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#### **INTRODUCTION**

Jefferson Tours and Charters (JTC) is excited about our 2023 Travel Catalog offering bucket list destinations across the United States! As the leading motorcoach and travel tour provider in Kentucky, and the surrounding region, we make every effort to deliver worry-free adventures to our passengers.

Go on a day trip to a neighboring destination, get away for a weekend to a must-see regional excursion, or take a multi-week tour cross country. JTC makes passenger satisfaction our top priority – from booking an adventure to each exciting stop.

As a local Kentucky company with a multi-million-dollar hub in Louisville, we offer safe, modern, and comfortable transportation as defined in our mission; to deliver joyful travel experiences by safety-conscious professionals who practice the golden rule.

That mission *drives* everything we do.



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# Pennsylvania Amish & Gettysburg

"Moses" at Sight & Sound Theater

April 10-15 Tour #2023402 6 Days

Double: \$1,504 Triple: \$1,356 Single: \$2,060 Deposit: \$300



**Day 1 - Hagerstown, Maryland -** A day of travel takes us through the beautiful mountains of West Virginia and the "Old Line State" of Maryland, where we overnight in Hagerstown.

Day 2 - Gettysburg Film, Cyclorama, and
Museum - Guided Battlefield Tour - After an
included breakfast, we continue to the historic
city of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, the site of the
most decisive battle of the Civil War. We start
our visit with a Film, Cyclorama, and Museum
Experience at Gettysburg National Military Park
Museum and Visitors Center. We have included
lunch this afternoon. Next, we meet our step on
guide for a tour of the Gettysburg Battlefield. The
historic battlefield has been restored through
preservation efforts to look much like it did in
1863. We spend two nights in Gettysburg.

Day 3 - Shriver House Museum - Jennie Wade House - Devil's Den - Gettysburg National Cemetery - Kentucky State Monument - After an included breakfast, we visit the Shriver House Museum. Our guide in historic costume takes us on a tour through the restored 1860 Shriver home, explaining what life was like before, during, and after the Civil War. We will have lunch on our own in downtown Gettysburg before our visit to the Jennie Wade House, the home of the only civilian killed during the Battle of Gettysburg. Next, we drive to Devil's Den for a self-guided tour of the grounds. This rock formation, dominated by large boulders, was the site of some of the fiercest fighting during the second day of the battle. This evening, we

will take a walking tour through the cemetery where Abraham Lincoln addressed the citizens of Gettysburg. We will see the Kentucky State Monument. Erected in 1975 by the state of Kentucky, this memorial commemorates Lincoln's address at the dedication ceremony. Overnight same hotel.

Day 4 - Amish Countryside Tour – "Moses" at Sight & Sound – Lancaster, Pennsylvania - After an included breakfast, we travel to the heart of the Amish country, Lancaster, Pennsylvania. We'll take a guided tour of the Amish countryside with a local step on guide. An Amish lunch is included this afternoon. Afterwards, we travel to the beautiful Sight & Sound Theater to experience the classic story of "Moses." The magnitude of this production is unbelievable. Not only will you be completely immersed in the spectacular, epic events of the story, but you will experience the humanity of Moses and the children of Israel as they struggle for faith, freedom, and belonging. We overnight in Lancaster.

Day 5 - Longwood Gardens - Hagerstown,
Maryland - After an included breakfast, we make
our way to Kennett Square, Pennsylvania, where
we tour magnificent Longwood Gardens. Once the
country estate of industrialist Pierre S. Dupont,
Longwood is famous for its superb outdoor
gardens, which include elaborate fountains,
two lakes, woodlands, wildflowers, a formal
rose garden, and greenhouses containing exotic
tropical displays. We overnight in Hagerstown.

**Day 6 - Home -** After an included breakfast, we depart our hotel and return home with a variety of inspiring memories from our trip to Pennsylvania. **Meals: 5B, 2L, Shows: 1** 

# **Mid-Atlantic Coast & Chesapeake Bay**

April 17-23 Tour #2023401 7 Days

Double: \$1,758 Triple: \$1,576 Single: \$2,433 Deposit: \$350



The Mid-Atlantic Coast is an incomparable national treasure. This region of the country has areas that time seems, in some ways, to have passed by. There are towns that look much as they did two centuries ago. Some people make their living much as their ancestors did, in places that truly evoke a bygone era.

**Day 1 - Hagerstown, Maryland -** A day of travel takes us through the beautiful mountains of West Virginia and the "Old Line State" of Maryland, where we overnight in Hagerstown.

Day 2 - Fort McHenry National Monument -B&O Railroad Museum - U.S. Naval Academy -Milford, Delaware - After an included breakfast, we take a step back into history at Baltimore's Fort McHenry National Monument. The defense of the fort during the War of 1812 inspired Francis Scott Key to write "The Star-Spangled Banner." Next, we visit the B&O Railroad Museum. Here the magic and adventure of railroading comes alive, allowing us to see, touch, hear, and explore the most important railroad collection in America. A boxed lunch is included at the museum. This afternoon, we take a guided tour of the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. Our hotel accommodations for the next two nights will be in Milford, Delaware.

Day 3 - Winterthur Museum - Cape May Trolley Tour - After an included breakfast, we visit the Winterthur Museum in Wilmington, Delaware. Founded by Henry Francis du Pont, it is our nation's premier museum of American decorative arts, reflecting both early Americana and the du Pont family's life here. Its 60-acre naturalistic garden is among best in the nation. Next, we travel to Cape May, New Jersey, where our narrated trolley tour of "America's Oldest Seashore Resort" will highlight its rich history and many examples of Victorian architecture. After dinner on our own, we will board the Cape May and Lewes Ferry for a 90-minute trip across the Delaware Bay. Overnight in Milford.

Day 4 - Atlantic Coast - Ocean City Boardwalk - Virginia Beach - After an included breakfast, we drive along the Atlantic Coast of Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia. This afternoon, we stop at the famous Boardwalk of Ocean City, Maryland. We'll have lunch on our own and time to enjoy some of the amusements that the boardwalk has to offer. Continuing south, we cross the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, a seventeen-mile engineering marvel that showcases the mighty surge of the Atlantic Ocean and the beauty of the Chesapeake Bay. Next, we check into our oceanfront hotel, located on Virginia Beach, where we overnight two nights. The rest of the day will be at your leisure to stroll the beach or swim in the pool.

Day 5 - Douglas MacArthur Memorial –
Nauticus Museum – USS Wisconsin - After
an included breakfast, we visit the Douglas
MacArthur Memorial, a fascinating tribute to the
legendary five-star general who became famous
for commanding the Allied Forces in the Pacific
during World War II. We spend this afternoon
exploring Nauticus Museum and the USS
Wisconsin Battleship from World War II. Nauticus

is a contemporary museum that uses the natural setting of Norfolk's harbor to showcase global maritime commerce and the world's largest navy. Dinner is included this evening. Overnight same hotel.

Day 6 - Shirley Plantation - Virginia State Capitol - Charlottesville - After an included breakfast, we travel up the James River to Virginia's first plantation. Founded in 1613, only six years after the first permanent English settlement at Jamestown, Shirley Plantation offers the story of eleven generations of family who continue to own and operate this grand colonial plantation. The guided tour of the Great House highlights original family furnishings, portraits, silver, and hand-carved woodwork. Several features such as the "Flying Staircase" and the Queen Anne forecourt are the only remaining examples in North America of this architectural style. This afternoon, we will visit Virginia's State Capitol. Since 1788, it has been home to the oldest legislature continuously operating in the Western Hemisphere. We overnight in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Day 7 - Tamarack – Home - After an included breakfast, we depart for home. We will stop for lunch on our own and shopping at Tamarack, West Virginia's unique craft center. We make our way home this afternoon with great memories of the Chesapeake Bay and Mid-Atlantic Coast.

Meals: 6B, 1L, 1D



# **Gaylord Opryland Hotel**

**Atrium View Rooms** 

May 18-20 Tour #2023502 3 Days

Double: \$857 Triple: \$769 Single: \$1,161 Deposit: \$250



Join us as we make our way to "Music City, USA" - Nashville, Tennessee! These three days are packed full of exciting entertainment, beginning with our lodging in the elegant Gaylord Opryland Hotel.

Day 1 - General Jackson Showboat - Gaylord Opryland Hotel - Our coach heads south to "Music City, USA." Upon arrival, we board the beautiful General Jackson Showboat for

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a scenic cruise down the Cumberland River between Opryland and Nashville. We will enjoy an included lunch, followed by entertainment performed in the Victorian Theater on board the boat. Listen to some of Nashville's finest musicians and singers sharing stories and songs. Next, we check into our Atrium View Rooms at the Gaylord Opryland Hotel for the next two nights. The rest of the evening will be free for dinner on your own and enjoying the amenities of the hotel. You may check out the many shops and boutiques, swim in the pool, or walk the bridges that meander through the lush gardens and spectacular waterfalls in the conservatories.

Day 2 - Nashville City Tour - Opry Mills - Grand Ole Opry - This morning, a local guide will step on board our coach and provide an informative City Tour of the Nashville area. The tour will highlight such points of interest as the historic downtown, Music Row, Honky Tonk Row, Bicentennial Park, the State Capitol,

Centennial Park, the prestigious Parthenon, and more. Next, we visit Opry Mills, the number one entertainment and shopping destination in Nashville. There are over 200 retailers, unique restaurants, outlets, and specialty stores. Tonight, we attend a performance of the famous Grand Ole Opry show, the nation's longest-running continuous radio program, where well-known country music stars will be performing. Overnight same hotel.

**Day 3 - Grand Ole Opry House Backstage Tour - Home -** This morning, we take a guided backstage tour of the Grand Ole Opry House.
We'll get an exclusive behind the scenes look at the show that made country music famous.
Our guide will share some of the stories about the Opry and the legendary musicians who have performed here. Afterwards, we board our motorcoach and return home.

Meals: 1 L, Shows: 1

# Indiana Amish

May 20 Tour #2023501

1 Day

Cost: \$131



**Note:** Full payment must be received within 10 days of making your reservation. You will receive an itinerary reconfirming your departure and return times approximately two weeks prior to departure.

Our destination for today is the Amish Country of Central Indiana. We make our way through the rolling countryside and over sparkling spring-fed streams as we travel back to a time when life was simpler and at a slower pace. Our motorcoach shares the scenic country roads with buggies of the Amish as a local step on guide takes us on a

guided tour of the countryside, stopping at an Amish home for an included lunch. We will spend the rest of the day browsing through the shops and looking at the handiwork of the Amish, such as homemade quilts, crafts, and wholesome baked goods. **Meals: 1L** 

# **Mackinac Island**

Tour #2023504

Double: \$1,098 Triple: \$1,015 Single: \$1,435 Deposit: \$300



Come to beautiful Mackinac Island, the "Bermuda of the North." Take a step back "somewhere in time," to an island where no motorized vehicles are allowed, only horse drawn carriages and bicycles. Savor the aroma of world famous Mackinac Island fudge, enjoy a carriage tour of the island, and view this intriguing place steeped in history and memories.

May 21-25

**Day 1 - Frankenmuth, Michigan -** Today, we travel to the quaint community of Frankenmuth, where we overnight.

Day 2 - Mackinac Island, Michigan - After an included breakfast, we drive to St. Ignace, Michigan, where we board the ferry that takes us to Mackinac Island. The island is rich in history and full of natural beauty and we will spend the next two nights in this charming place. The clip-clop of the horses' hooves is a pleasant sound in this quiet relaxing place that has no motorized vehicles.

#### Day 3 - Carriage Ride - Lunch at Grand Hotel

- We begin our day with a horse-drawn carriage tour of Mackinac Island. We stop at the Grand Hotel, where the hotel's 700-foot veranda leads



us into an enormous lobby decorated with priceless works of art. We have included their delicious luncheon buffet spread over ten tables of mouth-watering delights. After lunch, the rest of the day will be free to roam through the downtown shops or maybe rent a bicycle for a ride around the island.

5 Days

Day 4 - Bronner's Christmas Wonderland - This morning, we have some leisure time to browse for that last souvenir before heading to the ferry, where we cross back to the mainland. Our ferry takes us to St. Ignace in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, where we will have the pleasure of driving back across the famous Mighty Mac Bridge that connects Michigan's Upper and Lower Peninsula. In Frankenmuth, Michigan, we'll visit Bronner's Christmas Wonderland, before checking into our hotel.

**Day 5 - Homeward Bound -** After an included breakfast, we begin our journey home with many memories of the natural beauty of Mackinac Island. **Meals: 2B, 1L** 



# Niagara Falls\*

June 6-9 Tour #2023601 4 Days

Double: \$1,210 Triple: \$1,136 Single: \$2,497 Deposit: \$250



**Day 1 - Niagara Falls, Ontario -** Today we drive north across Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New York State. We cross the Canadian Border and arrive at our hotel about sundown. Our hotel accommodations for the next three nights will be in Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Day 2 - Canadian Falls & Table Rock -Niagara's Fury - SkyWheel - Journey Behind the Falls - Elements Restaurant - After an included breakfast, a local guide will step aboard our coach and provide an exciting tour of the Table Rock area. Table Rock Centre is the heart of Niagara Parks, where every year over eight million visitors stand close to the thundering water rushing over the brink of Horseshoe Falls! This afternoon, we visit Niagara's newest attraction, Niagara's Fury. This 4D motion theater brings to life the ancient story of Niagara Falls in this multi-sensory presentation. Next, we ride the thrilling Niagara SkyWheel. Climate controlled gondolas soar 175 feet above Niagara for memorable views of the Horseshoe and American Falls, the Niagara River, and other landmarks. After lunch on our own, we get an exciting, close-up view of this great natural wonder, as we experience Journey Behind the Falls. The tour begins with an elevator ride down to the bottom of the Horseshoe Falls. There are two observation decks and two portals located directly behind the Falls. You'll be able to stand behind the roaring curtain of water as one fifth of the world's freshwater thunders past you. Tonight, we have included dinner at the Elements Restaurant, overlooking the mighty

Niagara. What a view! What memories! Overnight same hotel.

Day 3 - Welland Canal - Lavender Farm -Niagara-on-the-Lake - Winery Tour and **Tasting - Greg Frewin Dinner Theater - After** an included breakfast, we stop at the Welland Canal, for a look at this great engineering feat. The canal is a series of 7 lift locks and one regulating lock and is a man-made waterway system to compensate for the 326.5 ft drop between Lake Erie and Lake Ontario. The locks can lift huge ships as if they were toys. Next, we visit a lavender farm where you'll have the opportunity to purchase a wide variety of lavender products while we are here. Next, we stop for lunch and shopping at Niagara-onthe-Lake. This historic town captures attention with its Georgian and Victorian styled building, Waterfront Park, and the surrounding fields of grapevines. Afterwards, we have scheduled a winery tour and tasting – a great introduction to winemaking excellence. We make a stop at the Floral Clock for a photo before returning to our hotel. Tonight, we have included the popular Greg Frewin Dinner Show. Greg Frewin has appeared on the world's top stages, such as the Flamingo Hilton, Caesar's Palace, and the Tropicana in Las Vegas and has been featured in over 35 television shows worldwide. Overnight same hotel.

**Day 4 - Home -** We have included breakfast before we depart Canada. We cross the border back into our own great country, making our way back to Kentucky. **Meals: 3B, 2D, Shows: 1** 

<sup>\*</sup>Please see COVID-19 statement on page 41.

# **New York Theater Special**

Tour #2023603

Double: \$2,221 Triple: \$1,981 Single: \$3,050 Deposit: \$350



Come with us and see why 65 million people visit the "Big Apple" every year. It's not just the lights, the music, the shopping, the parks, and the food. It's all of that and so much more! This trip offers the best of the "Big Apple" and is perfect for first-timers or those who want to return. Includes two Broadway shows and three nights at a hotel in Midtown Manhatten.

June 12-17

**Day 1 - Hagerstown, Maryland -** A day of travel takes us through the beautiful mountains of West Virginia and the "Old Line State" of Maryland, where we overnight in Hagerstown.

Day 2 - Backstage Tour of Radio City Music Hall - Times Square - Empire State Building -After an included breakfast, we depart our hotel and travel through New Jersey to New York City. Upon arrival, we will take a guided tour of the beautiful Radio City Music Hall in Rockefeller Center. Our guide will share with us the history and secrets of past performances and celebrities on this behind-the-scenes look at one of the largest theaters in the world. Next, we check into our hotel accommodations in Midtown Manhattan for the next three nights. After our arrival at the hotel, we will enjoy dinner on own and exploring in Times Square. Tonight, our tour director will conduct a night-time driving and walking tour of Midtown Manhattan. We will see points of interest such as St. Patrick's Cathedral, Madison Avenue, Lincoln Center, and Rockefeller Center. Next, we take the traditional tour to the top of the Empire State Building, the "granddaddy of all skyscrapers." From the 86th floor of the Empire State Building, 1,050 feet

above the city, you can enjoy a breathtaking view of the lights of New York City!

Day 3 - 9/11 Memorial and Museum –
Broadway Show - After an included breakfast,
we visit the National 9/11 Memorial and Museum.
We will look at the permanent collection of
artifacts, stories, photos, videos, and other
materials that shape our shared history and
honor the memories of those killed on 9/11. We
return to the hotel to rest before our evening
activities. This evening, we will take in one of the
many plays Broadway has to offer. Overnight
same hotel.

Day 4 - Manhatten Island Cruise - Macy's - Broadway Show - After an included breakfast, we are in for a wonderful treat as we cruise around Manhattan Island. Our guide will share with us some history and trivia as we sail around the island, following a route that takes us by the city's bridges, world-renowned landmarks, and up-close views of the Statue of Liberty in the harbor. Next, we stop at Macy's flagship store on Broadway, the largest retail store in the world. We will have time for lunch on our own and shopping in or nearby Macy's, before returning to our hotel to rest and freshen up. This evening, we will enjoy another Broadway show. Overnight same hotel.

Day 5 - Metropolitan Museum of Art – Hagerstown, Maryland - After an included breakfast, we will tour the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the finest art museum in the western hemisphere. Next, we leave this "world within

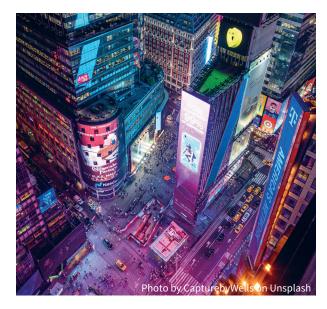
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6 Days

a city" for Hagerstown, Maryland, where we overnight.

**Day 6 - Home -** Heading for home and dealing with "sensory overload," we enjoy the scenery as we collect our thoughts, sort out a myriad of memories and think of all the stories we will tell of our visit to the "Big Apple."

Meals: 5B, Shows: 2



# **New England's Scenic Trains & Cruises**

June 18-27 Tour #2023602 10 Days

Double: \$3,018 Triple: \$2,726 Single: \$3,847 Deposit: \$400





**Day 2 - Hudson River Cruise – Albany, New York -** After an included breakfast, we continue to Kingston, New York, where we will take a narrated sightseeing cruise of the Hudson River aboard *Rip Van Winkle II*. Our cruise sails back past historic lighthouses, waterfront mansions, and quaint villages surrounded by orchards and vineyards. We overnight in Albany.

Day 3 - Saratoga Springs - Lake George Luncheon Cruise - Prospect Mountain -Rutland, Vermont - After an included breakfast, we take a city tour of Saratoga Springs, New York with a local guide. This charming town is famous for horse racing and its natural mineral springs.



Next, we travel to Lake George, New York, where we will enjoy a luncheon cruise aboard *Lac du Saint Sacrament*. After an included lunch, relax and enjoy scenic views of the crystalclear waters and mountain wilderness areas of Lake George. This afternoon, we travel to the summit of Prospect Mountain. The summit of the mountain has spectacular 100-mile views of the Adirondacks and Lake George. We continue our travels to the lovely Green Mountain State of Vermont, famed for its beautiful landscape. We overnight in Rutland.

Day 4 - Billings Farm - Woodstock Village - Quechee Gorge - Quechee Village - After an included breakfast, we are off to the Billings Farm Museum, for a look into 19th century rural Vermont life. We'll tour this charming 1890 farmhouse and walk through the gardens. This

afternoon, we visit the picture-perfect village of Woodstock, where you will have time for lunch on own, shopping, or walking the covered bridge. Next, we visit Quechee Gorge, known as "Vermont's Little Grand Canyon." Formed after the ice age, this unusual gorge demonstrates nature's power as the Ottauquechee River carved a swath through the Vermont hillsides. At nearby Quechee Village, we will have time for shopping at the Vermont Antique Mall and Country Store. We continue to our hotel in accommodations in New Hampshire for the next two nights. Dinner is included this evening.

Day 5 - Mount Washington Cog Railway -Kancamagus Scenic Highway - Café Lafayette Dinner Train - After an included breakfast, we ride the historic Mount Washington Cog Railway to the highest mountain peak in the Northeast. There will be time to explore the State Park after we reach the summit of the mountain. There will be time to explore the Cog Railway Museum and gift shop after we travel back down to the base of Mount Washington. This afternoon, we travel the scenic Kancamagus Highway, one of the most scenic routes in America. The "Kanc" as the locals call it, is officially the section of Route 112 that is both an attraction and a destination. This evening, we depart for the Café Lafayette Dinner Train. As an included dinner is served, period music keeps time with the rail's rhythmic rumbling, punctuated by the wail of the engine's whistle. Overnight same hotel.

#### Day 6 - Castle in the Clouds – Lake Winnipesauke Scenic Railroad – Portland,

Maine - After an included breakfast, we will tour Castle in the Clouds. This 5,200-acre mountain wilderness estate, high above Lake Winnipesauke, offers breathtaking lake and mountain views. After an included lunch, we board Lake Winnipesauke Scenic Railroad for a memorable excursion. We travel in restored vintage cars along New Hampshire's largest lake with panoramic views and photo opportunities along the way. We continue to Portland, Maine, where we overnight two nights.

**Day 7 - Harbor Cruise - Portland City Tour -**After an included breakfast, we take a narrated cruise of Portland Harbor, Casco Bay, and picturesque Diamond Pass waterway. We sail

past historic lighthouses, lobster boats, quaint villages, and islands dotted with Victorian cottages. afternoon, we tour Maine's largest city by the sea, Portland, with a local step on guide. You will see views of Longfellow's boyhood home and sea captains' homes as we drive through historic neighborhoods overlooking the islands of Casco Bay. We will enjoy a stop at Portland Head Lighthouse in Fort Williams Park. Overnight same hotel.

Day 8 - Mark Twain Home & Museum - West Haven, Connecticut - After an included breakfast, we travel to Hartford, Connecticut. Here, the history of another era awaits us at the Mark Twain Home & Museum. We will tour the meticulously restored home and learn about the author's legacy. We overnight in West Haven.

Day 9 - Hershey Chocolate World - Hagerstown, Maryland - After an included breakfast, we travel through New York State and New Jersey, making our way back into Pennsylvania. This afternoon, we stop at Hershey Chocolate World in Hershey, Pennsylvania. We will take a simulated chocolate factory ride to see how a cocoa bean becomes a chocolate bar. In addition, you will be able to purchase some delicious chocolates. We overnight in Hagerstown.

**Day 10 - Home -** After an included breakfast, we return home today with memories of the picturesque cruises and train rides we have experienced in beautiful New England.

Meals: 9B, 2L, 2D



# **Riverboats of the Mississippi**

July 8-13 Tour #2023703 6 Days

Double: \$1,863 Triple: \$1,697 Single: \$2,498 Deposit: \$350



Day 1 - St. Louis - Gateway Arch - We head across the fertile farmlands of Indiana and Illinois, continuing into the "Show Me State" of Missouri at St. Louis. This sprawling river town is home to our nation's tallest monument, the Gateway Arch. This afternoon, we take a thrilling ride on the tramway to the top of the Gateway Arch. From this vantage point, you'll get spectacular views of the city and the meandering Mississippi River. We overnight in the St. Louis area.

Day 2 - Hannibal - Mark Twain Boyhood Home & **Museum - Mark Twain Cave - Riverboat Dinner Cruise** - After an included breakfast, we travel to Hannibal, Missouri. This historic town was the setting for Mark Twain's The Adventures of Tom Sawyer. Upon arrival, we will visit Mark Twain Boyhood Home and Museum. We will view such notable items as the desk at which the author wrote The Adventures of Tom Sawyer and the original Norman Rockwell paintings illustrating editions of Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn. After lunch on our own, we tour the historic Mark Twain Cave. Twain wrote about his adventures in the cave in five of his best-known books. The tour route through Mark Twain Cave is easy to follow, the paths are wide and dry and there are no steps or ramps. Tonight, we board the Mark Twain Riverboat for an exciting cruise on the mighty Mississippi River. Our two-hour cruise features a delicious, included dinner and entertaining music. Overnight in Hannibal, Missouri.

Day 3 - Deere-Wiman House - John Deere
Pavilion - Cinnamon Ridge Farms - Machine
Shed Restaurant - After an included breakfast,

we will tour the Deere-Wiman House in Moline, Illinois. This majestic Victorian mansion was built by Charles Deere, the son of John Deere. After lunch on our own, we will tour the John Deere Pavilion. This immersive exhibit features new and vintage farm equipment, as well as a look into the future of agriculture. Next, we will tour the robotic dairy farm at Cinnamon Ridge Farms This evening, we have included a delicious dinner at the fascinating Machine Shed Restaurant, "dedicated to the American farmer." Our hotel accommodations for two nights will be in Le Claire, Iowa.

Day 4 - Full Day Mississippi River Cruise to Dubuque - This morning, we take a step back in time to the 1800's as we depart for a full day cruise on the Mississippi River. Our paddle wheeler sails leisurely up the river to Dubuque, passing by a variety of picturesque scenery narrated by the Captain. You can browse the gift shop, take a spin on the dance floor, relax on one of the observation decks, and enjoy entertainment on board. Our cruise includes three full meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner). We overnight in Le Claire.

Day 5 - Newport, Kentucky - Ohio River Dinner Cruise - Today, we travel to Newport, Kentucky, for our last overnight. We have included a dinner cruise on the Ohio River as a special ending to our day.

Day 6 - Ark Encounter – Home - After an included breakfast, we tour the Ark Encounter, featuring a full-size Noah's Ark, built according to the dimensions given in the Bible. Lunch is included at the Ark. We return home, reminiscing about the history we have "re-lived" on the river.

Meals: 5B, 2L, 4D



# Yellowstone, Dakotas, and Badlands

#### **Featuring Glacier National Park**

July 8-20 Tour #2023701 13 Days

Double: \$3,266 Triple: \$2,905 Single: \$4,609 Deposit: \$400



Spectacular sights await you on this incredible trip to the Northwest. Multi-colored wastelands uniquely formed gullies, eroded pinnacles of sandstone, towering waterfalls and majestic snow-capped mountains will astound you with their unbelievable beauty. Marvel at the resort towns, cowboy legends, rodeos, and buffalo burgers. The customs and history of this beautiful area of our country will intrigue you as you see, feel, hear, and taste it on this fantastic tour.

**Day 1 - Coralville, Iowa -** We board our deluxe coach and travel through Indiana, Illinois, and on to Coralville, Iowa, for our first night.

Day 2 - John Wayne Birthplace Museum – Chamberlain, South Dakota - After an included breakfast, we tour John Wayne's birthplace, located the small central lowa town of Winterset. The actor was born Marion Robert Morrison on May 26, 1907, in this modest four-room home. The museum houses the world's largest collection of John Wayne memorabilia. We overnight in Chamberlain.

Day 3 - Badlands National Park - Wall Drug Store - Mt. Rushmore National Memorial -Spearfish, South Dakota - After an included breakfast, we visit Badlands National Park, so called because of the eroded multi-colored wastelands with eerie gullies, canyons, ridges, and spires. We will take a driving tour through the park with picture stops along with way. This afternoon, we visit the famous Wall Drug Store. Reported to be the world's largest drug store, it is a fascinating place in which to both eat and shop. Don't forget to get a glass of free ice water and maybe a buffalo burger for lunch. Next, we visit Mount Rushmore National Memorial. This shrine of democracy, located in the heart of the Black Hills, is one of our country's most beloved monuments. The 6,000-foot mountain displays the faces of four presidents whose accomplishments best exhibit the zeal and spirit of Americans – George Washington, Theodore Roosevelt, Thomas Jefferson, and Abraham Lincoln. Overnight in Spearfish.

### Day 4 - Black Hills - Big Horn Mountains

- Cody, Wyoming - Today we continue our travels through the Black Hills and the Big Horn Mountains. The thick coverings of pine trees on the hillsides give the hills a black appearance. We cross the high elevations of the Big Horn Mountains, and then pass-through Shell Canyon, a scenic gorge on our way to Cody, named for "Buffalo Bill" William Cody.

Day 5 - Yellowstone National Park – Jackson, Wyoming - Spectacular Yellowstone National Park awaits us today! There will be many opportunities for taking pictures as we walk the paths to thundering waterfalls, thermal steam vents, bubbling mud pots, and steaming pools. Old Faithful Geyser flings its steamy plume against the blue sky on a consistent schedule. Next, we travel to Jackson Hole, a resort town surrounded by the Grand Teton Mountains and the Snake River. We overnight two nights in Jackson.

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Day 6 - Leisure Day in Jackson - Today is at your leisure in Jackson Hole. There are many shops that offer unique gifts, and several famous restaurants that offer "local" cuisine. Not far away, there is a chair lift to the top of one of the local ski slopes. The view of Jackson Hole and the Teton Range is awesome from there! Overnight same hotel.

**Day 7 - Idaho - Missoula, Montana -** Today, we travel through Idaho. As we drive through the state, we see huge fields of potatoes growing in the rich, volcanic soil. Overnight in Missoula.

Day 8 - Glacier National Park - Going-to-the-Sun Road - Shelby, Montana - After an included breakfast, we visit one of the most beautiful spots in the world, Glacier National Park! We'll make a stop at McDonald Lodge where we will board our red "jammer" vehicles for a ride over Glacier's spectacular Going-To-The-Sun-Road, winding through the heart of the park, up and over the Continental Divide. We overnight in Shelby.

**Day 9 - Minot, North Dakota** - After an included breakfast, we make our way through the rugged state of North Dakota on our way to Minot, where we overnight.

**Day 10 - Bloomington, Minnesota -** After an included breakfast, we travel through Minnesota to our overnight accommodations in Bloomington.

#### Day 11 - Mall of America - Wisconsin Dells,

**Wisconsin** - After an included breakfast, we stop at the Mall of America for shopping and lunch on our own. This huge mall is the nation's largest entertainment and retail complex with over 520 shops and eateries. This afternoon, we travel to Wisconsin Dells, where we overnight two nights.

Day 12 - The House on the Rock - Upper Dells Boat Ride - After an included breakfast, we tour the magnificent House on the Rock. This unique masterpiece was built as a winter retreat by the architectural genius, Alex Jordan, but it became a showpiece as the curious came to see. This extraordinary home stands atop a chimney-like rock, 450 feet above the valley floor. You will have time to enjoy the views, unique furnishings, and unbelievable collections of this architectural wonder. After lunch on our own, we have scheduled an exciting cruise through the magnificent channel cut by the Wisconsin River, known as the Wisconsin Dells. Overnight same hotel.

**Day 13 - Home -** After an included breakfast, our trip comes to an end as we make our way back home with memories of our wonderful trip to share with family and friends. **Meals: 8B** 



# **Cape Cod and the Islands**

#### Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard

July 22-30 Tour #2023702 9 Days

Double: \$2,507 Triple: \$2,216 Single: \$3,557 Deposit: \$350



You won't want to miss the romance and flawless beauty of old Cape Cod in the summer and the storybook islands where some of the nation's wealthiest families make their homes. Come to where it all began - to the weathered clapboard of ancient buildings, the bustling harbors, salty marshlands, and sand dunes dotted with lighthouses.

**Day 1 - Hagerstown, Maryland -** Our adventure begins today as we travel through West Virginia and Maryland to our overnight accommodations in Hagerstown.

**Day 2 - West Haven, Connecticut -** After an included breakfast, we continue to the "Empire State" of New York, crossing the mighty Hudson River and continue into West Haven, Connecticut to overnight.

Day 3 - Mystic Seaport Museum - Newport, Rhode Island - The Breakers Mansion - After an included breakfast, we visit the Mystic Seaport Museum, the nation's largest maritime museum. We will be able to visit the many exhibit buildings filled with collections of ship models, figureheads, scrimshaw, marine paintings, and other marine artifacts. After lunch on our own, we continue to Newport, Rhode Island, the "City by the Sea," whose mansions best illustrate the Gilded Age. We will tour "The Breakers" Mansion, the former home of Cornelius Vanderbilt. Built in 1895, it is the most splendid of Newport's mansions, with its French and Italian details and furnishings. We overnight in Middletown, Rhode Island.



#### Day 4 - Cape Cod Touring - Hyannis,

Massachusetts - Breakfast is included at the hotel. The charm of New England awaits today as we explore it to the furthest tip of Cape Cod. We will travel along scenic Route 6A passing by colonial villages filled with wonderful examples of New England architecture. The landscape will dramatically change as we approach the "Land's End" - Provincetown. We will be surrounded by the ocean and sand dunes and a landscape dotted with small cottages. We visit Provincetown, the site of the first landing of the Pilgrims. We'll have time for lunch on our own and shopping before checking into our hotel in Hyannis, Massachusetts for three nights.

Day 5 - Nantucket Island - This morning we embark on a journey to the "Far-Away Isle" of Nantucket. Our ferry from Hyannis brings us to this once great whaling center, still surrounded in the charm and beauty of its unique homes and cobblestone streets. We'll take a guided bus tour of the island and have time for lunch on our own and shopping in Nantucket's exciting shops and boutiques. Overnight same hotel.

Day 6 - Martha's Vineyard - Today, we cruise to the "Storybook Island" of Martha's Vineyard to explore the charm of yesteryear while enjoying the modern, sophisticated shops and intriguing restaurants. We will take a narrated bus tour of the island and have time for lunch and shopping in Edgartown, a fashionable community of narrow streets fringed by stately old homes. In the afternoon we cruise back to Hyannis.

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Overnight same hotel.

Day 7 - Plimoth Patuxet - Mayflower II -

Plymouth Rock - This morning, we explore our country's beginnings as we visit Plimoth Patuxet, a living history museum that recreates the original 1627 Plymouth Colony. Walk with the Pilgrims as they go about their daily tasks - cooking, harvesting, gardening, and tending farm animals. Next, we visit Mayflower II, a full-scale replica of the ship that brough the Pilgrims to America. The ship was recently renovated for the 400th anniversary of the voyage. Afterwards, we stop at Plymouth Rock to see where the Pilgrims landed in 1620. After lunch on our own, we continue to West Haven, Connecticut to overnight.

Day 8 - Hagerstown, Maryland - After an included breakfast, we depart our hotel and retrace our steps through New York State, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. We overnight in Hagerstown, Maryland.

Day 9 - Home - After an included breakfast, we travel back to our own beautiful Bluegrass State. Meals: 5B



# **Mackinac Island**

Tour #2023803

Double: \$1,299 Triple: \$1,154 Single: \$1,822 Deposit: \$300



Come to beautiful Mackinac Island, the "Bermuda of the North." Take a step back "somewhere in time," to an island where no motorized vehicles are allowed, only horse drawn carriages and bicycles. Savor the aroma of world famous Mackinac Island fudge, enjoy a carriage tour of the island, and view this intriguing place steeped in history and memories.

August 7-11

**Day 1 - Frankenmuth, Michigan -** Today, we travel to the quaint community of Frankenmuth, where we overnight.

Day 2 - Mackinac Island, Michigan - After an included breakfast, we drive to St. Ignace, Michigan, where we board the ferry that takes us to Mackinac Island. The island is rich in history and full of natural beauty and we will spend the next two nights in this charming place. The clip-clop of the horses' hooves is a pleasant sound in this quiet relaxing place that has no motorized vehicles.

# **Day 3 - Carriage Ride - Lunch at Grand Hotel**- We begin our day with a horse-drawn carriage tour of Mackinac Island. We stop at the Grand

Hotel, where the hotel's 700-foot veranda leads us into an enormous lobby decorated with priceless works of art. We have included their delicious luncheon buffet spread over ten tables of mouth-watering delights. After lunch, the rest of the day will be free to roam through the downtown shops or maybe rent a bicycle for a ride around the island.

5 Days

Day 4 - Bronner's Christmas Wonderland - This morning, we have some leisure time to browse for that last souvenir before heading to the ferry, where we cross back to the mainland. Our ferry takes us to St. Ignace in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, where we will have the pleasure of driving back across the famous Mighty Mac Bridge that connects Michigan's Upper and Lower Peninsula. In Frankenmuth, Michigan, we'll visit Bronner's Christmas Wonderland, before checking into our hotel.

**Day 5 - Homeward Bound -** After an included breakfast, we begin our journey home with many memories of the natural beauty of Mackinac Island. **Meals: 2B, 1L** 



# **Summer in the Adirondacks**

August 14-19 Tour #2023802 6 Days

Double: \$1,617 Triple: \$1,493 Single: \$2,102 Deposit: \$300



Come to New York's Central Adirondacks, the largest wilderness area east of the Mississippi, to the rich history of these mountains with their countless stories about the rich and famous people who lived, worked, and played here.

**Day 1 - Hagerstown, Maryland -** A day of travel takes us through the beautiful mountains of West Virginia and the "Old Line State" of Maryland, where we overnight in Hagerstown.

Day 2 - Historic Queensbury Hotel - Glens Falls, New York - After an included breakfast, we continue our journey north to New York's Central Adirondacks. We check into the historic Victorianstyle Queensbury Hotel, the centerpiece in downtown Glens Falls, New York, for a three-night stay. This elegant hotel is equipped with various amenities including an indoor pool, Jacuzzi, exercise room, and beauty salon. Dinner is included at the hotel this evening.

Day 3 - Gore Mountain Gondola Ride – Barton's Garnet Mine – Prospect Mountain - After an included breakfast, we stop at Gore Mountain, a four-season mountain operated by the NYS Olympic Region Development Authority. Here, we ride in comfort in glass, encased gondolas up the mountain 1,700 feet for awesome views of the High Peaks. On a clear day you can see Vermont. Next, we're off on a treasure hunt! Barton's Garnet Mines, the oldest family owned and operated mine in the United States, has one of the world's largest garnet deposits. Their trained staff will take us into the garnet mine site and lecture on the geology, mining history and present-day operations. We will

have time to collect garnet rocks for rock gardens or garnet gems that can be faceted for fine jewelry. After lunch on our own, we travel the five-mile memorial highway to the top of Prospect Mountain, with photo opportunities at its overlooks. The summit of the mountain has spectacular 100-mile views of the Adirondacks and Lake George. Dinner is included this evening. Overnight same hotel.

# Day 4 - Gilded Age Tour - Adirondack Experience Museum - Great Camp Sagamore

- W.W. Durant Dinner Cruise - After an included breakfast, prepare yourself for the Gilded Age Tour! During the late 19th century before income tax, wealthy entrepreneurs such as Vanderbilt, Carnegie, J.P. Morgan, and Collis P. Huntington built fabulous wilderness estates in the heart of the Adirondacks to rival the beach resorts of Newport. First, we'll explore the exhibits at the Adirondack Experience Museum and learn how people in this area worked and played. Next, we board our coach and travel west to Great Camp Sagamore in Raquette Lake. We'll learn the way the Vanderbilts went camping at this 1897 National Historic Landmark. Their style was luxurious, a mere illusion of "roughing it" utilizing 27 buildings, including a formal dining hall, bowling alley, and an extensive workers' complex occupied even through the harsh Adirondack winters. Tonight, we will enjoy an exciting dinner cruise aboard the W.W. Durant on Raquette Lake. During our cruise, we'll sail by more Great Camps than anywhere else in the Adirondacks. Overnight same hotel.

Day 5 - Hagerstown, Maryland - After an included breakfast, we travel to our overnight accommodations in Hagerstown.

August 26-29

Day 6 - Home - Our exciting tour comes to an end today as we arrive back in Kentucky.

Meals: 5B, 3D

# **West Virginia**

Music, Mountains, and Railroads

Tour #2023801 **Double: \$869 Triple: \$809** Single: \$1,112 Deposit: \$250



"Almost Heaven, West Virginia," that is how John Denver described this beautiful mountainous state in his top hit song, "Country Roads." We are sure you will agree as we visit the area known as the "Heart of West Virginia." This area is famous for its mountain scenery, outdoor recreation, rich culture, and heritage. Come away to the lush green mountains, where interstates meet country roads and take the traveler on a delightful journey to some of the most beautiful scenery you have ever seen.

Day 1 - Elkins, West Virginia - Gandy Dancer Theater - Today we step aboard a deluxe motorcoach and travel to Elkins, West Virginia, where we check into our hotel for the next two nights. After check-in, we're off for an unforgettable evening at the Gandy Dancer Theater. After a wonderful, included dinner, the fabulous Mountain Memories Show Band will entertain us with music from the 50's to today, country, pop, gospel, and patriotic tunes and high energy, family comedy.

Day 2 - Green Bank Science Center - Cass Scenic Railroad - After an included breakfast, we will visit the Green Bank Science Center,

located within the 13,000-mile National Radio Quiet Zone. The Robert C. Byrd Green Bank Telescope stands 500 feet with a dish the size of a football field. Day and night, this state-of-theart radio telescope is used to observe asteroids, star formations, and more recently has been used to search for extraterrestrial life in the universe. After an included lunch, we board the Cass Scenic Railroad for an unforgettable twohour train excursion to Whittaker Station. Dinner is included this evening. Overnight same hotel.

4 Days

Day 3 - New River Gorge Bridge - Tamarack - Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine - We travel to beautiful Beckley, West Virginia today. En route we will stop at the New River Gorge Bridge and Visitor Center, one of the most photographed sites in West Virginia. This afternoon, we stop at Tamarack for shopping and lunch on our own. This unique retailer started out as a simple vision to promote the Mountain State's wonderful image. You will find crafts and food from all over the Mountain State, including those from the famous five-star Greenbrier Resort. At the Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine, we take a ride in remodeled coal mining cars in this once-working coal mine. Our guide, a veteran miner, will share with us the stories and first-hand accounts of past and present-day miners. We overnight in Beckley.

Day 4 - West Virginia State Capital & State Museum - Home - After an included breakfast, we visit the West Virginia State Museum for a visit into the state's history. Next, we travel home with memories and stories to tell our loved ones about our great adventure to beautiful West Virginia. Meals: 3B, 1L, 2D, Shows: 1

# **Rocky Mountain Fall Foliage**

 September 15-26
 Tour #2023902
 12 Days

 Double: \$3,061
 Triple: \$2,784
 Single: \$4,134
 Deposit: \$400



The splendor of autumn in the Colorado Rockies is a visual masterpiece you will long remember. The quaking aspen trees with their heart-shaped leaves fluttering in the wind create picture perfect beauty.

to by Joshua Woroniecki on Uns

**Day 1 - Independence, Missouri** - Anticipating the splendor of autumn in the Colorado Rockies, we board our motorcoach and travel through Indiana and Illinois into the "Show Me State" of Missouri. Our overnight accommodations will be in Independence.

Day 2 - Truman Library – Eisenhower Center – Salina, Kansas - After an included breakfast, we continue our journey westward. First, we tour the Harry S. Truman Library & Museum, which houses the president's personal and office papers. After lunch on our own, we visit the Dwight D. Eisenhower Center in Abilene, Kansas. We will visit his boyhood home, museum, and the Meditation Chapel, where he is buried. We overnight in Salina.

**Day 3 - Denver, Colorado -** After an included breakfast, we cross the great plains of Kansas into Colorado, where we leave the flat terrain behind us and head for the "Mile High City" of Denver. We overnight in the Denver area.

Day 4 - Denver City Tour - Air Force Academy - Garden of the Gods - Colorado Springs,
Colorado - After an included breakfast, a local guide will step aboard our motorcoach and provide a narrative history of the cosmopolitan city of Denver. In the afternoon, we travel to Colorado Springs, where we visit the Air Force

Academy. Next, we drive through the colorful Garden of the Gods. This natural park is located at the base of Pike's Peak, where the Great Plains meet the Rockies. We will see massive, towering formations of red sandstone. We overnight two nights in Colorado Springs.

Day 5 - Pike's Peak Cog Railway - After an included breakfast, a thrilling day is ahead as we take the Cog Railway to the summit of Pike's Peak for a spectacular view of the Colorado Rockies. From Pike's Peak, it is possible on a clear day to see both Denver and the Sangre de Cristo Mountains in Southern Colorado and New Mexico. Dinner is included this evening. Overnight same hotel.

Day 6 - Royal Gorge - Black Canyon of the Gunnison - After an included breakfast, we travel south to the Royal Gorge, where we begin the adventure of a lifetime. We take a breath-taking trek across its famous bridge that spans 1,053 feet above the Arkansas River. Next, we travel beyond the majestic Colorado Rockies as we visit the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Monument. This lovely area is famed for its narrowness, its depth, and its gorge formations. The name Black Canyon comes from the dark-colored rocks in the area. We overnight in Montrose, Colorado.

**Day 7 - Ouray - Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad -** Breakfast is included at our today. Today we experience the fall season at its best as we head deep into the mountains and national forests of the Colorado Rockies.

We begin with a stop in Ouray, known as the "Switzerland of America." We continue to Silverton, an old silver mining town rich in history and legend. After lunch on our own, we board the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad and journey through the ruggedly beautiful mountains of the San Juan National Forest on our way to Durango, Colorado, where we overnight.

Day 8 - Mesa Verde National Park - Pagosa Springs, Colorado - After an included breakfast, we travel a short distance to Mesa Verde National Park, which contains the Southwest's best-preserved cliff-dweller Native American ruins. Next, we make our way to Pagosa Springs, Colorado, where we overnight.

Day 9 - Santa Fe, New Mexico - After an included breakfast, we skirt the edges of the Rio Grande National Forest and cross into New Mexico. Our destination today is Santa Fe, the oldest capital city in the U.S. We'll enjoy lunch on our own and shopping in Santa Fe Plaza. You will see numerous landmarks from colonial Spanish times. Overnight in Santa Fe.

**Day 10 - Cadillac Ranch - Weatherford, Oklahoma -** After an included breakfast, we head east across the Texas panhandle. This afternoon, we will stop at the Cadillac Ranch, a most unusual art exhibit located along historic Route 66. The ten graffiti-covered cars are half-buried, facing west "at the same angle as the Cheops Pyramid." We overnight in Weatherford.

Day 11 - National Cowboy Hall of Fame Museum - Springfield, Missouri - After an included breakfast, we stop at the National Cowboy Hall Of Fame in Oklahoma City. While there, be sure to see the famous "End of the Trail" statue. Next, we travel northeast to Springfield, Missouri, where we overnight.

**Day 12 - Home -** After an included breakfast, we board our coach and head toward home, remembering the breathtaking fall foliage of the Colorado Rockies. **Meals: 11B, 1D** 



# **New England Fall Foliage**

September 24-October 4 Tour #2023901 11 Days

Double: \$2,564 Triple: \$2,275 Single: \$3,650 Deposit: \$350



**Day 1 - Hagerstown, Maryland -** We travel through West Virginia into the "Old Line" State of Maryland, where we overnight in Hagerstown.

**Day 2 - West Haven, Connecticut -** After an included breakfast, we continue through the "Empire State" of New York, continuing to our hotel in West Haven.

Day 3 - Mystic Seaport Museum - Newport, Rhode Island - After an included breakfast, we visit Mystic Seaport Museum, our nation's largest maritime museum. In this recreated seaport village, we will be able to walk through actual homes in which seafaring New Englanders once lived 200 years ago. Be sure to visit the Charles W. Morgan, the only surviving wooden whaling ship in the world. Later, we will drive through legendary Newport, Rhode Island, the "City by the Sea," whose historic mansions best illustrate the Gilded Age. America's wealthiest families built their summer homes here in the yachting capital of world during the late 19th century before income tax. We overnight in Hyannis, Massachusetts.

Day 4 - Hyannis - Plymouth Rock - Mayflower II - Plimoth Patuxet - Boston - This morning, we visit the John F. Kennedy Memorial, which overs looks the beautiful harbor of Hyannis. Next, we continue to historic Sandwich, Massachusetts the oldest town on Cape Cod, where we will stop for some photo opportunities. A short drive will bring us to the town of Plymouth, to view Plymouth Rock, the famous rock on which the Pilgrims stepped out



onto the "New World." Next, we visit Mayflower II, a full-scale replica of the ship that brough the Pilgrims to America. The ship was recently renovated for the 400th anniversary of the voyage. After lunch on our own, we explore our country's beginnings as we visit Plimoth Patuxet, a living history museum that recreates the original 1627 Plymouth Colony. Later today, we travel to Boston area, where we will spend the next two nights.

Day 5 - City Tour of Boston, Lexington, and Concord - Faneuil Hall & Quincy Market - Old North Church - After an included breakfast, we begin touring with a local guide in Boston. We will see the downtown area, the Boston Common, the oldest public park in the country, and the many historical sights of the city. On our way to visit the site of the first conflict of the Revolutionary War, in Lexington, Massachusetts, we will pass Harvard University in Cambridge. Continuing to Concord, we will see the homes of literary greats Henry David Thoreau, Ralph Waldo Emerson, and Louisa Mae Alcott. In Concord, at the Old North Bridge, the Minuteman Statue stands on the site where the "shot heard around the world" was fired. Our tour concludes back in Boston at famous Faneuil Hall Marketplace, opened in 1742, and Quincy Market, its neighbor since 1825. This place was the scene of many stirring gatherings during the Revolutionary movement. Here visitors and locals alike shop, mingle and enjoy a tremendous variety of food. After lunch on our

own, we will visit the Old North Church, which has the windows from which Paul Revere's signal lanterns flashed. Overnight same hotel.

Day 6 - Acadia National Park – Bar Harbour, Maine - After an included breakfast, we travel to the lovely seaside village of Bar Harbor, Maine. The beauty of the sea, mountains, lake, and forest has made this area world-famous as a summer resort. Here we visit Acadia National Park, which has the most breathtaking combination of ocean and mountain scenery north of Rio de Janeiro. Hotel accommodations for the next two nights will be in Bar Harbor, Maine.

**Day 7 - Leisure Day in Bar Harbour -** After an included breakfast, today will be at your leisure to do whatever most appeals to you in Bar Harbor. Overnight same hotel.

Day 8 - New Hampshire's White Mountains -After an included breakfast, today we continue into New Hampshire, through White Mountain National Forest, known for its spectacular fall foliage. Experience a visual masterpiece as you witness the white birch trees putting on a display of dazzling golden hues intermingled with the green New England spruce. Dinner is included at our hotel in Lincoln, New Hampshire.

#### Day 9 - Hildene Mansion - Albany, New York

- After an included breakfast, we depart our hotel and cross into Vermont. In Manchester, we take a tour of Hildene Mansion, the beautiful home of Robert Todd Lincoln. Our overnight accommodations will be in Albany, New York.

**Day 10 - Hagerstown, Maryland -** After an included breakfast, we drive through Pennsylvania, skirting along the edges of the Pocono Mountains on our way to Hagerstown, Maryland to overnight.

**Day 11 - Home -** After an included breakfast, we board our coach to return home today. While our time in New England has come to an end, we bring with us wonderful fall foliage memories and newfound pride in our forefathers that we can share with friends and family. **Meals: 9B, 1D** 



# Washington, D.C. & Colonial Williamsburg

October 1–6 Tour #20231003 6 Days

Double: \$1,296 Triple: \$1,173 Single: \$1,774 Deposit: \$300



The majesty of our nation's capital and the beauty of Colonial Williamsburg combine to reveal history at its best for this fall tour!

**Day 1 - Hagerstown, Maryland -** We travel through West Virginia into the "Old Line" State of Maryland, where we overnight in Hagerstown.

Day 2 - Smithsonian Museums - After an included breakfast, we drive into Washington, D.C. and visit the Smithsonian Institute, affectionately called "America's attic," for a look at the history of this nation. We will visit the Museum of Natural History, the National Museum of American History and the National Air and Space Museum. Our hotel accommodations for the next two nights will be in the D.C. area.

# Day 3 - Arlington National Cemetery – Washington, D.C. City Tour and Memorials

- After an included breakfast, we visit Arlington National Cemetery to see the Kennedy Gravesites and the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. As we depart the cemetery, we stop at the Marine Corps War Memorial which portrays the raising of the flag on Iwo Jima. This afternoon, we meet our local step on guide for a sightseeing tour of Washington, D.C. We visit the World War II, Lincoln, Vietnam War, Korean War, and FDR Memorials. Overnight same hotel.

**Day 4 - Colonial Williamsburg -** After an included breakfast, we continue to Colonial Williamsburg. The historic area includes 88 original buildings, shops, and homes, which have been meticulously preserved and restored. Your

admission to Colonial Williamsburg includes shuttle transportation which will allow you to take your time and get on and off the shuttle bus at will. You will be able to tour the homes, church, and capital, and browse through the stores in Merchants Square. We overnight in Williamsburg, Virginia.

Day 5 - Thomas Jefferson's Monticello – Michie Tavern – Charlottesville, Virginia - After an included breakfast, we will visit Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's home from 1770 until his death. The tour includes the principal rooms of the house, which contain the statesman's furniture and personal effects. Next, we have included lunch at historic Michie Tavern. Michie Tavern is one of the oldest homesteads remaining in Virginia and was originally located on a well-traveled stagecoach route some 17 miles northwest of Monticello. We overnight in Charlottesville.

**Day 6 - Home -** After an included breakfast, we make our way homeward, remembering the things we have seen on our trip that truly make our country great. **Meals: 5B, 1L** 

# Pioneer Woman Mercantile & Magnolia Market at the Silos

October 4–9 Tour #20231004 6 Days

Double: \$1,368 Triple: \$1,321 Single: \$1,728 Deposit: \$300



**Day 1 - Joplin, Missouri -** Our journey to visit two of the most popular shopping destinations in the nation begins as we step aboard our deluxe motorcoach. Our first day's journey takes us through the fertile farmlands of Indiana and Illinois to Joplin, Missouri, where we overnight.

Dav 2 - Woolaroc Museum & Wildlife Preserve - Pioneer Woman Mercantile - After an included breakfast, we visit the Woolaroc Museum and Wildlife Preserve, known as the "Smithsonian of the West." This working ranch is home to more than 30 species of wildlife including buffalo, elk, deer, longhorn cattle, and wild horses. The museum contains one of the world's finest collections of Western art and artifacts. Next, we visit Pawhuska, Oklahoma, the home of Food Network TV star Ree Drummond, known to her fans as the Pioneer Woman. This afternoon will be free for lunch on our own and shopping at the Pioneer Woman Mercantile. Ree Drummond and her family spent years renovating the historic Osage Mercantile Building into a destination bakery, deli, and general store welcoming visitors from near and far. Tonight, we have included dinner at the Mercantile, featuring the Pioneer Woman's recipes. We overnight in the Tulsa area.

Day 3 - Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza – Southfork Ranch - After an included breakfast, we continue to south to Dallas, Texas. After lunch on our own, we visit the Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza. This permanent historical exhibit is located inside the former School Book Depository building from which Oswald shot

Kennedy. This museum offers a compelling and dramatic look into the events of the JFK assassination and its aftermath. Tonight, we visit the world's most famous ranch, Southfork Ranch, the setting of the popular "Dallas" TV show. We will enjoy an included dinner and a guided tour of the Ewing mansion. We see such memorabilia as the gun that shot J.R., Lucy's wedding dress and the "Dallas" Family Tree. We overnight two nights in the Dallas, Texas area.

Day 4 - Fixer Upper Tour - Magnolia Market at the Silos - Waco, Texas - After an included breakfast, we travel to Waco, the hometown of HGTV "Fixer Upper" stars Chip and Joanna Gaines. We will take a "Fixer Upper" City Tour of Waco with a local step on guide. You will see many of the homes, shops (like Harp Design), and familiar spots seen on the "Fixer Upper" TV show, as well as make stops for photo opportunities along the way. After our tour, we visit Magnolia Market at the Silos for lunch on our own and shopping. This shopping center with its famous silos spans two city blocks in Waco and has a little something for everyone. Shop to your heart's content at stores including the Magnolia Market Shop, Silos Bakery, Seed + Supply, and the Garden, then enjoy lunch on your own at one of the numerous food trucks. Overnight same hotel.

**Day 5 - Beale Street - Memphis, Tennessee -**After an included breakfast, we depart for the Memphis, Tennessee area. Tonight, we visit Beale Street, where we will have time for shopping, exploring, and enjoying some of the blues music.

Day 6 - Graceland - Home - After an included breakfast, we tour Graceland, the beautiful mansion of Elvis Presley. Here, we will see his home, the Auto Museum featuring his motorcycles and legendary Pink Cadillac, his airplanes, and memorabilia spanning his entire career. We arrive home this evening, bringing with us all our gifts and packages from our great shopping experience at the Pioneer Woman Mercantile and Magnolia Market. Meals: 5B, 2D

### **Branson Showtime**

Tour #20231002

Double: \$1,255 Triple: \$1,183 Single: \$1,428 Deposit: \$300



Come to the rugged beauty of the Ozark Mountains, to the picturesque town of Branson, whose array of music shows cannot be matched. Featuring Queen Esther at Sight and Sound Theatre, plus other entertaining shows, delicious meals, and great sightseeing, this tour is a collection of the best that Branson has to offer.

October 9-13

#### Day 1 - Lambert's Café - Branson, Missouri

- Today, we head west through Indiana and Illinois into the "Show Me State" of Missouri. This evening, we have included a delicious dinner at Lambert's Café, famous for their "throwed rolls." We continue to Branson, where we spend the next four nights.

Day 2 - Lost Canyon at Top of the Rock - Texas Tenors - The Haygoods - After an included breakfast, we take an unforgettable two-anda-half-mile ride in an electric cart along the Lost Canyon Trail. We'll view dramatic rock formations and cascading waterfalls. This afternoon, we will be entertained by the Texas Tenors. They bring a unique blend of country, gospel, and classical music to the stage with breathtaking vocals, humor, and cowboy charm. Tonight, after an included dinner, we will be entertained by The Haygoods. The Haygoods bring the house down night after night with incredibly tight harmonies, innovative, energetic choreography, incredible special effects, and amazing performances on over 20 different instruments. Overnight same hotel.

Day 3 - Historic Downtown Branson - Yakov Smirnoff - "Queen Esther" at Sight & Sound Theater - After an included breakfast, we visit Historic Downtown Branson for lunch on our own and shopping. There are over 50 shops offering crafts, souvenirs, clothing, and more, plus Dick's Old Time Five & Dime Store. Next, we will be entertained by Yakov Smirnoff. Yakov is a world-famous Russian comedian, whose show is a high-energy production filled with tons of laughter. Tonight, after an included dinner, we experience "Queen Esther" at Sight and Sound Theater. "Queen Esther" is a captivating tale of beauty of bravery. Her ordinary life was changed forever entering a world of royalty and risk. Esther finds the courage to trust in God's plan and believe that she was made for such a time as this. Overnight same hotel.

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#### Day 4 - Titanic Museum - The Showboat Branson Belle Dinner Cruise - Shoji Tabuchi -

After an included breakfast, we enjoy a visit and audio tour of the Titanic Museum. Experience what it was like to walk the hallways, parlors, cabins, and Grand Staircase of the Titanic, while surrounded by more than 400 artifacts recovered from the ship. Tonight, we set sail for a dinner cruise aboard the Showboat Branson Belle. We'll enjoy an included dinner and an exciting variety show featuring music from the 60's to today. Next, we will be entertained by Branson's beloved violinist, Shoji Tabuchi. Shoji can play the violin as you never thought possible – both country and classical. Overnight same hotel.

**Day 5 - Home -** After an early breakfast, we reluctantly depart from this lovely Ozark Mountain area and begin our journey back to the Bluegrass State. **Meals: 4B, 4D, Shows: 6** 

# **Arizona & Grand Canyon National Park**

October 14-29 Tour #20231001 16 Days

Double: \$3,319 Triple: \$3,021 Single: \$4,564 Deposit: \$400



Imagine an exciting western adventure that takes you to those wide, open spaces you have always wanted to see! This is a great time of the year to go west. The crowds are gone and the weather is still nice. Includes 3 nights in Phoenix, 2 nights in Las Vegas, and 2 nights in Grand Canyon.

Day 1 - Casey Jones Village – Little Rock, Arkansas - We travel through Kentucky and Tennessee with an included lunch at Casey Jones Village in Jackson, Tennessee along the way. Our first overnight will be in Little Rock.

Day 2 - Dallas City Tour - After an included breakfast, we depart for Dallas, Texas. This afternoon, we have included a city tour of Dallas with a local guide. We'll learn about the things that have made "Big D" so famous – oil, the tengallon hat, Neiman Marcus, and H.L. Hunt. We overnight in the Dallas area.

Day 3 - Fort Worth Stockyards - Big Spring,
Texas - After an included breakfast, we visit
the historic Stockyards Station District in Fort
Worth. Once the largest livestock marketing
center in the Southwest, this complex includes
galleries, restaurants, and shops in many of
the original structures. We'll have a guided
tour of the Stockyards Station, then have time
for lunch on our own and shopping. Walk the
wooden covered sidewalks where Butch Cassidy
and the Sundance Kid once walked and watch
a longhorn cattle drive down the street. We
overnight in Big Spring, Texas.

Day 4 - El Paso, Texas - After an included breakfast, we observe the bigness of the Lone Star State and the influences the land has had on ranchers and early settlers. We arrive in historic El Paso late this afternoon and take a city tour of this western Texas "cow town." We overnight in El Paso.

Day 5 - O.K. Corral – Tucson, Arizona - After an included breakfast, we depart Texas, crossing New Mexico into Arizona. Later this afternoon, we stop at the O.K. Corral in Tombstone, the historic site where the famous gunfight involving Wyatt Earp and Doc Holliday took place. We overnight in Tucson.

# Day 6 - Saguaro National Park- Old Scottsdale - Museum of the West - Phoenix, Arizona -

After an included breakfast, we visit Saguaro National Park, a forest of stately saguaro cactus standing like sentinels, guarding the desert floor. The huge saguaro cactus grows only in the Sonora Desert and can grow as tall as 30 to 40 feet. After lunch on our own and exploring in Old Scottsdale, we visit Scottsdale's Museum of the West. We'll learn about the history and culture of the American West, as we explore this collection of art and artifacts. Afterwards, we check into our hotel in Phoenix for a three-night stay.

**Day 7 - Phoenix City Tour -** After an included breakfast, a local guide will step on board our coach and provide a city tour of Phoenix. at our today. We will see a blend of rugged Old West and the sophisticated atmosphere of the New West. This afternoon will be at leisure to bask in the

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sun, do your laundry, or relax at the hotel. Dinner is included this evening. Overnight same hotel.

Day 8 - Sedona, Arizona - After an included breakfast, we're off to the resort town of Sedona, one of the West's most impressive little towns. The red rock formations surrounding this area are spectacular! We will have time for lunch on own, exploring, and browsing the many western and specialty shops. The rest of the evening will be at your leisure Overnight same hotel.

**Day 9 - Las Vegas, Nevada -** After an included breakfast, we head to the dazzling neon lights of Las Vegas. A ride after dark will allow us to see the famous strip in all its glittering glory. We overnight two nights in Las Vegas.

Day 10 - Leisure Day in Las Vegas - Today is at leisure to do whatever most appeals to you. Sleep late, then lounge by the pool, explore some of the magnificent hotels along the strip, go shopping, or schedule an optional show. Overnight same hotel.

Day 11 - Grand Canyon National Park - Today we travel east through canyon country, making our way to Grand Canyon National Park. While in the park, we will ride along the rim of the canyon, observing the magnificence of this amazing natural wonder created by the Colorado River. We overnight two nights in Grand Canyon, Arizona.

**Day 12 - Leisure Day in Grand Canyon -** Today will be free to explore and pursue your own interests in this fabulous national park. Don't forget to watch the sun set over the canyon. Overnight same hotel.

# Day 13 - Petrified Forest National Park – Painted Desert – Albuquerque, New Mexico

- A great day of touring lies ahead as we travel through the Painted Desert to visit the unusual Petrified Forest National Park in northwestern Arizona. The many petrified logs we will see are extremely beautiful, having unexpectedly bright colors. We overnight in Albuquerque.

#### Day 14 - Old Town Plaza - Amarillo, Texas

- After an included breakfast, we stop at Albuquerque's historic Old Town Plaza. The Old Town Plaza offers a variety of arts, crafts, and delicacies in more than 150 shops and restaurants housed in adobe buildings. This afternoon we cross the plains of Texas as we make our way to Amarillo, the capital of the oil and gas industry of the Texas Panhandle region. We overnight in Amarillo.

Day 15 - Oklahoma City Bombing National Memorial – Springfield, Missouri - After an included breakfast, we drive across Oklahoma, with a stop to view the Oklahoma City Bombing National Memorial. We overnight in Springfield, Missouri.

**Day 16 - Home -** After an included breakfast, we depart our hotel and head for home with memories to share with family and friends.

Meals: 11B, 1L, 1D



# **Indiana Amish**

November 4 Tour #20231101 1 Day

Cost: \$131



**Note:** Full payment must be received within 10 days of making your reservation. You will receive an itinerary reconfirming your departure and return times approximately two weeks prior to departure.

Our destination for today is the Amish Country of Central Indiana. We make our way through the rolling countryside and over sparkling spring-fed streams as we travel back to a time when life was simpler and at a slower pace. Our motorcoach shares the scenic country roads with buggies of the Amish as a local step on guide takes us on a guided tour of the countryside, stopping at an Amish home for an included lunch. We will spend the rest of the day browsing through the shops and looking at the handiwork of the Amish, such as homemade quilts, crafts, and wholesome baked goods.

Meals: 1L



### **Eastern Caribbean Cruise**

November 9–19	Tour #20231104	11 Days
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Inside	Double \$1,751/person	Single \$2,825/person
Oceanview	Double \$1,904/person	Single \$3,131/person
Balcony	Double \$2,171/person	Single \$3,663/person

Deposit: \$500



Final Payment Due 90 Days Prior to Departure.

**Royal Caribbean COVID-19 Testing Policy:** Guests 5 years of age and older who are not fully vaccinated must bring a negative test result for a COVID-19 antigen or PCR test taken within the 3 days before boarding day, regardless of the duration of their cruise. Fully vaccinated guests 5 years of age and older must bring a negative test result for a COVID-19 antigen or PCR test taken within the 3 days before boarding day on sailings that are **10 nights or longer only**. Testing is not required for fully vaccinated guests on shorter itineraries. Guests younger than 5 do not have any testing requirements.

Cruise from one sunny tropical isle to another in the glittering turquoise seas of the Eastern Caribbean. Enjoy days of swimming, relaxation, strolling pearly white sand beaches, and romantic nights beneath the twinkle of clear, starry skies. NOTE: This is a vacation opportunity that allows you to enjoy your time at sea and ports of call without a set schedule or guides. Your time is your own. Please also note that cruise fare will not include your onboard tips and optional shore excursions.

**Day 1 - Tifton, Georgia -** Feel the anticipation build as we board our deluxe motorcoach and travel into Tifton, Georgia, for our first overnight.

**Day 2 - Board Cruise Ship -** After an included breakfast, we continue to Port Canaveral, Florida, where we will transfer to our Royal Caribbean Cruise Ship. We'll have the entire evening to get acquainted with our new home away from home.

**Day 3 - Leisure Day at Sea -** This is a relaxing day at sea, where you can enjoy a day dedicated

to exploring this majestic vessel. You may want to rise early to witness the amazing sunrise across the beautiful Caribbean waters or perhaps you'd rather sleep late before spending the day in your favorite way. Savor the excitement of the promenade decks - a playground of theaters, lounges, boutiques, and restaurants. How do you define relaxation? Begin by lounging by the pool, then take an opportunity to soak in a first-class Jacuzzi. If you prefer more activity, you won't be disappointed. The ship is outfitted with a fully equipped gym, aerobics classes, personal trainers, court sports, and jogging tracks circling the ship. After you've spent all your energy, you can pamper yourself in the full-service spa. Each evening is filled with the excitement of entertaining shows and dancing to music playing in the nightclubs and lounges throughout the ships.

**Day 4 - Labadee, Haiti -** Labadee is a private destination just for Royal Caribbean guests on Haiti's northern coast where beachside and mountainside converge. There's no shortage of

places to relax and recharge across five stretches of beach. Sugar-white sands, swaying palm trees, and rolling green mountains provide an idyllic backdrop to the island getaway of your daydreams — so settle in and set your sight on paradise.

Day 5 - Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic Puerto Plata is the Dominican Republic's oldest
city in the north and a tourism pioneer. Nestled
by the ocean with a mountainous backdrop, the
city offers a lively pier, which is known as the
Malecon, colorful shops, and opulent homes
from the 1800s. The city is famous for Parque
Central, a park fringed by royal palms and
Victorian architecture. In Puerto Plata, you can
hop on a cable car for sky-high views, take a tour
of the local cacao farms, and buy some of the
clearest amber stones in the world.

Day 6 - Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas Charlotte Amalie is one of the world's most
beautiful harbors; blue waters peppered with
sailboats and green hills dotted with quaint little
cottages make for post-card perfect brags. Just
outside the lively port town, you'll find ribbons of
powdery sand beaches dotted with hammocks.
St. Thomas is a food haven with plenty of
beachside eateries serving conch fritters,
johnnycakes, and chocolate coconut patties. St.
Thomas may technically be part of the U.S., but
with its colorful markets, unspoiled beaches, and
the ever-present sound of steel drums, you'll feel
a world away.

Day 7 - St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands - The largest of the U.S. Virgin Islands, St. Croix has it all — gorgeous natural scenery begging to be explored, and quaint colonial towns perfect for wandering. It used to be nicknamed the 'Garden of the Antilles' because of its lush fields of sugarcane — and its sugar mills dating back to the 18th century are still popular spots. These days, it's the powdery beaches like Cane Bay, and rainforests teeming with tropical wildlife that keep people coming back.

**Day 8 - Leisure Day at Sea -** Today is at your leisure to sleep late before spending the day in your favorite way. The possibilities are endless.

Day 9 - Leisure Day at Sea - This will be our last day at sea before saying goodbye to this magnificent ship. Take time to enjoy the serenity, as our cruise is winding down and all too soon, we'll have to return to our busy daily lives.

Day 10 - Disembark Cruise - Marietta, Georgia - Our journey ends as we cruise into Port Canaveral and disembark the ship. We reboard our motorcoach to head toward home. Our hotel accommodations for the night will be in Marietta.

**Day 11 - Home -** After an included breakfast, we drive home, reminiscing about the fantastic times we've enjoyed together on our marvelous cruise. **Meals: 2B and all meals onboard the cruise ship** 



# **Branson Christmas Special**

November 13-17 Tour #20231102 4 Days

Double: \$1,197 Triple: \$1,126 Single: \$1,427 Deposit: \$250



Celebrate the Christmas season in the Ozark Mountain town of Branson. This unique town celebrates Christmas with an explosion of lights, music, and pageantry. We have personally selected Christmas shows that are the best of the best, and we want you to see them all!

#### Day 1 - Lambert's Café - Branson, Missouri

- Today, we head west through Indiana and Illinois into the "Show Me State" of Missouri. This evening, we have included a delicious dinner at Lambert's Café, famous for their "throwed rolls." We continue to Branson, where we spend the next four nights.

Day 2 - College of the Ozarks - Daniel
O'Donnell - The Dutton Family Christmas
Show - After an included breakfast, we meet
our guide for a tour of the College of the
Ozarks, making a stop at the Keeter Center.
This afternoon, we will be entertained by
Daniel O'Donnell. A household name in Britain
and Ireland, Daniel sings a delightful blend
of country and Irish music. After an included
dinner, we will be entertained by the Dutton
Family. This talented family spanning three
generations will win your heart this Christmas
as they play holiday favorites as well as original
compositions. Overnight same hotel.

Day 3 - Gingerbread Village - Historic

Downtown Branson - Yakov Smirnoff - The

Haygoods Christmas Show - After an included
breakfast, we stop at Chateau on the Lake
to view their elaborate Gingerbread Village
display. The gingerbread houses are crafted by
the Chateau's culinary team, with the tallest

building standing over three feet tall. Next, we visit Historic Downtown Branson for lunch on our own and shopping. There are over 50 shops offering crafts, souvenirs, clothing, and more, plus Dick's Old Time Five & Dime Store. This afternoon, we will be entertained by Yakov Smirnoff. Yakov is a world-famous Russian comedian, whose show is a high-energy production filled with tons of laughter. After an included dinner, we attend The Haygoods Christmas Show. These five brothers and one sister combine incredible harmony, tap, gymnastics, and instruments to present this high energy show. Overnight same hotel.

Day 4 - The Grand Village Shops - Christmas Wonderland - Shoji Tabuchi - After an included breakfast, we visit The Grand Village Shoppes. Discover over 20 unique shops lining cobblestone streets and enjoy lunch on your own. Next, we attend the Christmas Wonderland Show. Take a magical sleigh ride to a winter wonderland of holiday fun and festive cheer with all your favorite classic holiday songs and the highest kicking chorus girls this side of the North Pole! Tonight, after an included dinner, we will be entertained by Shoji Tabuchi, Branson's beloved violinist. Shoji can play the violin as you never thought possible, both country and classical! Overnight same hotel.

**Day 5 - Home -** After an early breakfast, we reluctantly depart from this lovely Ozark Mountain area and begin our journey back to the Bluegrass State. **Meals: 4B, 4D, Shows: 6** 

# **Biltmore Candlelight Christmas**

November 30 – December 2 Tour #20231105 3 Days

Double: \$846 Triple: \$798 Single: \$1,026 Deposit: \$250



A candlelight Christmas celebrated in the palatial mansion of George Vanderbilt is an occasion to be treasured. Over 100 years ago, the first guests were welcomed into the Biltmore House, and we receive the same warm feeling of welcome today. This is a perfect little getaway, so come along with us as we journey to the magnificent Biltmore House.

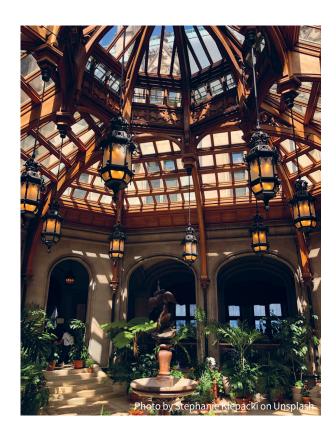
Day 1 - Biltmore House Candlelight Tour -Victorian Holiday Dinner - Today, we travel to Asheville, North Carolina and check directly into our hotel for some rest before we board our coach and make our way to the grounds of the Biltmore House. This lovely mansion was formally opened on Christmas Eve 1895. We will be able to see the Biltmore House on this tour just as the Vanderbilt's knew it. Before our candlelight tour of the house, we've included a Victorian holiday dinner at the Stable Café. As day turns to night, a short drive takes us to the main entrance of Biltmore House, where dozens of flickering luminaries light the main roadway. Inside, crackling fireplaces and hundreds of candles cast a warm glow as we catch the smell of pine and potpourri drifting throughout the house.

Day 2 - Asheville Trolley Tour - Antler Hill Village & Winery - After an included breakfast, we take a narrated trolley tour of Asheville. Our informative tour highlights the history and must-see points of interest in this city of surprises. Next, we return to Biltmore Estate to explore the gardens and Antler Hill Village. We'll have time for shopping, exploring, and viewing the historical exhibits. You may choose an optional visit to

the Biltmore Winery while we are here. Dinner is included this evening. Overnight same hotel.

**Day 3 - Home -** After an included breakfast, we return home from our experience into an era of opulence and grandeur. Memories of our Victorian feast and the candlelight tour of this most impressive mansion will last forever.

Meals: 2B, 2D



# **Clifton Mill Christmas Lights**

December 5–6 Tour #20231201 2 Days

Double: \$429 Triple: \$411 Single: \$506 Deposit: \$200





Day 2 - Esther Price Candy Shop - La Comedia Dinner Theater - Home - After an included breakfast, we will visit the Esther Price Candy Shop. Here, we will have an opportunity to purchase some sweet Christmas gifts. Next, we will have a special treat as we experience the La Comedia Dinner Theater. We have included lunch and a lively and engaging musical "Miracle on 34th Street." This festive story of the "real" Santa Claus features favorite Christmas carols, dazzling costumes, and beautiful sets. After the show, we make our way back home, with warm thoughts of



Christmases past and the hopes of Christmases yet to come. **Meals: 1B, 2L, Shows: 1** 





# **Christmas Travel Show Luncheon**

December 9 Tour #20231202 1 Day

Cost: TBD\*

**Note:** Full payment must be received within 10 days of making your reservation. You will receive an itinerary reconfirming your departure and return times approximately two weeks prior to departure.

Get your friends and family together and come celebrate with Jefferson Tours and Charters at this special year-end celebration, which marks end of the 2023 touring year and reveals the exciting things in store for 2024. We will enjoy a delicious, included buffet luncheon. There will be door prizes and free tours given on this one day only. Special discounts will be given for tour reservations made at the luncheon. Entertainment will be provided by a guest entertainer. Free transportation provided from the Louisville, Clarksville, Frankfort, and Lexington areas. **Meals: 1L** 

\*Cost not available at time of printing.

# **Opryland Country Christmas**

#### **Atrium View Rooms**

December 15-17 Tour #20231203 3 Days

Double: \$1,086 Triple: \$971 Single: \$1,471 Deposit: \$250



This three-day package includes two nights at the dazzling Opryland Hotel, which is magnificently decorated for the holidays. As part of our tour we will see the great ice sculpture exhibit, "ICE!," and attend two fabulous Christmas shows. We will have time to browse through the many specialty shops and experience the breathtaking beauty of this unique hotel all dressed up for the holidays.

Day 1 - Opry Mills - General Jackson Christmas Dinner Cruise - We make our way south through Kentucky and Tennessee into "Music City, USA" - Nashville, Tennessee. Upon arrival, we stop at Opry Mills for lunch and shopping. You will have an opportunity to do your Christmas shopping in some outstanding factory stores. Next, we check into our Atrium View rooms at the Gaylord Opryland Hotel for the next two nights. There will be free time to explore the hotel before our evening activities. Tonight, we step aboard the

Victorian-styled General Jackson Showboat for a Christmas Dinner Cruise. We will enjoy a delightful, included dinner, followed by a Christmas Show in the Victorian Theater aboard the boat. Featuring beloved Christmas carols as well as modern holiday favorites, this show captures all the magic of the season.

#### Day 2 - "ICE!" - Country Christmas Dinner Show

- This morning, we will be awed by the popular "ICE!" sculpture display. It features an interactive exhibit of life-size carvings, sculptures, and three-dimensional holiday-themed displays inspired by the spectacular ice palaces of Harbin, China. Tonight, we enjoy the Country Christmas Dinner Show. Get ready for an enchanted journey filled with the magical sounds of this special time of the year. Overnight same hotel.

**Day 3 - Home -** We return home, taking with us memories of a heartwarming "Country Christmas." **Meals: 2D, Shows: 2** 



#### **GENERAL INFORMATION & TOUR CONDITIONS**

Please read carefully before signing up for a tour. Your reservation constitutes acceptance of our policies.

TOUR COST INCLUDES: A trip with Jefferson Tours and Charters includes transportation, lodging, local guides, admission fees for all sightseeing included in the itinerary, dining rooms tips for meals included in the itinerary, and the services of a professional Motorcoach Driver and Tour Director. Prices are per person, based on double occupancy. All tour prices are based on rates known at the time our catalog is printed and expected to be in effect at the time of departure. They are subject to increase if such rates change prior to departure.

NOT INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR COST: Meals and tips other than those specified in the itinerary, maids, valet and laundry service, phone calls, room service, alcoholic beverages, and items of a personal nature. Gratuities for local step on guides and the Tour Director and Driver are not included. A recommended gratuity is \$6.00 per day, per passenger for the Tour Director and \$6.00 per day, per passenger for the Driver. Gratuities should be extended on an individual basis, not by passing a bag around as a group. Gratuities for international tours and cruises are not included. You will be given guidelines for recommended tipping in your final documents for all international tours and cruises.

<u>RESERVATIONS:</u> We encourage you to make reservations as early as possible. A limited number of people can be accommodated on our motorcoaches. In addition, hotel reservations and ticketing are finalized 90, 60, or 30 days prior to the dates of service.

**DEPOSITS:** Balance is due within five days of receipt of balance statement and itinerary.

LATE BOOKINGS: Our tour bookings are normally finalized 45 days prior to departure (with a few exceptions). There are some tours that we can still add on to after it has been finalized. We are happy to include you with the tour if there is availability. In these situations, we must receive full payment with your reservation, plus a late booking fee of \$25 per person. Unfortunately, late bookings can also bring about tour increases, which Jefferson Tours and Charters cannot control. Increases can occur in any tour component that is booked late, such as flights, hotels, cruises, and event ticketing. Should these prices increase, all information will be made available to the client and Jefferson Tours and Charters will receive client approval prior to payment.

<u>CANCELLATION OF OUR TOURS:</u> Please help us avoid canceling our tours prematurely. We have made reservations for hotels, attractions, and other suppliers that require contracts and deadlines for deposits and cancellation. Some of these are 90, 60, or 30 days prior to the date of service. If you are interested in a tour, please book as soon as possible. Waiting too late runs the risk of us having to cancel the tour due to lack of passengers.

<u>SAFETY MEASURES:</u> At Jefferson Tours and Charters, the health and safety of our passengers and staff members is priority number one. We are implementing the strictest measures possible to create a hygienic, safe, and comfortable environment for our passengers. These measures include disinfecting and sanitizing areas of frequent contact such as handholds, restroom areas, armrests, entry areas, and surfaces in all vehicles during and after trips.

<u>ROOMMATES:</u> Each person making a reservation is responsible for finding their own roommate. When confirming your reservation for a tour, you should inform us if you have a roommate. Persons making a reservation without a designated roommate will be billed for the single rate. If either you or Jefferson Tours and Charters finds an acceptable person to share room costs, the cost of the tour will be reduced to the double rate and monies, if due, will be refunded to you. If a single room must

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be assigned because your roommate cancels (even at the last minute or while on tour), we must out of necessity, charge you the additional cost since the hotels make no allowances. If you prefer to have the privacy of your own room, you may do so for an additional charge as noted in our single price. The single rate does not include two seats on the motorcoach.

PICK UP LOCATIONS: In order to make your tour departure as convenient as possible, we pick up for our tours at the Jefferson Tours and Charters Office in Louisville; the Radisson Hotel in Clarksville, Indiana; the Wal-Mart in Frankfort; and the Marriott Griffin Gate Resort in Lexington. For groups of 20 or more, we will pick up at the location of your choice in any of our departure cities. For group pick-ups in locations other than our regular cities, there will be an additional cost per person. When making your reservation, it is important to give the correct departure location. No changes in pick up locations will be accepted after the itineraries are mailed, as departure timetables are established at that time.

LUGGAGE: For your convenience and to expedite movement, each tour participant is allowed one (1) large suitcase, not to exceed 22 x 10 x 30 inches in size and not to exceed 45 lbs. in weight. You must weigh and measure your bag after finishing your packing. In addition, each tour participant is allowed one (1) carry-on piece of luggage (such as an overnight case or similar small bag) that you handle or carry-on yourself. This carry-on bag must remain in your possession while traveling. Please note that due to limited storage space, we are unable to accept luggage that exceeds that specified size or weight limitation. Although every precaution will be taken to protect your belongings, Jefferson Tours and Charters cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage to baggage or belongings. We strongly recommend that you insure your baggage before leaving home. Please note that concealed weapons, or weapons of any kind are not allowed on the motorcoach or in the luggage compartments.

<u>CLOTHING:</u> We suggest that you travel as light as possible. Casual attire in wash and wear fabrics travel best. Slacks are very acceptable for ladies and sport shirts for gentlemen. Dress-up clothes are necessary only for specific occasions listed in the itinerary. Don't forget your umbrella or raincoat in case of showers. You should always take a sweater or jacket to use on the coach and comfortable walking shoes are a must for any tour.

<u>GROUP COURTESIES:</u> Please be mindful of your fellow passengers and our staff. Group travel is a wonderful alternative to individual travel. We seek to provide a safe, clean environment for all of our travelers. It takes everyone in the group to make for a good tour. We ask that everyone be kind and courteous and keep on schedule. Please listen carefully to the Tour Director and/or Local Guide for instructions. We ask that everyone be able to keep up with the group. We reserve the right to refuse or discharge anyone we feel would be disruptive to the trip or harmful to themselves or others.

<u>MEDICINES:</u> If you are taking prescription medicines, be sure to take enough to last the duration of the tour. Sometimes it is very difficult to get a prescription refilled while in route. We highly recommend that you carry all medications in your purse, pocket, or in your carry-on, not in your large suitcase. It would be wise to have in your possession a list of all medications you are currently taking in case of an emergency. The coaches are not equipped to store medications that need refrigeration.

PHYSICAL DISABILITIES: Any disability requiring special attention or treatment, or hotel accommodations should be reported to Jefferson Tours and Charters when the reservation is made. We will request but cannot guarantee a handicapped room. Foldable wheelchairs and walkers are allowed on the tour, but must be stored in the luggage bays underneath the motorcoach. Wheelchairs and walkers are not provided by Jefferson Tours and Charters. Passengers intending to bring a foldable wheelchair or walker should notify Jefferson Tours and Charters at least 24 hours prior to departure. Unfortunately, the driver is unable to provide individual assistance to guests for walking, wheelchairs, or other personal needs. Travelers needing assistance must be accompanied by an able companion who can assist them. Some of our tours include attractions at high elevations; please

consult your physician about possible health effects.

<u>DELUXE MOTORCOACHES</u>: Jefferson Tours and Charters uses only the most modern deluxe motorcoaches available. They are climate-controlled, have comfortable reclining seats, footrests, overhead storage racks, restrooms, public address systems, and large viewing windows. All of our motorcoaches have video systems for your added touring pleasure. We always try to take the most popular and scenic routes so that travel itself becomes an enjoyable part of your vacation. There is never any overnight traveling. All passengers are insured while traveling aboard Jefferson Tours' motorcoaches.

<u>SEAT ROTATION:</u> In order that everyone can enjoy a variety of views and have exposure to meeting other people on the tours, we rotate seats daily in a clockwise direction on all multiple day trips. One of the front seats is reserved for the Tour Director and will not rotate. In order not to show partiality among passengers, there can be no exceptions to our seating plan. Please note that this policy is subject to change due to social distancing procedures and new safety precautions.

<u>COMPREHENSIVE ITINERARIES:</u> Jefferson Tours and Charters researches and plans each itinerary to include the "must see" sights of a given area as well as the little known, off the beaten path places that become the most memorable part of your experience. We try to ensure that you have an exciting, fun, educational, and the most enjoyable travel experience you have ever had. Jefferson Tours and Charters reserves the right to change or modify the itinerary in order to provide a smooth operation and ensure a successful tour. Should an attraction become unavailable during the year, we will substitute one of equal or better value. Occasionally an attraction will be changed for the sole purpose of improving the tour.

#### **PROOF OF U.S. CITIZENSHIP:**

- Photo I.D. (such as a driver's license) is a necessity on any trip.
- Passport A valid passport is required to enter Canada. A driver's license is no longer acceptable. Grandparents traveling into Canada with children must bring notarized written documentation of permission from custodial parent.
- Real I.D. Beginning May 3, 2023, every air traveler 18 years of age and older will need a REAL I.D. compliant driver's license or identification card, state-issued enhanced driver's license, or another TSA-acceptable form of identification at airport security checkpoints for domestic air travel. A REAL I.D. can be obtained at your local DMV.

<u>CANADIAN COVID-19 TRAVEL INFORMATION:</u> Jefferson Tours and Charters continues to monitor travel restrictions closely, especially when it comes to travel into Canada. While information is subject to change, as of August 22, 2022, full vaccination is required for all travel into and out of Canada. A negative test will not be accepted unless the traveler is eligible for an exemption, such as a medical inability to be vaccinated.

#### To qualify as a fully vaccinated traveler to Canada, you must:

- 1.) Have received two doses of a vaccine accepted for travel, a mix of two accepted vaccines or one dose of the Janssen/Johnson & Johnson vaccine.
- 2.) Have received your second dose at least 14 calendar days before entry to Canada.
- 3.) Have no symptoms or signs of COVID-19.
- 4.) Follow pre-entry requirements, including submitting your travel information and proof of vaccination to the ArriveCAN portal.

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Testing is no longer required for vaccinated individuals or for young children under the age of five. However, if you are traveling with a youth aged five or older who is unvaccinated (or partially vaccinated), you must instead provide a negative test. Acceptable tests include antigen tests taken within one calendar day or molecular tests (such as PCR) taken within 72 hours before your scheduled flight or entry to Canada by land or water. Although unvaccinated children may provide a negative test in lieu of vaccination, adults don't have this same option. United States citizens traveling to Canada for tourism or business purposes must be fully vaccinated. Exceptions are only made under special circumstances. Those driving across the border do not need to test before returning to the United States. It's important to remember that this situation is developing, and new restrictions could be put in place by the Canadian government at any time

<u>WAITING LISTS:</u> We take waiting lists on all tours, since we do have frequent cancellations. If the tour you request is filled, then we recommend that you sign up on our waiting list. As soon as a vacancy occurs, you will be notified that you are confirmed on the tour. All vacancies will be filled from the waiting list in the order in which they were received.

QUALITY ACCOMMODATIONS: Hotels are selected and continually monitored for their location, comfort, hospitality, and style. Careful planning, research, and experience are woven into the choice of each hotel. We maintain tight quality control on all our lodging accommodations so that your overnight stays will be an enjoyable part of your tour. Please note that most hotels have implemented a 100% non-smoking environment and charge a cleaning fee for smoking in a non-smoking room. We will send in your special requests on our rooming list to the hotel, for example, adjacent rooms, low floors, etc. However, due to hotel availability, we cannot guarantee the hotel will honor these requests.

No exceptions will be made regarding our refund policy. For this reason, we recommend travel protection.

<u>CANCELLATION POLICY:</u> We at Jefferson Tours and Charters understand that at times, due to uncontrollable circumstances, it may become necessary to cancel a tour. In the event that cancellation does become necessary, the following policies will apply:

- 1) Jefferson Tours and Charters will have to charge any non-recoverable expenditures made on behalf of the participant at the time of cancellation. These costs would be for tickets, meals, hotels, etc. Hotels require a rooming list and full payment 60 to 45 days prior to arrival and show tickets are often purchased 60 days in advance. Many times, these monies are entirely non-refundable. In addition to any non-recoverable expenditures, there will be a \$10 per person handling fee to cover the cost of postage, processing fees, faxes, and long-distance telephone expenses. Cancellations made less than ten (10) business days prior to departure will be subject to the entire cost of the tour if a replacement cannot be found. Once the tour departs, no refunds will be made. Refunds are not given for any meals or attractions, etc, in which the travelers does not participate while on tour.
- 2) Please note that we are unable to transfer funds to another tour if non-recoverable expenses have been made on your behalf on the tour you originally reserved.
- 3) Refund checks will be processed at the end of each month. Please allow sufficient time after the tour returns to audit all hotel and attraction charges. At that time, we will make every effort to return any monies possible. If you have not received your refund 30 days from the return date of the tour, please call our office.
- 4) Refunds of monies paid on airline, cruise, or train tours will be made in accordance with the policy of the specific conveyance.

- 5) No refunds will be made for cancellations or other service interruptions due to the weather or other factors beyond Jefferson Tours and Charters' control.
- 6) In certain instances Jefferson Tours and Charters may cancel a tour. When this occurs, our travelers have the choice to either transfer their deposit to another tour or receive a full refund. Please note tour deposits are paid directly to hotels. Jefferson's process for these refunds is 30 days.
- 7) Please note that we do not refund credit card transaction fees for payments charged to credit cards. We are sorry for any inconvenience.

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<u>TRAVEL INSURANCE:</u> We at Jefferson Tours and Charters recognize the need to protect your health, property, and trip investment. But what if something prevents you from continuing your tour and you are miles away from home? While it doesn't happen frequently, travel insurance protects you from the dreadful experience of paying for return home transportation, hotel accommodations, food, and medical costs, should you need it, out of your own pocket.

Protect yourself so you won't have to pay for things you didn't plan. Travel insurance, like the policies from Arch RoamRight, can provide peace of mind during your away time. There are a variety of plans available:

- Pro Plan
- Pro Plus Plan
- Cancel Flex Plan
- On Trip Plus Plan

Jefferson Tours and Charters recommends that you purchase insurance before traveling on any vacation. We have more information available on the levels and costs, so please ask how to purchase it.

However, if you choose not to purchase travel insurance, please understand that Jefferson Tours and Charters will not be held liable for your expenses and will not compensate you if you are detained from traveling at any point of your trip, including the start, or at any point in between. You should also be aware that your personal insurance may not be accepted in some parts of the country, or in foreign countries like Canada where we occasionally travel.







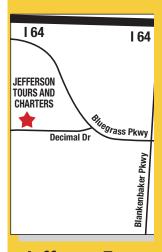


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# **Pick Up Locations**

### Louisville



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11117 Decimal Drive
Louisville, KY 40299

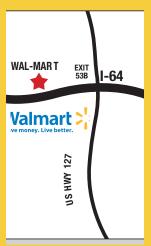
# Lexington



### Marriott Griffin Gate Resort

Side Entrance 1800 Newtown Pike Lexington, KY 40511

### **Frankfort**

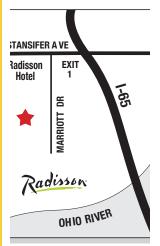


### Wal-Mart Shopping Center

Parking Lot Near Section 7-C

Highway 127 & I-64 Frankfort, KY 40601

# Clarksville, IN



#### **Radisson Hotel**

Side Parking Lot 505 Marriott Drive Clarksville, IN 47129

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