genre's heritage. Located in the heart of Nashville, this renowned museum showcases an extensive collection of artifacts, memorabilia, and interactive exhibits that trace the evolution of country music from its roots to the present day. Explore galleries dedicated to legendary artists, songwriters, and industry pioneers, and gain a deeper understanding of the cultural significance of this uniquely American art form. Following your visit to the Country Music Hall of Fame, embark on a guided tour of Historic Studio B, where some of the most iconic recordings in country music history were made. Step inside this historic recording studio, which has played host to legendary artists such as Elvis Presley, Dolly Parton, and Waylon Jennings. Led by knowledgeable guides, you'll learn about the studio's storied past and its enduring legacy in shaping the sound of Nashville's music scene. Hear fascinating anecdotes and behind-the-scenes stories as you explore the very rooms where timeless classics were born. Following your visit to the Country Music Hall of Fame, stroll the streets of Nashville for lunch on your own before you immerse yourself in the storied halls of the Ryman Auditorium during a self-guided tour. Known as the "Mother Church of Country Music," the Ryman Auditorium has been a cornerstone of Nashville's music scene since its founding in 1892. Explore the venue's rich history and architectural splendor as you wander through its hallowed halls, adorned with photographs, memorabilia, and artifacts that chronicle its legendary past.

Day 4: Wrap up your unforgettable Tennessee experience with a leisurely breakfast at the hotel, filled with joyous musical memories that will accompany you on your journey home.

Fall Mystery Fly Away

October 8 - 12, 2024



Included

- Roundtrip Airfare
- 7 Meals Included
4 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners
- Attractions
- All Taxes

\$2138.00 Double
\$2737.00 Single

Get ready to hop on board for a whirlwind mystery tour to a destination off the beaten path! We're keeping our destination under wraps, but we guarantee you'll be charmed by the locals you meet and absolutely delighted by the cuisine. So buckle up and get ready for an adventure filled with surprises at every turn!



Family Ties & Country Vibes

October 15 – 19, 2024



Highlights

- Honkytonk Daycare Band
- Passenger Creek Bluegrass Band
- Beachaven Winery
- Georgette Jones/Dion Pride Show
- Storyteller Hideaway Farm
- Loretta Lynn Ranch
- Twitty and Lynn Show
- Country Music Hall of Fame
- Studio B
- Ryman Auditorium
- Grand Ole Opry
- Mark Alan Cash Show
- Wonders Center

Included

- Motorcoach
- 4 Night Hotel Accommodations
- 9 Meals Included
4 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 4 Dinners
- Attractions
- All Taxes



\$1947.00 Double
\$2410.00 Single

Get ready for a Southern adventure in Clarksville! We'll start with live music, where "The Honkytonk Daycare Band," featuring talented youngsters with ties to country music legends, will serenade us. Enjoy bluegrass by Passenger Creek, boasting a three-time state fiddle champion and the great-grandson of Grand Ole Opry star Uncle Dave Macon. Then, tour Beachaven Winery for a taste of local flavor. Dinner features Georgette Jones, daughter of country icons George Jones and Tammy Wynette, and Dion Pride, son of the legendary Charley Pride. Explore Johnny Cash's Storyteller Hideaway Farm and Loretta Lynn's Ranch, where Twitty and Lynn, grandson of Conway Twitty and granddaughter of Loretta Lynn, will captivate us. In Nashville, immerse yourself in country music history at the Country Music Hall of Fame, Historic Studio B, and the Ryman Auditorium. Top it off with dinner and a Grand Ole Opry Show for a trip you won't forget!

Itinerary

Day 1: Let's start your visit to Clarksville off right with a trip to Southern Lights farm for dinner. This beautiful setting is the perfect place to eat a great meal and sit back to enjoy some fantastic music to start off our tour! The Honkytonk Daycare Band will be the perfect beginning to our country music voyage. These kids all have ties to Country Music and range in age from 8 – 12 years old. Be prepared to be amazed by these talented kids and their knowledge of classic country music. (D)

Day 2: A day that starts with bluegrass music is a day that starts off right! Passenger Creek features a 3-time state fiddle champion, as well as the great grandson of Grand Ole Opry star Uncle Dave Macon. When the music is over, we will have lunch, then visit Beachaven Winery for a tour and tasting. After a brief rest at your hotel, we will head to a local venue for a delicious southern dinner with a great performance. If you thought George Jones and Tammy Wynette were the king and queen of country music, tonight you will hear from the princess. Georgette Jones will showcase her beautiful voice, singing songs made famous by her parents and telling the stories behind the songs. She will be joined by Dion Pride, the son of ACM Pioneer Award winner Charley Pride. As the son of legendary Country Music Hall of Famer, Charley Pride, Dion carries on his family's musical legacy while forging his own path. With his remarkable talent as a songwriter and multi-talented instrumentalist, playing guitar, piano, drums, and bass, Dion has demonstrated his versatility in the world of music. (B, D)

Day 3: We have some insight into the life of the Man in Black today. We will drive an hour south to the tiny town of Bon Aqua, Tennessee, home of the Johnny Cash's Storyteller Hideaway Farm. Owned by Johnny Cash for more than 30 years, he commonly referred to the farm as the "center of my universe." From the memorabilia to the farmhouse and the legendary "One Piece at a Time Car," Johnny Cash Fans will be delighted by this stop. Lunch will be served at the Wonders Center. This is the largest general science museum based upon biblical principals in the world. You will have a delicious lunch and time to tour the facility. What country music tour would be complete without honoring the Queen of Country Music, Loretta Lynn? Our next stop will be at Loretta Lynn's Ranch in Hurricane Mills, Tennessee.

"In 1966, Loretta and Mooney, (Loretta's deceased husband Doolittle "Mooney" Lynn) stumbled upon this little town while looking for another piece of property and found the big house on the hill," related Anthony Brutto, the general manager of Loretta Lynn's Ranch and her grandson. "It was kind of dilapidated, but Loretta fell in love with it. Once they found out who owned the home, they also found out that that person also owned the town of Hurricane Mills. The only way the Lynns could buy the house was to purchase everything, so they bought the whole town." Tour the antebellum home and Coal Miner's Daughter Museum and visit the shops in Western Town. Next, we will head over to the amphitheater at Loretta Lynn's ranch for dinner and a show with Twitty and Lynn. Conway Twitty's grandson, Tre, and Loretta Lynn's granddaughter, Tayla, will bring a wonderful tribute to their famous grandparents. Singing hits like Louisiana Woman, Mississippi Man, Coal Miner's Daughter and Hello Darling, guests will relive the old days of country music. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Get ready for a day filled with toe-tapping tunes and unforgettable experiences in Nashville! Kick off your adventure at the Country Music Hall of Fame, where you'll journey through the colorful history of country music and snap selfies with iconic memorabilia. Then, channel your inner rock star at Historic Studio B, where legends like Elvis Presley and Dolly Parton laid down their chart-topping hits. After working up an appetite, refuel with a mouthwatering lunch on your own downtown, soaking in the vibrant atmosphere of Music City. Next up, get ready to be dazzled on a tour of the legendary Ryman Auditorium, where the spirits of country music's greatest performers still linger. As the day winds down, treat your taste buds to an included feast at Sante Fe Cattle Company, where southern flavors and good vibes collide. Finally, cap off your night with the ultimate Nashville experience: the Grand Ole Opry Show! Sit back, relax, and let the magic of country music sweep you off your feet as you enjoy a night of unforgettable performances. Get ready for a day you'll be talking about for years to come! (B, D)

Day 5: After a leisurely morning and breakfast at the hotel, we will head back to St. Louis. (B)

Autumn Ales & Alpine Vibes - Starved Rock Oktoberfest Getaway

October 20 – 21, 2024



Itinerary:

Day 1: Get ready to raise your steins and embrace the spirit of Oktoberfest as we embark on a lively journey to Starved Rock! Our two-day tour promises a blend of festive fun, scenic beauty, and cultural delights that'll make your Oktoberfest experience unforgettable. We kick off our adventure bright and early, hitting the road with excitement bubbling in the air. Along the way, we'll make a stop for a traditional German lunch, where you can savor the flavors of Bavaria and fuel up for the festivities ahead. As we arrive at Starved Rock, the autumn colors paint the landscape in hues of gold and amber. Check into your cozy accommodations and take a moment to soak in the crisp October air and the beauty of the surroundings. In the evening, join us for a hearty German-inspired dinner, complete with bratwurst, pretzels, and, of course, plenty of beer to toast to the start of our Oktoberfest celebration.

Day 2: Wake up to the crisp morning air and the promise of a day filled with Oktoberfest excitement! After enjoying a delicious breakfast, set out to explore the natural wonders of Starved Rock at your leisure. Whether you choose to hike the scenic trails or simply relax amidst nature's beauty, the choice is yours. In the afternoon, the Oktoberfest festivities kick into high gear! Join us for a celebration filled with traditional music, dancing, and, of course, more delicious German cuisine. Raise your stein and join in the merriment as we toast to friendship and good times. As the day winds down, take one last stroll through the picturesque surroundings of Starved Rock, savoring the memories of a truly unforgettable Oktoberfest adventure. Join us for a two-day tour filled with laughter, camaraderie, and the vibrant spirit of Oktoberfest. Experience the beauty of Starved Rock and the joy of celebrating German culture in a setting that's sure to leave you with memories to last a lifetime!



\$477.00 Double
\$579.00 Single

Coastal Charms & City Lights A Broadway to Bay Adventure NCL Cruise

October 19 – 27, 2024



Included

- Airfare
- 8 Nights Lodging
- Meals Included
1 Breakfast,
1 Dinner in New York
& all meals on cruise
- Attractions
- All Taxes

Let's go on an unforgettable journey with "Coastal Charms & City Lights: A Broadway to Bay Adventure." This 9-day tour seamlessly blends the excitement of New York City's bustling streets with the serene beauty of coastal towns along the Eastern seaboard. Begin your adventure with a night of fine dining and a Broadway show in the Big Apple before setting sail on a Norwegian Cruise Line ship, where freestyle cruising allows you to explore ports like Newport, Portland, Bar Harbor, Saint John, and Halifax at your own pace. With shore excursions available at each stop, you'll have the opportunity to delve into history, soak in stunning landscapes, and immerse yourself in local culture. Cap off your journey with a final night in New York City, filled with exploration and memories of a remarkable voyage.

Itinerary

Embark on a 9-day adventure combining the excitement of New York City with the serene exploration of coastal towns aboard a Norwegian Cruise Line ship. Your journey begins with a night in New York City, where you'll dine at a renowned restaurant and experience a Broadway show. The next day, embark on your Norwegian Cruise, known for its freestyle cruising, allowing you to explore each destination at your own pace. Please note that shore excursions are available for an additional fee throughout the cruise.

Your cruise itinerary includes stops at Newport, Rhode Island, Portland, Maine, Bar Harbor, Maine, Saint John, New Brunswick, and Halifax, Nova Scotia. Enjoy the flexibility to discover each destination's highlights and attractions at your leisure. After a leisurely day at sea, indulging in onboard amenities and entertainment, return to New York City for our flight home. Explore the city's iconic landmarks and soak in the vibrant atmosphere before departing, enriched by the experiences of your journey.



All Double Occupancy
Balcony \$3259.00
Oceanview \$2859.00
Interior \$2699.00

Daniel O'Donnell's Shipshewana Serenade: A Musical Journey Through Amish Country

October 23 – 26, 2024



Included

- Motorcoach
- 3 Nights Lodging
- Meals Included
3 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners
- Attractions
- All Taxes

Get ready for the ultimate Amish escapade in Shipshewana, where every moment is a burst of excitement and joy!

Itinerary

Day 1: After a drive from St. Louis with a lunch stop, arrive in Shipshewana. Step into Shipshewana and feel the magic of a town where time seems to slow down. Check into your comfortable hotel, where rustic charm and modern amenities blend seamlessly. Get ready to tantalize your taste buds with a flavorful journey at Linder's Tavern BBQ Buffet in LaGrange, IN. Indulge in mouthwatering BBQ and enjoy the cozy ambiance that sets the tone for your exciting adventure ahead! (D)

Day 2: Wake up to the tranquil beauty of Shipshewana and dive headfirst into the Amish experience. Meet your friendly Step-On Guide, a local expert eager to unveil the hidden gems of Amish countryside living. Explore the picturesque Amish farms, where rolling fields and horse-drawn carriages paint a serene backdrop. Immerse yourself in the rich tapestry of Amish culture as you visit artisans and makers, each offering a glimpse into a simpler way of life. Discover the true flavors of Shipshewana with a delightful lunch stop at Rise & Roll Deli and Bakery. Savor homemade treats and artisanal delights that reflect the heart and soul of Amish cuisine. After lunch, continue your tour with your guide, experiencing the heart of Amish country. Experience the warmth of Amish hospitality with a Haystack Meal at "A Taste of Shipshewana." Step inside an authentic Amish home and feast on a delectable haystack—a culinary masterpiece filled with savory delights and heartwarming stories. As the day winds down, bid farewell to your guide and get ready for an evening of musical enchantment at the Blue Gate Music Hall. Lose yourself in the melodies of "When Calls the Heart," where music and storytelling come together to create an unforgettable experience. (B, D)

Day 3: Wake up refreshed and ready for another day of adventure in Shipshewana. Enjoy a leisurely breakfast at your hotel before embarking on a journey of discovery. Dive into the vibrant tapestry of Shipshewana's E & S Bulk Food Amish Store. Explore aisles filled with homemade goodies, fresh produce, and handcrafted treasures that capture the essence of Amish craftsmanship. Lose yourself in the charm of Shipshewana's Downtown Shopping District. Explore quaint boutiques, indulge in sweet treats, and marvel at the historic landmarks that dot the bustling streets. Immerse yourself in the rich cultural heritage of Shipshewana with a live performance by Daniel O'Donnell at the Blue Gate Performing Arts Center. Let music transport you to a world of joy and inspiration. Our final night will conclude with a sumptuous dinner buffet, where you'll savor the flavors of Shipshewana one last time. Reflect on the memories made and friendships forged as you bid farewell to this charming town. (B, D)

Day 4: All good things much come to an end. After a wonderful hotel breakfast, we will head back for St. Louis. (B)



\$1117.00 Double
\$1557.00 Single



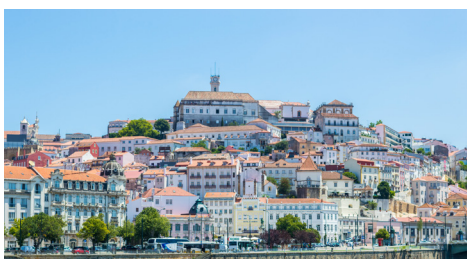


Highlights:

- Winetasting and tour in the Duero Valley
- Winetasting and tour in Port
- Wine cellars in Porto
- Belem Tower
- Jeronimos Monastery
- Chapel of the Bones, Evora
- Convento do Cristo, Tomar
- Porto Cathedral
- Clerigo towers and guided tour of Porto
- Quinta da Regaleira
Palacio Nacional de Sintra.

Included:

- Airfare
- 8 Nights Lodging
- An English-speaking guide to escort you across your Portugal experience
- 14 Meals
9 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches,
3 Dinners
- Attractions
- All taxes



\$4377.00 Double
\$5697.00 Single



Perched on the southwestern corner of Mainland Europe and surrounded by the Atlantic, Portugal is a country that is brimming with stunning landscapes, savory dishes, folkloric charm and colorful cities & towns. With centuries of history and many tales to tell. Renowned for its explorers who sailed the seven seas, it's fine wines and villages with medieval charm. Portugal has some of the best of what Europe has to offer. On this trip we will delve into unique delights of Portugal, from the cobbled streets of Lisbon to the rolling hills with vineyards of the Duero Valley. We will enjoy the hidden charms, like a night of traditional Portuguese Fado music, visits to a Cork Farm and fascinating landmarks. We will also uncover some unique mysteries and magical places. So join in discovering Europe's hidden gem, Portugal.

Itinerary

Day 1 - Overnight flight to Lisbon.

Day 2- Arrival at Lisbon airport and transfer to our hotel. Meet and greet with the group and guide followed by a nice breakfast. Afterwards we begin our tour of Lisbon with a visit to its historical quarters, the Alfama and Baixa. Enjoy a stroll through its cobbled streets brimming with colorful houses, a perfect chance to have a coffee with a savory Pastel de Nata tart. Visit the Praca do Comercio square, along with the Avenida da Liberdade, followed by the Pombal square. In the evening visit a local establishment to enjoy a night of dinner with some traditional Portuguese Fado music. Overnight in the Hotel Mundial, Lisbon (B)

Day 3 - : Visit the Jeronimos Monastery, Tower of Belem and a night of Fado. After breakfast, we set out to the eastern side of the city, home to the medieval quarter of Belem, there we'll visit the Tower of Belem and a monument to the discoveries. A monument dedicated to the Portuguese explorers who led the expeditions on discoveries of new routes and lands. Giving way to the creation of a mighty empire that controlled the seven seas. Later, we visit the Jeronimos Monastery to see the tomb of Vasco da Gama, Portugal's most famous explorer. Afterwards, free time in the afternoon to stroll around the old Alfama quarter. In the evening we'll have free time to enjoy the delights of Lisbon. Overnight in the Hotel Mundial, Lisbon (B)

Day 4 - The mysteries of Evora, a visit to a Cork farm and the "Chapel of Bones". In the morning, we depart Lisbon and head east towards the interior of Portugal and into the region of Alentejo. This region is renowned for its Cork Forests. We make a quick stop in one of the local cork farms to discover how this essential material is harvested and made into something so well needed for those bottles of wines across the world. Later we make a stop in a local vineyard for some wine tasting and lunch. After our lunch we will continue east towards the town of Evora. Renowned for its rich history and architecture, Evora is a Unesco world heritage site and renowned for its medieval history. We pay a visit to the Church of Saint Francis where we will enter the eerie "Chapel of Bones". A chapel built by the 15th century Franciscan monks decorated with the remains of 5000 bones. In the evening, we have free time to explore the cobbled streets of Evora. (B, L)

Day 5 - Experiencing mystic Tomar and medieval Coimbra. After breakfast we set out from Lisbon to the inlands of Portugal. Crossing through fields of Olive groves and Citrus orchards. Our first stop in our journey inland is a visit to the town of Tomar. Home of the Knights Templar. We tour around some of the historical streets and lanes of this fascinating town.

We will visit the Convento de Cristo that is within the walls of the fortress surrounding the town, where we discover the origins and history of the Knights Templar and the peculiar history of this fascinating order. Later in the afternoon we head to Coimbra, Portugal's charming college town and home to one of Europe's oldest universities. Free evening to enjoy the delights of Coimbra. Overnight in the Vila Gale Coimbra Hotel. (B)

DAY 6 - The magical Duero Valley, wine tasting and river cruise in the late morning we depart Coimbra, heading north towards Portugal's wine region, the Duero. Home to rolling hills and slopes brimming with vineyards and a meandering Duero River at its depth, this infamous region produces some of Europe's best wines. We will visit a renowned wine estate for some wine tasting and lunch. Afterwards we will take a relaxing short cruise across the Duero river. Finishing our evening in Porto, Portugal's second largest city and considered one of Europe's best wine cities. Overnight in Porto (B, L)

Day 7: Discovery of Porto and its mesmerizing streets. After a wholesome breakfast it's time to explore the fascinating streets of Porto on a walking tour. A Unesco world heritage site, brimming with tiled wall houses and stunning architecture. We visit the Porto Cathedral and the 18th century clerigo towers followed by a visit to the impressive Dona Maria Pia Bridge, designed by none other than Gustave Eiffel, Architect of the Eiffel Tower. After lunch on the riverfront, we will visit one of the city's renowned Port wine cellars, where we learn how this savory fortified wine is made. In the evening, we will enjoy a nice get together dinner in one of the city's cozy establishments. (B,D)

Day 8: Visiting the seafood city followed by the end of the world. In the morning, we depart Porto and head south, stopping to enjoy the stunning views of Nazares, Portugal's seafood capital, where we have a chance to enjoy a delightful seafood lunch. Afterwards we will continue south and visit Fim Do Mundo. Known for centuries before the discovery of the Americas as the world's corner, Fim do Mundo is the most western land point in Mainland Europe. We indulge in the evening scenery before heading to Sintra, for our evening retreat. (B, D)

Day 9: Visit to the garden village of Sintra. Renowned for its relaxing and mystical atmosphere, Sintra's charm has been an enigma for thousands of years since the time of the Celts and Moorish rule. Closer to our time, it has been a place of retreat to many of the former Portuguese royalty. We visit the stunning palaces built by monarchs like the Quinta da Regaleira, and Palacio Nacional de Sintra. All brimming with colorful walls, rooms, and lush gardens. In the evening, we will enjoy our final group dinner in our hotel. Overnight in Sintra (B,D)

Day 10: Departure After our weeklong journey across this stunning country it's time to say goodbye, transfer from Sintra to Lisbon Airport. (B)

Christmas Market Magic: Exploring Britain's Festive Delights

Nov. 29 – Dec. 8, 2024



Highlights:

- Windsor Castle
- Blenheim Palace
- Roman Baths - Bath Town
- Cider Farm
- Stonehenge
- Bombay Gin Distillery
- Hampton Court
- Westminster Abbey
- Tower Bridge, London

Included:

- 8 nights 4 star Lodging
- Breakfast daily
- 2 dinners
- Motorcoach Transportation
- Professional Guide



Embark on a festive journey across the charming landscapes of Britain with our 'Christmas Market Magic' package. From the historic halls of Windsor Castle to the quaint villages of the Cotswolds, immerse yourself in the holiday spirit as you explore iconic landmarks and vibrant markets. Indulge in cider tastings, discover the mysteries of Stonehenge, and stroll through the bustling Christmas markets of Bath, Winchester, and London. Uncover the secrets of gin-making at the Bombay Sapphire Distillery, marvel at Hampton Court Palace, and delve into the rich history of the Tower of London. With delightful experiences at every turn and the magic of the season in the air, this package promises an unforgettable festive adventure through the heart of Britain.

Itinerary

Day 1 - Overnight flight to London.

Day 2: Royal Welcome and Windsor Adventure
We'll kick off our adventure bright and early with a warm welcome at Heathrow Airport, followed by a transfer to Windsor. After a delicious breakfast and some introductions, get ready to explore the majestic Windsor Castle, the weekend retreat of the royal family. Don't forget to soak in the festive atmosphere at Windsor's Christmas Market! Later, we'll head to Bicester for a relaxing evening and a delightful dinner with wine. (B,D)

Day 3: Oxford Charm and Cotswold Magic
After a hearty breakfast, we'll have some free time to wander around Oxford, soaking in the scholarly vibes. Then, it's off to Blenheim Palace, where we'll be enchanted by the Christmas markets and the grandeur of Winston Churchill's former abode. Back at Bicester, we'll unwind and reminisce about the day's adventures. (B)

Day 4: Cotswold Countryside and Bath Bliss
Get ready for a scenic drive through the Cotswolds, where quaint villages and stunning landscapes await. Our journey culminates in the historic town of Bath, where we'll have the afternoon to explore the charming streets and the bustling Christmas Market. (B)

Day 5: Bath Treasures and Spa Relaxation
Today, we'll dive into Bath's rich history with a tour of the Roman Baths, followed by a leisurely afternoon of spa treatments and more market exploration. It's the perfect way to unwind and recharge for the rest of our journey. (B)

Day 6: Cider Tasting, Stonehenge, and Winchester Wonder
Our day starts with a visit to a local cider farm for some tasting fun, before we head to the mystical Stonehenge for a dose of ancient wonder. We'll end our day in Winchester, where the Christmas Market and historic sights await. (B)

Day 7: Gin Adventures and Hampton Court Palace
Today, we'll discover the secrets of gin-making at the Bombay Sapphire Distillery before exploring the lavish Hampton Court Palace. Then, it's off to London for the next leg of our journey! (B)

Day 8: London Calling!
Our London tour begins with iconic sights like Westminster Abbey and Big Ben, followed by free time for shopping at Harrods and a visit to the Winter Wonderland Christmas Park in Hyde Park. Get ready for some festive fun! (B)

Day 9: Tower of London and Foodie Frenzy
We'll uncover the mysteries of the Tower of London before indulging in gourmet delights at Fortnum and Mason's. It's a foodie's paradise and the perfect way to end our London adventure. (B,D)

Day 10: Farewell, Britannia!
As we bid farewell to Britain, we'll cherish the memories of our incredible journey across historic landmarks and vibrant cities. Until next time, Britannia! (B)



\$4997.00 Double
\$6277.00 Single



Rose Parade Rendezvous: California Dreamin' Adventure

Dec. 29, 2024 – Jan. 2, 2025



Highlights:

- Rose Parade Float Decorating
- Lunch at Lawry's the Prime Rib in Beverly Hills
- Visit to Catalina Island
- Private New Year's Eve Gala
- Premium reserved grandstand seating for the 136th Tournament of Roses Parade
- Southern California Style Backyard BBQ
- Evening entertainment on New Year's Day
- Admission to Floatfest event to see the floats up close
- Fully Escorted by a Knowledgeable Tour Director
- Deluxe motorcoach
- Transportation

Included:

- Airfare
- 4 Nights Lodging
- Attractions
- All Taxes
- 8 Meals
4 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches,
2 Dinners



Embark on a sun-soaked escapade with our "Rose Parade Rendezvous: California Dreamin' Adventure with Floats, Feasts, and Hollywood Glitz!" This captivating tour sweeps you into the heart of Southern California's vibrant culture and festivities. From touchdown at the Hilton Orange County/Costa Mesa to the dazzling spectacle of the Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, each day is packed with excitement. Delight in behind-the-scenes glimpses of parade floats, savor mouthwatering cuisine at iconic Beverly Hills eateries, and explore the charm of Catalina Island. With elegant dining, Hollywood studio tours, and exclusive performances, this itinerary promises a New Year's celebration like no other, brimming with unforgettable moments and cherished memories.

Itinerary

Day 1: Touching down in sunny Southern California, get ready to kick off your adventure at the Hilton Orange County/Costa Mesa! Check-in and get ready to dive into the fun with a welcome dinner at the hotel. (D)

Day 2: After a delicious breakfast, get a sneak peek at the magic behind the Tournament of Roses parade floats! Then, indulge in a mouthwatering three-course lunch at the iconic Lawry's The Prime Rib in Beverly Hills, followed by a thrilling Hollywood Studio tour. (B, L)

Day 3: Rise and shine with a buffet breakfast before embarking on an island adventure to Catalina! Hop on board the Catalina Express for a breezy one-hour cruise to this charming island paradise. Spend your day exploring Avalon's quaint boutiques, restaurants, and scenic spots. Tonight, get dolled up for an evening of elegant dining, dancing, and casino fun with hats, party favors, and a champagne toast to welcome 2025! (B, D)

Day 4: Fuel up with a hearty breakfast before heading to Pasadena for prime seats to witness the 136th Tournament of Roses Parade! After the parade, return to the hotel for a Southern California Backyard Style BBQ. Relax and enjoy the afternoon, followed by an exclusive performance in the ballroom. (B, L)

Day 5: After breakfast, journey back to Pasadena for the dazzling "Floatfest" to marvel at the parade floats up close. Bid farewell to newfound friends as you head to the airport for your journey home. (B)



\$3727.00 Double
\$4267.00 Single

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ARE YOU INSURED AND LICENSED?

Transparency is very important to us! DIRECTIONS Tours is a fully insured tour operator through Berkley/Arch Roam Right® travel liability insurance company. We maintain a consecutive A+ rating with the Better Business Bureau. Our memberships and partnerships include; The American Bus Association, National Tour Association, Motor Coach Family of Brands, Drury Hotels® and Route 66 Association of Missouri.

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DIRECTIONS Tours includes gratuities to step-on guides/attraction guides and to servers on included meals (see specific tour itinerary).

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Our Resident Tour Directors and Drivers are the hallmark of our company and success. They work hard to provide a safe, knowledgeable, personal, and enthusiastic travel experience.

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 - \$5 - \$7 a day per person for your Motorcoach Driver.
- Thank you in advance!

DO YOU PROVIDE LUGGAGE HANDLING?

We strive to use hotels where portage is included. Unfortunately, there may be times due to location and lack of choices where it will not be available. Luggage handling on/off the motorcoach for a single checked bag per person is included. One carry-on item and one personal item is allowed in the cabin of the motorcoach/airplane.

WHERE DO I MEET TO JOIN A TOUR?

TOUR PICK-UP LOCATIONS

WE ARE PROUD TO WELCOME TRAVELERS FROM COAST TO COAST! WE WILL HELP YOU JOIN ANY TOUR FROM ANYWHERE - JUST CALL US!

MOTORCOACH ONLY TOURS in this catalog depart from St. Louis. We will be happy to reserve flight(s) and accommodations for out of St. Louis guests for these tours. (cost is without airfare.)

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*Please note: Pick-up locations vary from tour to tour (depending on departure direction, number of guests and tour length).

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Travelers are responsible to pay for their own baggage on fly away tours for the airlines that charge.

MAKING A PAYMENT (DEPOSITS / FINALS)

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10am - 12pm	St. Louis Forest Park
5pm-7pm	2111 Sulphur Ave.
	St. Louis, MO 63139

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Protects the unused, non-refundable prepaid payments for the travel arrangements you purchased for your trip in the event you need to cancel. (view plan documents for a full list of covered reasons) Basic, Deluxe & Deluxe Plus: Up to 100% Non-Refundable Trip Cost

Trip Interruption

Reimburses for unused, non-refundable land or water Travel Arrangements plus additional transportation cost to join, rejoin, or transport you to the originally scheduled return destination of your trip. (view plan documents for a full list of covered reasons) Basic, Deluxe & Deluxe Plus: Up to 150% Non-Refundable Trip Cost

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Reimburses reasonable additional expenses such as hotel expenses if you are delayed 12 consecutive hours while en route to or from your trip, or during the course of your trip, due to a covered reason, including being quarantined.

Basic: Up to \$1,000 (\$200 per day)

Deluxe & Deluxe Plus: Up to \$4,200 (\$300 per day)

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Coverage for costs incurred for treatment of a sickness or injury incurred during the trip. Covid 19 is covered the same as any other sickness. Basic, Deluxe & Deluxe Plus: Up to \$50,000

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Covers the cost to transport you to the nearest suitable hospital if you suffer a sickness or injury that is acute or life threatening and adequate treatment is not available in your immediate area. If determined medically necessary, can also cover the cost to transport you home because of an injury or sickness that is acute or life threatening or to a hospital closest to your home capable of providing continued treatment. In both cases, the non-insurance travel assistance services provider must approve the transportation. Basic, Deluxe & Deluxe Plus:

Up to \$500,000

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Cancel For Any Reason

Protects 75% of the non-refundable prepaid payments for the travel arrangements provided you purchase the plan within 21 days of receipt of your initial trip deposit and you cancel your trip 2 days or more before your scheduled departure. You also must insure 100% of the cost of all travel arrangements that are subject to cancellation penalties or restrictions by the travel supplier. Deluxe Plus Only: Up to 75% Non-Refundable Trip Cost *Not available to NY Residents Additional terms apply.

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DAY TOUR CANCELLATION POLICY

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One Day Tours

Riverboat Dinner Cruise

May 17, 2024

\$149 Per Person

All Aboard! Enjoy a scenic two-hour cruise featuring music, a chef-inspired three-course dinner, and captivating views of the St. Louis Skyline. Glowing highlights of the skyline include the Gateway Arch, One Metropolitan Square, Thomas Eagleton Courthouse and the Beacon on Chestnut.

Please note: There will be some walking required on the levee cobble stones and the boat stairs.

Special Gardens

June 5, 2024

Featuring Linda Koenig

\$ 137 Per Person

Master Gardener Linda will take us to gorgeous locations that most people would never know to visit. Enjoy a guided stroll through the St. Louis City Garden to view the plantings, sculptures, and water features. At the St. Louis University Art Museum, ranked 4th in the United States in college museums, we'll marvel at Chihuly glass, old masters, and the Western Jesuit Mission Collection. Plus much more! A delicious Lebanese lunch will be served at St. Raymond Maronite Cathedral.

Peaches and Cream

July 22, 2024

\$127 Per Person

Yum...fresh cheese, ice cream, fruit and veggies!

Marcoot Jersey Creamery produces several varieties of cheese solely from the milk of their cows, which makes their creamery unique. We'll tour the milking barn, spend time with the babies, learn how cheese is made and enjoy a few samples. After a tasty lunch at Eckert's, there's time for a wagon ride and shopping for fresh peaches, berries and veggies.

* You will be walking around the Marcoot Jersey creamery and livestock farm, please dress accordingly.

Honor and Remember

May 23, 2024

\$127 Per Person

At Soldiers Military Memorial Museum our guide will walk us through the exhibit, exploring the Vietnam War and the turbulent times in Vietnam and America. During a self-guided tour at Jefferson Barracks Civil War museum you'll learn how the U.S. troops from Jefferson Barracks played a leading role in the first action of the Civil War in Missouri. Lunch is included at local St. Louis favorite restaurant. Soldiers Military Memorial Museum is part of the Military Trails of Missouri program, where you can get your passport stamped and pick up a commemorative coin.

Legendary Springfield

June 7, 2024

\$147 Per Person

Today we travel back to a time of legends. The Lincoln Museum designed with historical detail, well-preserved artifacts and interactive exhibits tells the life story of our nation's 16th President. Lincoln's Home, a National Historic Site, has been completely restored to its 1860 appearance and reveals much about Lincoln as husband, father, neighbor and politician. The Dana-Thomas House is one of the most unique and lavish structures designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and perhaps the most complete of all early Wright dwellings.

* This is will be a long day, please plan accordingly.

A Night at the Muny

August 3, 2024

\$175 Per Person

Join us for a lovely evening under the stars at The Muny, America's oldest and largest outdoor theater. See where all the magic happens during our backstage tour, followed by dinner on site. Then it's on with the show! *Waitress* is the story of Jenna, a baker who dreams of escaping her job, small town and rocky marriage. It's a satisfying celebration of friendship, motherhood and the magic of a homemade pie.

Walk on the Wild Side

May 29, 2024

\$139 Per Person

Today we venture into the wild to learn about the rehabilitation and care for a variety of animals. World Bird Sanctuary provides a safe haven for non-releasable birds. Our expert Naturalist will guide us through the outdoor exhibits and introduce us to some of the inhabitants. Did you know that every Mexican wolf in the wild today can trace their roots to the Endangered Wolf Center in Eureka? As we walk along the outdoor enclosures, our guide will share insights from five decades of working with wolves, foxes and painted dogs. *Today is an outdoor walking tour, with some paved areas and limited seating.

St. Louis Jewels

July 2, 2024

\$124 Per Person

During our guided walking tour through the awe-inspiring, Fabulous Fox Theater, we'll relive its rein as a palace-movie house, the decline, the closing, and the grand re-opening of the Theatre. Enjoy a "delizioso" lunch at Favazza's, a St. Louis dining landmark serving the best old-world Italian meals available without crossing the Atlantic. After a \$3.5 million renovation, the Jewel Box is once again glowing! Enjoy a leisurely stroll through the beautiful garden and around the fountain. Called "Rome of the West", the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis is a one-of-a-kind work of art. On this guided walking tour, we'll learn about its history and magnificent mosaic design, which is the largest in America.

World Religions

August 14, 2024

Featuring Linda Koenig

\$ 147 Per Person

Visit the beautiful houses of worship of five world religions. Learn about different religious beliefs, customs and traditions. Tour the St. Louis Abbey/St. Anselm Church. This modern chapel's design by Gyo Obata, and stained glass by Frei Studios, is wonderfully unique. Other highlights include the Hindu Temple, Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Center, and the Daar ul Islam Mosque. Lunch at the iconic Simon Kohn's Deli.

Look For These Tours in Our Next Catalog!

- **Oklahoma Legends and Cowboys**
November 6 - 10, 2024
- **Texas Lone Star Loop**
November 10 - 23, 2024
- **Timeless Holiday Treasures**
November 12 - 16, 2024
- **French Lick Christmas**
December 4 - 6, 2024
- **Christmas Capital of Texas**
December 11 - 15, 2024
- **Branson Christmas Extravaganza**
- **Coastal Carolina Christmas**
- **Christmas Mystery Tour**
- **1st Annual Anniversary Cruise**
January 12 - 19, 2025
- **Australia**
February 20 - March 8, 2025
- **Swim with the Manatees in FL**
February 9 - 14
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May 3 - 5, 2025
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