

2018 Travel Guide



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This travel guide is a current list of our tours for 2018. As new tours are added we will send updates in the form of a newsletter during the year.



“Traveling – it leaves you speechless, then turns you into a storyteller.”



2018

Source: Vertex42.com

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STOP BY AND VISIT US...

Mark your calendar to attend one of our “get acquainted tour preview” meetings scheduled on February 1st and 2nd! Our Tour Previews will be held at the North Augusta Community Center at 495 Brookside Ave. on February 1, 2018, and at the Anderson Arts Center at 110 W. Federal St. (beside the Farmer’s Market - behind the old Train Station - off Murray Ave.) on February 2, 2018.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 1, 2018
NORTH AUGUSTA COMMUNITY CENTER

10:00 AM or 2:00 PM or 4:00 PM

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2018
ANDERSON ARTS CENTER

10:00 AM or 2:00 PM or 4:00 PM

MEETINGS WILL LAST ABOUT 45 MINUTES

We will have staff members on hand to answer questions and assist you in making your travel plans for 2018. You will receive a gift certificate just for attending. Bring a friend and get extra gift certificates. We will have drawings for giveaways. Bring this Travel Planner with you.

Hope to see you there!!!



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BOOK BEFORE MARCH 1, 2018
 Receive the following discounts (per person):

When you make a deposit, you will receive
 \$10.00 off : Trips 3-5 days in length
 \$15.00 off : Trips 6-10 days in length
 \$25.00 off : Trips 11+ days in length

When you pay in full, you can double your discount. You will receive
 \$20.00 off : Trips 3-5 days in length
 \$30.00 off : Trips 6-10 days in length
 \$50.00 off : Trips 11+ days in length

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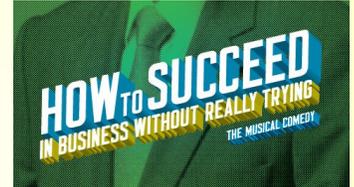
We are located in Downtown Anderson at the address listed above.

SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF WASHINGTON, DC

June 7- 11, 2018 - 5 Days / 4 Nights - Tour Includes 8 Meals
\$935 PP Double / \$865 PP Triple / \$790 PP Quad / \$1230 Single

Day 1: A wonderful day lies ahead as we travel north through South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia to the capital city of the United States--**Washington, DC**. We'll enjoy an **included dinner** before we get settled in for a four-night stay at our hotel located in the Washington D.C. area. (D)

Day 2: Enjoy included breakfast at the hotel this morning, then...a full day of sightseeing to include visits to the **World War II Memorial, the Lincoln Memorial, Viet Nam Memorial, Korean Memorial, MLK Memorial**, and a drive up Embassy Row for a visit to the **Washington National Cathedral**. Following an **included dinner** we will go the **Kennedy Center** which is part of Broadway Center Stage where we will see **"How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying"**. Big business means big laughs in this delightfully clever lampoon of life on the corporate ladder. A tune-filled comic gem boasting an exhilarating score, the show took Broadway by storm, winning both the Tony Award® for Best Musical and a Pulitzer Prize. (B,D)



Day 3: Following breakfast this morning we will visit **Arlington National Cemetery**. The tourmobile will be included for those who prefer not to walk, with stops at the **Kennedy Gravesite and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier** for the Changing of the Guard. We'll continue into Washington, DC, where we will have lunch on our own at one of the Smithsonian Museums. We will want to explore the **Air & Space National Museum, the Holocaust Museum and the Museum of the American Indian**. Tonight **dinner will be included** before returning to our hotel. (B,D)

Day 4: Following breakfast this morning we will have a tour of the **U.S. Capitol**, that departs from the beautiful new underground Capitol Visitor Center. Lunch will be included today. We will also explore the **Natural History, American History and the "New" Museum of African American History & Culture**. We'll also make a visit to **Ford's Theater and the Peterson House** today. **Dinner will be included** tonight. (B,L)

Day 5: We find ourselves heading home this morning following breakfast. We will make a stop at the **Marine Corp Museum** as our final sight. We take with us wonderful memories with our family and friends, and we think about what a rich and precious heritage we enjoy as Americans. (B)



**order of activities may vary

***This tour requires that you can comfortably walk 4-5 blocks on several occasions**



Payment Requirements:
\$200.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation

Final Payment Due by April 20, 2018

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THE ARK & THE AMISH



6 Days/5 Nights
June 12 – 17, 2018
TOUR INCLUDES 10 MEALS

Day 1: We depart early this morning traveling through **North Carolina, Tennessee** and into **Kentucky**. We arrive in **Lexington**, where we will get settled into our overnight accommodations. **Dinner will be included** tonight near our hotel. (D)

Day 2: Following breakfast this morning we depart for the brand new **Ark Encounter**, located in **Williamstown, Kentucky**. The Ark, a sister attraction of the popular Creation Museum, is a Christian evangelistic outreach intended to bring the Ark of Noah's day to life. The Ark will equip visitors to understand the reality of the events that are recorded in the book of Genesis: The global Flood did happen as an act of God's judgment. Noah and his family really did build a ship of the same size and dimensions as written in Genesis 6. All of the animals brought by God to Noah did fit inside the Ark. Noah and his family could care for all of the animals while they were on the Ark. The Flood of Noah's day was a worldwide catastrophic event that resulted in large-scale human and animal death, leaving behind many of the plant and animal fossils and landforms we see today. God saved Noah and his family and the animals on the Ark, just as He had promised. We'll enjoy an **included lunch** before we depart the Ark and head to the **Cincinnati, OH** area, where we have accommodations for the night. (B,L)



Day 3: This morning we travel to the largest Amish and Mennonite settlement in the United States. We enjoy a family style "all you can eat" **meal in an Amish home**. After lunch we visit **Lehman's Hardware** where we step into an 1840's era barn. We'll feel like we've stepped back 100 years in time. Today, Lehman's ships old-fashioned, non-electric merchandise all over the world through their catalog and online. Our next stop is **P. Graham Dunn Store** that offers manufacturing and retailing, in Dalton, OH. Tucked into the manufacturing facility is a 20,000 square foot retail store. We'll enter the massive two-story lobby where we are greeted by a grand

staircase. Large ornate plaques adorn the walls; scripture is carved into the crown molding, and the lobby houses one of Ohio's largest indoor murals. The store carries over 30,000 products. We spend the next two nights in the heart of Amish country. (B,L)

Day 4: This morning we depart on our countryside tour with a local **step on guide** who will explain the history and culture of the area while we travel deep into the heart of the Amish Farmlands.



We visit the Amish & Mennonite Heritage Center, home of the cyclorama mural, **Behalt**. This afternoon we take time to visit the unique shops here in the Amish country, including a cheese shop and bulk food store. Our evening will begin with a private guided tour of **Warther Carvings**, home of the World's Master Carver, Ernest "Mooney" Warther. We'll



learn the story of this amazing man while viewing the priceless ebony and ivory carvings that he created. We'll visit Mrs. Warther's button house with over 70,000 buttons arranged in artwork, and browse the knife shop, home to the finest kitchen cutlery. Our evening culminates with an **included candle-light dinner** in the ivory room. (B,D)

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Day 5: - Following breakfast we're off to visit the **Pro Football Hall of Fame** in nearby Canton. The hall presents films and memorabilia of professional football history with teams and individual stars highlighted. Our next stop



will be a visit to the **John Glenn Historic Site** near **Norwich**. John Glenn's boyhood home has been restored as a museum dedicated to telling 20th century American history through the lives of John and Annie Glenn. We'll see a video highlighting their lives, the house restored to how it was in 1936, and galleries devoted to their upbringing in Ohio. Our destination today is **Charleston, WV**, where we will spend the night after enjoying a delicious **included dinner** near our hotel. (B,D)

Day 6: All too soon our journey to the **Ark & The Amish** of Ohio, must come to an end. We have experienced so many wonderful sights and enjoyed such wonderful food and fellowship. (B)

**\$950 PP Double / \$860 PP Triple
\$775 PP Quad / \$1290 Single**

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NOVA SCOTIA

AND THE



JUNE 23 – JULY 5, 2018

13 DAYS/12 NIGHTS

Tour includes 24 meals

Just the name, Nova Scotia, brings to mind images of quaint fishing villages, beautiful, rugged coastlines, and sleepy sea-ports. Nova Scotia is just that, and a whole lot more. Come with us as we discover this magnificent Atlantic Maritime Province.

Day 1: Join **Ionosphere Tours** for one of the most enjoyable tours you will ever experience. Our adventure begins today as we venture north traveling through South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, W. Virginia and into **Maryland** for our overnight stay in **Hagerstown**. **Dinner will be included** in the area. (D)

Day 2: Following breakfast, we will continue north, traveling through Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, New York and into Connecticut, where we arrive at the fantastic **Foxwoods Resort**. With over 1,400 luxurious rooms, 24 restaurants, 17 specialty shops, 5 casinos and headline entertainment, it's easy to see why the Foxwoods is full of action, fun and excitement. A **Buffet Dinner** will be included tonight. (B,D)

Day 3: Following breakfast this morning we depart and continue north. We'll travel to **Portland, ME** to board the **CAT ferry** to Yarmouth, NS. **Dinner will be included** enroute. Overnight accommodations will be in **Yarmouth, NS** (B,D)

Day 4: This morning after an included breakfast, we will make our way to **Halifax, NS**. We'll include stops at **Church Pointe**, where we will see the largest wooden church in North America. We will continue on to **Smith's Cove** for lunch. This afternoon will include a stop at **Grand Pre National Historic Park**, where we will view the statue of Evangeline. Upon arrival in Halifax we will check into our hotel, where we have accommodations for the next two nights. **Dinner will be included** tonight. (B,D)



Day 5: Today's sightseeing includes a **city tour** of Halifax, including a stop at the **Fortress Citadel**. Later in the morning we will travel to **Peggy's Cove**, where we will view the most photographed lighthouse in the world. We'll enjoy an **included lunch** at the **Sou'wester Restaurant** at Peggy's Cove. We will return to Halifax this afternoon and have some free time to explore on our own. Tonight we have reserved seats for the world renowned **Nova Scotia International "Tattoo"**. Each year, hundreds of Canadian and International musicians, pipers, drummers, dancers, gymnasts, singers and military display groups gather to perform in Canada's most outstanding, annual entertainment extravaganza. (B,L)

Day 6: Leaving Halifax, we head north toward **Baddeck** through the scenic countryside. The Marine Eastern Shore Drive is as close as you can get without getting wet. The tang of salt air and the solitary cry of the gull are the signature of this drive leading to the Cape Breton Island. Late this afternoon, we visit the **Alexander Graham Bell Museum**, in Baddeck. After exploring this fascinating memorial to the great inventor, we travel to **Sydney, NS** for a two night stay. Our **dinner is included** this evening. (B,D)

Day 7: Following breakfast this morning we will welcome our **local guide** onboard as we experience **Cape Breton Island** and the **Cabot Trail**, often described as the most spectacular drive in North America. Take a deep breath, the scenery is unsurpassed! We'll see awesome views from windswept peaks, infinite steep steps of sawtooth rock, lonely beaches, and heart-stopping drops down sheer cliff-sides. We pass small fishing villages along the Gulf of St. Lawrence to the Cape Breton Highlands National Park. We climb sharply over 1,116 feet, taking in the magnificent views of the Gulf, then travel east along the plateau overlooking the Atlantic.



The shore is rocky, identified with numerous coves at the mouths of picturesque valleys. We will make stops along the way, and **lunch will be included**. We will return to Sydney for overnight again. (B,L)

Day 8: This morning we leave the Province of Nova Scotia and cross onto **Prince Edward Island** Province via the Northumberland Ferry from Caribou, Nova Scotia to Wood Islands. We make our way to the capital city of **Charlottetown**, where we enjoy lunch on our own. Next, we welcome our **local guide** onboard for a tour of the lush farmlands, past tiny fishing hamlets, and wooded slopes of Prince Edward Island. We'll view deep coves lashed by ocean waves, and marvel at the sandy beaches, stark red capes, and green hills, where we will check into our hotel. Tonight's included buffet dinner will feature lobster and a variety of seafood, abundant and delicious at **Fisherman's Wharf**, in the picturesque village of New Glasgow. (B,D)



Day 9: It's a short drive to the north shore of the island where we will really enjoy our visit to **Green Gables**, where Lucy Maud Montgomery, an island native, wrote her famous Anne of Green Gables novel. Following lunch we must say goodbye to Prince Edward Island as we cross the Confederation Bridge to **New Brunswick**. We continue to **St. John** for our overnight stay, after an **included dinner** in the area. (B,D)

Day 10: This morning we will re-enter the United States. We'll have an included lunch at **Helen's Restaurant** in Machias, Maine before arriving in the unique village of **Bar Harbor**, where we will have time for browsing in several of the quaint shops and boutiques. By early evening we arrive in **Portland, Maine** for our overnight. (B,L)

Day 11: We depart this beautiful area following breakfast this morning, and travel to **Mystic, Connecticut** where we will visit **Mystic Seaport**, along the Mystic River. Among its 17 acres are historic houses, shops and trade buildings that promote an understanding of life in a seaport during the mid-19th century. Ship models, scrimshaw, figureheads and small boats trace the history of ships, shipbuilding and maritime activities. **Lunch will be included** here. By mid-afternoon we depart for the **New York City** area, where we have accommodations tonight. (B,L)



Day 12: This morning, following breakfast we depart for the **Lancaster, Pennsylvania** area. Following an **included lunch** at the **Hershey Farm Restaurant**, we will enjoy a **guided tour of the Amish Farmlands**. By late afternoon we depart for **Maryland** for our final overnight in **Hagerstown**. (B,L)

Day 13: This is the final day of our exciting 13-day journey. As we travel home, this once-in-a-lifetime experience will be tucked away in our memory for years to come. (B)



Passport required

**\$2835 PP Double / \$2460 PP Triple
\$ NO Quads / \$4050 Single**

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OUTER BANKS OF NORTH CAROLINA

5 Days/4 Nights
July 9 – 13, 2018
Tour includes 8 Meals!



\$920 PP Double / \$845 PP Triple
\$775 PP Quad / \$1230 Single

Day 1: Come away with us for a special getaway in the **Carolinas**. We depart early this morning enroute to **New Bern, NC**, known as the birthplace of Pepsi Cola. Following an **included dinner**, we will spend the night in this beautiful city that was settled by Swiss and German colonists in 1710. (D)

Day 2: Following breakfast this morning we will tour **Tryon Place Historic Site and Gardens** in New Bern. The mansion was built by Royalist Governor William Tryon, and was designed to represent the British crown. It became North Carolina's capitol and reputedly the finest government building in Colonial America. Next we continue our exploration of North Carolina as we head toward the coast. The **Outer Banks** consist of a string of narrow islands and peninsulas that lie between the ocean and the sounds along 125 miles of North Carolina's coast. The area is rich in history. The first English colony was established on Roanoke Island in 1585. At Kill Devil Hills in 1903, Wilbur and Orville Wright successfully launched the first flight of a power-driven airplane. Our first stop will be in **Manteo**, where we will enjoy lunch on our own along the beautiful waterfront. Following lunch, we will stroll through the unique **Elizabethan Gardens** on Roanoke Island at Fort Raleigh National Historic Site. This is a re-created, 16th-century formal English garden. We will take time to visit the Lindsay Warren Visitor Center that has artifacts and relics from the period of the first colony, as well as a 17-minute film about the English attempt to settle in the New World. By late afternoon we arrive at our accommodations in the **Kill Devil Hills** area, which will be our home for the next three nights. We will have an **included dinner** tonight. (B,D)



Day 3: Today we continue our touring as we welcome our **local guide** onboard and enter the **Cape Hatteras National Seashore**, which extends 70 miles to Ocracoke Inlet. We will see such attractions as the **Chicamacomico Lifesaving Station, Cape Hatteras, Ocracoke, and Bodie Lighthouses**. We will, no doubt, see boats returning to port with their daily catches at the Oregon Inlet Fishing Center, one of the largest fleets of sportfishing boats on the mid-Atlantic Coast. We believe that our guide may have a few "surprises" in store for us as the day unfolds. A delicious **dinner will be included** before we return to our hotel. (B,D)

Day 4: After breakfast this morning, you will enjoy a tour of **Corolla's Wild Horses**. You will ride in 15 passenger open-air safari style trucks while experiencing the wonders of nature. The wild horse tours are safe for any age. The expert tour narration will focus on the history of Corolla, the wild horses and the North Carolina Beaches. The tours take two hours and will cover 25 miles. They will take you behind the dunes into the neighborhoods where the horses graze. The horses have 7,500 acres to roam and are in small harems that will have 3-6 horses per grouping. Generally you will see the horses out grazing or cooling off by the water. Currently there are around a hundred horses roaming Carova Beach. Next, is a visit to the **Wright Brothers Memorial**. Wind, sand, and a dream of flight brought Wilbur and Orville Wright here to Kitty Hawk, and here after four years of scientific experimentation, they achieved the first successful airplane flights on December 17, 1903. Exploring the grounds gives you an opportunity to see reproductions of the brothers' 1903 camp buildings, stand at the place where Wilbur and Orville Wright first took to the air in their 1903 flyer and landed, and climb Big Kill Devil Hill to see the nation's monument commemorating the brothers' achievement. **Dinner will be included** again this evening before returning to the hotel for our final night. (B,D)



Day 5: After breakfast at our hotel this morning, we depart for home. We arrive home early evening having experienced a wonderful getaway to North Carolinas Awesome Outer Banks, and beyond. (B)



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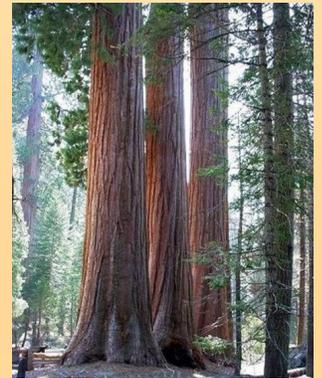
Oregon & California Fly Tour

9 Days/8 Nights
July 15-23, 2018
Tour includes 14 Meals!

Day 1: Join **Ionosphere Tours** as we begin our exciting fly/drive tour to the **West Coast!** During the next **9 days** we will explore some of North America's most beautiful scenery. Late this afternoon we are transported to Atlanta for overnight accommodations near Hartsfield International Airport, due to an early morning flight tomorrow.

Day 2: Today we leave the South behind as we fly from Atlanta bound for **Portland, Oregon.** Upon arrival we'll turn south along the scenic, rugged **Oregon coast**, making our way all the way to tiny **North Bend, Oregon** for an **included dinner** and overnight. **(D)**

DAY 3: After breakfast we are on our way, continuing along the coast of Oregon to **Gold Beach.** Here, where the **Rogue River** empties into the Pacific Ocean, we board a **Mail Boat** for our unforgettable **Jet Boat excursion** up the river to the tiny town of Agnes. In this modern world, this Mail Boat is still the only way folks here have of getting their mail! Back onboard our motorcoach, we cross the state line into northern **California**, destined for majestic **Redwood National Park.** Our route carries us deep into the heart of America's greatest **Redwood Forest**, where the tall trees block the sunlight from the sky above. Dinner and overnight are in the lumber town of **Eureka, California.** **(B,D)**



DAY 4: Following breakfast this morning we leave Eureka behind, traveling through another magnificent Redwood Preserve, Humboldt **Redwood State Park**, along the awesome "**Avenue of the Giants**". **Lunch will be included** in the Garberville area. The **San Francisco** skyline is a sight that is sure to take your breath away as we dip toward San Francisco Bay, and enter the incredible span of the **Golden Gate Bridge.** We spend the night in the city by the Bay, **San**

Francisco, California. **(B,L)**

DAY 5: We'll head to the **Fisherman's Wharf** area following breakfast this morning. We'll love San Francisco's breathtaking waterfront, as we cruise under the majestic Golden Gate Bridge and around notorious Alcatraz Island, on a **Golden Gate Bay Cruise.** We'll discover San Francisco's history via an award-winning audio commentary, learning of her history, marveling at her architecture, and hearing tales of the fascinating glory days of this marvelous West Coast city. Following our cruise we'll have some free time for browsing and lunch on our own in the Fisherman's Wharf area. Some may want to ride on the world famous "**cable cars**". Soon the big cities are gone as we travel south all the way to historic **Monterey.** Hugging the coastline, we'll take the awesome "**17-mile drive**" as we experience the scenic coastal road through Pacific Grove passing beaches, seaside mansions and the historic Pebble Beach Golf Course. We spend the night in the Monterey area and **Dinner will be included** tonight. **(B,D)**



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DAY 6: Following breakfast we enter the road that has been acclaimed as one of the most magnificent scenic drives in all the world - Untouched landscapes of the Pacific Coast lie to our east, and the cliffs of the shoreline drop off dramatically to our west, as we make our way down the coast. Our destination is the mysterious



town of **San Simeon**, where we enjoy a tour of the home that for years was seen by common folks only with the aid of a telescope, **Hearst Castle**. Home of millionaire William Randolph Hearst, this estate is second in size only to North Carolina's Biltmore House, near Asheville. **Included Dinner** and overnight are in the **Santa Barbara, California** area. **(B,D)**

DAY 7: Following breakfast it is a short drive south to in **Simi Valley**, where we will visit the **Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum**, built around a courtyard and set on a hilltop with beautiful views. Next, we make our way into sprawling **Los Angeles**. Following lunch at the **Farmer's Market**, we'll take a riding tour of the "City of Angels". In the heart of Hollywood, we'll recognize the familiar façade of Grauman's Chinese Theater. We'll make a short stop here to take pictures of the footprints, handprints, and autographs cast in the concrete outside the theatre's doors. We'll want to see the famous Rodeo Drive, and spot the iconic "Hollywood" sign, high atop the city. We will spend the next two nights in the Los Angeles area, and **dinner will be included. (B,D)**



DAY 8 : Following breakfast this morning, we pay a visit to **Mission San Juan Capistrano**, along the old Camino Real. This Mission is a California landmark founded as the seventh of nine missions established by Saint Serra on November 1, 1776. It would become, ultimately one of twenty one California missions to be built. Next in **Long Beach**, we board the legendary **Queen Mary**. Following an **included lunch** onboard, we'll take a tour of this historic ocean liner and World War II troopship, and see restored areas that have been under wraps since the final voyage in 1967. We return to the Los Angeles area for overnight again. **(B,L)**

DAY 9: It's hard to believe, but today our tour of the Wonders of the West Coast comes to a close. We've got so much to tell our friends back home. We board our plane early this morning and wing our way back to Atlanta. **(B)**

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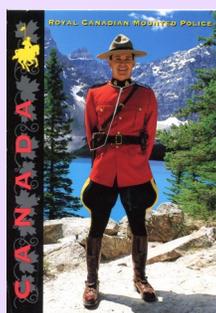
Day 1: Join Ionosphere Tours as we begin our exciting tour to the **Canadian Rockies and Colorado**. During the next **17 days** we will explore some of North America's most beautiful scenery. Today we leave the South behind and travel through Georgia, Tennessee and Kentucky enroute to **Ohio** and our overnight accommodations in the **Cincinnati** area. **Dinner will be included** near our hotel. **(D)**

Day 2: Today we find ourselves heading for **Illinois**, The Land of Lincoln. We will make a stop in downtown **Chicago** and visit the **Willis Tower**. Following an **included lunch** today, we'll take an elevator into the sky to the 103rd floor of the world's tallest building, for a spectacular view. By mid-afternoon we bid a fond farewell to Chicago and make our way into America's Dairyland, **Wisconsin**, where we have accommodations in **Madison** tonight. **(B,L)**



Day 3: Following breakfast we continue our journey north, and we notice the dairy farms along Wisconsin's highways. This afternoon we cross into **Minnesota**. We'll make a stop at the **Minnesota State Capitol, in St. Paul**. The awesome building has one of the largest marble domes in the world. Our overnight accommodations are in **Bloomington**, just outside Minneapolis/St. Paul. This evening we will be free to explore the world's premier retail entertainment complex—**Mall of America**. It has hundreds of shops, a theme park, a two-level miniature golf course, and dozens of restaurants. **(B)**

Day 4: Today we catch the spirit of the real outdoors as we experience the beauty of Minnesota, the "land of ten thousand lakes." Later today we enter **North Dakota**, a land named for its people. Dakota means "friend" in the Sioux Indian language. This was the land of the great Sioux Nation and today is a land of remarkable scenery; superb sunsets and expansive horizons. We travel by **Devil's Lake**, the largest natural body of water in North Dakota. The lake and its of more than 500 miles of shoreline have become a popular recreation center. Our destination is **Minot**, where we will have accommodations for tonight. Dinner will be included at the **Royal Fork Buffet Restaurant** in Minot. **(B,D)**



Day 5: We get an early start and travel into **Canada** this morning, entering the province of **Saskatchewan**. We can just imagine the buffalo that once roamed freely. This is also the area where the mounted police brought peace to the west. Our destination is **Regina**, "Home of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and capital of the province. We'll visit **Wascana Center**, a 2,300-acre park built around Wascana Lake. We'll learn about the history of the area as we visit the Royal Saskatchewan Museum in Wascana Center. We are in for a treat as we visit the **Royal Canadian Mounted Police Museum** located at the Headquarters of the original Mounted Police. This museum recounts its history of more than a century of service. We'll spend the night in Regina and **dinner will be included** in the area of our hotel. **(B,D)**

Day 6: Following breakfast it's time to continue our journey westward traveling through the Canadian cities of Moose Jaw, Swift Current, and Medicine Hat on our way to **Calgary**, in the province of **Alberta**. Calgary is the second largest city in Alberta and home of the world famous "Calgary Stampede". We'll check into our hotel in Calgary before we depart for an **included dinner** high atop the **Calgary Tower** in the revolving restaurant. From here we'll have a spectacular view of Calgary and the Canadian Rockies. **(B,D)**

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Day 7: This morning's journey carries us into the even more spectacular scenery as the highway winds and climbs toward **Banff**. We'll be in **Banff National Park**, which surrounds the year round resort of Banff. **Lunch** will be included at the magnificent **Banff Springs Hotel**. We'll also take the 8-minute ride on the **Sulphur Mountain Gondola** for a spectacular view of the surrounding mountains. We'll have free time later today to do some shopping and browsing in the quaint and scenic downtown area, where we just might see an elk grazing in front yard! We will spend the next two nights in the Banff area. **(B,L)**

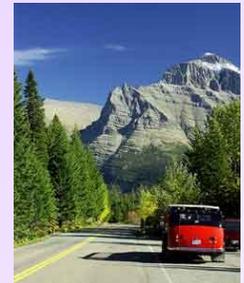


Day 8: Our journey continues this morning through Magnificent Banff National Park to beautiful **Lake Louise**. This is one of the most photographed spots in Canada, with majestic Victoria Glacier towering in the background. Continuing north, great mountain ranges are on both sides of the road as we climb to elevations above 7,000 feet. Snow-capped peaks rise to more than 11,000 feet above us. Our highlight of the day is sure to be our **snowcoach ride** onto the **Athabasca Glacier**, 2,000-foot thick extensions of the **Columbia Icefield**. We will return to our overnight accommodations again tonight, where we will enjoy an **included dinner** tonight. **(B,D)**



Day 9: We depart Banff this morning and head south, crossing into the province of **British Columbia**. This is a beautiful scenic drive in the Kootenay National Park as we head south. We'll pass through Fairmont Hot Springs at the north end of Columbia Lake. This popular resort area offers four hot mineral springs with temperatures averaging 95 to 113 degrees. **Lunch will be included** today and we will visit the **Canadian Museum of Rail Travel** in **Cranbrook**. We will see a restored and preserved set of cars from the Trans-Canada Limited; a luxury train built in 1929. There are exhibits and an audiovisual presentation as well as the option of viewing these original and unique railroad cars. We must now bid farewell to Canada as we enter **Montana**, "The Big Sky Country". Our destination is in the **Kalispell** area, the high mountain town, and our home for tonight. **(B,L)**

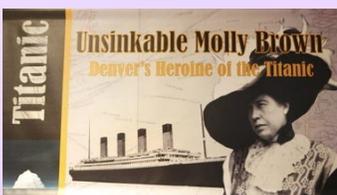
Day 10: Following breakfast we'll take a short drive to Lake McDonald, in **Glacier National Park**. We'll step aboard our special touring vehicles and travel the **"Going to The Sun" highway**, one of the most outstanding scenic roadways in the world. It's a veritable fairyland of snowfrosted peaks and sparking ice caps. Our tour ends near the east entrance of Glacier National Park, where we will have accommodations for tonight at **Browning, MT**. We'll have an **included dinner** in the area, where we can enjoy magnificent views of the glaciers, mountains and lakes. **(B,D)**



Day 11: We depart this morning and continue to explore **Montana**. We'll make a stop in **Great Falls**, to visit the **C.M. Russell Museum**. This unique museum displays watercolors, sculptures and oil paintings of the cowboy artist Charles Russell. We will overnight in **Billings**, in the heart of Yellowstone Valley. We'll have an **included dinner** in the area, **(B,D)**

Day 12: We'll enjoy breakfast at our hotel this morning before we head south through **Montana** and into **Wyoming**. As we head for **Cheyenne**, we will travel on I-25 south along side the Medicine Bow National Forest. Tonight we will have an included authentic **Western Bar-B-B-Que Buffet** at the **Terry Bison Ranch** in Cheyenne. This historic working bison ranch has more than 3,000 bison. Our fun evening will include a wagon tour of the bison herd. **(B,D)**

Day 13: Leaving Wyoming's largest city this morning, we cross into **Colorado** and head for the mile-high city of **Denver**. We will welcome our local guide onboard for a tour of this magnificent city cradled in the foothills of the



Rocky Mountains and weaned on gold and silver wealth that once flowed from nearby mines. We'll see the beautiful **State Capitol**, a 1908 Corinthian structure of Colorado granite. The 18th step on the building's west entrance measures exactly 1 mile above sea level. Also included will be the **Molly Brown House Museum**. This socially prominent Mrs. Brown was a survivor of the **Titanic** and was immortalized in the musical **"The Unsinkable Molly Brown**. By late afternoon we will make the short drive

to **Colorado Springs**, where we have accommodations for the next two nights. **Dinner will be included** tonight. **(B,D)**

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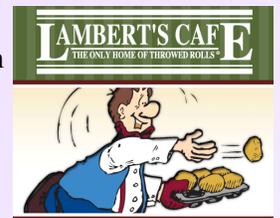
Day 14: Following breakfast this morning we will make our way to the base of Pike's Peak at the foot of the Rockies. Pike's Peak rises 14, 100 feet. We'll take the **Pikes Peak Cog Railway** to the top for an unbeatable view. Following lunch on our own in the area, we will visit the **U.S. Air Force Academy**. Grounds include a B-52 bomber display, scenic overlooks, a chapel, planetarium and Falcon Stadium. We will also take time this afternoon to visit the



U.S. Olympic Complex, which is a 37-acre center for training Olympic hopefuls. Our tour includes a film, the Sports Center, an indoor shooting facility and a 400-meter track. We will also include a drive through the **Garden of the Gods**, a 1300-acre park with massive red sandstone formations. Among them are the Kissing Camel and Balanced Rock. The sun accentuates the color of the stone. Overnight and included dinner will be in Colorado Springs again. **(B,D)**

Day 15: It's time to bid farewell to Colorado as we head east this morning. We'll be on I-70 all day today as we travel into **Kansas**. We'll drive by the boyhood home of **President Dwight David Eisenhower** in **Abilene**. We'll also view the **Place of Meditation**, the final resting place of Dwight D. and Mamie Doud Eisenhower. We'll include dinner in the Abilene area before we continue on to **Topeka**, where we will spend the night. **(B,D)**

Day 16: Today, our journey takes us into Missouri. This afternoon we marvel at the Gateway Arch on the Mississippi River. We follow the mighty Mississippi to **Sikeston, MO**, where an unforgettable meal awaits us at the world famous **Lambert's Throed Roll Café**. Eat all the rolls you can catch, along with heaping helpings of home-cooked vegetables and mouth-watering meats. We cross the Mississippi where it joins the Ohio River, as we make way for **Paducah, Kentucky**, where we have accommodations for tonight. **(B,D)**



Day 17: We'll spend our last day of this tour traveling through the beautiful mountains of Tennessee as we turn our thoughts toward home. It's been an unforgettable tour. We'll never forget our experiences and our fellowship with our friends. **(B)**

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Day 1: Today we travel through the mountains of West Virginia and Pennsylvania as we make our way to Fairmont, West Virginia, for an overnight stay. Dinner will be included tonight. (D)

Day 2: We enter the Empire State this morning arriving in **Jamestown, New York**, better known as “Lucy Town.” Following lunch, we’ll step back in time to the days of filming the popular I Love Lucy show. We’ll visit the **Lucy Desi Museum and Desilu Studios** where we’ll find a complete re-creation of Lucy and Ricky Ricardo’s New York City apartment, as well as the Hollywood hotel suite. Also there’s an interactive “Vitameatavegamin” set, a screening area, original scripts, and showcases filled with vintage memorabilia as well as costumes that were worn on the show. Next we travel to Lockport for the **Lockport Locks & Erie Canal Cruise**. This is a unique 2-hour cruise past many of the historic sites and five original locks. The cruise includes being raised and lowered 50 feet in the only double set of locks on the Erie Canal. **Dinner will be included** as we enjoy a “picnic box”, cruising the canal. Now it’s time to head for **Niagara Falls, NY**, where we have accommodations for the next two nights. (B,D)

Day 3: Off to spend the day enjoying the classic North American landmark - Niagara Falls, USA. We arrive at America’s Oldest State Park, **Niagara Falls State Park** where we start exploring the area by taking the elevator to the top of the **U.S. Observation Tower**. Extending out dramatically over Niagara Gorge, this architectural wonder affords unobstructed views of the wild cascades of Niagara Falls. Next we take the elevator to the base of the gorge to experience the raging whitewater as we board the world famous **Maid of the Mist** for an up-close view of the American and Canadian Falls. We will literally be covered in the mist. Don’t worry you will be furnished with a raincoat! We will also discover the story behind the thunder at the Niagara Adventure Theater in Niagara Falls, NY as **the film, “Niagara: Legends of Adventure”** immerses you in action. See the majesty that inspired settlers and explorers to worship and challenge New York’s mighty Niagara Falls. Overnight tonight is in Niagara Falls, NY, following a special **dinner overlooking the falls**. The view is breathtaking! (B,D)

Day 4: Imagine being able to reach out your hand and touch the power emanating from Niagara Falls. A trip to the Visitors Center at **Niagara Power Project** can emulate that very experience. Located just 4-miles downstream from the Falls, it is set amidst the spectacular scenery of the Niagara River Gorge. **Lunch will be included** near Erie, PA. From here we travel to Grove City, Pennsylvania, where we visit **Wendell August Forge**. We’ll see some of the hammered metal giftware and other hand-forged items offered for purchase. Their creations have been commissioned for four U.S. Presidents and even the Queen of England. We overnight in Morgantown, WV. (B,L)

Day 5: Arriving home in the early evening, we have great memories of one of the United States’ greatest landmarks, Niagara Falls! (B)

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Day 2: Today we find ourselves crossing the **Mississippi River** as we pass through St. Louis, Missouri, the "Gateway to the West". Missouri, the Show Me State, is rich in history and celebrities, bringing to mind Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, the Sante Fe Trail and Harry S. Truman. **Lunch will be included** today in Columbia, MO. By late afternoon we arrive in the **Omaha, Nebraska** area, where we spend the night. (B, L)

Day 3: Following breakfast we continue our journey, spending much of the morning in **Iowa**, before turning westward into **South Dakota**. This afternoon we take the loop drive through **Badlands National Park**, making a stop at the Visitor's Center. Dinner tonight will be included in **Wall, South Dakota**, home to the famous **Wall Drug Store**--a most unusual place. Following an **included dinner** we continue on to the **Rapid City** area, where we have accommodations for the next two nights at the scenic and beautiful **K-Bar-S Lodge** near Keystone. (B,D)



Day 4: Following included breakfast at the ranch, a full day of breathtaking scenery and historical points of interest is in store for us. Our **guided tour** will include **Mount Rushmore National Memorial** and **Custer State Park**. We'll have an **included dinner** at the Lodge. (B,D)

Day 5: We get an early start and travel into **Wyoming** this morning. We head toward Sheridan in the **Big Horn Mountains**, the scene of many fierce battles between the U.S. Cavalry and the Sioux, Cheyenne and Crowe Indians. Our overnight stay is in Buffalo Bill's frontier town of **Cody, Wyoming**. Our included dinner tonight will be at **Buffalo Bill's historic Irma Hotel** in Cody. (B,D)

Day 6: Following breakfast we'll experience one of the highlights of our tour as we drive through the **Shoshone National Forest**, enroute to **Yellowstone National Park**. We arrive late in the morning and welcome our **Park Service Guide** onboard for a tour of this magnificent park. Established in 1872 and covering 3,472 square miles, Yellowstone was the world's first National Park. Along the way on our tour, we'll marvel at the picturesque Grand Canyon of Yellowstone, Yellowstone Lake, the Paintpots, and Old Faithful. **Lunch will be included today at the Old Faithful Inn**. Our accommodations are in **West Yellowstone, Montana**, at the western entrance to the Park. (B,L)



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Day 7 : This morning’s journey carries us into the even more spectacular scenery of **Grand Teton National Park**. Few mountain ranges have a greater variety of glaciated canyons than the Tetons. We’ll stop at the Coulter Bay Visitor Center, Jenny Lake, and the Chapel of Transfiguration, as we travel through the Park. We continue on to **Jackson, Wyoming**, where we have free time this afternoon to explore this city, the center of activity for ranchers and vacationers in Jackson Hole country. We continue westward into **Idaho**, where we will spend the night in **Idaho Falls**, following an **included Dinner**. **(B,D)**

Day 8: Following breakfast we head south into **Utah**. Just east of Salt Lake City we will visit **Park City**, where we will have free time and lunch on our own in the historic Main Street area. We’ll also make a stop at the **Olympic Park** where we can see the athletes in training on the ski slopes year round. Next, we head for **Salt Lake City**, where we have accommodations tonight. Founded in 1847 by the Mormons under the leadership of Brigham Young, the city first became the capital of the Mormon settlement and then of the state of Utah. This evening we’ll have an **included meal** at one of the area’s favorite restaurants. **(B,D)**

Day 9: We depart Salt Lake City this morning and ride through the sagebrush landscape of southern Utah. By lunchtime we arrive in Bryce, Utah, where we’ll enjoy an **included lunch at Ruby’s Inn Restaurant and Steakhouse**. As we enter **Bryce Canyon National Park**, we welcome our **Park Guide** onboard as we



explore this area that includes some of the earth’s most colorful rocks. Bryce is not a true canyon, but series of horseshoe-shaped amphitheatres carved in the edge of a plateau by tributaries of the Paria River. An Indian name for the area translates, as “red rocks standing like men in a bowl-shaped canyon”. We’ll spend the night at **Ruby’s Inn**, where we will have the evening free to explore the hotel and have dinner on our own. **(B,L)**

Day 10: Following breakfast we’ll head south to **Zion National Park**, enjoying a **narrated tram tour** of this beautiful area that was once a refuge for Mormon pioneers. Desert terrain and huge, sculpted rock formations co-exist with waterfalls and hanging gardens. Gigantic stone masses seem to guard the canyon floor and spectacular gorges. As we depart the park we’ll stop for a rest stop at the Thunderbird Lodge at Mt. Carmel Junction, before heading south into **Arizona**. **Dinner will be included** tonight at the **Cameron Trading Post**, near the Desert View entrance to **Grand Canyon National Park**. By early evening we arrive at the south entrance of Grand Canyon, spending the next two nights in **Tusayan**. **(B,D)**



Day 11: We have an entire day to experience the magic of one of the world’s most outstanding spectacles--**Grand Canyon National Park**. In form glowing color and geological significance, the Grand Canyon is unsurpassed. We begin the day with a **guided tour to Hermit’s Rest**. The remainder of the day is free to explore on our own as we take advantage of the free minibus service along the West Rim Drive to many scenic points. **Dinner will be included in the Park** tonight followed by a **sunset tour** along the south rim of the Grand Canyon onboard the Park Transportation bus. **(B,D)**

Day 12: Following breakfast this morning, we turn east toward **New Mexico**. Our destination is **Albuquerque**, where we have accommodations for the night. Spread out before the dramatic Sandia Mountains, Albuquerque is the metropolis of New Mexico, where past and present mingle. Lunch will be included today at **Earl’s Restaurant** in Gallup, New Mexico. **(B,L)**



Day 13: Following breakfast this morning, we’re off for an exciting ride on the **Sandia Peak Tramway**, an aerial tram which lofts passengers to the top of 10,000-foot Sandia Peak. The 2.7 mile ride is the longest clear and unsupported span in North America. The view, both east and west, is spectacular! Next, we’ll have free time and lunch in **Old Town**, the original Albuquerque founded in 1706. Old Town clusters around a plaza and San Felipe de Meri Church. The warmth of aged adobe adds a special charm to its shops, galleries, restaurants and hidden patios. We can look here for bargains on silver and turquoise jewelry. Our destination today is **Amarillo**, in the Texas panhandle. Dinner will be included at the World Famous **Big Texan Steak Ranch**, home of the free 72 oz. steak challenge. **(B,D)**

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Day 14: We continue our journey today as we head southeast and enter the "**Sooner State**"-- **Oklahoma**. By late afternoon we arrive in the Capital City, **Oklahoma City**. Despite a sleek and sophisticated appearance, Oklahoma City has not forgotten its Western and Indian heritage. The 39 Indian tribes still represented in the state hold regular tribal activities in and around the city. We'll make a stop at the **Oklahoma City National Memorial**. The Outdoor Symbolic Memorial is a place of quiet reflection. This Memorial honors the victims, survivors, rescuers, and all who were changed forever on April 19, 1995. It encompasses the now-sacred soil where the Murrah Building once stood, as well as the surrounding area devastated during the attack. We spend the night here, where cowboys still practice their trade at the horse and cattle ranches in the surrounding area. **Dinner will be included** tonight. (B,D)



Day 15: We head for **Tennessee** this morning as we journey eastward. We arrive in **Jackson, Tennessee**, where we have accommodations for the night. We'll enjoy our farewell dinner at **Casey Jones Village Restaurant** tonight. (B,D)



Day 16: We'll spend our last day of this tour traveling through the beautiful mountains of Tennessee as we turn our thoughts toward home. As we near home we are reminded of the words to **America, the Beautiful**. What a wonderful journey we have shared! (B)

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Day 1- Join Ionosphere as we board our motorcoach and travel through **Tennessee**, and **Kentucky** en route to the **Cincinnati, Ohio** area for our first overnight. We enjoy a fantastic **dinner cruise** tonight with **BB Riverboats** on the waters of the Ohio River, in nearby Newport, Kentucky. (D)

Day 2 - Following breakfast this morning we cross into southeastern **Indiana**. Our route takes us through Indianapolis, the capital city. We'll make a stop at the **Indianapolis Motor Speedway**, one of the most famous landmarks in the world. We will visit the **Hall of Fame Museum** that is recognized as one of the most highly visible museums in the world devoted to automobiles and auto racing. In 1987, the museum and Speedway grounds were honored with the designation of National Historic Landmark. Our travels continue northwest into **Illinois** to **Moline**, where we have accommodations for the next two nights. This evening we enjoy a special feast at the **Machine Shed Restaurant**, a unique restaurant with great home cooked food that is operated as if it were run by a bunch of farmers. (B,D)



Day 3 - This morning we depart for a 4- hour **Octoberfest Cruise on the Mississippi River!** A paddlewheeler from bygone days will take us leisurely up the river as we enjoy live entertainment and delicious food. We can sit back, relax, and watch the unfolding panorama as we cruise on the upper Mississippi River . As we depart from the dock we will partake of homemade sticky rolls and assorted fresh fruits. Lots of OmPaPas and dancing during this cruise! Our lunch will include a fantastic array of taste tempting buffet items. Next, we visit the **John Deere Pavilion**, an impressive showcase of vintage and modern-day farm equipment. Interactive displays allow us to sit in the cab of a harvester, or take a virtual tour through the Harvester Works, the company's local combine factory. We overnight in the **Moline** area again. (B,L)

Day 4 - Today we travel south to **Hannibal, Missouri**, located on the Mississippi River. Following lunch on our own, we'll take a relaxing **riverboat cruise** aboard the Mark Twain, an authentic Mississippi River paddlewheeler. Following the cruise we visit **Mark Twain's boyhood home and museum**, and see the house of his sweetheart, Becky Thatcher. We will spend the night in the Hannibal area and **dinner is included** this evening. (B,D)



Day 5 - Following breakfast this morning, we depart for **St. Louis, Missouri**. Upon arrival we will visit the **Cathedral Basilica**, which has one of the largest mosaic collections in the world. In 1912, installation of mosaics in the interior began. Completed in 1988, the mosaics collectively contain 41.5 million glass pieces in more than 7,000 colors.

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Following an **included lunch** we will visit the **Anheuser-Busch Brewery**. Our tour will offer an in-depth look at how some of America's favorite beers are crafted, using the finest, all-natural ingredients, by following it through the steps of the brewing and packaging process. Since its founding in 1852 in St. Louis, Anheuser-Busch has been taking pride in producing some of the world's finest beers, one batch at a time. We will have an opportunity to taste some of the quality products in the Hospitality Room at the conclusion of the tour. While on tour, we will see and learn about the world-famous

Budweiser Clydesdales at the historic stables built in 1885. These majestic giants have appeared in some of the most memorable Super Bowl commercials over the years and represent a special part of Anheuser-Busch's history. Their size and strength will astound you, and the historic stables will make for a great photo opportunity. We overnight in the St. Louis area. (B,L)



Day 6 - This morning we depart the meandering Mississippi and head to **Kentucky** and the Derby Town, **Louisville**. Louisville is best known for its bourbon and tobacco, but most of all it thrives on thoroughbred horse racing. We conclude our river ramblings as we enjoy a mouth-watering **Brunch Cruise** onboard the "**Belle of Louisville**" on the waters of the Ohio River. We overnight in the Louisville area. (B,L)

Day 7- Following breakfast this morning we're homeward bound. We have some wonderful memories to recall as we recollect our time spent "Rolling on the Rivers"! (B)

\$1280 PP Double / \$1160 PP Triple
\$1040 PP Quad / \$1750 Single

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PA AMISH SHOW - JESUS & THE BIBLE - MUSEUM IN DC

September 26 - 30, 2018 - 5 Days / 4 Nights - Tour Includes 8 Meals
\$885 PP Double / \$795 PP Triple / \$705 PP Quad / \$1230 Single

Day 1: Come away with us to visit the **Pennsylvania Amish and Washington, DC**. Today we enjoy a beautiful travel day heading north into the mountains of western Virginia. **Lunch will be included** today and we will overnight in the **Hagerstown, Maryland** area tonight. (L)

Day 2: Following breakfast, we will continue north, traveling through Maryland into Pennsylvania. By mid-morning we will arrive in **Hershey**, where the aroma of chocolate pervades. The town was founded in 1903 by Milton Hershey, who planned and built this industrial community. We'll visit **Hershey's Chocolate World** where we will take an automated tour ride that will explain the chocolate-making process from harvesting the cocoa bean to packaging the finished product. There are also shops where we will want to purchase our favorite chocolate "goodies" to satisfy our sweet tooth. Following lunch on our own we continue on to **Lancaster, Pennsylvania**, for a stay in the heart of the rolling fields and farms of the **Pennsylvania Amish**. Upon arrival we will check into our hotel in **Bird-in-Hand**, where we will have accommodations for the next two nights. Next, we have reserved seats in the grand, **Sight and Sound Millennium Theater** as we are transported back in time to the days of "**Jesus**". Jesus is the brand new musical stage adventure about the most famous person ever to walk the earth and the everyday people whose lives he changed forever. Our included dinner tonight is an Amish treat as we enjoy a family style feast at the **Hershey Farm Restaurant** or similar. (B,D)

Day 3: After an included breakfast at the hotel this morning we welcome our step-on guide onboard our motorcoach for a **Guided Tour** of the farms and homes of the Amish. Manicured homes, gardens and fields are evidence of the hard work of the Amish and Mennonite residents of Lancaster County, and we're sure to see the well-known black buggies of the Amish that are their only mode of transportation to and from work, church and the markets. We'll have lunch on our own at **Kitchen Kettle Village**. This village has over 40 local shops and dining spots in one outdoor shopping village, filled with homemade Lancaster County food, fresh baked goods and tasty canned goods. We are in for a special treat as we visit the **Kreider Farm**, for a unique experience. Our 90-minute dairy farm tour offers a high-tech view of farming including a drive, **in our bus**, down the middle of the Titanic-sized loafing barn, otherwise known as the cow palace and a bird's eye view of the milking merry-go-round. This tour is filled with facts and humor, sure to please our group. We'll take time later this afternoon to visit the Amish Farmer's Market in Bird-in-Hand. Tonight we'll have an **included dinner** in an authentic **Amish home**. (B,D)

Day 4: Following our included breakfast this morning we depart for the short drive to our nation's Capital City, **Washington, DC**. We'll take in some of the major sights in Washington, DC, and spend the night in the northern Virginia area. Upon arrival we will have a tour of the **US Capitol**, that departs from the beautiful underground Capitol Visitor Center. Following our tour, we'll have lunch on our own in the cafeteria at the Capitol Visitor Center. Following lunch we will visit the new **Museum of the Bible**, a 430,000-square-foot facility that documents the narrative, history and impact of the Bible. Our day of sightseeing will include a driving tour that includes such sights as the **World War II Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Viet Nam Memorial, Korean Memorial, FDR Memorial** and a drive by Ford's Theater and Peterson House. **Dinner will be included** tonight. (B,D)



Day 5: We find ourselves heading home this morning following breakfast. We take with us wonderful memories with our family and friends, and we think about what a rich and precious heritage we enjoy as Americans. (B)

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AUTUMN IN AWESOME NEW ENGLAND INCLUDES THE ROCKY COAST OF MAINE

October 6 - 14, 2018 - 9 Days / 8 Nights - Tour Includes 16 Meals
\$1560 PP Double / \$1360 PP Triple / NO Quads / \$2160 Single



Day 1: Join **Ionosphere Tours** for one of the most enjoyable tours you will ever experience. Our adventure begins today as we venture north traveling through South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, W. Virginia and into **Maryland** for our overnight stay in Hagerstown. **Dinner will be included** in the area. (D)



Day 2: Following breakfast, we will continue north, traveling through Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, New York and into Connecticut, where we arrive at the fantastic **Foxwoods Resort**. With over 1,400 luxurious rooms, 24 restaurants, 17 specialty shops, 5 casinos and headline entertainment, it's easy to see why the Foxwoods is full of action, fun and excitement. A **Buffet Dinner will be included tonight**. (B,D)

Day 3: Following an **included breakfast buffet** this morning, we continue our amazing New England journey as we travel through **Rhode Island** and into **Massachusetts**. We will have lunch on our own in **Quincy Market at Faneuil Hall Marketplace**. Following lunch we welcome our local guide onboard for a **tour of Boston**. We will see the **USS Constitution**, "Old Ironsides" of the War of 1812, the **Boston Common**, the oldest public park in the country. We'll catch a view of the **Old State House**, from whose balcony the Declaration of Independence was first read to the citizens of Boston in 1776. We also visit the **Old North Church**, from whose tall steeple Robert Newman hung two lanterns that started Paul Revere's famous ride. We'll travel through Massachusetts as we make our way toward **Portsmouth, New Hampshire** area. We will enjoy an **included dinner** and spend the night in the Portsmouth area. (B,D)



Day 4: We cross into **Maine** early this morning and travel along the coast through **Kennebunkport**, where former President Bush has a home. In **Portland**, we make a picture stop at **Portland Head Lighthouse**, said to be the first lighthouse authorized by the US and the oldest lighthouse in continuous use. Next, we make our way to **Freeport**, where we will have lunch on our own and time for shopping at the incredible **L.L. Bean Outlet**. We'll also have time for shopping in the other numerous shops in this area. We continue on to the **Brunswick** area, where we will spend the night, following our **included dinner**. (B,D)



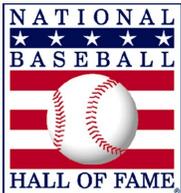
Day 5: Following breakfast this morning, we travel through to **Pemaquid Point**, site of the first permanent settlement in Maine (1625). In Camden we enter **Camden Hills State Park** where the view of the coast from 800 ft. **Mt. Battie** is spectacular. Further north along the coast is **Mount Desert Island** which covers most of **Acadia National Park**. Following lunch on our own in **Bar Harbor**, we'll enter Acadia National Park, and take the scenic drive to **Cadillac Mountain**. The island is of rugged granite with forests and flowers and has many bays and inlets, of which many can be seen from the vantage point on 1530 ft. Cadillac Mountain, the highest point on the Atlantic coast of the US. We will continue on to **Bangor**, where we will overnight. **Dinner is included** tonight. (B,D)



Day 6: Heading west this morning, we leave Maine and enter **New Hampshire** and the **White Mountains**. We pass through **Franconia Notch State Park** before riding the **Cannon Mountain Tram**. The enclosed 80-passenger tram rises 2,022 ft. over a distance of one mile to Cannon Mountain Summit where the view is magnificent. We cross into **Vermont** and have accommodations for tonight in **Montpelier**. **Dinner will be included** in the area of the hotel. (B,D)

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Day 7: Our first stop this morning will be to visit the **Morse Farm Maple Sugarworks**, in Montpelier, VT. Free sugar house tours and tasting, multimedia displays in a real woodshed theater, a nature trail, country store, and an outdoor Vermont farm life museum make up the Morse Farm experience and sprinkled throughout, are whimsical carved folklife characters created by Burr Morse. We'll also include a stop at the **Cold Hollow Cider Mill**, located at Waterbury Center. This Vermont legend is New England's largest producer of apple cider. We'll watch cider making and sample free cider fresh from the press. On hand is a collection of antique cider making and agricultural machinery. **Lunch will be included** today. Later this afternoon we pause for a break at **The Vermont Country Store**, home of the Voice of the Mountains mail order catalog. Our overnight is in the **Albany, New York** area. (B,L)



Day 8: After breakfast at the hotel this morning we have just a short drive to **Cooperstown, New York**, where we will visit the **National Baseball Hall of Fame**, one of the best sporting museums in the world. **Lunch will be included** enroute to **Hershey, Pennsylvania**, where the aroma of chocolate pervades. The town was founded in 1903 by Milton Hershey, who planned and built this industrial community. We'll visit **Hershey's Chocolate World** where we will take an automated tour ride that will explain the chocolate-making process from harvesting the cocoa bean to packaging the finished product. There also are indoor tropical gardens and shops where we will want to purchase our favorite chocolate "goodies" to satisfy our sweet tooth. We'll have dinner on our own here before we travel to **Hagerstown, Maryland** for our overnight. (B,L)

Day 9: All to soon, our journey must come to an end. Following breakfast this morning, it's time to turn home, filled with the wonderful memories that remain from our autumn excursion. We reflect on all the beautiful scenery we've viewed this week, and maybe even talk of future trips into the beautiful region of New England. What a wonderful time we have shared. (B)



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\$935 PP Quad / \$1385 Single



Day 1: Our Autumn adventure begins today as we board our motorcoach and travel through Georgia into Tennessee. Our trip continues west and carries us around Nashville and into **Kentucky**. Following an included dinner at **Patti's 1880 Settlement**, we'll spend the night in the riverside city of **Paducah**. (D)

Day 2: Following breakfast this morning we continue our travels west, across the Ohio River, a tiny little piece of Illinois, and across the muddy, mighty Mississippi River. The fertile plains of Missouri prevail for a while, then we begin a gradual climb into the rolling Ozark Mountains of Missouri. By mid-afternoon we arrive in **Springfield, Missouri**, where our first stop will be at the **Bass Pro Shops, Outdoor World**. By reputation, this is The World's Greatest Sporting Goods Store! In addition this outlet is a wonderland of animal wildlife mounts among natural looking settings, a majestic four-story waterfall and a huge one-of-a kind aquarium system. Now it's time for our early included dinner at **Lambert's Cafe, "The Only Home of Throed Rolls"**. Have your heartiest appetite ready! It's just a short drive to **Branson**, the little city with glittering theaters lining the "Strip". Home to dozens of down-home music shows, with top-name artists, we will see five of these fabulous shows during our stay! Our accommodations are here in Branson for the next three nights. Branson is known as the "Live Entertainment Capital of the World." Tonight - **The "Oak Ridge Boys"** bringing their huge catalog of hit country, pop, and gospel songs! With phenomenal harmonies and an amazing career that's spanned several decades; they've more than earned the incredible love and respect they get from both fans and industry folks alike. (B,D)



Day 3: Following breakfast we are off to enjoy the **Yakov Smirnoff Show**. Everyone laughs with Yakov, the famous Russian comedian. Since 1992, Smirnoff has performed at his own theater in Branson, Missouri, where he has entertained over four million visitors and produced several outstanding award-winning shows. His comedic style is firmly grounded within his mission statement "to experience happiness and teach it to the world with passion through comedy and sensitivity. Following lunch on our own we'll have some time to shop at one of the outlets or downtown Branson. Following an **included dinner**, we have reserved seats for the ***Million Dollar Quartet**

Show at the Welk Resort Theater. "Million Dollar Quartet" is the celebration of a brief moment in history when the music world stood still just long enough for legendary artists, Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, and Carl Perkins to enjoy a jam session at Memphis' iconic Sun Studios (B,D)

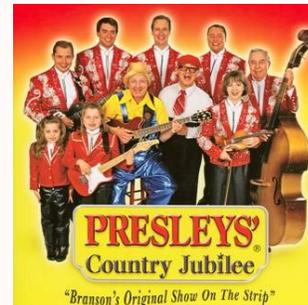


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Day 4: A full day of fun awaits us today. Following breakfast we'll take time to enjoy a driving tour of this beautiful Ozark Mountain area, which will include a visit to the College of the Ozarks, where we will make a stop at the Grist Mill and the "fruit cake" kitchen on campus. After lunch on our own, we have reserved seats for ***Clay Cooper's Country Music Express**, which is a high-energy show full of singin', dancin', lots of laughter, and great music! From the moment the curtain opens, we can see the personalities shine through this cast of 20 veteran entertainers as they

sing their way into your hearts, dancin' that gets your toes a tappin', and comedy that'll crack you up till you cry! Tonight, following an **included dinner**, we take our seats for the **Presley Jubilee Show**, the longest running show on the strip. It's the kind of music that won't just entertain you... it'll inspire you. Of course, with four generations of Presleys', you're bound to get some young 'uns that want to do it their way. And as the family's changed, so has the sound of today's country music. That's why you'll recognize many of your favorite new country hits, performed by some of today's best country entertainers. Over-night is again in Branson. **(B,D)**



Day 5: We'll enjoy breakfast in Branson this morning, then it's time to turn our motorcoach eastward. There is much to see today as we travel through the forested hills of the southern Ozark Mountains of Arkansas, past



Little Rock and back over the **Mississippi River** and into Tennessee. We cross the mighty river this time in the heart of the bustling port of Memphis. We continue on to **Jackson, Tennessee**, where we have accommodations for the night, following our included dinner at **Casey Jones Village Restaurant**. **(B,D)**

Day 6: Following breakfast this morning we continue eastward and homeward bound. This will certainly be a trip we will never forget; the fantastic shows, the food and the fellowship, just couldn't be beat! **(B)**

* In reserving shows in Branson, we anticipate these shows and the order in which we attend these show. However, it may be necessary to substitute a show and/or rearrange the order, due to any unforeseen circumstances.

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OCTOBER 23 – 26, 2018
4 DAYS/ 3 NIGHTS
INCLUDES 6 MEALS



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Day 1- Join Ionosphere Tours for an unforgettable journey to **Kentucky** where we discover quite a few “Kentucky Gems.” We depart early this morning traveling through **South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee** and into **Kentucky**. We arrive in **Lexington**, where we will get settled into our overnight accommodations for the next three nights. **Dinner will be included** tonight. (D)



Day 2 - Following breakfast this morning we will venture into horse country as we explore the beauty of the Lexington area. Our driving tour will include several sights in downtown Lexington and a visit to the grounds at **Keeneland Racetrack**. We'll have a chance to watch the morning workout regime of some of the amazing thoroughbred horses that race here. A National Historic Landmark, Keeneland features beautifully landscaped grounds that are open to the public. Next, our journey takes us past the many white and black fences of the beautiful horse farms as we make our way to the unparalleled **Creation Museum** in **Petersburg**. This state-of-the-art 70,000

square foot museum brings the pages of the Bible to life, casting its characters and animals in dynamic form and placing them in familiar settings. We'll see Adam and Eve live in the Garden of Eden and see the scaffolding and smell the freshly-cut timbers in the busy work site of Noah's Ark. The themes of the exhibits resound in the theater presentations: Men in White, Six Days of Creation, The Last Adam, and Dinosaurs and Dragons. The Special Effects Theater, complete with rumbling seats and rising mists, takes visitors on a fantastic quest to find the real purpose and meaning of life. **Dinner will be included** tonight. (B,D)



Day 3 - Following our included breakfast this morning we travel to **Georgetown, Kentucky**, where we tour the **Toyota Manufacturing Plant**. Here we have a very detailed tram tour of the assembly line where the Toyota Avalon, Camry, and Lexus are produced. Next, we depart for the brand new **Ark Encounter**, located in **Williamstown, Kentucky**. The Ark, a sister attraction of the popular Creation Museum, is a Christian evangelistic outreach intended to bring the Ark of Noah's day to life. The Ark will equip visitors to understand the reality of the events that are recorded in the book of Genesis: The global Flood did



happen as an act of God's judgment. Noah and his family really did build a ship of the same size and dimensions as written in Genesis 6. All of the animals brought by God to Noah did fit inside the Ark. Noah and his family could care for all of the animals while they were on the Ark. The Flood of Noah's day was a worldwide catastrophic event that resulted in large-scale human and animal death, leaving behind many of the plant and animal fossils and landforms we see today. God saved Noah and his family and the animals on the Ark, just as He had promised. **Lunch will be included** here also. By late afternoon we depart for Lexington, where we spend our final night. (B,L)

Day 4 - Following breakfast this morning we're homeward bound. We have some wonderful memories to recall as we recollect our time spent in beautiful Kentucky! (B)

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KEY WEST - FLORIDA CIRCLE



8 Days/7 Nights
October 29 - November 5, 2018
Tour includes 14 Meals



See for yourself what everyone raves about as we pack our bags and board our motorcoach for an eight-day adventure into the Sunshine State. The southernmost city in the continental United States, Key West once served as a base of operation against pirates; today it is the south terminus of the scenic Overseas Highway. Experience the "real Florida" as we circle through the state that is famous for much more than a Mouse!

Day 1: Our first day's travel carries us through South Carolina, Georgia, and into **Florida**. Our overnight stay is in the **St. Augustine** area. **Dinner will be included** tonight. (D)

Day 2: Following breakfast this morning we explore the **Old City of St. Augustine**, which still preserves strong evidence of its Spanish origin. We'll hop onboard an **open-air tram**, for a narrated tour that will include the **Oldest Wooden School House, the Spanish Quarter Village and the Fountain of Youth**. The Oldest Wooden School House is a cedar building that also served as a guardhouse during the Seminole Wars, because of its proximity to the City Gates. We'll want to check out its tabby floors (a mixture of crushed oyster shells and lime) and wooden peg construction. The Spanish Quarter Village has colonial workers that go about their work as if it's just another day in the mid-18th century. Clad in period dress, gardeners tend to their vegetables; woodworkers repair furniture under a thatched hut; and blacksmiths fashion nails. The Fountain of Youth is on the site claimed to be Ponce De Leon's landing place April 3, 1513. This park contains the spring reputed to be the "Fountain of Youth". Additional features include a planetarium, audiovisuals and a revolving world globe. Following lunch we're off to the **Kennedy Space Center**, in the Cape Canaveral area. We'll take a two-hour **guided bus tour** of the facility and take in the show at the incredible **IMAX Theater**. The theater's huge 5-1/2 story, 70-foot wide screen makes the film both spectacular and unforgettable. Our overnight accommodations will be in the Titusville, FL area, and **dinner will be included**. (B,D)



Day 3: Ahead of us this morning is a scenic drive southward through rolling citrus orchards and past some of Florida's many lakes. Following an **included lunch** in **Fort Lauderdale**, the riverboat **Jungle Queen** will take us on a cruise up the intercoastal waterway. We'll see why this city is aptly nicknamed the "Venice of America." Overnight accommodations await us in the **Cutler Bay** area. (B,L)



Day 4: Today's sightseeing is, in a word, "awesome" as we leave bright and early this morning and travel the **Florida Keys** to **Key West**. Linked to the mainland by the 113-mile Overseas Highway, the "Keys" are a series of low-lying subtropical islands composed largely of coral and mangroves. This highway that we will travel is one of the world's longest land-and-sea stretches. Our destination is Key West, which is only 90 miles from Cuba! Home at various times to Ernest Hemingway, Tennessee Williams and Robert Frost, Key West remains a popular retreat for artists and writers. We'll include today a **Conch Tour Train** ride that will take us on a 10 mile tour through old and new Key West with informative narration. We'll also have free time for lunch and browsing in the world famous **Mallory Square**.



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You may want to sample some of the famous cuisine like conch chowder, conch fritters and Key lime pie. You're sure to enjoy this next event: a **glass bottom boat tour** over the coral reef. We'll spend the night in this beautiful area and **include a seafood dinner!** (B,D)

Day 5: Following breakfast this morning, we return to the mainland of Florida, where we follow highway 41 across a portion of the **Everglades**. We visit the **Miccosukee Indian Village** and let a guide take us on a tour through the past, present, and future of their history, culture and lifestyle. We'll see demonstrations and exhibits of woodcarving, patchwork, beadwork, basket weaving and doll making. Here we take a unique **airboat swamp tour** in what's often called "the eighth wonder of the world," spotting alligators as we travel. Then we turn north along the coast to **Fort Myers**, where we have accommodations for the night following our **included dinner**. (B,D)



Day 6: This morning, following breakfast, we will make a stop on beautiful McGregor Boulevard. Majestic royal palms line this street where the **Thomas Edison and Henry Ford Winter Estates** are located. We will tour "Seminole Lodge", where Thomas Edison spent his "working vacations" from 1866 until his death in 1931. The tour will include his home, laboratory, museum and gardens. We will also tour "Mangoes", the residence of the world's first billionaire, Henry Ford. Next, we will travel to **Sarasota**, where the circus is an integral part of this city's past. In 1927 John Ringling selected the town for his Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus and made it his home. We will take time to see the **John and Mable Ringling Museum**. Admission will include The Circus Museum and Ringling Residence. Overnight will be in the **Tampa** area, following our **included dinner**. (B,D)

Day 7: As we travel through Florida, we drive to **Micanopy**, "the town that time forgot." This is the second oldest settlement in Florida. It's so charming with the old buildings, majestic oaks, and magnolias. The town center is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and contains a number of antique stores, as well as a large used book store and several restaurants, where we will enjoy lunch on our own. Later this afternoon, we arrive at beautiful **Amelia Island**, where we will enjoy an **included dinner** and spend the night. (B,D)



Day 8: This morning you may want to sleep late or take a walk on the beach. Before we depart we'll make a stop at the **Amelia Island Museum** where we learn about the island's history and how it was a haven for Scottish smugglers, Mexican pirates and Cuban freedom fighters. We return home arriving early in the evening. The fantastic scenery, the food and the fellowship, just couldn't be beat. (B)

**\$1565 PP Double / \$1420 PP Triple
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Day 1 - Sunday, November 4 - We depart late morning by deluxe motorcoach and head south for northern Florida, for our overnight stay near Jacksonville.

Day 2 - Monday, November 5 - This morning we have continental breakfast at the hotel before continuing to **Port Canaveral**. Early this afternoon we board **the Norwegian Sun** for our four-night cruise adventure to **Key West and Havana, Cuba**. Most dining options, nightly entertainment, and most shipboard activities are included onboard. Also included is the Ultimate Beverage Package for the first and second guests in the cabin. This package includes unlimited Alcoholic and soft drink beverages. (B)

Day 3 - Tuesday, November 6 - By mid-afternoon we dock in **Key West, Florida**. Located at the southernmost tip of the United States, this cool little island hideaway is closer to Havana, Cuba, than it is to Miami. We may want to visit two of Key West's best attractions, the Key West Shipwreck Treasures Museum and the Key West Aquarium.

Day 4 - Wednesday, November 7 - By 8:00 am this morning we dock in **Havana, Cuba**, The door to Cuba's soul, Havana captivates the imagination with its tropical jazz, classic 1950s American cars, and pastel buildings lining cobblestone streets. We can sip a daiquiri at Hemingway's favorite haunt, El Floridita, or chat with locals at an intimate paladar. We spend the night at this port.

Day 5 - Thursday, November 8 - We depart Cuba at 6:00 am and spend our last day at sea. It may be time to pamper ourselves. We may want to play the final game of Bingo, or just relax in a deck chair by the pool. It's our last chance to take advantage of the duty free shopping at the unique boutique shops.

Day 6 - Friday, November 9 - This morning we arrive back at **Port Canaveral**, where our **Ionosphere Tours** motorcoach awaits us. As we depart for home we talk about our wonderful and relaxing Cruise Vacation. How we've loved this life of leisure.

**Please note: You will need a valid passport and a Cuban Visa for this cruise. A Cuban visa is also known as a "tourist card." The cost for this Visa is \$75.00 and is included in your tour cost.

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\$300.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation or by April 3, 2018

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SMOKY MOUNTAIN CHRISTMAS

3 DAYS/2 NIGHTS
November 17 - 19, 2018
Tour includes 4 meals

Day 1: This morning we depart on a spectacular, fun-filled three days of Christmastime in the Great Smoky Mountains of Tennessee. By late afternoon we check into our hotel, where we have accommodations for the next two nights. Tonight, following an **included dinner at Applewood Farm House**, we'll enjoy the **Music Mansion Christmas Spectacular**. Christmas at the Smoky Mountain Opry is a multi-million dollar Christmas production that features flying sugar plum fairies, soaring angels, dancing elves, enchanted reindeer, Jolly ol' Saint Nick, and most importantly, the celebration of the birth of Christ with the area's largest living nativity! The incredible cast includes talented singers, dancers, comedians, live animals, and a huge band spotlighting the orchestral sounds of our incredible brass section. Beautiful costumes, incredible special effects and lavish sets round out this first class Christmas experience! It's sure to become a family tradition! (D)



Day 2: The afternoon and evening we will be ours to enjoy Dollywood. We wouldn't want to miss the five-time winner of America's Best Christmas Event, **Dollywood's Smoky Mountain Christmas Festival!** Walk amid a winter wonderland of four million lights as you enjoy more than 20 rides and attractions for the entire family. Settle in for one of the park's holiday shows, including *Dollywood's A Christmas Carol*, *Christmas in the Smokies* and *O' Holy Night*. You'll want to make sure that you enjoy a delicious holiday meal served at one of the park's many restaurants during your visit. You can also visit Santa's Workshop where Santa is awaiting to hear every child's Christmas wishes. A Smoky Mountain Christmas is the most holiday fun you'll have! (B)



Day 3: Following breakfast we will spend a little time at the **Smoky Mountain Knife Works**. All too soon we must head for home, but we will stop for an **included lunch** in Asheville, NC. What a special time we have shared during this "Most Wonderful Season of the Year". (B,L)

\$445 PP Double / \$415 PP Triple
\$385 PP Quad / \$565 Single

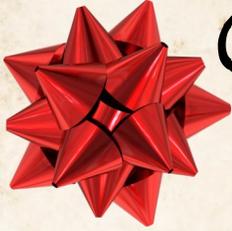
Deposit/Payment Requirements:
\$100 Deposit Per Person due with reservation

Plus cost of travel protection, if desired
(travel protection offers insurance benefits & non-insurance services)
cost per person is: \$39 Double, Triple, or Quad, \$58 Single

Final Payment Due by October 1, 2018

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SAN ANTONIO CHRISTMAS ON THE RIVERWALK



Plus Biloxi & New Orleans

November 26 - December 2, 2018

7 Days / 6 Nights

Includes 12 Meals

(No One under 21 on this Tour)



Day 1: We're on our way to the Lone Star State of Texas! The word "Texas" comes from 'tejas', the Caddo Indian word for "friendly". And we will find it so—all along the way! We have accommodations for tonight at the beautiful **Beau Rivage in Biloxi, MS**. A **dinner buffet** is included tonight. Tonight is ours to enjoy the excitement of our casino hotel. (D)

Day 2: Our travels today carry us on to **Houston, Texas**, the most populous city in Texas and the fourth-most populous city in the United States. Enroute we will visit the tallest Capitol in the U.S. in **Baton Rouge, Louisiana**. The building is 450 feet high with 34 floors. The Capitol Building was completed after only 14 months in 1932 and cost a modest \$5 million to complete. We'll take the elevator to the Observation Deck on the 27th floor, which overlooks the city of Baton Rouge. The views of the gardens are spectacular. What began as the dream of one man - Governor Huey P. Long - became a symbol of pride, history and the spirit of Louisiana people. In 1935, the building that Long built was also the site of his assassination. Senator Long is buried on the grounds and his statue faces the Capitol.

Lunch will be included today featuring some authentic Cajun/Creole cooking! By late afternoon we arrive in the Houston area, where we have accommodations for tonight. (B,L)



Day 3: Following breakfast this morning we continue on to **San Antonio, Texas**. "Remember the Alamo" are words we all know. Our accommodations for the next three nights are in the downtown area, along the beautiful **River Walk**, the pride of the city. Cobblestone walkways lead to the river-level shops and restaurants. Upon arrival we will visit the **Buckhorn Museum & Texas Ranger Hall of Fame**. It is actually five museums in one! with Horns, Fins, Feathers, The Hall of Texas History Wax Museum,

and special exhibits unlike anything seen in any other museums in the world. The Texas Ranger Museum honors the incredible history of the world's most famous law enforcement agency. Lunch will be included in the same Saloon where Teddy Roosevelt recruited Rough Riders and Pancho Villa is rumored to have planned the Mexican Revolution.

Following lunch we'll walk the short distance to see the **IMAX docudrama "Alamo - The Price of Freedom"**, presented on a screen six stories tall. The film recounts the battle of the Alamo. Next, it's just a short walk for a visit to the shrine, **The Alamo**. This evening is free to enjoy dinner on our own and soak in the Christmas spirit along the Riverwalk. This holiday season, the Riverwalk shines brighter than ever when the sun goes down as thousands of colorful holiday lights are displayed along the banks and in the tall Cypress trees. (B,L)



Day 4: Following breakfast we welcome our **local guide** onboard to help us explore the fascinating city of San Antonio, the cradle of Texas liberty and the deathbed of such heroes as Davy Crockett and Jim Bowie. Stops will include the SAS Factory Store. San Antonio is home to the famous **SAS** (San Antonio Shoes) footwear! Following our tour lunch is on our own at **Market Square**, the largest Mexican Market in the U.S. with plenty of time for some holiday shopping.

This afternoon is free to explore the fabulous River Walk area. The 2.5 mile tree-lined River Walk, or Paseo del Rio, symbolizes the beauty and romance of the city at Christmas time. We may want to browse in the River Center Mall, take a trolley ride, or just relax at an outdoor café along the River Walk.

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The highlight of the day will be a **River Cruise** on a colorful barge floating along the San Antonio River Walk. Experience a historical narrative tour from your Boat Pilot. The Riverwalk is especially beautiful at this time of the year with Holiday lights and luminaries. It's an enchanted kind of evening. Tonight we will have **dinner included** at a local favorite restaurant. (B,D)



Day 5: Following breakfast we will travel to **Austin** for a visit to this beautiful city. Our first stop is a visit to the **Lyndon Baines Johnson Presidential Library**, one of thirteen Presidential Libraries administered by the National Archives and Records Administration. It houses 45 million pages of historical documents which include the papers from the entire public career of Lyndon Baines Johnson and those of his close associates. We'll have some free time for lunch on our own in Austin. Following an **included lunch** in the area, we will have a guided tour of the **Texas State Capitol**. Completed in 1888 in downtown Austin, the capitol contains the offices and chambers of the Texas Legislature and the Office of the Governor. Designed in 1881 by architect Elijah E. Myers, it was constructed from 1882 to 1888. A \$75 million underground extension was completed in 1993. The building was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1970 and recognized as a National Historic Landmark in 1986. By mid-afternoon we depart for our return to San Antonio for our overnight again. (B,L)



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Day 6: Following our breakfast this morning it's on to **New Orleans**, Louisiana's largest city. In the French Quarter old brick and plaster buildings with iron-tatted balconies crowd narrow streets, while just across Canal Street new office towers soar. We will have **dinner included** at one of the popular restaurants in the **French Quarter**, with some free time for browsing. Our accommodations for tonight are in the New Orleans area. (B,D)



Day 7: Today we travel home with so-o-o many memories of the wonderful time we've had the past seven days! We just can't believe all that we have seen and done! Let's get together again real soon. (B)

***This tour requires that you can comfortably walk 4-5 blocks on several occasions**

**\$1280 PP Double / \$1170 PP Triple
\$1060 Quad / \$1745 Single**

**Deposit/Payment Requirements:
\$400.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation**

*Plus cost of travel protection, if desired
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cost per person is: \$93 Double, Triple or Quad , \$115 Single*

Final Payment Due by October 9, 2018

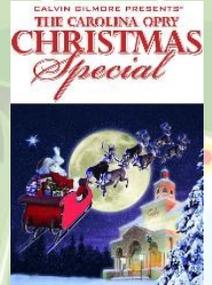
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Christmas in Myrtle Beach

3 DAYS / 2 NIGHTS
November 27-29, 2018
Tour includes 4 meals

\$380 PP Double / \$380 PP Triple
\$380 PP Quad / \$445 Single

Day 1: Today we travel to the beautiful Grand Strand, where we get settled in for a two-night stay. Following an **included seafood buffet** tonight, we are in for a treat as we take our seats at the **Carolina Opry**. Seeing this spectacular show is a Myrtle Beach tradition that gets better each year! (D)



Day 2: Our day begins with breakfast at our hotel, followed by time for some Christmas shopping and lunch in the area. Tonight we will have a spectacular experience as we take our seats at the **Pirates Voyage Dinner and Show**. We'll celebrate the things that make the holidays special as the Mystical Christmas Spirit takes Captain Scrooge on a journey through time and space to find the meaning of Christmas. Cheer along as giant Christmas toys come to life and perform amazing acrobatics high above the lagoon. Laugh at the hijinks of a comical castaway and her sea lion companion. And, gaze in awe and wonder at a live Nativity featuring three wise men on camels and an angel with a special message for landlubbers and pirates alike. We will also be thrilled by an epic battle between the Crimson and Emerald pirates as they compete for the coveted Christmas treasure on land, on deck, in water and high above two full-sized pirate ships! Following our dinner and show we return to our hotel to over-night again. (B,D)



Day 3: Our third day begins with maybe a little later breakfast at our hotel, followed by the opportunity to take in the beauty of the ocean, just outside our window. Next, we will board our coach filled with the Christmas spirit, and head toward home. We'll have lunch on our own at Columbiana Mall in Columbia, SC. We arrive back home by late afternoon. (B)



Deposit/Payment Requirements:
\$100.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation
Plus cost of travel protection, if desired
(travel protection offers insurance benefits & non-insurance services)
cost per person is: \$39 Double, Triple, Quad, or Single

Final Payment Due by October 10, 2018

CANCELLATION POLICY WITHOUT INSURANCE:

Due to the strict cancellation policies of the theaters in Myrtle Beach, any cancellation after final payment date, would result in charges for any unrecoverable expenses that would not be refunded to Ionosphere Tours, unless you can replace your reserved spot on the tour.

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CHRISTMAS IN NEW YORK CITY

5 Days/4 Nights
December 4 – 8, 2018
Tour includes 8 Meals



Day 1: Come away with us as we depart early today for the magical city - the city that never sleeps! Everything about **New York City** generates excitement, especially during the Christmas season. This city celebrates the season like no other, as you are soon to discover! We will overnight in the **Hagerstown, Maryland** area tonight. Lunch will be included today. (L)

Day 2: Following breakfast, we will continue north, traveling through Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey. By early afternoon we arrive in **New York City**, where we have accommodations in the New York area for the next two nights. We'll have some free time for shopping and an **included dinner** in mid-town Manhattan, near Times Square. Following dinner we'll take an elevator ride to the **Top of the Rock**, located in Rockefeller Plaza, for a spectacular view of the city. We'll also be able to see the awesome Christmas tree and ice skating rink in this area. Now it's time to check into our hotel, just across the Hudson River in New Jersey. (B,D)

Day 3: This morning we will drive into the city and visit the **9/11 Memorial and Museum**. Following lunch on our own at Brookfield Mall food court, we will welcome our step-on guide onboard for a **Guided Tour of Manhattan Island!** We'll see the sights from Central Park, which covers 840 acres of wooded and landscaped grounds, to the famous Fifth Avenue, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Theater District, Grand Central Station and more. Our tour will end in the Times Square area where we will enjoy an **included dinner**. This evening - **BROADWAY THEATER!** We have reserved seats for one of the award winning musicals currently on Broadway. (B,D)



Day 4: Before departing New York this morning we have tickets for the best Christmas show of them all! It's **Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular**, featuring the **Rockettes**, live on the great stage at Radio City Music Hall. Next, we will take the Staten Island Ferry from Battery Park to Staten Island, to catch a view of the Statue of Liberty. We'll have lunch on our own at the Food Court at the Ferry Terminal in Staten Island, before we continue our journey. We will spend the night in **Hagerstown, MD**, following an **included dinner** (B,D)

Day 5: After enjoying our breakfast this morning, we journey towards home. The magic of the big city is left behind and we reminisce about all we've seen and experienced. (B)

CANCELLATION POLICY WITHOUT INSURANCE:

Due to the strict cancellation policies of the New York area hotels, Broadway shows and some restaurants on this tour, any cancellation would result in charges for any unrecoverable expenses that would not be refunded to Ionosphere Tours, unless you can replace your reserved spot on the tour. Every effort will be made, by Ionosphere Tours to give you as much refund as possible.

**This tour requires that you can comfortably walk 4-5 blocks on several occasions*

**\$1095 PP Double / \$1020 PP Triple
\$945 PP Quad / \$1375 Single**

Deposit/Payment Requirements:

\$300.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation

Plus cost of travel protection, if desired

(travel protection offers insurance benefits & non-insurance services)

cost per person is: \$93 Double - \$93 Triple - \$58 Quad - \$93 Single

Final Payment Due by October 18, 2018

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CHRISTMAS AT GAYLORD OPRYLAND HOTEL

4 Days / 3 Nights
December 12 - 15, 2018
Tour includes 3 Meals

\$820 PP Double / \$740 PP Triple
\$700 PP Quad / \$1060 Single

Day 1 – Let’s celebrate the **Christmas Season** in grand style at the magnificent **Gaylord Opryland Hotel!** This resort hotel goes all out for the holidays, decorating to the hilt and providing the very best in holiday entertainment! This morning we depart the Southeast and head for **Nashville, Tennessee. Lunch will be included** today. Upon arrival we get checked into this beautiful Resort for our three-night stay. Following dinner on our own, we have reserved seats for a **Christmas Broadway Production!** - (TBA) (L)

Day 2 - The morning is ours to enjoy. We can have a leisurely breakfast at one of the specialty restaurants, explore the nine acres of lush indoor gardens, or maybe take a flatboat ride on the water-way in the Delta. By mid-morning we depart for **Fantasy in Ice.** This 20,000-square foot magical winter wonderland includes magnificent ice sculptures, many over 25 feet in length, which we can walk through, slide down, and photograph. We are in for a special holiday treat tonight as we enjoy the **Country Christmas Dinner Show** featuring **Trace Adkins.** The Grammy-nominated member of the Grand Ole Opry is a TV personality, actor, author, spokesman for the Wounded Warrior Project and the American Red Cross . (D)



Day 3 - Once again we will have a leisurely morning at the resort. We will have time to explore the **Conservatory, the Cascades,** and the amazing **Delta,** all found within the Opryland Hotel. We’ll just have to see it to believe it! Included is admission for the **Flatboat ride in the Delta.** By lunchtime we will board the **General Jackson,** a paddle-wheel showboat, for a **Holiday Luncheon Cruise** on the Cumberland River. We will enjoy live entertainment, along with the live band onboard. Following our luncheon cruise we will return to our beautiful hotel. To-



night, following dinner on our own at the hotel we will make ready for a second evening of entertainment as we take our seats for the **Grand Ole Opry at the Ryman Auditorium.** The Opry, the country’s longest-running continuous radio program, has not missed a broadcast since its beginning in 1925.

Day 4 - Following breakfast this morning, it’s time to say goodbye to this beautiful resort. But there is still much fun in store as we sing some holiday songs and enjoy good fellowship, making our way home. We arrive home early this evening, filled with the “Spirit of the Season”.

This tour requires quite a bit of walking due to the size of the hotel property.

****The order of activities may vary****

Deposit/Payment Requirements:

\$200.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation

Plus cost of travel protection, if desired

*(travel protection offers insurance benefits & non-insurance services)
cost per person is: \$58 Double, Triple, or Quad- \$93 Single*

Final Payment Due by October 9, 2018



CANCELLATION POLICY WITHOUT TRAVEL INSURANCE:

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PLAN FOR THE UNEXPECTED

Because of cancellation penalties incurred, especially on cruises, we strongly recommend the purchase of trip protection insurance, which includes trip cancellation, interruption, and emergency medical coverage. Ionosphere Tours assists customers who wish to purchase travel protection by offering a plan through Travel Insured. Purchasing this protection will insure you receive a refund if you have to cancel due to an unforeseen sickness, injury, or death of the Insured, a Traveling Companion or Family Member (Certain exclusions apply).

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Schedule of Benefits for Deluxe Protection plan **TRAVEL INSURED**TM

<u>Benefit</u>	<u>Maximum Benefit Amount</u>
Medical Expense/Emergency Assistance	
Medical Expense	\$50,000
Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation	\$250,000
24-Hour Assistance Services	Included
Trip Cancellation	Trip Cost
Trip Interruption	150% of Trip Cost
Travel Delay - 6 hours (Up to \$150 Per Day)	\$750
Missed Connection - 3 hours	\$500
Baggage and Personal Effects	\$1,500
Baggage Delay-24 Hours	\$400



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\$30.00 off : Trips 6-10 days in length

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Tour Destination _____ Tour Dates _____

Name(s) (as used on nametag) _____

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Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ Cell Phone# _____ E-Mail _____

Accommodations () Double () Triple () Quad () Single

Roommate(s) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Special Requests () Smoking () Handicapped-(requirements _____)

Desired pick up point as listed in Travel Guide _____

Travel Protection Insurance included- yes _____ no _____

Please include your deposit/full payment and Trip Insurance payment with this form. The amount of the deposit and insurance due are listed on each trip brochure. If you have any coupons or I.T.'S MONEY be sure to include them as well -do not deduct them from the deposit.

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Reservations:

We encourage you to make your reservations as soon as you decide you want to go on a trip. Why? Because only a limited number of people can be accommodated on our motorcoaches and some trips fill up quickly. Your deposit reserves your spot. To make a reservation simply call our office. Deposits are due 10 days after making your reservation. A confirmation will be mailed after your deposit is received. Credit card payments will incur a 3% to 5% surcharge due to the processing fees charged to us by Credit Card Companies.

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Sightseeing:

All sightseeing tours, guides, and admissions are covered in the tour price as outlined in the itinerary.

Luggage Handling:

Luggage handling is included - 1 bag per person. You may also bring 1 small overnight bag which will be your personal responsibility. Customers are reminded that we will gladly allow storage of carry-on bags in the luggage bay under the coach. Drivers will not be responsible for bringing these items to the rooms or for providing access to these bags until the end of the day.

Gratuities:

All necessary tips to bellmen, doormen, and dining room tips on meals in the itinerary are included.

Meals:

Meals are covered if so stated in the itinerary. The following codes describe what meals can be expected: B – Breakfast (Breakfast may be a full or a continental breakfast), L - Lunch, D - Dinner

What's Not Included:

Meals: Other than meals stated on the itinerary.

Personal expenses: Room Service, telephone calls and all other items of a personal nature.

Gratuities to Tour Director and Driver: Gratuities are appreciated, and the amount is always at your discretion.

Suggestions - \$2.00-\$4.00 per person per day for your Tour Director and \$2.00-\$4.00 per person per day for your Driver.

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DEPARTURE and RETURN POINTS:

We will depart and return to the same locations on each of our tours. The following is a list of those places. In some cases if you are the only passenger at a location, we may ask you to join us at a nearby location. Anderson, SC – Walmart on Liberty Hwy.; Lavonia, GA– Holiday Inn Express exit 173 off I-85; Augusta, GA- Food Lion Belair Rd.; N. Augusta, SC – New Walmart Hwy 25 near I-20; Aiken, SC – Walmart Hwy 1.

OTHER DEPARTURE and RETURN POINTS:

We will also pick up along most major routes, such as I-20, I-85, I-95, and I-75 when the tour travels through a city on both its departure and return. Ask for details when you call to make your reservation!

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Please be at your departure point and *visible* at least ten (10) minutes prior to your scheduled departure time.

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