



# General Information & Details

#### **YOUR TOUR INCLUDES**

- Deluxe Transportation
- · Professional Tour Director
- · Meals as indicated in the catalog
- Gratuities for luggage handler, local Step-On guides, entertainers and all meals as included in your itinerary
- · Quality Hotel Accommodations
- · Entrance/Admission Fees/Guide Services as mentioned
- Frequent comfort breaks for motor coach travel
- Baggage handling of 1 standard large size bag (limit 50 lbs)
- · A load of memories!

#### **MAKING MEMORIES TOUR DIRECTORS**

A professional tour director guide will accompany the group for the entire itinerary on all motor coach tours. For air and/or rail tours, a Making Memories representative will be on the tour as long as the size of the group warrants his/her presence. If this is the case, a professional tour director from the supplier of the tour will be available to assist with your needs and to direct the itinerary. Before the tour ever departs, you will have your seasoned tour director's name and cell phone number.

#### **ABOUT EACH TOUR**

We carefully plan a custom itinerary of every tour for your enjoyment. We travel on scenic routes and interstate highways for the best possible tour. We take a break every two to three hours. We make sure your reservations are scheduled and confirmed months in advance. Luggage tags, departure information including pick up times and locations, all hotel contact information and your tour director contact information will be mailed to you 7-10 days prior to tour departure.

#### PRE AND POST ACCOMMODATIONS

To better serve our customers who live 70 miles away or more from your closest pick up point, we offer a pre-night and/or a post-night hotel room at a \$80.00 per night to you. Payment and reservations for these rooms are arranged by Making Memories Tours at 45-days prior to tour launch, so call us before then and we can visit about the best option for you.

#### **HOW DO I BOOK A TOUR?**

- To ensure your complete reservation, we require a deposit or full payment for the specified tour(s). Most domestic, motor coach only, tours require a \$100.00 per person deposit. Final payment is usually due 45-days prior to departure. Refunds can typically be given at 45-days prior to departure unless stated differently on invoice. Your invoice will include all the pertinent action dates. You must cancel with MMT in writing along with a phone call.
- Tours including airfare, overseas riverboat cruises, or ocean liner cruises require a \$250.00 per person deposit. Final payment is usually due 120 to 75 days prior to departure. After final payment, full refunds are not possible. Your invoice will include all the pertinent action dates. You must cancel with MMT in writing along with a phone call.
- NOTE: If you choose to utilize trip insurance with our partner company and have pre-existing health conditions you wish to be covered for, you must take out trip insurance within 14-days of paying your tour deposit.

#### TO FLY ON AN AIRPLANE

Tours featuring this symbol will involve a flight.

Each traveler must present a **REAL ID** compliant driver's license or state-issued enhanced driver's license and for international travel, a valid pass-port is required. **Please note for all domestic flights, luggage fees are not figured into the cost of the tour and will be an additional cost payable direct to the airline upon your ticketing process for boarding. International flights accommodate luggage fees, providing you abide by size and weight limits, you will be responsible for any overages. Because air travel schedules can be altered without given notice to us, additional fees charged by airlines, regardless of reason, will be your responsibility. Travel insurance policies make provisions to cover these additional fees. Bottom line: we recommend travel insurance for any tour with airfare.** 

#### WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

- ${\boldsymbol \cdot}$  After you make your deposit, we will generate an invoice and mail or email it to you.
- We will mail a small packet of tour information to you which will include your luggage tag, departure information including pick up times and locations, medical forms, hotel address and phone number along with your tour director contact information all of which you may leave with your family. You will receive this 7-10 days prior to your tour departure.
- · A staffed tour office with a kind voice ready to answer any questions.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

- REAL ID compliant state issued identification is required by multiple venues which we visit on any given tour. It is your responsibility to ensure you have a proper REAL ID. (starting in 2023)
- Travel outside of the United States requires a valid passport, most airlines will not issue an international ticket to passports expiring within six months. Any traveler with a prior felony should inquire with Making Memories Tours management regarding any special permissions and/or documentations required for international travel.
- We have a no smoking and no alcohol policy on our motor coach. All hotels/motels are non-smoking accommodations. Our tours do provide frequent stops allowing those who wish to smoke the time to do so, providing the most enjoyable tour for all participants.
- Any extra miscellaneous items utilized at hotels such as valet, telephone, pay per view movies, room service, etc are not covered by Making Memories Tours and are your sole responsibility.
- On trips of four or more days, we have our passengers rotate seats daily. This allows everyone the opportunity to interact with more people and have different views of the scenery. The back of the motor coach is reserved for those who do not wish to rotate seats. Passengers who pay single rates are not guaranteed a single seat on the coach.
- Making Memories Tours cannot assume liability for loss, damage, or breakage of luggage or personal property.
- Due to the volatility of fuel prices, Making Memories Tours reserves the option to add a fuel charge to the price of the trip should fuel prices increase in the time following the announcement of trip pricing.
- Making Memories Tours, in conjunction with similar companies, acts only as an agent for tour passengers concerning sponsorships and arrangements of miscellaneous accommodations presented. In connection with all services of any motor coach, vehicle, excursion, accommodations, sightseeing, hotel arrangements, or restaurants, no liability or responsibility is assumed by Making Memories Tours with any of the previously mentioned. It is our reserved right at our discretion for any itinerary changes to be made in regard to tour arrangements. Making Memories Tours, 128 N. Old Wire Rd., Washburn, MO 65772 is owned and operated by Jerry and Angie Varner (DBA) Making Memories Tours, is the facilitator of this tour program. It is assumed by booking a tour trip and by purchasing one of Making Memories Tours trips that any of our passengers/clients assign and agree that Making Memories Tours is the sole agent in all the transportation arrangements.

#### TRIP INSURANCE

We strongly encourage you to consider trip insurance to help with financial coverage in the unlikely event of unforeseen complications. We work with an industry leader in travel insurance to bring reasonable rates based upon the price of the tour and has various add on options to packages for your specific considerations. If you choose to utilize trip insurance with our partner company and have pre-existing health conditions you wish to be covered for, you must take out trip insurance within 14-days of paying your tour deposit.

#### **'FUZZY' BOOKING PROGRAM**

So, you are thinking what is a fuzzy booking? We are glad you asked! A fuzzy booking is a reservation with no money down on any trip. You can sign up for a fuzzy booking at a Travel Expo or call us to reserve your spot today - no obligation! This will save your spot in the event the trip begins to fill up. We will call you for a deposit for one of two reasons: If the trip begins to fill up or at 90-days before the departure of tour, we will ask if you would still like your seat. When contacted if you can't go for any reason - that's no problem! Because we know that sometimes the future is "fuzzy".

\* Not applicable to all tours.

### **YOUR REFERRAL PROGRAM**

Thank you for helping us spread the word and generate additional customers! As a reward we would like to give you \$ off your next tour. How does that work? You have gone on a tour; you come home and tell all your friends and family. Then they call or email us wanting to be added to our customer list as a new customer. When they notify us, they need to tell us you referred them. If they go on a 5-day or more tour we mail you a \$75 tour certificate. We rely on our happy customers to advertise for us and would rather reward you instead of spending that same money on costly newspaper advertising.

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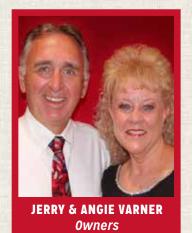


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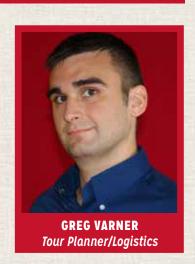
DATE	TIME	LOCATION	ADDRESS	CITY / STATE
November 3, 2023	10:00 - 12:30	Relics Event Center	2015 W. Battlefield Rd.	Springfield, Missouri
November 4, 2023	10:00 - 1:00	Crowder College	4020 N. Main St.	Cassville, Missouri
November 18, 2023	10:00 - 12:30	St. Bernard Catholic Church	1 Saint Bernard Ln.	Bella Vista, Arkansas
November 27, 2023	10:00 - 12:30	First Christian Church	102 W. 4th St. (Celebration Hall)	Grove, Oklahoma
December 1, 2023	10:00 - 12:30	River Park	121 Riverfront Dr.	Fort Smith, Arkansas
December 2, 2023	10:00 - 12:30	<b>Newton County Library</b>	201 W. Spring St.	Neosho, Missouri
December 9, 2023	10:00 - 12:30	Jones Center	922 E. Emma St.	Springdale, Arkansas
January 13, 2024	10:00 - 12:30	Quality Inn	1210 Highway, 62-65 North	Harrison, Arkansas
January 20, 2024	10:00 - 1:00	St. Bernard Catholic Church	1 Saint Bernard Ln.	Bella Vista, Arkansas

# MEET THE MAKING MEMORIES TOURS FAMILY!











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JERRY DAVID
Customer Service











JAN. / FEB. TOUR 01.28.24 - 02.12.24

16 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 20 meals.

### \$6039 SINGLE • \$4299 PER PERSON DOUBLE • \$3799 PER PERSON TRIPLE

A trip to the warm climate of the Florida coast is the perfect way to escape the frigid winter chill. Paradise awaits us on this escape to warm tropical temps! We have loads of fun and excitement in store for you on this sunny getaway from Savannah to the Florida Keys; you're gonna have a blast! We can't wait to head out and make some memories with you.

An easy day awaits us on the first day of our journey to find the sunshine. As we hit the open road, take this time to make new friends as we head towards our first overnight in Horn Lake, Mississippi.

We continue onward today as we make our way

closer to our destination. We stop this morning in Tupelo, MS, at the Elvis Presley Birthplace & Museum. In 1934, Vernon Presley borrowed \$180 for materials to build a small frame house in East Tupelo. It was in this little house on January 8, 1935, that the King of Rock n Roll was born. We move on to Morrow, GA, where we will be overnighting.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**







DAY 3

Movie fans and history enthusiasts - The Road to Tara Museum welcomes you! This museum holds items from the incredible movie Gone with the Wind

and artifacts from the Civil War. Admire Scarlett's elaborate dresses or browse the extensive cultural collections. We will end our day in our hotel in **historic downtown Savannah**, where we will stay for the night.

### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**

DAY 4

This morning, you'll have some free time to explore the town of Savannah with your **Hop-on**, **Hop-off Trolley Passes** or stroll along the quaint

cobblestone streets, where old cotton warehouses have been converted into trendy shops, taverns, and restaurants. After that, we continue south until we cross into Florida and arrive at our hotel for the next two nights on **St. Augustine Beach**.



Are you ready for more excitement in the first of many incredible cities? That's the plan! Today we'll be taking a **trolley tour of the city of St.** 

Augustine. Today you can spend your day however you like, exploring the history of this incredible old city or soaking up the sun at the beach. Take your time, kick back, and relax.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

DAY 6

Houston: There are NO problems today as we are headed to the **Kennedy Space Center** to tour this historic landmark. From the dawn of space explora-

tion to current and ongoing missions, you can get an up-close, handson feel for the story of humans in space—fuel your quest for inspiration. After our time here, we will need to return to Earth and continue our travels. We find ourselves in the outskirts of Miami for our overnight.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

DAY 7

We start this day by boarding the **Island Queen**, a beautiful modern yacht, for a fantastic sightseeing cruise along scenic Biscayne Bay. See Miami's

spectacular coastal sites, including the beautiful downtown Miami skyline, the Port of Miami, Fisher Island, Miami Beach, and "Millionaire's Row" - the homes of the rich and famous. You'll have the rest of the afternoon free to do a little shopping at the festive Bayside Marketplace. Tonight, we head to Florida City, FL, for our overnight.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 





DAY 8

We have an exciting day planned for everybody today -we will be driving to **Key West** - The Southernmost point in the U.S! However, as we are mak-

ing this scenic drive, we will make a couple of stops along the route. The first stop will be in **Key Largo for a glass bottom boat tour**. You'll get a chance to explore a coral reef without ever even getting wet. As the trip heads to the coral reefs, you'll experience the vibrant colors of the sea set in a panoramic view. The next stop will be at the **Dolphin Research Center**, home to a pod of Atlantic bottlenose dolphins and California sea lions that live in a natural lagoon setting in the Gulf of Mexico. Afterward, we will head to our hotel in Key West.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

DAY 9

Today get ready to discover Key West as we take a **Conch Train tour** of this incredible city. You will be learning some of the history and legends of

Key West. You have the rest of the day free to check out some sights of the city, such as the Harry Truman Little White House, Key West Lighthouse, Mallory Square, or even the Key West Shipwreck Treasure Museum. There are loads of places to see here. Be sure to get a snapshot to show friends and say "I was here" at the Southernmost Point Buoy. It is a colorful concrete buoy in Key West, Florida, marking one of the extreme points of the United States.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

**DAY 10** 

Today we say goodbye to Key West, and since we are at the Southernmost point in the U.S., there is only one direction we can go from here. So as we head north,

we have to cross the **Everglades**, one of the world's most extensive wetlands. While here, there is only one way to see this beautiful landscape. We'll hop on board an **Airboat for an Everglades Expedition**. This experience will leave you in awe, with memories that will last a lifetime. Leaving here, we continue onward and find ourselves in Sanibel, FL, at our hotel.





This morning, we have some free time at the beach, known for its seashells. After a few hours of relaxation on this incredible beach, we continue

north until we arrive in Sarasota for a tour of The Ringling Home. This museum features stunning art collections, fascinating exhibitions, and unique performances. Our hotel tonight is here in Sarasota.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

**DAY 12** 

Today is primarily a travel day as we continue north; however, we will stop in Tallahassee, FL, where we will tour the Florida Historic Capitol.

Restored to its 1902 appearance, the Historic Capitol stands as an icon at the center of Florida's Capitol complex. Our hotel tonight will be here in Tallahassee.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

**DAY 13** 

Now no trip to Florida could ever be complete if you didn't get to see some Alligators. Therefore, we will stop at Gator Beach, the world's most extraor-

dinary Alligator Park (self-proclaimed!). While here, you can take your picture with a baby alligator or feed the gators if you feel adventurous. There are also free Gator shows you can attend. This is definitely a Florida experience you won't soon forget. Leaving here, we continue to Pensacola, where you have the rest of the day to do anything that strikes your fancy. There is plenty to do here in this lovely city. We'll stay beachside here in Pensacola, FL, for two nights.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 



**DAY 14** 

Today will be our last day in the Sunshine State, so we will make this day special with a morning Dolphin Cruise. On this cruise in Pensacola Bay, you

can relax and enjoy natural entertainment as we watch the dolphins splashing about. Following our dolphin adventure, you have a choice, you can either ride the bus and enjoy a guided tour of Pensacola, or you can head back to the hotel and enjoy some final beach time.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

We bid farewell to the Sunshine State as we start DAYS 15 & 16 homeward and back to the lands of winter. So, take some time today to reminisce about all the

incredible places you've seen on this journey-our travel today ends at our hotel in Batesville, MS. Our time together ends on Day 16, but the memories will last a lifetime.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast Both Days**





# **NEW ZEALAND + AUSTRALIA**



FEBRUARY TOUR 02.04.24 - 02.21.24 18 DAYS

Your package includes airfare, deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 31 meals.

# SOLD OUT TOUR - - - - SOLD OUT TOUR - - - - SOLD OUT TOUR

Scenic waterways and beautiful skies dominate the small country of New Zealand. On this memory-making adventure, you'll see some of the most breathtaking scenery in the world as you cruise on Milford Sound in Fiordland National Park. You'll also visit Rotorua and see Te Puia, Rotorua's most prominent thermal area with New Zealand's largest geyser. Discover New Zealand's cities—Auckland and Queenstown—and experience magnificent Mount Cook National Park. However before we even get to New Zealand we will actually be heading to Australia for a couple days.















**FEBRUARY TOUR** 02.08.24 - 02.15.24 DAY

Your package includes deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 10 meals.

# \$2239 SINGLE · \$1799 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$1659 PER PERSON TRIPLE

"Laissez les bon temps rouler" - Let the Good Times Roll at Mardi Gras! Join us as we enjoy the family-friendly version of Mardi Gras. We'll participate in the Real Acadiana - seafood, toe-tapping zydeco music, and the bayou wildlife, before the BIG PARADE!

Our journey to the Cajun country starts today as DAY 1 we make our way through the Ozarks and arrive in Little Rock. Just outside of Little Rock, we will find ourselves enjoying an elegant meal at the immaculate Marlsgate Plantation in the quaint town of Scott, AR.

**MEALS: Dinner** 

As we depart Little Rock this morning, we say DAY 2 goodbye to the Natural State and arrive in the Creole State. Tonight, we will share the fun & excitement at the "Krewe of Gemini Float Loading Party." A yearly tradition and celebration you won't want to miss.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

As we continue south, we find ourselves in Lake DAY 3 Charles, here we will get a chance to explore the Mardi Gras Museum of Imperial Calcasieu. The colorful history of Mardi Gras is on full display here with brilliant costumes, a climb-aboard parade float, and more. Also, in Lake Charles, we will have the opportunity to decorate our very own King Cake. We will be stopping at the Gator Chateau before getting some sleep at our hotel in Lafayette, LA where we will be staying for the next 3 nights.

**MEALS: Breakfast.** 



he adventure continues! Today, we explore the DAY 4 differences between swamps and bayous in a Swamp Boat Tour. This area is known for its diverse wildlife and breathtaking beauty. Next, we head to Vermilion Historic Village, a living history museum dedicated to recreating the region's diverse cultures during the 18th and 19th centuries. We'll cap off the day with the sweet, rich sound of Cajun and Zydeco music at Martins Accordions. You'll be tapping your toes to the authentic music, as well as seeing first-hand how this region's most iconic musical instrument is made.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 



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It's a spicy day as we travel to the TABASCO Factory on Avery Island to tour the only factory in the world making this distinctly southern sauce. Lunch will be included on Avery Island. Leaving here, get ready to experience a taste of Mardi Gras as we arrive in downtown Lafayette, LA for the traditional (but family-friendly) Night Parade.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

Today is the big day! This morning we will return to downtown Lafayette for the big event.

Mardi Gras! South Louisiana is home to the greatest free party on earth, and we are here to join the fun during the King's Parade. In Lafayette, LA, residents celebrate in many ways, including family-friendly Mardi Gras parades with marching bands, beads, and doubloons. We say goodbye to Lafayette this afternoon, but the fun isn't over yet. We're headed to Natchez, MS, for the evening.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

This morning we spend some time **exploring the beautiful city of Natchez**, a true Southern gem,
before we actually head back to Louisianna for a
stop in Monroe. Here in Monroe, we stop at the one and only **Duck Commander** before turning north towards home. We will stop in
Monticello, AR, for our overnight.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**



Today we return home filled with incredible memories and delicious food. We love sharing these unforgettable experiences with you, and we hope you will join us again for another memory making adventure.





EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT OF 3% PER PERSON WITH PAID DEPOSIT BY 12/08/23



3% CASH DISCOUNT

# **EPIC ECLIPSE**



APRIL TOUR 04.06.24 - 04.09.24



Your package includes deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 5 meals.

# \$1099 SINGLE · \$859 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$809 PER PERSON TRIPLE

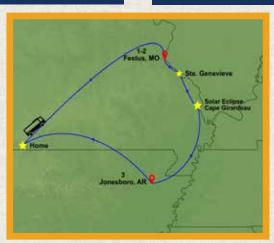
Occasionally in this world, all the stars seem to align and something remarkable happens, and if you are paying attention, you can be there when it does take place. On this short little adventure to make memories we will be there when it does. On April 8, 2024, certain parts of the country will get the chance to see something truly astounding. A total Solar Eclipse is coming to Missouri, but the path of totality is narrow. That is why Making Memories is heading to Cape Girardeau when for 4 minutes and 5 seconds the Moon will move between the Earth and the Sun and cast its shadow on the Earth. Along the path of totality, darkness will fall in the middle of the day. Planets and stars may appear. The temperature could drop up to 5 degrees and animals and insects will behave like nightfall has set.

As we start off on our journey together take some time to get to know each other as we travel on down to eastern Missouri. They don't call Missouri the Cave State for nothing so we will be making a stop at Meramec Caverns for a chance to dive underground to appreciate and wonder at the subterranean world. We will be overnighting in Perryville, Mo.

#### **MEALS: Lunch**

We have a busy day today as we **explore St. Genevieve Mo.** St. Genevieve is Missouri's oldest permanent European settlement. Today we are going to spend our time diving into the history of this town and walking through some of the oldest still-standing buildings west of the Mississippi.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch**



DAY 3

Today is the day! Today, we will experience a **rare total eclipse**, and for 4 minutes we will be in darkness in the middle of the day. Solar Glasses are pro-

vided so you can see this event's beauty with your own eyes. (Please don't look at the sun without solar glasses - going home blind is no way to make memories). In the build-up to this event, Cape Girardeau will have a big festival filled with food trucks, vendors, locals, and fellow travelers to take in the event. This portion of the country won't be seeing another total solar eclipse for 100 years making this truly a once-in-a-lifetime memory. After the festivities have concluded, we will make our way to our hotel for our final overnight.

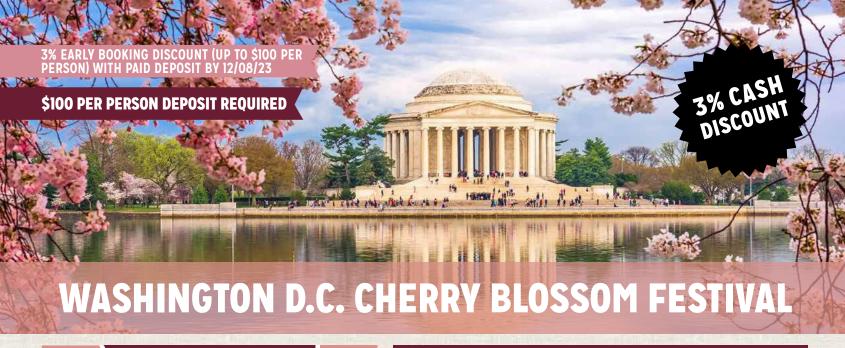
#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

DAY 4

Today we look back at our time together and those 4 otherworldly minutes. As we head home, we know this will be a memory you will never forget.









**APRIL TOUR 04.9.24 - 04.17.24** 

9 Days

Your package includes deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees and 13 meals.

### \$3779 SINGLE · \$2899 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$2659 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Nothing says Spring like bountiful flowers, and one of the most beautiful flowers is the cherry blossom. These beautiful buds bloom in Spring on gorgeous trees with branches that wind and bend until they feel like a world unto themselves. The cherry blossom tree is Japan's national tree, but its renown is worldwide. This blossom is so famous that our nation's capital has an entire parade dedicated just to it. This festival is a time of year when the white marble of Washington's many monuments is decorated in pink, various festivities abound in celebration, and the parade serves as the climax to the whole affair. It is a once-in-a-lifetime experience not soon to be forgotten. A wonderful place for making memories.

DAY 1

Your journey takes you toward the nation's capital and the wonderful sights that await. You will be steadily making your way through Missouri

until you reach today's destination in Terre Haute, Indiana. There you will eat, rest, and dream of cherry blossoms dusting the ground like snow.

**MEALS: Lunch** 

DAY 2

Today the adventure continues, but with a little surprise in store for everyone. So, you will just have to wait and see what kind of experience we

have in store for everyone. After the mystery stop, onwards towards the Capital. Our overnight will be in Uniontown, Pennsylvania.

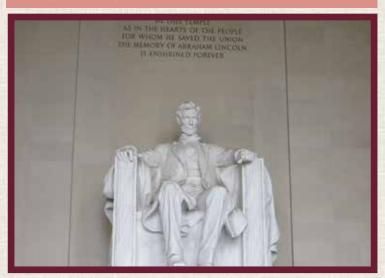
**MEALS: Breakfast** 



DAY 3

Next stop: Washington, D.C. to the infamous Ford's Theater, the site where one of America's most legendary presidents was slain. From the

Ford's Theater to the **Peterson House**, across the street, the tour and museum provide information and memorabilia from that fateful event. Leaving here we make our way to the **National Harbor** for a chance to explore and enjoy a meal. After dinner, enjoy a ride on **The Capitol Wheel**, a 180-foot-high Ferris wheel that lets you drink in the scenic view of the National Harbor. From there you'll check into your hotel and rest up for another exciting day.



Today will be a day of visiting the numerous famous memorials of the heroes of the past with our local **Step-on Guide**. From **Thomas Jefferson** 

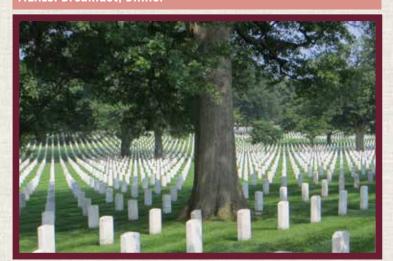
to Franklin Delano Roosevelt to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr, you will learn about brave souls who have made this country what it is to-day. Enjoy lunch in Historic Georgetown where there will be plenty of free time to shop and sightsee. Next stop: Washington National Cathedral, where you will marvel at its tall towers, its majestic sweeping arches, and gaze at the swirling colors casting a rainbow-like hue over the entire cathedral as light comes through its beautiful, round stained-glass window. Dinner tonight will be provided. Then the night's festivities will conclude with an illuminated night tour of D.C.'s monuments which will, of course, be framed by beautiful cherry blossoms. A great way to end the day!

MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner

Today's unforgettable journey begins with a stop at the White House Visitor Center where you will experience a touchscreen tour of the White

House and have the privilege of viewing the historic home's many artifacts. Now for the big moment: the Cherry Blossom Parade. You will for sure get that "up close and personal" view of all the many amazing festivities! We are talking drummers dressed in pink, floating Japanese lanterns, Japanese dances, swirling dresses of every color, a multitude of floats, and marching bands galore - everything that makes a parade great! This is the sort of thing of which great memories are made. After the parade, we'll travel south of town to George Washington's Historic Mount Vernon Home and Gardens for an in-depth mansion tour. You will see a glimpse of this great man's life and legacy. The evening will conclude with a nice relaxing dinner cruise on the Potomac River to further take in the views of the cherry blossoms.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 



Today brings a time to commemorate our military's fallen, with a visit to Arlington National Cemetery including the changing of the guard

at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Next up is our time at the world-renowned Smithsonian Museums, you have the afternoon to take your time exploring on you own here, On our way back to our hotel, we stop at the 9/II Memorial located at the Pentagon.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 







DAY 7

This morning we will say goodbye to D.C. and start heading west. On the way we will stop near Charlottesville, VA, where we have no

choice but to stop at the home of another one of the Founding Fathers, **Thomas Jefferson's Monticello.** We will step into the fascinating and complex world of Jefferson's mountaintop home and plantation. This evening finds us overnighting near Lewisburg, WV.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

DAY 8

Today will move us westward toward home, but there are still a couple of surprises along the way. Tonight we'll overnight in Evansville, IN.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

DAY 9

Our final day together will be recalling the many memories we have gathered along the way. Just as the cherry blossoms will soon fade from their

trees, so must our time together come to an end. Yet, we share this wonderful experience in our hearts and are grateful for the times we have had together. We are so very happy that you chose to make memories with us.







APRIL TOUR 04.14.24 - 04.24.24



Your package includes airfare, deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees and 15 meals.

### \$4709 SINGLE • \$3899 PER PERSON DOUBLE

This journey will introduce us to spectacular landscapes sprinkled with cultural and historical value. Explore some of the most famous places in Ireland and a few hidden gems. So, prepare yourself to make memories with us as we experience the beautiful, green, and enchanted land of the Irish!

DAY 1

Today we jump right into the action as we board our coach early this morning and make our way to the airport for our afternoon flight to Ireland.

This morning we land at the Dublin Airport, where we will be met by our tour director and escorted to our motor coach. Sit back, relax after a long flight, and enjoy the **green rolling pastures** as we travel westward through the Irish midlands to the quaint and picturesque town of Westport for a two-night stay. Following check-in and a well-earned rest, you will regroup with your fellow travelers and enjoy a welcome dinner in your hotel.

**MEALS: Dinner** 





DAY 3

This morning we travel to **Mulranny** and cross the **Michael Davitt Bridge to Achill**, Ireland's most extensive offshore island. Our tour will fol-

low the coastline, and we will experience some breathtaking views on the island's spectacular **Atlantic Drive**. We visit the deserted village at **Slievemore**, consisting of 80 - 100 stone cottages (booley homes) on the southern slopes of **Slievemore Mountain**. We will have lunch on Achill Island before returning to Westport. There will be time for you to explore this charming town with its colorful shopfronts and listen to traditional Irish music in one of the town's many bustling pubs.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

DAY 4

This morning we depart Westport and travel by the foothills of **Croagh Patrick** (the holy mountain) to **Louisburg.** We will visit **Glen Keen** 

Farm, where we will experience a sheepdog demonstration and get an insight into the daily working of a sheep farm. Before departing, you will also enjoy freshly brewed tea and scones straight from the oven. From here, our tour winds its way through the scenic Doolough Valley taking in a stretch of road known as the famine walk. Hundreds of people take part in the walk every year and follow in the footsteps of those who left their homes in search of food during the great famine. We will visit Kylemore Abbey, built in 1866 and from 1920 to 2008, home to the Benedictine Nuns. You will see the Abbey's Victorian Walled Garden, entirely enclosed by a brick and limestone wall, and the beautiful Gothic Church built by Mitchell Henry in memory of his wife. From here, you will continue through Connemara to Galway City, where you will check into your hotel for a two-night stay. Dinner is included tonight at the hotel.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

Today we take a break from the hustle and bustle of the mainland and travel to Rossaveal where we will board a ferry to Inishmore, the largest

of the three Aran Islands and one of the highlights of the Wild Atlantic Way. The island is steeped in history and resembles an outdoor museum with over 50 Christian, pre-Christian and Celtic mythological heritage monuments. You will have time to walk to Dun Aonghasa and enjoy the spectacular views here before boarding the ferry for your return journey to Galway, where dinner is awaiting us at our hotel.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**



This morning we depart Galway City and travel along the southern side of Galway Bay to Bally-vaughan. Our tour then winds its way through the lunar-type landscape of the Burren, from the Irish word 'bhoire-ann' meaning, 'a stony place' or a 'rocky place,' which is a good description for this 350 sq. kilometers limestone plateau in North Clare. We continue to the majestic Cliffs of Moher, standing 214m (702 feet) at their highest point. Following some time to view the cliffs, we will travel to Killarney, where we will check into your hotel for a three-night stay.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**



Today we will embark on one of Ireland's most famous tours - The Ring of Kerry. Our first stop this morning will be the Kerry Bog Village, where we

can visit little **thatched cottages** and see how people would have lived in Ireland many years ago. We will travel through the wild and rugged landscape of the **Iveragh Peninsula**, which has some breathtaking views of the Atlantic coastline. We will pass through the towns of **Killorglin**, **Glenbeigh**, **Cahirciveen**, **and Waterville** to the colorful village of **Sneem**. Our tour then winds its way through the **Killarney National Park** before returning to Killarney.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**



This morning we travel in traditional style on board an Irish Jaunting Car (horse-drawn carriage) to the Killarney National Park. Our journey winds through some of the oldest oak forests in Ireland and the famous Lakes of Killarney to Muckross House and Gardens. Here you will have a guided tour of this Victorian mansion built in 1843, one of Ireland's leading stately homes. The remainder of the afternoon is free to enjoy a stroll through the charming town of Killarney with its many shops, pubs, and restaurants. Dinner is included this evening.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**

This morning we depart Killarney and travel to Blarney, where you will visit Blarney Castle and Gardens. The castle was built in 1446, and you will have an opportunity to climb the spiral stairs to the top and kiss the famous Blarney Stone, said to bestow the gift of eloquence on all who dare. You can also visit the Castle Gardens and Rock Close as you make your way through the castle grounds. Enjoy the views of the beautiful Irish countryside as our motorcoach brings us to our hotel in Dublin for an overnight stay. Dinner is included here.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**

After breakfast, we will travel to Dublin Airport for our flight back across the pond, home with fond memories, newly acquired accents, and many stories to tell friends and family. We will be landing this evening in Tulsa, where we will stay together for one final night.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

**DAY 11** 

We are sure to have made many lifelong memories together, and we hope you will join us again next time for another memory-making adventure.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

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APRIL TOUR 04.19.24 - 04.30.24 12 DAYS

Your package includes airfare, deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees and 14 meals.

# \$6619 SINGLE • \$5299 PER PERSON DOUBLE

World War II was without a doubt the largest scale war the world has ever seen, and amid this earth-shattering war, there was a pivotal turning point, "D-Day". On June 6, 1944, the allies launched the largest seaborne invasion in human history. The outcome of this day changed the course of the world, and it is a day that will never be forgotten. 2024 will be 80 years since that terrible and glorious day, so Making Memories is heading to Europe where we will learn some of the history leading up to the invasion, make our way to those solemn beaches, and remember and honor the fallen heroes of an age not so long ago.

DAY 1

Tomorrow we have an early flight, so we will be departing a day early to get to our hotel by the airport and be ready for takeoff the following day,

On arrival meet, with your professional tour

This morning we arrive at the airport to start our journey across the pond to the "Old Country." This flight will be overnight meaning we will be landing in Jolly Old London tomorrow morning.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

guide to experience an introductory tour of the iconic sights of London's old city. This London, in a nutshell, tour takes us to Westminster Pier for a city cruise as well as admission to the Tower of London. After our day touring some of the sights of London, we head to our hotel for a welcome dinner and some well-earned rest.

**MEALS: Dinner** 





seum and Cabinet War Rooms where Winston Churchill said, "This is the room from which I will direct the war." Continue to the Imperial War Museum London to experience countless discoveries. IWM London is a place to experience the continuing influence of war on the world – an experience as compelling and thought-provoking as it is unforgettable. Our tour continues with a visit to Westminster Abbey, famous for so many national events over the centuries. After this, we return to our hotel here in London.

This morning, we drive out of London to visit Chartwell. This was Winston Churchill's home in the Kent countryside and has many mementos of the great man, including a brick wall that he built, his art studio and the relaxing gardens with views of The Weald. Afterwards we arrive in Portsmouth where "The D-Day Story" awaits. This remarkable museum focuses on telling the story of Liberating Europe from Nazi occupation. The story is told using the personal possessions and words of the people who took part. Tonight, we will be overnighting here in Portsmouth, with dinner provided.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**

docks where we will be boarding a ferry. This ferry will be taking us across the English Channel to France. Upon arriving in France, we will pick up our local French guide who will then take us to Le Grande Bunker- Museum of the Atlantic Wall. This museum is inside the nerve center of the Germany Defense of the beaches and is the last visible remnant of Germany's most powerful coastal battery. We overnight at a nearby

Our morning begins with a drive over to the

Today we make the short drive over to Utah Beach

# hotel for the next 3 nights. MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner



Landing Museum. Built on the very spot where American troops landed on June 6, 1944, the museum recounts the events of D-Day in ten sequences, from its preparation to its completion and success. At the end of the day, more than 23,000 American soldiers landed to fight a titanic fight and liberate France. The Utah Beach Landing Museum preserves the memory of these men. Leaving Utah Beach behind we arrive at the D Day Museum in Arromanches. The museum tells the history of the D-Day landings and in particular the construction of the Mulberry B artificial port, which can still be seen the remains outside the museum.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**



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Together we depart our hotel this morning and head to the Normandy American Cemetery. This solemn time is a reminder of just how many lives were lost here on that day. Upon leaving the cemetery we head to our last Beach together in Normandy. The Omaha Beach Memorial Museum is located on the very site of the American naval landing of June 6, 1944. The Omaha Beach Memorial Museum was created to preserve the memory of all those young soldiers who died in 1944 so that the younger generations will never forget at what cost we had our freedom.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**



Following in the footsteps of the victorious, we will move from Normandy to Paris today. While here in Paris we have a half day guided tour of the city as well as a city cruise on the Seine. Here we will learn about the history of this ancient city. We will overnight at a Parisian hotel for the next 2 nights.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

This will be our last day here in France so, we have decided to give everybody a free day to explore the city on your own. There is just too much to see here, so everyone gets to choose what it is in Paris that is most important to you. Tonight, we will enjoy a 3-course farewell dinner together.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**

This morning we will board our flight home. As we soar through the skies, this is the perfect opportunity to look back on all you've learned and experienced together. Our flight will be landing quite late so we've reserved hotel rooms, so we can head straight to bed after landing.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

**DAY 12** 

Today, we journey home. Thank you for joining us and we hope to see you again!





APRIL TOUR 04.25.24 - 04.27.24 3 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 3 meals.

# \$819 SINGLE · \$679 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$659 PER PERSON TRIPLE

IN KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

The Girls are on the road again! This year they're going to cook up a good time in Kansas City. Here is the recipe for you to try...

Recipe for FUN!

START WITH: 1 Bus Load of Women • ADD: Our infamous Pajama Party • STIR IN: A Dinner Theater

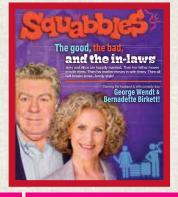
MIX WELL: With Shopping, Craft Time and a Tee Shirt • SPRINKLE: In a Few Surprise Stops

**BLEND WELL:** With Lots of Laughter • The results will amaze you. No calories! No Boys!

















MAY TOUR 05.01.24 - 05.04.24



Your package includes deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 5 meals.

### \$1149 SINGLE · \$919 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$859 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Pack your wooden shoes, your accordion, and your old-world whimsey because it's time, Tulip Time! Immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of Holland without leaving the Midwest at the annual Pella, Iowa, Tulip Time Festival. Just shy of 100 years old, this Iowa tradition is dedicated to Pella's proud Dutch heritage and features authentic costumes, tasty treats, towering windmills, and—of course—crisp, colorful tulips.

our way north to enjoy an **included dinner at** the Machine Shed, a home-style restaurant that prides itself on presenting farm-to-table food that exceeds expectations. Afterwards, we settle into our hotel in Des Moines, lowa, where we will be spending the next 3 nights.

After picking up our fellow travelers, we make

**MEALS: Dinner** 

Our second day begins with a picturesque, guided tour of Madison County - the Covered Bridge Capital of lowa. This tour showcases the unique and iconic covered bridges as well as the beautiful land-scapes connecting them. After soaking up the scenery, we make our way to the town of Winterset, lowa, the birthplace of America's beloved cowboy, John Wayne. Take some time on your own to explore the John Wayne Birthplace Museum and the colorful lowa Quilt Museum. After grabbing a bite to eat on your own downtown, we will meet back up for a tour of the lowa State Capitol Building. After a full day of art and history, we make our way back to the hotel to prepare for tomorrow's colorful day.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 





DAY 3

It's Tulip Time for the Pella Tulip Time Festival!

This annual event is the highlight of our trip. Pella's celebration has two major parades that showcase

the creativity of this Midwestern town. But that's just the beginning! As soon as you step off the bus, your nose will be greeted by the delicious aroma of authentic Dutch foods including Poffertjes (mini sweet pancakes), Bologna on a stick, and Vetbollen (hot raisin doughnut). But be careful not to gorge yourself too much because you might find yourself dancing as talented bands play and local dancers show off their skills at a **German dinner** for our group! And--of course—all this revelry takes place surrounded by 300,000 vibrant tulips in a kaleido-scope of colors. The fun, food, and flowers continue to swirl in our heads as we return to the hotel for a night's rest.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 







DAY 4

Our adventure comes to an end as we hop on the big red bus and head home. The festivities may be over, but the memories we made together are

sure to last a lifetime.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

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# SOMEWHERE IN TIME

# (MACKINAC ISLAND)



MAY TOUR 05.17.24 - 05.24.24 8 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees and 9 meals.

# \$2729 SINGLE · \$2099 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$1949 PER PERSON TRIPLE

The charming old towns and enchanting castles of Mackinac Island offer the perfect escape from buzzing computers and blinking streetlights.

As you climb aboard our coach, leave your worries behind. Meet your travel companions today and make memories as we will be starting our journey with an **included lunch** today. This evening, we'll be staying in Rantoul, IL.

**MEALS: Lunch** 

DAY 2

The excitement builds as we continue north. We stop in Amish Country for a family-style meal before heading to our hotel in Grand Rapids,

Michigan, to get some rest before setting sail.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 







We continue traveling by bus before being ferried to the most magical island on the Great Lakes. Mackinac Island is a land where the horse and carriage were never replaced by the automobile; family-owned lodging properties were never replaced by corporate hotels, and fudge stores never replaced their 19th-century recipes with instant mixes. We will overnight on the island for 3 nights.



This morning, we enjoy a carriage tour of the island before arriving at **The Grand Hotel** for lunch. After our meal, feel free to explore the iconic formations, majestic churches, and unique stores.

**MEALS: Lunch** 



Guess what we have planned for everybody today? **NOTHING!** So, take this opportunity to relax, walk, shop, eat, or do anything you want! There is no better place to explore and make memories!

**MEALS:** 

We leave the peace of Mackinac Island to explore the one and only **Frankenmuth**, known for its Bavarian-style architecture. This lovely little town is bound to delight the senses as we visit **Bronner Christmas Wonderland**. Here at Bronner, you have a chance to do some souvenir shopping at the world's largest Christmas store, where Christmas is celebrated 361 days a year! Top this off with a Meal at the **Bavarian Restaurant** to make this a day to remember. We will be spending the night here in Frankenmuth.

**MEALS: Dinner** 



We have been exploring the past these last few days, but this morning, we jump back into the 20<sup>th</sup> century as we continue down the interstate on our way homeward. We will overnight in Terre Haute, IN.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

On our way back today, we have one more included meal together as we reminisce about the good, old-fashioned memories we made on this trip back in time.





\$250 PER PERSON DEPOSIT REOUIRED



**PASSPORT REQUIRED** 

# **NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR**



MAY / JUNE TOUR 05.30.24 - 06.11.24

13 DAYS

Your package includes airfare, deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 24 meals.

### \$7889 SINGLE • \$6699 PER PERSON DOUBLE • \$6349 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Newfoundland and Labrador aren't just breeds of dogs. The Newfoundland and Labrador province of Canada has a rich history filled with inventions, architecture, icebergs, whales, Puffins, and Vikings! Join us on our exploration of this scenic land overflowing with memories!

DAY 1

We gather our fellow adventurers and enjoy a restful night and prepare for our flight early tomorrow morning.

DAY 2

This morning we continue acquainting ourselves with new friends before taking a flight to our hotel in Deer Lake, Newfoundland.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

As we start our journey together, we travel through Gros Morne National Park - to be enjoyed later during your tour - to the fishing community of Port au Choix to learn about ancient cultures. The Port au Choix Peninsula juts slightly out into the Gulf of St. Lawrence on Newfoundland's northwest coast and people have lived here for 5,500 years. While here we will visit the **Port au Choix National Historic Site** before checking into our accommodations here.

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Come aboard the ferry from St. Barbe to cross the Strait of Belle Isle to Labrador. Continue to Red Bay National Historic Site, a UNESCO World

Heritage Site, where the Basques had a whaling station in the 16th century. This mystical place takes the essence of Labrador coastal living and transposes it onto a tapestry of rich culture and history. Here we will spend the night in Labrador.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

We will return to Newfoundland and travel to L'Anse aux Meadows National Historic Site, the first cultural discovery in the world to receive recognition as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Hear of the Vikings

recognition as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Hear of the Vikings who walked here over a thousand years ago before continuing to your St. Anthony accommodations for the night.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 





This morning we have something truly special planned, we will enjoy a morning whale-watching boat tour, we even planned this during the

best time of the year to see **Titanic-sized icebergs**. After this incredible experience, we make our way back south to Cow Head in Gros Morne National Park for a two-night stay.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

DAY 7

Discover why **Gros Morne National Park**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is truly one of the highlights of your trip with a scenic boat tour on

Bonne Bay; be on the lookout for the bald eagles that frequent the deep waters of the fjord. We will also visit the **Tablelands**; this mountain of flat-topped rock, a kind usually found only deep in the earth's mantle, is an awe-inspiring sight and it will be here that we will **enjoy a picnic** in some of the most incredible scenery Canada has to offer.

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 8

Have your camera ready as your time in Gros Morne National Park draws to a close. We will travel to **Central Newfoundland on to Gander**.

famous for the basis of the hit Broadway Musical, **Come from Away**, and learn about the hospitality and generosity of the local residents during the aftermath of the September II, 2001, attacks when 38 airplanes unexpectedly landed there. Also, visit the **North Atlantic Aviation Museum** which hosts a variety of artifacts and displays **chronicling Gander's role in the development of transatlantic aviation**.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 





This morning, we are headed to Twillingate to visit the fishing village, home to the Long Point Lighthouse and Price Berth Fishery and Heri-

tage Center. While in Twillingate we will also experience a second lceberg Adventure and look for icebergs and whales! After this, we will head back to Gander for our overnight stay.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner** 

**DAY 10** 

Have your camera ready today as we make our way through **Terra Nova National Park** to the historic towns of **Bonavista and Trinity**. Explore the

Cape Bonavista Lighthouse before heading to Trinity to view the many historic buildings that have been well-preserved from the 18<sup>th</sup> century. Our day ends as we arrive in Clarenville for our overnight.

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 11

This morning we travel to the seaport of St. John's for our last couple of days in Newfoundland. We will enjoy a guided city tour to get our bearings

in the city and learn about the architecture as well as gaze at the panoramic view from Signal Hill. We will be overnighting here in St. John's for the next two nights.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

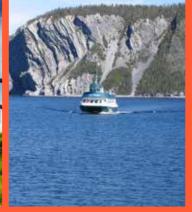
**DAY 12** 

This morning we take a final **boat cruise** out in the **Witless Bay Ecological Reserve** to see puffins and other various seabirds. We will then go

visit the **Cape Spear National Historic Site**, the most easterly point in North America. This afternoon we have **free time to explore St. John's** at our leisure.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 





**DAY 13** 

This morning we say goodbye to Newfoundland as we head to the airport and start making our way back home. Take this time on the flight to

look back at fond memories of your time in Newfoundland.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

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JUNE TOUR 06.04.24 - 06.09.24 6 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 8 meals.

# \$2169 SINGLE · \$1699 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$1589 PER PERSON TRIPLE

America already has a wonderful past for such a young nation. But one thing that truly sets our country apart from the rest of the world is the diverse history of its music. Johnny Cash told us about the Ring of Fire. Elvis Presley became the "King". There are so many examples of men and women making their marks on the collective futures of countless people and countries across the world, using music as the pen that would write on our very souls. This trip is about honoring those musical legends of the past. We're going to look at the lives of the incredible figures who've shaped our world, and we would love for you to come along!

Today we are eager to get to the fun stuff so will spend the day making our way across Missouri and Arkansas and landing just outside Memphis where we will be overnighting for the next two nights. Be sure to get a good night's sleep because tomorrow the fun begins.

This morning will start our tour off by going to see where the King of Rock 'n' Roll once resided. That's right, we're going to **Graceland! The Elvis** 

**Presley Mansion!** We're not just going to see the mansion. We're going to eat lunch there as well. You'll have plenty of time to look around and plenty of time to appreciate the King. As we leave Graceland, we will pick up our professional **Step-on Guide** who will spend her time telling us stories of Memphis, showing us the city's sights, and telling us all about the history of Memphis.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 



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This morning we're off to see something entirely brand new for Making Memories Tour. Once a year in June the hometown of the "KING" comes alive during the **Tupelo Elvis Festival**, the highlight of which is the **Elvis Tribute Artist competition**. Here, the best Elvis impersonators in the world come together and compete to see who the "King" truly is. After this fun and truly unique experience, we will need to say goodbye to Tupelo and arrive in Corinth, MS, for our overnight.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

More musical magic awaits us today as we start this day off with a trip to Storytellers Hideaway Farm and Museum, where Johnny Cash went to escape public life. The Storytellers Hideaway Farm and Museum is a must-stop for anyone interested in knowing more about the Man in Black. Next on the itinerary is a stop at Loretta Lynn's Ranch. Here you are going to get a guided tour of several locations throughout the ranch. These include the Plantation Home, the Replica of Butcher Hollow, and the Coal Mine. You're going to get the full package of this lovely location before we call it a day and head to our hotel.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**



Today we will arrive in Music City, Nashville, TN, for a Step-on Guided tour to learn the history behind this musical metropolis. We will be seeing some of her most iconic sights and hearing some of her most iconic sounds the whole time. Then we have a little free time to eat downtown before we hit up the Country Music Hall of Fame, where we can learn about country music's greatest legends. We will then be departing Music City and heading to west for our overnight.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**



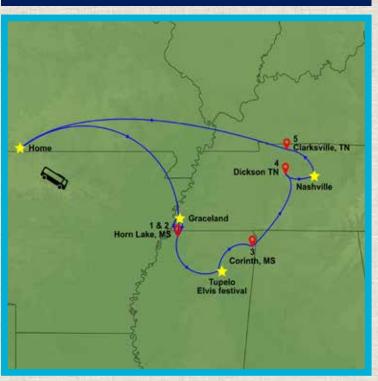






We hope you had as much fun as we did, honoring the memory of the great music legends of the past. This trip is the perfect combination of paying a little homage to the greats who shaped the world we know, as well as making some memories along the way. We're grateful

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**



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# MEN'S TRIP



# (DEEP SEA FISHING/GOLFING)



**JUNE TOUR** 06.14.24 - 06.19.24

Your package includes deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 7 meals.

### \$2399 SINGLE · \$1799 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$1649 PER PERSON TRIPLE

For the last 6 years Making Memories has put on an annual Girl's Trip with no boys allowed. Well, here at Making Memories Tours, we always want to be fair. That's why for 2024 we are heading out on our first ever Men's Trip. It seems to me that since the ladies have had a 6-year head start on us we ought to start out strong. We've planned this tour so that you have the opportunity to do some deep-sea fishing on Father's Day. We've also built in multiple nights on the beach, and you will enjoy a free day where you can either relax on the beach, go deep-sea fishing for a second day or spend the day golfing. The choice is up to you. So, grab your dad or your son and let's go make some manly memories.

DAY I

Today, we board our bus and start our journey together as we head south. The first stop we will enjoy will be in Memphis at the massive, one-of-

a-kind, Bass Pro Shop in the Pyramid. After a little time to browse (don't worry men this tour isn't a shopping trip) we head to the top of the Pyramid for an included dinner. Leaving here, it is a short drive to our hotel for the night in Horn Lake, MS.

**MEALS: Dinner** 



So, one thing about deep sea fishing is you have DAY 2 to get to the coast. Therefore, today is primarily a driving day as we make our way south trying to get to the Gulf. We do have time at the Mississippi Aviation Mu-

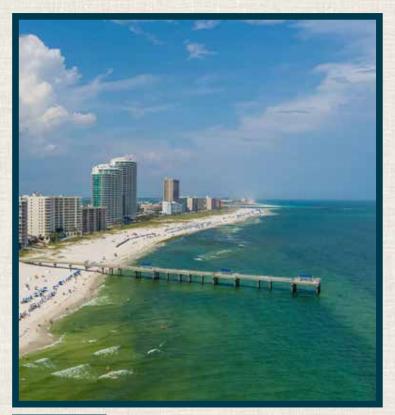
seum, which honors Mississippi aviation heritage and the heroes that forged it. Leaving here we find ourselves in Mobile, AL, where we will be spending the night.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 



Today is Father's Day, and this is also the day DAY 3 where we will all be boarding a large boat together and spending a good part of the day out on the Gulf of Mexico doing some Deep-Sea Fishing. Everything

needed is included here - bait, tackle, rods and reels, and fishing licenses. The deckhands will gladly filet and bag your fish for \$0.30 per pound (not included). Just some of the fish that might be caught include Red Snapper, Triggerfish, Vermilion Snapper, White Snapper and Lane Snapper. Our hotel for the next two nights is right on the ocean in Orange Beach, AL.



Making Memories decided to go ahead and make DAY 4 today a free day, because there are several different ways you can spend the day and many people might want different things. So, here are your options you can hang out at our beachfront hotel and enjoy relaxing by the ocean, you could head back to the dock and enjoy another day of deep-sea fishing, or you can head out for a day of golfing. You choose what you like, and Making Memories will handle the transportation.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

This morning we say goodbye to the ocean as we DAY 5 head homeward. On the way, will have a stop at Vicksburg National Military Park. Here we learn about the significance of this strategic position during the time of the Civil War. Leaving here, we continue to our overnight in Monticello, AR.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**



DAY 6

As we make our way home today, we do have one more stop. In North Little Rock, we arrive at the Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum. While here

we will have the chance to enter the USS Razorback. This submarine is a veteran of WWII, Vietnam, and the Cold War. Leaving here we continue home. The journey may be over, but the memories will last a lifetime.











**JUNE TOUR** 06.20.24 - 06.26.24 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees and 11 meals.

# \$2509 SINGLE · \$2019 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$1899 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Filled with lush scenery, long shorelines, memorable monuments, and tasty treats, Door County, WI, is a place unlike any other. Discover Door County's long history of exploration, fishing, timber harvesting, and even cherry-picking, on this breathtaking adventure north. Now consider this: a river cruise with such stunning scenery that people were compelled to board trains and travel several hundred miles just to get a glimpse of the grandeur they only saw in photographs. That was more than 150 years ago, and people are still traveling to this place, Wisconsin Dells, for Wisconsin River cruises. You can tour both the Upper Dells and Lower Dells, as well as visit the House on the Rock. A place so indescribable, you must see it to believe it. This attraction is one of the coolest and strangest places on earth. This tour is a memory-making journey you are going to love!

We will spend the first two days of our trip DAYS 1 & 2 getting to know each other and preparing ourselves for the memories we're about to make.

After our travels, we'll land at the Bridgeport Waterfront Resort to spend the next two nights. Located in Sturgeon Bay, this pleasant hotel not only provides comfy rooms but spectacular views of the open sky and crystal-blue waters as well as a one-of-a-kind fish boil feast.

MEALS: Lunch on Day 1, Breakfast, Dinner on Day 2

DAY 3

This morning starts with a ferry ride as we make our way over to Washington Island. Once here, we're going on a shopping spree at

Mann's Mercantile to pick up some handy souvenirs. After this, we visit Washington Island's Stavkirke or Church of Staves. This architectural treasure was built to reflect the area's Viking, Swedish, and Mormon heritage. However, Wisconsin isn't just known for its pleasant sights. At the Lavender Farm, rows upon rows of purples lavender flowers fill the air with a pleasant and relaxing fragrance you'll want to take with you wherever you go. With the day nearing its end, we will return to our hotel for the evening.

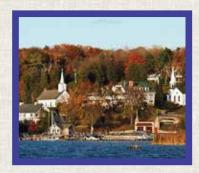
**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

DAY 4

This morning we will stop at Koepsel's Farm Market as well as make several scenic picture stops along Sturgeon Bay. As we leave Door

County behind, we start making our way south and by this evening we will have arrived in Wisconsin Dells country.







Our first fun experience will be the scenic cruise along the Wisconsin River. See the peaceful, natural beauty of the **Upper Dells** complete with

shore excursions. Visitors come here to see what is arguably and most classic of the area's attractions – the gorges and sandstone rock formations AKA "The Dells." There are several shops and restaurants near the boat dock where you can have free time and lunch on your own before boarding our Jet Boat tour of the Lower Dells. What happens when you mix the excitement of a jet boat ride with the scenery of the Wisconsin Dells? Marvelous memories are made! We will head to our hotel after our ride, but the day isn't over yet. We will have a delicious dinner waiting for you at Del Bar Steakhouse, as well as an unforgettable show, The Rick Wilcox Magic Theater. Since opening their 550-seat Wisconsin Dells theater in 1999, master illusionists Rick & Suzan Wilcox have entertained & amazed thousands.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**





DAY 6

This is an extraordinary day with a visit to the remarkable **House on the Rock**. As one of the coolest and strangest places on earth, there is

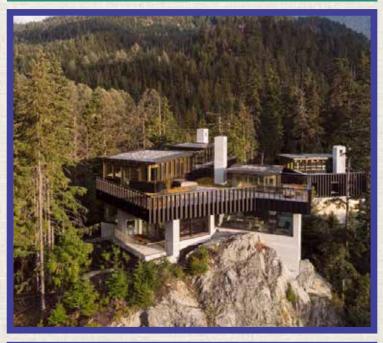
plenty to take in. This amazing place is home to The Infinity Room, which extends an unsupported length of 218 feet and soars 156 feet above the valley floor, the world's largest carousel, an enormous sea creature (longer than the Statue of Liberty is tall), the Streets of Yesterday, a Japanese Garden and much, much more! There are plenty of places to have lunch before we depart for our final night in Bloomington, IL.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

DAY 7

We will return home today, but what an exciting tour this has been! You will have many memories to share with your friends and family once you

return. Come explore with us again.









JUNE / JULY TOUR 06.30.24 - 07.08.24

9 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees and 12 meals.

### \$3849 SINGLE · \$2999 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$2779 PER PERSON TRIPLE

On this patriotic journey, we cross under spacious skies and through amber waves of grain to celebrate America's birthday in one of the greatest places in the world - New York City! And there is no better time to visit this historic town! So, join us as we hop on the big red bus and salute Uncle Sam in 2024.

DAY 1

Our adventure begins as we cut through America's Breadbasket, traveling through Missouri and Illinois before arriving at the hotel in Plainfield, IN.

DAY 2

We leave the Midwest and head toward the East Coast and the birthplace of America. Spend the day getting to know your fellow patriots before

we arrive at our hotel in Mechanicsburg, PA.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 



DAY 3

Hello, New York! After enjoying an **included lunch** here in the Big Apple, we meet our **Step-On-Guide** for a **4-hour tour** of this dynamic city.

Our knowledgeable guide weaves NYC history and anecdotes together to provide an informative, entertaining, and thorough New York experience. Make sure to keep an eye out for any places you may want to visit later. Once we get the lay of the land, we make our way back to our New York City hotel. Feel free to settle in because we will be staying here for the next 4 nights.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

DAY 4

Our day begins with a trip to meet Lady Liberty! The majestic **Statue of Liberty** is a global icon. Her proud face has inspired thousands of people

since France gave her to the United States in 1885. Just beyond the statue is **Ellis Island**, the island where many tired, poor, and hungry immigrants arrived hoping to achieve the American Dream. It is amazing how much history these two little islands hold! After crossing onto the mainland, we will visit a more recent memorial. At the **National September 11 Memorial & Museum**, we not only remember the 2,977 people who lost their lives on that infamous day but also the way our country came together in a way that had not been seen in decades. This spirit is reflected at the **Freedom Tower**, the largest tower in the Western Hemisphere and yet another testament to America's resolve to "Never Forget." With the American spirit firmly planted in our hearts, we return to our hotel to rest.

Happy Birthday, America! And our birthday present to you is a pre-paid excursion with NYC Sightseeing Bus Tours. Hop on and off these

double-decker buses at your leisure. Purchase some unique NYC souvenirs. Grab a hotdog or a BIG NYC-style slice of pizza from a street vendor. Or just take time to look up at the towering sky-scrapers. But make sure to set your alarm because you will need to return to the hotel in time to celebrate Uncle Sam's birthday in style. We climb aboard the Hornblower and enjoy a tasty dinner on this **5-hour dinner cruise**. But we didn't travel all the way to NYC just for great cuisine. As the sun goes down, NYC explodes in color with a truly spectacular fireworks display. Stand atop the deck as the sky resounds with majestic reds, greens, golds, and blues. As the fireworks dance against a background of skyscrapers, NYC never looks more beautiful than when she's celebrating the birth of America. With images of America's glory imprinted in our minds, we return to our hotel to prepare for our last day in NYC.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

To honor Independence Day, you have the freedom to enjoy the city for a full day! We hop back on the double-decker buses to explore the city once again. Head over to Broadway to catch a show, get some sun at Central Park, go head-to-head with Wall Street's Charging Bull, or cruise down the bright streets of Times Square. NYC has something for you no matter who you are or what you like!

MEALS: Breakfast

We wave goodbye to the New York City skyline traveling westward where we will visit the Flight 93 Memorial. The Tower of Voices marks the entrance to the memorial. This 93-foot tall windchime contains 40 chimes, one for each brave person who perished on Flight 93. This amazing structure, along with the memory walls and debris field, combines art, history, and reverence to create a truly spectacular memorial. After learning the story and paying respects to these brave souls, we proceed to our New Stanton, PA, hotel.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**





Leaving the bright lights of the big cities, we make our way back across America's heartland to Terra Haute, IN, for our overnight. Take time to share pictures, compare keepsakes, and retell New York City adventures with your fellow travelers.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

DAY 9

Home Sweet Home. Today, we return home with hearts full of patriotism and minds full of memories.





# CARDINALS VS. ROYALS (IN STYLE)



**JULY TOUR** 07.09.24 - 07.11.24 DAYS

Your tour package will include deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 4 meals.

\$1109 SINGLE · \$959 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$919 PER PERSON TRIPLE

3% EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT WITH PAID DEPOSIT BY 1/31/24

\$100 PER PERSON DEPOSIT REQUIRED

3% CASH DISCOUNT

Take me out to the ball game! Who's ready to watch the St. Louis Cardinals and the Kansas City Royal go head-to-head? This will be an exciting way to make memories as we participate in a tradition as American as Apple Pie. As it happens, this year we will have something a little special planned for our time here, our group will experience these baseball games from the air-conditioned comfort of our private Party Suite. We only have one rule - no Cards vs Royals fighting on the bus; you can do that at the game.

DAY 1

Making Memories Tours is very excited to offer you the opportunity to go and see not one but two good, old-fashioned baseball games! So, how about

it? This morning we'll hop on the bus and head up to St. Louis for the first of two games between the Cardinals and the Royals. Upon arriving at Busch Stadium, we head to our private party suite, where we will enjoy a delicious included buffet before the game starts.

**MEALS: Dinner** 

DAY 2

This morning we'll spend a little time seeing some of the sights of St. Louis before we head back to the stadium to catch a second game. This

evening the Cards and the Royals will go at it again - and once again, we will have a private party suite.

**MEALS: Breakfast. Dinner** 

DAY 3

So, join us this July for the love of the game! We are ready to experience the thrill with you! We want to be standing beside you as you're making memories.











JULY TOUR 07.12.24 - 07.21.24 10 DAYS

Your package includes airfare, deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 11 meals.

# \$6969 SINGLE · \$5259 PER PERSON DOUBLE

Come and explore the mighty Canadian Rockies from Calgary to Glacier National Park. See the iconic resort towns of Banff, Lake Louise and Waterton. Rumble over the Athabasca Glacier on a massive Ice Explorer and soar to the top of Sulphur Mountain in a gondola. Towering Mountains, Crystal Lakes, and Glaciers are dispersed throughout vast panoramic mountain vistas.

In order to catch tomorrow's early morning flight, we will need to leave today and head to our hotel by the airport. Probably a good idea to head to bed early tonight because we will be getting up early tomorrow morning.

Our flight today brings us to Calgary, the largest city in Alberta. Upon landing we hop on a bus and will experience driving through the breath-taking Canadian Rockies to our hotel in Lake Louise Village where an included dinner awaits us.

**MEALS: Dinner** 





Our first full day in the Rockies starts with Lake Louise, a jewel of the Rockies surrounded by glistening glaciers and towering snow-capped mountain peaks. You may have seen photos of the lake, but you will not be prepared for the experience of rounding the corner and getting the first sight of the emerald-green waters and the rugged peaks as a backdrop. After lunch in Lake Louise Village, we make the short drive into British Columbia to tour the stunning Yoho National Park. Which will include the Spiral Tunnels, Emerald Lake, and Natural Bridge. We return to Lake Louise for our second night here.

Travelling through the heart of the Canadian Rockies, we drive along the **famous Icefields Parkway** which has been voted one of the most spectacular

drives in the world. You will see for yourself why this famous mountain road, with its unique landscape and natural beauty, is second to none. We arrive at the famous **Columbia Icefields** whose waters feed three oceans; we visit the Interpretive Centre and have the experience of a lifetime - a ride on the **Ice Explorer vehicle** for a close look at the **Athabasca Glacier**. Finally, at the end of this exciting day, we see the powerful Athabasca Falls before returning south to Banff, AB, where we will be staying the next 2 nights.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

DAY 5

We won't be travelling far today as we will be spending our day here in Banff. We will start with a morning tour of **Banff**. Banff is flanked

on all sides by towering mountains, including Mount Rundle, Sulphur Mountain, Mount Norquay, and Cascade Mountain. You may see a herd of elk wandering down the main street during your early morning walk. The lively streets of downtown are lined with top-class restaurants, bars, and shops, as well as a vibrant range of art galleries and museums. After our sightseeing tour we ride the **gondola up Sulphur Mountain** for an unparalleled view of the mountains and valley below. The rest of the afternoon will be **free** for you to shop, eat and explore on your own in Banff.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

DAY 6

This morning as we depart Banff, we will enjoy some unique routing through backroads and Kananaskis and Lougheed Provincial Parks. Our

first stop for the day is at the **Bar U Ranch**. The Bar U Ranch is your opportunity to live like a cowboy! Ride on a wagon pulled by Percheron horses to discover the life of a ranching cowboy from the late 1800's. Here an included lunch is awaiting us. After leaving this afternoon, we arrive in **Waterton**, **AB**, where we will be staying 2 nights. A stay in Waterton set amidst the unparalleled scenic beauty of the Canadian Rockies is the perfect unwind after our days' adventures.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch**

DAY 7

This morning you need to have your passports ready as we cross into the US, in order to experience Glacier National Park, widely considered

America's most beautiful national park. Today is your chance to appreciate this dynamic landscape and diverse wildlife as we travel up the Going to the Sun Road while riding in the famous Red Jammer buses. The beautiful mountain peaks, mountain valleys and mountain lakes create a day you will never forget. This afternoon we will cross back into Canada and return to our hotel in Waterton.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 



DAY 8

Today we start heading back to Calgary, however we have a couple of exciting stops to make in route. First, we arrive at **Remington Carriage** 

Museum. The largest museum of its kind in the world; the Remington Carriage Museum tells the story of horse-drawn transportation in North America. The museum features interactive displays, horses, a working restoration shop, carriages, wagons, sleighs, and more. Next stop brings us to Head Smashed-In Buffalo Jump Interpretive Centre (I'm gonna call it Buffalo Jump). Through vast landscapes, exhibits, and diverse programming, you will learn from a Blackfoot Nations guide about the cultural significance of this cliff to the Plains People. Upon arriving in Calgary, we will enjoy a world class farewell dinner at the top of the Calgary Tower.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**

DAY 9

This morning we say goodbye to Canada as we hop on our plane and fly back to the Midwest.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

**DAY 10** 

Upon returning home you get to show off all the amazing pictures you've taken on this memory making adventure.





# **ALASKA CRUISE AND LAND**



JULY / AUG. TOUR 07.20.24 - 08.04.24

16 DAYS

Your package includes airfare, deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 29 meals.

INTERIOR ROOM SINGLE: \$7,409 DOUBLE: \$5,629 WINDOW ROOM SINGLE: \$8,269 DOUBLE: \$5,899 BALCONY ROOM SINGLE: \$9,399 DOUBLE: \$7,029

At Making Memories, we love to hear where our customers want to travel – and what they have on their Bucket List. We've been getting a lot of requests for an Alaskan Cruise. Therefore, we've put together an incredible adventure that takes us across the waves to the Last Frontier. This 7-day cruise takes us from Vancouver through the inside passage to Seward, then we have a 6-day land tour to see what the great state of Alaska has to offer.

DAY 1 & 2

Our first day together sees us heading to our hotel this afternoon to prepare for our early morning departure tomorrow. Our second day has us boarding our plane together and starting our journey in earnest as our flight takes us into Canada to the city of Vancouver where we will be staying the night.

We have the morning to make the short journey from our hotel to the docks, where we will be boarding. We will have the rest of the day to find our rooms, get settled and start exploring the ship.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

Our first full day at sea takes us through the Inside Passage. You will definitely want to keep your camera handy and your eyes open because the Inside Passage is filled with stunning views and wildlife.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**





Today our ship arrives in **Ketchikan**. Thanks to its abundant rainfall, Ketchikan is surrounded by some of the world's most lush wilderness. Its Tlingit Indian name, Kach Khanna, means "spread wings of the eagle." Chances are you'll see one of these magnificent birds perched atop a Sitka tree during your Alaska cruise to Ketchikan. There will be some optional excursions you can choose from here. Just be sure to be back to the ship in time. The boat doesn't wait on anyone.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner** 

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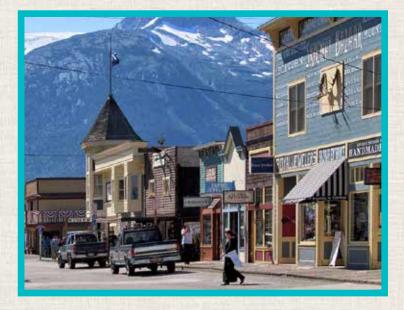


The next stop on our cruise, Juneau. Juneau has been called "Alaska's peak experience," certainly due in part to its unparalleled glacier viewing from such places as Tracy Arm Fjord, the Juneau Icefields, Glacier Bay National Park and Mendenhall Glacier.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner** 

As our cruise continues north, we stop at the picturesque and quaint little town of **Skagway**. In a single year from 1896 to 1897, this remote town along the Inside Passage grew from a few tents to a city of 20,000 gold seekers. Today, travelers come in search of other riches – to experience yesteryear along Skagway's charming boardwalk lined with buildings that replicate those Gold Rush days.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner** 



This morning we dock at **Icy Strait Point**, an enchanting cruise port that promises an unforget-table experience for all visitors. This picturesque destination offers a perfect blend of natural beauty and thrilling adventures, making it a must-visit.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner** 

Today could very well be considered the highlight of our cruise as we experience **Hubbard Glacier**. The Hubbard Glacier is the largest tidewater glacier in North America. Its awe-inspiring, turquoise-colored face towers nearly 400 feet tall – 250 feet of which are underwater – while its icebergs are often three or four stories high. At nearly six miles wide where the ice meets the ocean and 76 miles long, viewing this massive glacial mass is an experience not soon forgotten. As you cruise near the glacier, keep an eye out for the region's rich variety of wild-life, from bald eagles to harbor seals, orcas, and humpback whales.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner** 

This morning our cruise comes to an end here in Seward, AK, but the excitement continues as we board our motorcoach and start the land portion of our adventure. We continue north, stopping at the Alaskan Wildlife Conservation Center where we can get up close to some of Alaska's most iconic animals, such as moose, musk ox, bear, wolves and more. Next up is a real mountain-top experience as we arrive at the Alyeska Resort. Here a gondola ride to the top of the mountain awaits. At the top lunch will be waiting for us. This evening we find ourselves in Anchorage for our overnight.





We won't spend a whole lot of time in Anchorage; however, we will enjoy a step on guided tour of the city before we continue north. The Musk Ox Farm will be our next exciting stop for a close-up experience of

these magnificent Paleolithic ruminants. We will then be moving on and arriving for our overnight in Talkeetna, AK.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

This morning we continue our journey, but to-day we will be traveling in style on the Alaskan Railroad. Once onboard we will enjoy the dome viewing for an unforgettable view of the Last Frontier. The train ride between Talkeetna and Denali has some of the most breathtaking views in all of Alaska. This afternoon we arrive in Denali. Tonight, we will enjoy some local entertainment at the Alaska Cabin Nite Dinner Show.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

The last several days have been something of a whirlwind of activity and adventure, so today we are giving everybody a **free day** with which you can go out and spend as much or as little time as you like seeing the sights of **Denali National Park**.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**





For the last time on our journey together we will once more board our coach and continue heading north. There is only one destination further north for us to go to and that is, of course, the city of Fairbanks, AK. In Fairbanks we will spend our afternoon at the Gold Dredge 8, where we can have a chance to dredge up some gold of our own. Then it's on to the Fountainhead Antique Auto Museum.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

This will be our last day in Alaska. Our flight is planned for this afternoon so for this morning we have one more memory-making experience planned. We will take a ride on the **Discovery Riverboat**; this three-hour tour will take you into the heart of Alaska and introduce you to a family who has made the rivers of Alaska their way of life for five generations. This afternoon we board our plane and start our long flight home.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

**DAY 16** 

This has certainly been an unforgettable adventure and we are so glad you decided come make memories with us.







**JULY / AUGUST TOUR** 07.29.24 - 08.08.24 DAYS



Your package includes deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees and 15 meals.

## \$4499 SINGLE · \$3399 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$3069 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Get ready! Pack your camera and prepare to cast off on this unforgettable voyage. Is there a better way to explore the Great Lakes than by boat? The answer is-of course-No! This will be an experience you don't want to miss as we explore each of the Great Lakes, soaking in the beauty of the land and the water. The Lakes aren't all you will be doing, though. We have all sorts of fascinating places to take you. One thing is for sure! This is—without a doubt—the best way to experience the Great Lakes!

DAY 1

As we make our way northward, feel free to relax and meet your fellow travelers. We will make our way to our hotel for the night in Terre Haute, IN.

**MEALS: Lunch** 

As we make our way into Ohio, we find ourselves DAY 2 at our first activity together. We will be arriving at the Ohio State Reformatory. If you've seen the classic movie "Shawshank Redemption" then you've seen this

impressive prison. Here we will tour the intact set from the famous movie as well as stroll the halls and visit the cells of some of history's toughest criminals. Tonight, dinner is included at a surprise stop in Sandusky, OH. Our overnight tonight is in Clinton, OH.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 



Today, we will be getting out on the water of DAY 3 Lake Erie, as we board Miller's Ferry and cruise on over to Put-In-Bay Island. Put-In-Bay is often called the "Key West of the North" filled with historic sites and breathtaking water views. If there is a better way to experience Lake Erie, I don't know it. We will spend all day here on the Island before returning to our hotel for the night.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 



Continuing north we reach the one and only Ni-DAY 4 agara Falls early this afternoon. After a short stop at our hotel in Niagara (a couple hundred feet from the falls) to get settled in we head to the Maid of the Mist to journey into the falls. Being overwhelmed by the thunderous roaring of the falls is an experience you will never forget.

This morning starts will a picture stop at the "Floral Clock." This popular, time-tested destination features a large clock face made of colorful flow-

erbeds. Our time here is followed up with some free time to shop, explore and enjoy lunch in the delightful hidden gem called **Niagara** on the Lake. With its timeless charm and captivating landscapes, this picturesque town is the perfect destination for memory making. Next up on the agenda is a quick drive into Toronto, where we find ourselves boarding another ship for our **2**<sup>nd</sup> Lake cruise, this time on Lake Ontario. Following this we leave Toronto and head to London, Ontario, for our overnight.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

DAY 6

Today we arrive in **Frankenmuth**, **MI**, where we will stay for the evening. If you're unfamiliar with this little town, you should know that Franken-

muth is called Little Bavaria, which is truly a beautiful little town. Here we will **tour the city** together to discover authentic Bavarian architecture and why they take pride in preserving their German heritage. You will have multiple opportunities to make some memories on this fine day!

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 



northern Michigan until we find ourselves in Traverse City on the banks of Lake Michigan. Our time here starts with a chance to walk the beautiful downtown and eat lunch before our next Lake Cruise. We board the Tall Ship Manitou, to experience Lake Michigan on a replica of an 1800's "coasting" cargo schooner, similar to those that sailed the Great Lakes and the Atlantic Ocean. After this experience, we depart Traverse City and find ourselves in Mackinaw City, MI, where we will be overnighting.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

Today, we sail on Lake Huron. We will take a ride on Shepler's Mackinac Island Ferry. Once we unload from the ferry, we get a grand tour Mackinac Island and then spend the remainder of the day exploring the island for ourselves! As the day winds down, we will reboard our

ferry and return to the mainland and our hotel in Mackinaw City.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 



DAY 9

Be sure you remember to bring your camera today because we are driving through Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Our first stop at **Tahquamenon** 

Falls will take in the beauty of the falls – and we will enjoy an included lunch here. We then continue to Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, where we have a spectacular experience set up for everyone on Lake Superior. One you won't soon forget! A cruise along Pictured Rocks Lakeshore takes us into and alongside the most visually stunning 40 miles of shoreline on the Great Lakes! East Channel Lighthouse, Grand Island, Miner's Castle, Painted Coves, Lover's Leap, and many more, each with its own history and unique beauty. These are just some of the remarkable landmarks you can bask in on this incredible voyage. After our cruise, our hotel in Munising, MI, is waiting for us.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

**DAY 10** 

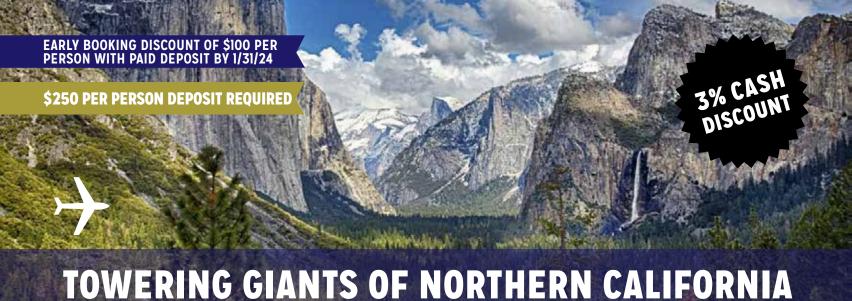
After the magnificence of all Five Great Lakes, it's time to start our journey homeward. This evening we find ourselves in Bloomington, IL,

for our overnight.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

All good things must come to an end. We've had so many great days together cruising and exploring! Life awaits us, but the memories will remain. We can share stories, pictures, and videos, forever cherishing our time with each other.







AUGUST TOUR 08.07.24 - 08.16.24 10 DAYS

Your package includes airfare, deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 10 meals.

## \$4959 SINGLE · \$3999 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$3729 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Northern California will be our destination: a remarkable land where the grand scope of nature's beauty blends with mankind's incredible accomplishments. Rugged Pacific Coastline, giant Redwoods, snow-capped mountains, some Napa Valley wine, oh, and also, Yosemite National Park. This is where sweet memories are made.

Today is a busy day as we leave the Midwest behind us. Flying west, we touch down in the capitol of California - Sacramento. Upon landing this evening we head straight to our hotel where we will be staying to the next two nights.

Our first experience in California will be the Old Sacramento Underground Tour. We see and learn how Sacramento lifted itself up out of the flood waters during the 1860s and 1870s; how the streets and buildings were "Jacked Up!" to avoid further flooding; and how spaces were created by the city's successful raising process. Next up we head to the California State Capitol for an informative tour. Our final activity in Sacramento brings us to the river, where the River City Queen awaits. We will enjoy dinner beneath the stars on a twilight dinner cruise on the Sacramento River.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 



This morning we leave the state capital behind and head north to Redding, CA. After some time in Redding to enjoy lunch and see some of the

**sights**, we head towards Lake Shasta for dinner. Where a delicious **Dinner Cruise on Lake Shasta** awaits us all. The beautiful scenery of the lake is a memory maker by itself, but add a delicious dinner on top of it, and this is an unforgettable experience.

**MEALS: Breakfast. Dinner** 



This morning we head East until we find ourselves in Lassen Volcanic National Park. Upon arriving we will pick up a local Park Ranger who will be traveling with us as we make our way through the park. Lassen Volcanic National Park is home to steaming fumaroles, meadows freckled with wildflowers, clear mountain lakes, and numerous volcanoes. Jagged peaks tell the story of its eruptive past while hot water continues to shape the land. Our Ranger will be able to tell us all about the geology and history of this incredible destination. As our time here comes to an end, we return to our hotel in Redding.



Today we drive from Redding to the California Coast. This will involve a beautiful drive through California's Northern Coastal Mountain Range.

As we come out of the mountains, we find ourselves in Eureka, CA, where we will have a little **free time downtown** to explore and eat before we head to the harbor and board the **Madaket Habor Cruise**. We can get a different perspective of the area as we learn the history of Humboldt Bay and Eureka's waterfront during this historically narrated cruise. The Captain explains local history, industries, activities, points of interests, and wildlife. Seals are sure to be seen along with migratory birds, ships and boats, a lighthouse, an Egret rookery, the Fishermen's Statue and the iconic Carson Mansion. Leaving here we head to Fortuna, CA, for our overnight in Redwood Country.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 



Today we will be going through the one and only

Avenue of the Giants, We've built this day with

plenty of time for picture stops. We will also be

picking up boxed lunches so we can enjoy a **picnic here among the towering Redwoods**. This is a one-of-a- kind and absolutely unforgettable destination. You do not want to miss this. We leave the Avenue of the Giants behind and arrive in Fort Bragg where we will then hop on board the famous **Skunk Train**. Step back in time for a magical ride through the redwoods. Since 1885 the historic Skunk has made its way through old-growth redwood groves, over scenic trestle bridges, through spectacular tunnels, and into the heart of the Noyo River canyon. Our overnight is here in Fort Bragg, CA.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

Our morning starts with a stop at the Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens, for a tour of these beautiful gardens. Leaving here we journey

down the famous California Coastal Highway. In route we stop at **Point Arena Lighthouse and Goat Rock State Park Beach**. From here we leave the coast behind and head to Santa Rosa where we will be overnighting.

B YAD

Napa Valley is awaiting us today. We will make a short drive this morning to Napa Valley where our local step on guide is waiting to hop on our bus

and tell us all about why Napa Valley is the most celebrated wine region in North America. World-renowned wine, cuisine and scenic landscape all make this a must-visit destination. After visiting a couple of famous wineries, we continue our journey to our hotel for the night - right outside Yosemite National Park.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

DAY 9

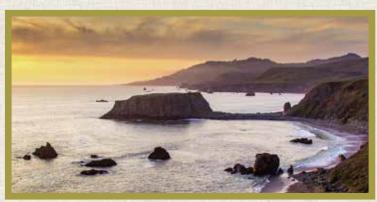
Today we will be spending time in the one and the only **Yosemite National Park**. We will arrive in the park and enjoy a **guided bus tour of the** 

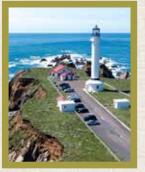
valley floor, which is the best way to experience all the wonders that the park has to offer. Our expert tour guide will share their knowledge about this remarkable place, with a focus on natural history, indigenous peoples, the first settlers and wildlife. On our tour you will see the breathtaking views of Yosemite Falls, Half Dome, El Capitan, Tunnel View, Bridal Veil Fall and more. This is simply the perfect way to cap off our time here in California, When our time in Yosemite winds down, we will make the drive back to Sacramento where we will be staying for our final night.

**DAY 10** 

Our time together comes to an end today as we board our flight and start making our way home. We are so glad you chose to join us, and we are

certain you made some memories you will never forget.











AUGUST TOUR 08.19.24 - 08.24.24

6 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 10 meals.

## \$1899 SINGLE · \$1519 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$1429 PER PERSON TRIPLE

History is full of great mysteries - one of which is the adventure of Noah's Ark. For years, people from every facet of life have weighed in on the nature of the story. This massive structure was an architectural marvel at 510 feet long, 51 feet high, and 85 feet wide. The Ark Encounter reconstruction is based on the dimensions provided in the Bible. It is among the largest wooden vessels recorded in history and is close to the maximum size believed to be possible for wooden ships to float. You will be amazed by this spectacular replica, with three stories of impressive displays showing what life must have been like on the giant boat. This incredible model will spark a new fascination with history and brighten your imagination! Do not wait to book your spot. This tour fills quickly!

DAY 1

Filled with anticipation, we start our journey and make huge strides toward our destination. We'll end our first day in Kuttawa, KY.

**MEALS: Dinner** 

Our morning is filled with travel, but by afternoon, we'll be at **The Creation Museum**, where unique artifacts and incredible anomalies in the fossil record will raise more than a few questions and provide an excellent conversation starter for dinner. We'll end our day at a nearby hotel

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 





Today is the day! Step into the pages of the Bible at The Ark Encounter. Amish craftsmen helped create this modern engineering marvel. Meticulous detail went into the numerous full-scale re-creations of the life inside this three-story artistic and colossal achievement. We will be spending our whole day here. Also as an added bonus, our time at the Ark takes place during "40 Days & 40 Nights," an enormous Christian Music festival, so there will be bands and quartets playing

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

music the whole day.



We start today at **Old Friends Retired Horse Farm** in Georgetown, KY! This farm is home to over 175 retired and rescued horses living on 136 acres. The Old Friends Retired Horse Farm is where champions can ease into retirement from their impressive careers as racehorses. On your interactive tour through the farm, you'll learn about the extraordinary lives and careers of these former athletes. We leave the pages of the Bible and our 4-legged friends to enter the thrills of Broadway for our evening meal! Three cheers for **the Derby Dinner Playhouse!** Enjoy a delicious feast as the actors immerse visitors in some of Broadway's best.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

DAY 5

As the big red bus starts homeward, we'll enjoy a couple of surprises and reminisce with our new friends before going to our hotel for the night.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

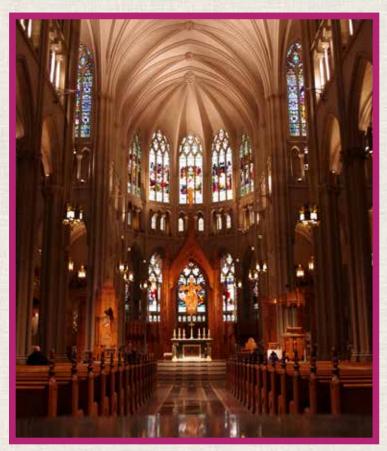


DAY 6

We send you home with memories full of biblical knowledge and musical talent that Kentucky has to show us! We are glad you chose to make

memories with us.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 







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# **RUSHMORE / YELLOWSTONE & THE GRAND TETONS**



SEPTEMBER TOUR 09.01.24 - 09.10.24 DA

10 DAYS

Your package includes airfare, deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 13 meals.

## \$4139 SINGLE · \$3239 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$3079 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Grizzlies, wolves, and bison! Geysers, valleys, and hot springs! In the middle of it all, you will find geological wonders more spectacular than words can describe. This is the beauty of the West! This is the adventure of a lifetime. A train ride, chuckwagon dinner shows, Crazy Horse, and a float trip down the Snake River are just some of the many exciting escapades that are certain to leave you with life-long memories - you do not want to miss a single moment!

Like the pioneers before us, we prepare to head out west. However, unlike the pioneers our wagon has working air conditioning. Take advantage of this travel day to get to know your fellow travelers. We arrive in Council Bluffs, IA, for our overnight.

We will spend today traveling west as we make our way across the wide-open state of South Dakota. This evening we arrive in Rapid City where we will be staying for the next 3 nights. Get a good night's sleep because tomorrow the memory-making begins in earnest.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**



DAY 3

Be sure to bring your camera today because we have an exciting and full day of sightseeing. Of course, any sightseeing in this region requires a

trip to see Mount Rushmore. After snapping pictures and taking in the accomplishment and scope of Mount Rushmore, we move on to the 1880s Black Hills Train. This authentic 1800s scenic train ride transports us through the Black Hills, giving us the chance to experience this countryside much like it was seen over 100 years ago. Our train ride ends in Hill City, SD, where our coach picks us up and takes us to the grandeur of Crazy Horse Memorial, the world's largest sculptural undertaking, literally a mountain. This is a massive memorial honoring all Native North Americans. Since we are here, we have arranged for us to experience something truly special, we will travel to the top of the monument and have a chance to walk out on the arm. Descending the mountain, an included dinner is awaiting us.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**



The morning begins with a scenic drive through Spearfish Canyon. This 19-mile gorge is flanked by rock walls of pink, gray, and tan limestone

and sporadically dotted with cascading waterfalls. This is not a non-stop drive. We will take our time, stopping along the way so you can take pictures of this magnificent terrain. The canyon ends and leads us to **Deadwood** where we will have a **guided tour** of the area before enjoying another night of food and fun at the **Fort Hayes Chuckwagon Dinner Show.** 

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**

We leave our hotel this morning and will head into WY, where we have something exciting planned – a visit to **Devils Tower**. Yellowstone was our nation's first national park, and Devil's Tower was our nation's first national monument. A ranger will guide our tour of this natural wonder. Leaving here we continue onward and find ourselves in Cody, WY, at the **Cody Cattle Company** for a **chuckwagon dinner and show**. We will be staying here in Cody for the next 2 nights.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**



Today we arrive in Yellowstone National Park.

After entering the park, we will pick up our step-on-guide for the day in America's first and largest national park. Upon arriving, we take a scenic drive to view the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River and see plunging waterfalls twice as high as Niagara. For lunch today we will bring our own lunches and have a picnic here in Yellowstone. Be on the lookout for large free-roaming herds of bison! The beauty of Yellowstone is something that transcends words. There is not enough room here to try to describe the wonders waiting for us in Yellowstone. Suffice it to say, we will spend the entire day here and will return to

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch**

Cody for our overnight.



DAY 7

No trip to Yellowstone would be complete without a chance to take in **Old Faithful**. Watch in amazement as this predictable geyser erupts and

sends a fountain of steam more than 60 feet into the air! It is sure to be a sight you will never forget. We have a couple more stops to make in the park today before heading south to Jackson Hole. The **drive from Yellowstone to Jackson Hole** is truly something to behold with the Grand Tetons as a backdrop. We will stop at **Cotter Bay Village and Jenny Lake** to take in the sights and unforgettable scenery. Our hotel for the next 2 nights is here in Jackson Hole.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**



DAY 8 Wasting no time, we jump right into the excitement. This morning, buses will come and take us on an unforgettable float excursion on the

Snake River. You will view the breathtaking scenery of the Grand Tetons and witness wildlife activity. After our time riding the "Snake", we return to Jackson Hole where you will have the afternoon free to explore the town or maybe rest and relax.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

DAY 9

Today, as we make our way south, we say goodbye to the vast land of Wyoming and make our way into the Beehive State "Utah". Here, we tour the **State** 

Capitol building and learn some of the history of Utah and stand in awe of the beautiful and massive white pillars that decorate the Capitol. After this, we head to our final hotel together in Salt Lake City, UT.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

**DAY 10** 

This morning we head to the airport and board our plane taking us back to the Midwest. We hope you will join us again sometime for another

memory-making adventure.





# LIGHTHOUSES AND BEACHES OF THE OUTER BANKS



**SEPTEMBER TOUR** 09.06.24 - 09.15.24 DAYS

Your package includes, deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 14 meals.

## \$3829 SINGLE · \$2949 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$2709 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Imagine taking yourself away to a far-away destination, ocean kissed, wind swept as you immerse yourself in an experience guaranteed to make lifelong memories. This oceanfront odyssey takes us through the Appalachian Mountains and down into the Outer Banks of North Carolina, where four nights in our beach-front hotel are awaiting our arrival. Three days of exploring and island hopping at the Outer Banks will be an experience you will never forget

Our journey begins today as you step onto the DAY 1 bus this morning. Go ahead and take some time today to get to meet your fellow ocean bound voyagers and get ready to make some memories together. We will be coming in for our overnight this day in Clarksville, TN.

The adventure continues today as our travels DAY 2 take us through the Volunteer State (Tennessee) to Wytheville, VA. After checking into our hotel for the night, we will depart this evening for Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre for an incredible dinner and show in the heart of the Appalachian Mountains.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

We will be arriving at our destination this after-DAY 3 noon and after checking into our beautiful beachfront hotel this afternoon, we have another delicious dinner planned for everyone as we fill our bellies with some succulent seafood, at Captain George's Seafood Restaurant.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 





Today our exploration truly begins as we start our

DAY 4 days with a short drive up the Outer Banks to Corolla, NC to see the Wild Horses. We have a real treat in store for everyone, we will hop off our bus and hop into a jeep for an off road adventure to go find these beautiful Spanish Mustangs. Along the way our experienced guide will share some of the history of these majestic creatures. We get back from our adventure horsing around and make our way to the red bricked Currituck Lighthouse, where you will have the opportunity (if you want) to climb to the top of the lighthouse and take in the stunning panoramic view of the Currituck Sound, the Outer Banks, and the Atlantic Ocean. However, this action-packed day isn't over yet as we make our way to the Wright Brothers National Memorial and Visitor Center. Wind, sand, and a dream of flight brought Wilbur and Orville Wright to Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, where - after four years of scientific experimentation - they achieved the first successful airplane flights on December 17, 1903, forever changing the course of history.

The adventure continues as our next day is spent on **Roanoke Island**. Today we will be taking in a lot as we check out **The Elizabethan Gardens**, with an

included lunch awaiting us. Afterwards we move on to Fort Raleigh National Historic Site, The historic site of the Roanoke Colony, the first English settlement in the New World. Here we learn about the history and the mystery of Roanoke Island. We will now have some free time to explore, shop and eat in downtown Manteo.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

DAY 6

This morning we depart for a little more exploring as today takes us down the coastline of the Outer Banks making stops along the way, first at

the **Bodie Island Lighthouse** (another opportunity to climb to the top presents itself if you so wish), then on to the **Chicamacomico Life-Saving Station** (no I can't pronounce it either) this is a former Coast Guard station and has a proud history and story. Then it is on to lunch. After lunch you can work off those calories as we arrive at the tallest lighthouse in America, **Cape Hatteras Lighthouse** (again you can climb to the top if you want – or not). Our maritime journey continues as our next destination is the **Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum**, where you will learn some of the history of the ships that never made it to port. After having dinner on your own in Hatteras, NC, we will make our way back to our hotel for the night.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

DAY 7

Before we bid ado to the Outer Banks, we would be silly to not give folks **free time at the beach**; therefore, today you will have half a day of free

time at our oceanfront hotel. You have the opportunity to soak in the sun and truly enjoy the ocean. Leaving the Outer Banks behind, we now head north to Virginia Beach where yet another oceanfront hotel awaits. This evening we have a **special surprise** in store for everybody here.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 



DAY 8

Today we start the journey west as we make our way home. However, as we cross Virginia, we will be stopping in Charlottesville, VA, to see the

home of one of America's founding fathers. **Thomas Jefferson's Monticello Home** is a historical gem allowing us to see into the world of this founding father. We will also enjoy an amazing lunch here at **Michie's Tavern** before we continue heading westward and homeward.

#### **MEALS: Breakfas.t Lunch**



DAY 9

We journey towards home today taking us through West Virginia and Kentucky before arriving in Evansville IN for our final overnight.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

**DAY 10** 

Well today it seems the memory making comes to an end and we arrive home and say goodbye to all the new friends we've made on this incredible jour-

ney together. We are incredibly glad you decided to travel with us, and we hope we'll see you again and make more memories together.









**SEPTEMBER TOUR 09.11.24 - 09.22.24** 

12 DAYS

Your package includes airfare, deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 11 meals.

## \$5359 SINGLE · \$3999 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$3649 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Plunging canyons. Mesmerizing arches. Stunning painted landscapes. These features come to life in this massive exploration of America's awe-inspiring National Parks. This incredible journey is absolutely jam-packed with adventure, from the Grand Canyon to Royal Gorge and lots and lots in between. This is a memory-making trip of a lifetime.

The first day of our grand adventure is set aside for traveling, getting acquainted with fellow pilgrims, and preparing for an unforgettable experience. Just sit back and relax as we make the short flight to Las Vegas, NV.

We know that flying can sometimes be tiring, and that is why we have nothing planned today. Today you are free to sleep in and rest up in Vegas, or if you are more adventurous you can venture out into the big city and spend a day exploring on your own.

Today we wave goodbye to Vegas, but on our way out of town, we will stop at the **Hoover Dam** for a tour of this man-made marvel. While here we will learn why and how this masterpiece of modern construction was made. Leaving Nevada behind, we cross into the Grand Canyon State, and arrive this afternoon in the Grand Canyon Village where we will be staying the night.





Grand Canyon. As it happens, we will be seeing the Grand Canyon in style as we board the Pink Jeeps. In our open-air Jeeps, we will be making numerous stops with our knowledgeable Guide all along the South Rim Desert View Drive making our way to Navajo Point. At an elevation of 7,500 feet, Navajo Point is the highest overlook along the South Rim of the Grand Canyon. Enjoy epic panoramic vistas to the west and a

of the Grand Canyon. Enjoy epic panoramic vistas to the west and a great view of the Desert View Watchtower. After a full and exciting morning, we will enjoy lunch before leaving the Canyon behind and landing for the night in Page, AZ.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

Today we will get to experience the one and only

telope Canyon as we take a walk through the "The Crack," the most popular of the two slot canyons that make up Antelope Canyon. It is also the most-visited slot canyon in the American Southwest and the most-photographed in the world. Leaving Page behind we arrive in Zion National Park, where we have all afternoon here. This park holds paths traveled by ancient natives and old settlers. With the wide variety of plants and animals found in this canyon, you're bound to create a modern memory or two of your own. After exploring the park's majesty, we'll head to our hotel right here in Zion National Park.

The adventure starts early today at Upper An-

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

This morning our bus awaits to transport us to the almost alien landscape of **Bryce Canyon National Park**. Before going into the park, though,

we will enjoy a delicious, included **buffet lunch at Ruby's Inn and Steakhouse**. After lunch, we will head into the park. With its harsh piercing spires and deep-cut valleys, it is hard to imagine anyone being able to live here; however, this beautiful, sharp landscape was used by a variety of different people groups from the Pueblo Indians who hunted for food in the surrounding areas to Mormon pioneers who diverted water to their settlements. Who knows what memories these peaks hold? When we're finished seeing all the sights, we'll call it a day in Bryce Canyon City, UT.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch**

Today Making Memories will be going somewhere we've never gone before; today we will be driving through the vast, beautiful, and empty land of Central Utah known as **Grand Staircase and Capitol Reef**. The Grand Staircase National Monument spans nearly 1.87 million acres of public lands in southern Utah, this unspoiled natural area truly remains a frontier. Capitol Reef National Park, at nearly 400 square miles, and the unique geology of the area made this area a true obstacle to Western settlers. We arrive this evening in Moab, UT, where we will be staying for the next 2 nights.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**









where an ever-changing landscape unfurls 2,000 feet above the Colorado River and immense vertical cliffs meet with canyons to create a visual masterpiece. Our next stop is Canyonlands National Park, a wilderness of countless canyons and fantastically formed buttes carved by the Colorado River. The final park for the day is Arches National Park. Over 2,000 naturally formed arches decorate this desert landscape. We'll end our day with a stop at the Canyon Lands by Day and Night to tour the Colorado River by jet boat before enjoying a Cowboy-Style Dinner.

#### MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner

This morning we leave Utah behind, but not to worry because we have more to see in the great state of Colorado! We make our way through Colorado and arrive at the Black Canyon National Park, home to some of the steepest cliffs in America. You have a chance to walk around and take a few pictures before we make our way to Gunnison, CO, for the night.

#### MEALS: Breakfast

Today we will come to our final park together. At the jaw-dropping Royal Gorge, we will actually be experiencing this gorge twice. Once from the bottom, on the incredible Royal Gorge Railroad where we will ride the train through the towering walls that soar up a thousand feet above. Then once we've departed the train we will ride up to the top of the Gorge and experience the Royal Gorge Bridge. Here you will be able to walk across and gaze down at the railroad tracks a thousand feet below. Leaving here we will travel to Colorado Springs, CO, where we will be staying for the night.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

Today we are truly homeward bound as our bus takes us across the wide-open plains of eastern Colorado and western Kansas. Our day comes to an end as we arrive in Salina, KS, for our final night.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

As we return home today, we hope you will look back at all the marvelous memories made on this trip. We look forward to seeing you on another adventure.



# MISSISSIPPI RIVERBOAT



**SEPTEMBER TOUR 09.22.24 - 09.27.24** 

6 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 11 meals.

## \$2109 SINGLE · \$1719 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$1649 PER PERSON TRIPLE

The Mississippi River has been the center of Americana since its discovery. Stories, songs and poems have tried to describe its majestic waters, impressive wildlife and almost mythical power, but the true beauty of the Mississippi is something that has to be seen in order to appreciate. On this Mississippi Riverboat trip, you will get the chance to do just that. Experience the wonders of the Mississippi!

DAY 1

After gathering our fellow adventurers, we make our way to Hannibal, MO, for our first night together.

**MEALS: Lunch** 

We hop on the big, red bus this morning and continue north to the John Deere Pavilion in Moline, IL. After looking at John Deere's ingenious designs, we learn more about his family life at the Deere-Wiman House and Butterworth Center. This grand, Swiss Villa-style mansion has a Victorian-style interior. Just a block from the Deere-Wiman house is the Butterworth Center. After visiting these classic homes, we make our way to our own lodgings to rest up for another fun-filled day.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 



DAY 3

Wake up and climb aboard the **Twilight River-boat** for a 2-Day Riverboat cruise! We spend the day in luxury aboard this Victorian-style vessel.

This riverboat is distinct for a variety of reasons. The exterior of the boat is powder blue with white railing and has three levels while the interior has elaborately designed ceilings and stained-glass windows. While the boat is beautiful, the landscape that we go through is even more so. As we sit in our rocking chairs on the deck, the boat lazily makes its way upriver past dense forests, rocky cliffs, wildlife preserves and distinct bridges. The boat shares the Mississippi with a variety of other vessels, including massive shipping barges. This cruise also includes all meals and entertainment that is sure to bring a smile to your face. Our first day on the cruise ends as we depart the boat for our hotel in Dubuque, IA.

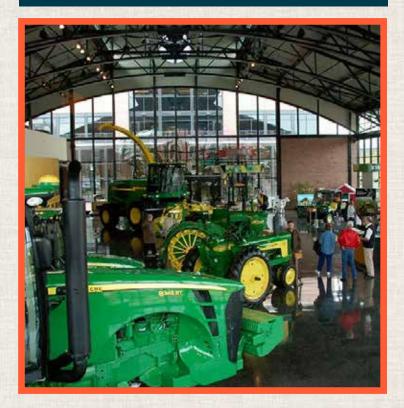
MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

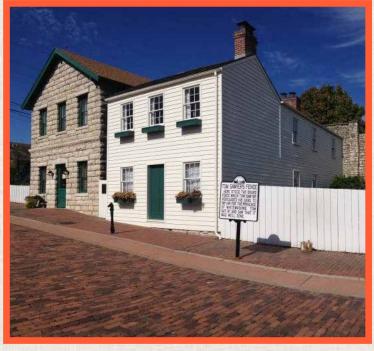


The second day of the Twilight Riverboat Cruise includes time on your own to explore the Riverwalk or the Mississippi Museum and Aquarium

before the boat leaves port for another day on the water. This time, the Twilight makes its way downstream, back to Le Claire, IA. If you were too busy checking out the scenery before, make sure you keep your eyes open today as we pass through **two lock and dam sites** that allow the vessel to easily traverse the different water levels of the river. There are also two, century-old railroad bridges that swing open, allowing the Twilight to continue its journey down the Mississippi. As the day draws to a close, we dock back in La Claire, IA, and take a brief bus ride back to our hotel.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**





DAY 5

After a restful night, we head over to the Isabel Bloom Studio to peruse their extensive collection of sculptures. These pieces of art

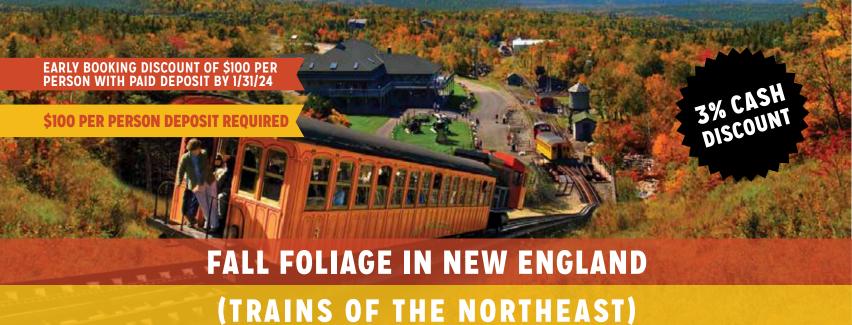
vary in size, color and subject matter, but all try to uphold Bloom's original vision to create honest and heartfelt art. After looking through the gallery, we will head south to Hannibal, MO. In Hannibal, we will have some time to explore downtown and visit Mark Twain's Boyhood Home and Museum before we cast off to explore the waters of the Mississippi one more time aboard the Mark Twain Riverboat Dinner Cruise. After a delicious, included dinner, feel free to wander the deck, dance to the live music or simply sit back and enjoy the ride. Following a festive evening, we return to our hotel in Hannibal, MO.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner**

It may be the last day of our journey, but we still have time for some historic fun! We leave Hannibal, MO, and continue toward home, but before we go too far, we stop in Fulton, MO, at the **National Churchill Museum**. Even though Churchill was an English Prime Minister, his famous "Iron Curtain" speech was delivered in 1946 at Fulton, initiating the period of history eventually known as the Cold War. We arrive home after this short, but amazing trip, along the Muddy Mississippi.









OCTOBER TOUR 10.02.24 - 10.14.24 13 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 17 meals.

## \$4869 SINGLE • \$3699 PER PERSON DOUBLE • \$3379 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Get ready! Pack your camera and prepare to embark on this unforgettable journey. Is there a better way to explore the breathtaking beauty of New England's Fall foliage than by train. The answer is—of course—No! This will be an experience you don't want to miss as we explore mountains rivers and lakes, all whilst immersed in the vibrant awesome colors of Autumn in New England. This is—without a doubt—the best way to experience New England in the Fall.

Our quest for colorful leaves begins today as we board our motorized mule and head out in a northeasterly direction. So, take some time today to meet your fellow fall foliage seekers. We will be arriving in Terre Haute, IN, for our overnight.

**MEALS: Lunch** 

Today we will be making our way through the "Buckeye State", so it only makes sense for us to stop off in Columbus, OH, to see the Ohio State Capitol Building and learn about the long history of the building and its role in the State. Leaving here we continue on and arrive for our overnight stay in Fairlawn, OH.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 



Our journey takes us into Pennsylvania today. As we approach New England, you'll notice the leaves begin to change, and we should have some really good views this afternoon as we make our way into the Pocono Mountains (famous for their fall colors). We will be overnighting in Wilkes-Barre, PA, in the heart of the Poconos tonight.

It will be today that our activities and memory

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

making really start to take off. Our first activity for the day will be at the world's only **Houdini Museum**. While here we will receive a guided tour through Houdini memorabilia plus a magic show. After this we cross into New York and find ourselves in Kingston. While here we will enjoy a **River Cruise on the Hudson River**. On board our experienced guide will point out millionaires' sumptuous estates, picturesque Hudson River lighthouses and quaint, sleepy villages surrounded by the natural beauty of vineyards, orchards and scenic preservation sites. We will be staying tonight in East Greenbush, NY, right outside Albany.



If you enjoyed yesterday's river cruise, you are going to love today's **Steamboat Lunch cruise** on the stunning Lake George. While here at Lake George,

we would be remiss if we didn't head over to the **Fort William Henry Museum**. Here we will see and experience a taste of what life must have been like back when this fort was on the outskirts of civilization. Glen Falls will be where we are overnighting tonight.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

After departing here, we cross into Vermont, where we will be spending the day. The time has come for some free time, so we'll let everyone loose in Woodstock, Vermont, this afternoon to shop and explore. After stretching your legs, we will get back on the bus and make the short drive to Billings Farm and Museum for a little lesson in local farming. Then on to the Quechee Gorge for another chance

to explore and take some fantastic pictures. We will be staying the

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

night tonight in New Hampshire.



Prepare to take in the scenery today because we will see beautiful sights. Our first stop will be at the one and only **Loon Mountain Resort**,

where we will take a **Gondola Ride** to the top of Loon Mountain. Autumn foliage viewing doesn't get much better than this, so bring your camera along as the vibrant colors covering the mountain-sides are something you'll want to share back home. The it's on to "**The Hobo Railroad**." This train provides a view from the comfort of restored vintage coaches on a historic 1800s rail system. Next up is the **Flume Gorge State Park**, and then we travel down the **Kancamagus Highway**, one of the most famous highways in New England. We end the day in North Conway, NH. This has been an exciting and action-packed day so be sure to get some rest tonight, because tomorrow the memory making continues.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 



DAY 8

Today we head north and make a stop at **Diana's Baths** for a chance to stretch your legs (if you want). You will find a flat half mile walking trail

through the woods to a cluster of small waterfalls, rock ledges & pools along Lucy Brook. From here we head to our second train ride of the trip. **The Mt. Washington Cog Railway**. For more than 150 years, the Mount Washington Cog Railway continues to thrill passengers from all over the world with its dramatic ascent to the summit of the highest peak in the Northeast. We leave here this afternoon and return to North Conway.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

DAY 9

Yesterday we were on our second train ride of the tour. Well today we will board our third scenic Train Ride - The Winnipesaukee Scenic Rail-

**road**. This scenic lunch train ride will allow you to enjoy panoramic views of the lake dressed in the colors of Autumn.

**MEALS: Breakfast. Lunch** 

**DAY 10** 

Our trip isn't over yet; we still have multiple stops to make along the way. The first one being **Hildene**, **The Lincoln Family Home**. This was the family

home of Robert Lincoln, son of Abraham Lincoln. Robert and his wife, Mary, built this Georgian Revival mansion in 1905 in the scenic village of Manchester. This is a fascinating little hidden gem that shares the life story of Robert Lincoln, son of one the greatest Americans.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 



**DAY 11** 

Our activity today is a little off theme, but since we are here in Cooperstown it would be an absolute crime to not head on over to the National Baseball

Hall of Fame and Museum. While here you have about half a day to honor the All-Time Greats who are enshrined in the Hall of Fame. The Museum preserves history, honors excellence and connects generations. Beyond the iconic Hall of Fame Plaque Gallery are exhibits that tell the story of baseball's impact on our lives, and our country.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

**DAY 12** 

We will spend the day coming home, so now is a good time to look back at the sights and memories we've experience together. After a full day of driving,

we arrive in Indianapolis, IN, where we will be staying our final night.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

**DAY 13** 

We want to thank everybody for coming with us on this adventure. We know you've made some memories on this journey and we hope you will

join us again sometime.



# **MOUNTAINS AND LAKES OF UPSTATE NEW YORK**



OCTOBER TOUR 10.04.24 - 10.15.24 12 DAYS

Your tour package will include deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 18 meals.

## \$3989 SINGLE · \$3099 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$2869 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Autumn in New York is a special place where nature paints a brilliant picture for all the world to see. It is magical to see the fiery intensity of the sky contrasting with the reds and golds of mountains, valleys, and lakes. If you want to see some fall foliage, this trip is perfect for you. This stunning tour includes basking in the beauty of Lake Geneva, Lake Placid, and the Adirondack Mountains in Autumn - with many fun and unique stops along the way. This will be an adventure you will never forget!

Today we start our journey together. As we begin our time together, today is a good day to go ahead and get to know your fellow travelers since you will be making memories together for the next twelve days. Today will end with our arriving in Effingham, IL, for our overnight.

**MEALS: Lunch** 

Our stop today will be in Columbus, OH, where we will have a chance to learn about and explore the Ohio State Capitol Building, a magnificent monument to the people and the period during which Ohio's democracy was founded and formed. Leaving here we make the short drive to Akron, OH, where we will be staying the night.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

DAY 3 van

We leave Ohio behind and cross into Pennsylvania today and arrive at **Kinzua Bridge State**Park. This Viaduct, once the longest and tallest

railroad structure at 2,053 feet long and 301 feet high, was partially destroyed by a tornado in 2003. Reinvented as a pedestrian walkway during 2011, visitors can stroll 600 feet out on the remaining support towers, peer miles out into the Kinzua Gorge, and gaze down through the partial glass platform at the end of the walkway. After the incredible view here from the bridge we head north into New York. More specifically we head to Jamestown, the hometown of the one and only Lucille Ball. Speaking of Lucy tonight we arrive at the Tropicana Room, for an included dinner and a showing of an episode of the "I Love Lucy" Show.

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner









This morning we head to the Luci Desi Museum & Desilu Studios. Here we plunge into the world of "I Love Lucy" and the life and history of Lucille

Ball. We have one more stop to make before heading to the Finger Lakes. We will be stopping at the Corning Museum of Glass. This world class museum is dedicated to exploring a single material: glass. the Museum's campus is home to the world's most comprehensive collection of glass, the world's foremost library on glass, and one of the top glass working schools in the world. Tonight we finally arrive to the shore of Lake Geneva, and as it happens, our hotel for the next two nights is right here on the shores of the Lake.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 



DAY 5

This morning will be filled with picture stops and time in Letchworth State Park. Letchworth State Park, renowned as the "Grand Canyon of

the East," has some of the most magnificent scenery in the eastern U.S. The Genesee River roars through the gorge over three major waterfalls between cliffs--as high as 600 feet in some places--surrounded by lush forests. Then we have a lunch appointment on the Canandaigua Lady, a 19th century steamboat replica and an authentic double-decker paddle wheeler operating on Canandaigua Lake. We will enjoy a scenic lunch cruise here. The rest of the day will consist of free time to shop and eat here in the Finger Lakes.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

DAY 6

For our travels today, Making Memories has found a fun, little, hidden gem in the town of Auburn, NY, - the "It's a Wonderful Life Museum." This

movie is considered by many to be the greatest work of cinema, and it was filmed here in Auburn, NY. We will have some time to check out the museum as well and eat here in downtown Auburn. You will also have a chance to walk out to the famous bridge from the movie. We will be overnighting tonight in Watertown, NY.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

DAY 7

Today we will cross into the Adirondack Mountains, and our first stop will be at The Wild Center. Located in Tupper Lake, NY, we have a chance

to walk up a trail of bridges to the treetops of the Adirondack forest, for a one-of-a-kind view. Next we arrive at High Falls Gorge, with walking trails and glass floor walkways. Our final stop for the day will be at Cloudsplitter Gondola. A stunning gondola ride takes us up Whiteface Mountain for some breathtaking mountain views. We will be overnight tonight in the one and only Lake Placid.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

DAY 8

This morning we will be boarding a ferry and crossing over Lake Champlain into Vermont. Upon arriving in Burlington, VT, we will hop on

another boat, the Spirit of Ethan Allen. Here we enjoy another delicious and scenic lunch cruise; this time on Lake Champlain. After this experience, we head back to New York where we will be staying in yet another lakeside town. This time Lake George, NY.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch**

DAY 9

Our travels today bring us to the Adirondack Experience Museum. In the heart of the Adirondacks overlooking Blue Mountain Lake, we will

step into the rich history of this region. Next up on the agenda is an Erie Canal Cruise. Enjoy the scenery of the Mohawk Valley as you cruise the calm waters of the Erie Canal, learning about the history of the area and locks. Our time today ends in Cooperstown, NY, where we will be staying the night.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

**DAY 10** 

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Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum. While here you have about half a day to honor the All-Time Greats who are enshrined in the Hall of Fame. The Museum preserves history, honors excellence and connects generations. Beyond the iconic Hall of Fame Plaque Gallery are exhibits that tell the story of baseball's impact on our lives, and our country. Leaving here we return to Jamestown, NY, where we will be staying before starting our journey home.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**

DAY 11

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**MEALS: Breakfast** 

**DAY 12** 

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join us again sometime.





# **FALL FOLIAGE IN THE SMOKIES**

## (TENNESSEE, GEORGIA & NORTH CAROLINA)



**OCTOBER TOUR** 10.08.24 - 10.16.24

Your package includes deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 11 meals.

## \$3029 SINGLE • \$2299 PER PERSON DOUBLE • \$2099 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Bring your cameras on this excursion deep into North Carolina, Georgia, and Tennessee. Get ready for loads of smiles as this trip takes us to see the Appalachian foothills, the Smoky Mountains, the Blue Ridge Mountains, and Mayberry in all their rugged, mountainous, golden autumn glory. While the beautiful fall colors are more than enough reason to take on this journey, this country has much more to share with us. This incredible tour will take us from train rides to Andy Griffith. So, join us on this expedition to see dazzling mountain landscapes of autumn colors steeped in rich history.

Our journey begins as we travel across Missouri DAY 1 and into Tennessee. Sit back and let the anticipation build as our travel takes us closer to the mountains. Leave your cares and troubles behind you. Let us take care of YOU; all YOU have to take care of is making great memories. Our overnight will be in Clarksville, TN.

Our first stop today takes us to another breathtak-DAY 2 ing location, Rock City, atop Lookout Mountain. Rock City is a true marvel of nature, featuring massive and ancient rock formations, spectacular gardens, and breathtaking panoramic views. There is only one way to get up there: The Inclined Railway. We will be overnighting tonight outside Chattanooga, TN.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 



This morning we have a quirky little stop planned DAY 3 for everyone; we will be stopping at the one and only Sasquatch Museum, the world's largest Bigfoot Museum with the greatest permanent display of Bigfoot footprint castings. Next, we board the Blue Ridge Scenic Railway for a charming roundtrip through North Georgia's picturesque Appalachian foothills. This is an experience you don't want to miss! After this remarkable train ride, we have a restful night here in Blue Ridge, GA.





There is more excitement today as we find ourselves at the Great Smoky Mountains Railroad. Enjoy the sights and sounds of the Great Smoky

Mountains while traveling along the Tennessee and Nantahala Rivers. The historic Fontana Trestle takes you across Fontana Lake and into the beautiful Nantahala Gorge. Upon returning from this epic train ride, we head to our hotel in Cherokee, NC.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 

As we continue our journey, we find ourselves in Charlotte, NC, for a stop at the Billy Graham Library. In the 40,000 square feet of the Billy Graham Library, visitors will learn how God used a humble farmer's son, and leave changed by the message Billy faithfully preached during nearly eight decades of ministry. Designed to reflect Billy Graham's journey from a farm boy to an international ambassador of God's love, the barn-shaped building is situated on 20 landscaped acres, only miles from where Billy Graham grew up. We will leave here this afternoon and head north to Mt. Airy, where we will spend the night.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch** 





DAY 6

Fans of the Andy Griffith Show can step back in time this morning when we visit **Mount Airy**. Actor Andy Griffith grew up here, and it's no coinci-

dence that a stroll down Main Street in the "Friendly City" reminds people of the **town of Mayberry** from the popular '60s hit TV series. Fans of the show can visit Floyd's Barber Shop, the Old Mayberry Jail, Snappy Lunch, and even Andy's childhood home. You'll encounter the generous spirit of The Andy Griffith Show wherever you go. Leaving Mayberry behind, we find ourselves in the Blue Ridge Mountains, in Wytheville, VA.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

DAY 7

This morning we start for home, so take time to reminisce before we arrive at our farewell dinner. Our last night will be in Kuttawa, KY.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

DAY 8

As we head home today, you will have time to sit back, relax and relive the memories you have made along the way. Thanks for coming with us,

and we hope we will see you again!







# **WORLD'S LARGEST FLEA MARKET - CANTON, TX**



OCT. / NOV. TOUR 10.31.24 - 11.02.24 3 DAYS

Your tour package will include deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 3 meals.

## \$669 SINGLE • \$559 PER PERSON DOUBLE • \$529 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Back By Popular Demand! What started more than a century ago as a simple flea market has become home to the "World's Largest Flea Market" with treasures that cannot be found anywhere else. Here you will find some of the most exciting, cutting-edge home furnishings, antiques and collectables, including jewelry, crafts and even fresh produce! Hundreds of vendors displaying their wares spread out over a hundred acres. It's a shopper's paradise where you can literally "shop till you drop."

Excitement is running high this morning as we board the coach to begin our tour for a mega shopping adventure! We travel south, enjoying a delicious, **included lunch** in Choteau, Okla. as we make our way to Sulphur Springs, Texas for our two nights lodging.

**MEALS: Lunch** 

We will arrive at the **Canton Flea Market** early to get a head start on the bargains. So, you will not be completely overwhelmed, your escort will provide you with maps as well as tricks and tips to make the most of your time here. If you are looking for something special, Google it on your smartphone. If not, just visit the first booth and go from there. Be sure and drop some popcorn along the way so you can find your way back to the bus. The day is yours! There is plenty of room underneath the coach, so shop to your heart's content!

**MEALS: Breakfast** 





This morning, we **return to Canton** for another round of shopping. If you can't get it all done, they have a website! You will need to have lunch at one of the food tents as we have to depart for home at noon. We will have breaks and dinner on the way home. Arrival times at our destinations will be rather late.





# **KANSAS CITY CHIEFS**



NOVEMBER TOUR TBD

2 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and I meal.

## NFL 2024 SCHEDULE AND PRICING RELEASED MAY 2024

This year Making Memories will be trying something new. Making Memories will be heading to Kansas City to watch the Chiefs at the famous Arrowhead Stadium. This tour is a little different in this catalog. That's because. The NFL doesn't come out with their schedule until the Spring of the year. Therefore, the details of this tour are still TO BE DETERMINED...

All we know is that sometime in November 2024, Making Memories is heading to KC to catch a game. After the game we will overnight in KC and come home the next day.

Details and pricing will be coming this May.









**NOVEMBER TOUR** 11.09.24 - 11.19.24



Your tour package will include airfare, deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 15 meals.



WITH EXTENSION 11.09.24 - 11.21.24



Your tour package will include airfare, deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 19 meals.

## ISRAEL TOUR - \$5839 SINGLE · \$4699 PER PERSON DOUBLE

#### WITH EXTENSION - \$6689 SINGLE · \$5399 PER PERSON DOUBLE

Israel attracts thousands of people from around the world by the wide variety of places and landscapes, by its historical, archaeological, religious and by the stark contrast of the ancient with the modern. In Jerusalem, we feel fascinated by the history of the Holy City. Stroll along the walls of old Jerusalem. Get fascinated by following the footsteps of Jesus along the Via Dolorosa and entering the Garden Tomb.

DAY 1

Before we can actually spend our time making memories of the Holy Land, we first have to actually get to the Holy Land. So, our first day consists of us getting to the airport and getting airborne

DAY 2

We will land in the city of Tel Aviv today, however since international flights are pretty exhausting, once we land, we will simply head on over to our

hotel here in Tel Aviv.



DAY 3

After breakfast we depart Tel Aviv driving along the Mediterranean Sea all the way to Jaffa, the old port of Israel. We will visit the Church of San

Peter and then continue north along the coast towards Caesarea Maritima, ancient Roman capital, where we will visit its Theater, the Wall of the Fortress of the Crusaders and the Aqueduct Roman. We will continue our journey to the city of Haifa, where we will climb Mount Carmel, where the Grotto of the Prophet Elijah is located and where we will contemplate the Bahai Temple and its Gardens with a panoramic view of the city and the port. We will overnight in Tiberias for next 3 nights.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

DAY 4

Our day will start at the Mount of Beatitudes and then a visit to Tabgha where Christ fed the multitudes with a few loaves and fishes. After a

visit to Chapel of St. Peter Primacy, we journey to Capernaum, the "City of Jesus", where the ruins of the synagogue of the 4th century and the House of St. Peter. Boat trip on the Sea of Galilee can be found.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

We make our way to Nazareth to see the Basilica and Grotto of the Annunciation, fountain of the Virgin, Church of San Joseph. Our next stop is

Cana of Galilee, where Jesus performed his first miracle. We transfer to Mount Tabor, ascent by taxi, visit the Church of the Transfiguration, and a panorama view of the valley of the Esdrelon in the Lower Galilee.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 



After breakfast and check-out, we depart to Qaser El Yahud, baptism site on Jordan River. Then to Jericho, the oldest city in the world. We will continue towards Qumran, visiting the ruins where the Dead Sea manuscripts were found. Continuation to the Dead Sea (lowest place in the world, 400 meters below sea level), free time for bathing. We continue our journey through the Judean Desert and finally Jerusalem - the city that is the messenger of peace, the cradle of the three Monotheistic Religions. Overnight in Jerusalem.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

DAY 7

After breakfast, visit the Mount of Olives, Pater Noster, Palm Sunday route, Gethsemane, and the Wailing Wall. We will continue to Bethlehem

for a visit to the **Church of the Nativity**, with the Grotto where Jesus was born.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

After breakfast, depart overland, along the Dead Sea to Masada, where you take the cable-car up to the last stronghold of the Zealots. Some 2000 years ago. After lunch, departure for Via Dolorosa, passing through all the stations until we reach the Garden Tomb.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

DAY 9

We start by the **Western Wall** and you will be in the east Jerusalem neighborhood or Silwan, where the **City of David** is located. Walk through

Hezekiah's Tunnel. After traipsing through the 2,700-year-old tunnel for 580 yards to the Pool of Siloam and touring the City of David, take a rest back at your hotel and freshen up for the evening. You will be introduced to the Old City of Jerusalem, your bus will take you to the Old City's Jewish Quarter where you will visit the Western Wall where the faithful Jews cry their petitions to God, and descend underground to view the foundations of the Temple Mount.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

**DAY 10** 

Today we board our plane and start our flight home. If you are able to sleep while flying, this is a great time to rest up after our exciting journey together.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

DAY 11

We will land today and say goodbye to all our new friends.



## **OPTIONAL EXTENSION**

For those of us choosing to take part in the extension, we will split from the rest of the group today and instead of heading to the airport to fly home, we will hop on board our bus and cross into Jordan. We drive to Mount Nebo where Moses viewed the Promised Land, enjoy a breath-taking view of the Jordan Valley and the Dead Sea. We then proceed to Petra where dinner at our hotel is waiting for us.

MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY II

During our full day visit to Petra, we take a horse-back to the Siq Continue on foot to Petra, known as the Red Rock City, the ancient capital of the Nabateans from the 3th Century BC to the 2th century AD and now one of the new Ancient Wonders of the World. Petra behind we head to Amman the capital of Jordan to our hotel where will enjoy a final dinner.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

**DAY 12** 

Today we board our plane and start our flight home. If you are able to sleep while flying, this is a great time to rest up after our exciting journey together.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

**DAY 13** 

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**DECEMBER TOUR** 12.03.24 - 12.07.24

5 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees and 8 meals.

## \$1379 SINGLE • \$1089 PER PERSON DOUBLE • \$1039 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Christmas is a magical time of the year! This year we are going to travel around the world to learn the traditions of other countries, taste their food, enjoy their music and dancing, and shop in their Christmas Markets - and guess what! No passport required! Each country that we visit has so much beauty, steeped in traditions.

DAY 1

On the first day of our Christmas adventure, we head north to our overnight in St. Joseph, MO.

This morning we will make the drive over to Omaha, NE, where the festivities begin. First, we arrive where we will pick up our **Step-on-**

Guide for a guided tour of Omaha. After our guided tour we arrive at Polish home for a Polish meal and a chance to learn about some Polish Christmas Traditions. Next, we move on to the Durham Museum where we will visit "Christmas at Union Station" and take in the enormous Christmas tree that occupies the main hall. Then, we will arrive at our hotel here in Omaha where we will be staying for the next 2 nights. However, the fun isn't over yet. You will get an opportunity to experience a taste of Ireland at the Brazen Head Restaurant. Afterward, we will end our evening going back in time with Charles Dickens enjoying a classic holiday performance of "A Christmas Carol".

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



This morning we start out with a trip to satisfy your sweet tooth at the **Lithuanian Bakery**, which is well known for its wonderful pastries

made from recipes from the old country. Next, we will make our way to Joslyn Castle where we will see elaborate craftsmanship and wood interiors and hear the fascinating story of George & Sarah Joslyn and how the couple shared their wealth with the community. For lunch, our journey takes us to St. John's Orthodox Church for a Christmas in Greece experience. After a Greek lunch, gather with members of the congregation and sit back and take in the sounds of Christmas carols sung in the Greek language. Before taking a rest at our hotel for the afternoon, we will travel to Ireland and stop by Boy's Town for a chance to take in Father Flanagan's House, decorated according to Irish Christmas Tradition. But the fun isn't over yet because this evening we have another holiday experience that is sure to tickle your fancy. We will experience "Christmas in Germany" where we will enjoy some traditional German food as well as some German festivities.

MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



After such an exciting day yesterday, we will have a late morning today. We will arrive at the Lauritzen Botanical Gardens to see the Holiday Poinsettias whilst also doing some gift shopping. After this, we will start on our way home making our way to St. Joseph, MO, for our overnight.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 





Our tour must, of course, come to an end, but hopefully, you were delighted by all the beauty of Christmas Around the World. We hope that the memories you have made will last for many Christmas seasons to come. Making Memories would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas.







DECEMBER TOUR 12.08.24 - 12.13.24 6 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation, accommodations, all listed tour fees and 7 meals.

## \$2269 SINGLE • \$1649 PER PERSON DOUBLE • \$1479 PER PERSON TRIPLE

San Antonio at Christmas is a fairyland of twinkling lights during the captivating celebration of their "Fiesta de las Luminarias" on the River Walk. Historic missions, River Walk restaurants, and Spanish architecture make this a beautiful city any time of year, but with its thousands of luminarias and Christmas lights-it is indeed magnificent. Add to this tour time in the Hill Country, and you have a memory making journey guaranteed to ring in the Christmas Spirit.

DAY 1

The excitement of Christmas is in the air as we board our coach for a travel day as we begin

this totally

awesome Christmas tour. Our overnight will be in Sherman, TX.



DAY 2

We continue south to the spectacular city of San Antonio all dressed up in holiday finery. We arrive in time to check in to our hotel and settle

in before enjoying an amazing meal at the Chart House Revolving Restaurant at the top of the **Tower of Americas**. Be sure and make your way to the observation deck for a breathtaking view of San Antonio at night all brilliantly lit up with holiday lights.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 



An exciting day will be yours to enjoy as you have a pre-paid, full-day excursion on the city sightseeing San Antonio red double decker buses.

This is a hop-on, hop-off tour where you can get off at any attraction or restaurant you want to see, stay as long as you wish, go back to the place you got off and catch the next bus to continue your tour. The day is yours.

**MEALS: Breakfast** 

DAY 4

This morning we will make our way into the Hill Country. First stopping at the Cross at Kerrville, located in the Texas Hill Country. Each year,

thousands of people travel from around the world to experience the power and presence of God at the free, 24.5-acre, Kerrville, Texas spiritual art park. Next up we arrive in Fredericksburg, full of decorations flavored by German heritage. With 150 shops, galleries, and boutiques plus over 700 significant structures in the historic district, shopping and history literally surround you. This afternoon we make our way back to our hotel in San Antonio and get rested up for another exciting day. We do need to return to the hotel early this evening to prepare for an exciting gondola ride on the river. This amazing boat tour connects you to the city's timeless charm! These enthusiastic and knowledgeable boat captains will share fascinating stories about the city's culture, history and architecture during our unforgettable tour along the San Antonio River.

#### **MEALS: Breakfast**



We depart beautiful San Antonio and start our DAY 5 journey northward. En route we will stop at a little local attraction Magnolia Market. (Yes fans, this is the one owned by Chip and Joanna Gaines from HGTV's Fixer

Upper.) Here you can do a little local shopping and taste the local food. We arrive for our last overnight in Sherman, TX.

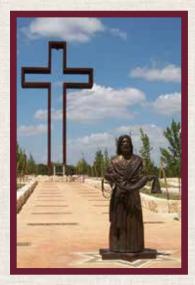
**MEALS: Breakfast.** 



We travel back home today, but we are certain DAY 6 you will agree that the history, people, sights, and sounds of San Antonio all create wonder-

ful holiday memories. Making Memories has one more treat for you before we say our goodbyes. An awesome farewell Christmas lunch in Chouteau, Oklahoma, cooked and served as only the Amish know how. Um-m, good!

#### **MEALS: Breakfast, Lunch**











**DECEMBER TOUR** 12.12.24 - 12.14.24

3 DAYS

Your package includes deluxe transportation and accommodations, all listed tour fees, and 3 meals.

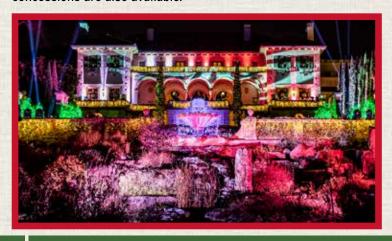
## \$879 SINGLE · \$669 PER PERSON DOUBLE · \$629 PER PERSON TRIPLE

Sometimes in life we spend so much time looking abroad we miss some real treasures right in our own backyard. This holiday season join Making Memories in a jovial little jaunt over to Tulsa, OK. In Tulsa we will see a local light display that is certain to remind us all of the reason for the season.

DAY 1

We start out this evening with a short drive into Oklahoma. This afternoon we will head over to Claremore, OK, to visit the **Will Rogers Museum**.

Rogers was one of the nation's top radio personalities, one of the nation's top movie box office players, one of the nation's most popular public speakers, and one of the nation's leading newspaper columnists. After enjoying the humor and folksy observations by Will Rogers, we head to our first **Christmas light display - the Rhema Lights**. Located at Rhema Bible College, Rhema Christmas Lights Extravaganza is a stunning display of dazzling lights that began with about 60,000 lights in 1982. Over 40 years later, millions of newer, brighter, energy-efficient LED lights adorn the 110-acre campus. Back again is a 50-figure nativity scene and a gingerbread family, complete with lollipops and gumdrops. There's also a synchronized musical display of trees and dancing snowflakes. And as always, the vibrant Rhema Park bridge acts as a remarkable centerpiece for the entire display. Horse-drawn carriage rides and concessions are also available.



DAY 2

Our time today will consist of heading to the Philbrook Museum, as well as free time to shop at the "Antique Capital of Oklahoma." Then it's on

to an included dinner at **Dilly Diner**, a small local gem. Tonight, we have another light display to attend at the **Tulsa Botanical Gardens**, where more twinkling Christmas lights await.

**MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner** 

DAY 3

This morning we say goodbye to T town and return to our families for the holidays, with brand new Christmas memories to share.



# **TESTIMONIALS**

MMT has opened the USA to me & many others that would not have had a chance to travel. Tours are safe, convenient to sign up for & very affordable.

Sue C. Cassville, MO

Making Memories Tours takes the headache and guesswork out of traveling! Shelli A. Newalla, OK

Making Memories Tours and all their employees CARE.

I have never met anyone "just doing a job". That makes a difference!

Susan C. Mansfield, AR

This is the best tour in the states I have ever had.
I am a Christian and I appreciated the prayers every morning.

Blanche D. Fort Smith, AR

This was my first bus trip and I was not disappointed at all. I had a wonderful time! Everything was arranged perfectly.

Larry M. Springdale, AR

Family isn't just a catch word. Making Memories is family. They will take care of you!

Bonnie C. Rogers, AR

I love getting on the bus, sitting back and relaxing, while every detail was taken care of to perfection!!! Such a great time of sightseeing and fellowship.

Bobbie D. Joplin, MO

I got on the bus by myself but left with new friends!

Mary H. Grove, OK

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