

ROLLING ON THE RIVERS



SEPTEMBER 18 – 24, 2018
7 DAYS/6 NIGHTS
INCLUDES 12 MEALS



Would you like to ride on four different excursions on two great rivers, the Mississippi and the Ohio? If you like riverboatin' then this is the tour for you! The past comes to life as we hear the whistles blow and the calliopes play, and watch the paddlewheels churn!



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

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: \$93 Double, Triple or Quad, \$115 Single

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