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SIGNATURE MULTIDAY TOURS

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VIRGINIA INTERNATIONAL TATTOO FESTIVAL

April 25-28, 2019

The spectacular Virginia International Tattoo performance inspires audiences, leaving them with a renewed sense of pride and optimism. The festival invites military and nonmilitary bands, drill teams, bagpipe and drum bands, highland dancers and more from around the globe to create a unified and extraordinary performance. The Virginia International Tattoo offers an astounding display of patriotism and the spirit of international cooperation. Inspirational music...majestic pipes and drums... show stopping drill team maneuvers... colorful and elegant dancers. Bleacher tickets to the Festival's "Parade of Nations" featuring international floats, marching bands and specialty units. Norfolk Botanical Garden - located on 155 acres, we have included the tram ride, so you can experience several of the different themed gardens. Spring is a fantastic time to visit with millions of blooms found throughout the gardens. Time to purchase lunch and explore Historic Ghent Naval Base Cruise on the Elizabeth River - While cruising the smooth waters of this river, you will be in one of the world's busiest sea ports including the world's largest naval base, home of the Atlantic Fleet; Destroyers, Guided Missile Cruisers, submarines and Aircraft Carriers. Naval Station Norfolk - Experience the life of a sailor. Take a 45-minute bus tour of the world's largest naval station, as an enlisted sailor takes you onto the base and shows how our Navy works, lives and protects our country.



Scheduled Tour, April 22-26, for groups unable to fill a bus

SOUTHERN CHARM . . . SAVANNAH AND CHARLESTON

Suggested tour length is 6 or 7 days

Charleston is the second largest city in South Carolina and originally was called Charles Towne, to honor Charles II of England, Scotland & Ireland. Savannah's history goes back to 1733 when it became the first city in the 13th, and final, American colony called "Georgia", named after England's King George II. We have combined popular attractions, historic restaurants and some time on your own to explore to make this a memorable experience. Carriage ride through Historic Charleston. Joseph Manigault House - Built in 1803, this is one of Charleston's most exquisite antebellum structures. USS Yorktown - One of the 24 Essex-class aircraft carriers built during World War II for the United States Navy. Two dinner cruises - One in Charleston and one in Savannah. Trolley Tour of Savannah - Plus time on your own with a trolley hop-on, hop-off pass. Dolphin Cruise - Pass by shrimp



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boats and boat docks that portray the charm of an old fishing village enroute to seeing a friendly bottle-nosed dolphin. Several Great Meals - At restaurants that give a flavor of the area. Restaurants like the Pirate House, a historic restaurant and tavern established in 1753.

Scheduled Tour, April 29-May 4, for groups unable to fill a bus

GETTYSBURG TWO-DAY TOUR

- *New Birth of Freedom* Movie, Cyclorama and admissions to the Visitors Center
- Guided tour of the Gettysburg Battlefield
- Gettysburg Heritage Center - utilizing interactive displays, 3-D productions, artifacts and historical documents, you will gain a better understanding of the events that took place in the town before, during and after the battle.
- *In Their Shoes Experience* - be recruited into a hands-on presentation from wake-up call to preparation for battle in an actual encampment. See first-hand what soldiers used every day to eat, sleep and prepare for battle
- Three meals, one in Gettysburg's most historic house which was built in 1776



Scheduled tours, June 4-6, 2019 (with Lancaster Tour), August 20-22, 2019 and October 19-20, 2019 (haunted tour) for smaller groups

MOUNT RUSHMORE plus IOWA and WISCONSIN

Suggested Tour Length - 7 Days, but expandable to 8 or 9 Days

- Several meals including dinner theatre, chuckwagon dinner, lunch in the Amana Colonies, family-style Amish feast and breakfasts
- Mount Rushmore, Black Hills National Forest, Custer State Park, Crazy Horse Monument, Mount Rushmore National Memorial and much more. Enroute we'll travel through the Badlands National Park, seeing the results of 37 million year of erosion
- Mount Rushmore evening lighting ceremony
- Wall Drug Store, in a town "almost forgotten"
- "World's Only Corn Palace" in Mitchell, South Dakota
- Guided tour of Amana Colonies (Upper, Lower & Middle)
- House on the Rock



Scheduled Tour, July 7-13, 2019 and Expanded Tour, July 21-29, 2019 for groups unable to fill a bus

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MACKINAC ISLAND AND FRANKENMUTH

Suggested Tour Length - 3 Days, but expandable to 4 or 5 Days

- Travel to the point where the Upper Peninsula of Michigan meets the Lower Peninsula
- Lodging on the Island, Mackinaw City or in St. Ignace
- Package can be designed to include an evening at Thunder Bay Resort with elk-viewing, gourmet dinner and carriage ride
- Ferry ride to Mackinac Island where no motorized vehicles are permitted
- Horse-drawn carriage tour and time to enjoy the Island
- First-class luncheon buffet at the Grand Hotel . . . their specialty
- Visit to Frankenmuth, Cross in the Woods and Kewadin Casino(s)
- Several additional meals including luncheon in Frankenmuth
- Package can be expanded to 4 or 5 days. Options to consider:
 - Agawa Canyon Train (requires a Passport or Passport Card)
 - Soo Locks boat cruise or dinner-cruise . . . go through the locks!
 - Castle Farms and a day in Charlevoix
 - Guided Frankenmuth tour including St. Lorenz Church, when available
 - Bronner's CHRISTmas Wonderland, Silent Night Chapel



Scheduled Tour, June 7-9, 2019 for groups unable to fill a bus (Lilac Festival time)

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND ~ VERMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE & MAINE

Suggested Tour Length - 7 Days

- Thirteen meals including five dinners (one lobster or alternate and one with entertainment)
- Local Guide with group in the Northern New England area
- Maple Museum and Plymouth Union (birthplace of Calvin Coolidge)
- Franconia Notch (in the White Mountains of New Hampshire)
- Tour of Hanover (home of Dartmouth College)
- Viewing of Lake Squam (featured in the movie *On Golden Pond*)
- The Wedding Cake House and Portland Head Light
- Time to explore and shop in Freeport, home of L.L. Bean



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Scheduled Tour, September 29- October 5, 2019 for groups unable to fill a bus (don't wait, at press time, this tour was already filling up)

CAPE COD, MARTHA'S VINEYARD & BOSTON

Suggested Tour Length - 6 Days, but expandable to 7 or 8 Days

- Rooms at a beautiful resort enroute
- Upgraded meals including a dinner with choice of lobster or steak
- Full day tour along the Old King's Highway to Provincetown at the tip of Cape Cod . . . our guide shows you the nooks & crannies
- Guided bus tour of Martha's Vineyard (famous summer resort of the rich and famous) - we'll be in Edgartown at lunch time
- Professionally-guided Tour of Boston including Quincy Market - or, for something different, enjoy a Boston Duck Tour and see Boston by land and by sea
- America's hometown of Plymouth - see Plymouth Rock and learn about the cranberry bogs . . . bring your camera
- Package can be expanded to include an additional night of rooms at Foxwoods
- Casino Resort or in Boston



Scheduled Tour, July 8-13, 2019 for groups unable to fill a bus

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE . . . NOW WITH MORE SHOWS

Each package is customized! Optional stop at Falcon Rest Mansion

Suggested Tour Length - 4 Days (expandable to 5)

- Ask us about staying at the Opryland Hotel
- Nashville Dinner Theatre . . . buffet and entertainers
- Grand Ole Opry . . . live performances in a relaxed atmosphere
- Luncheon or dinner cruise aboard the General Jackson Showboat
- Guided tour of Nashville with a stop at Ryman Auditorium
- Country Music Hall of Fame or the Johnny Cash Museum
- Time at Opry Mills . . . all new!
- Studio B Tour with optional group song taping and CD for passengers
- Falcon Rest Mansion & Gardens - Tour this Victorian mansion called "Tennessee's Biltmore" by PBS with humorous tales from the past, food like grandma used to make, plus a friendly ghost
- Choice of Mansion entertainment Vaudeville Style History Show, Murder at the Mansion or Ghost at the Mansion
- Don't forget a Holiday Tour featuring spectacular shows for the season



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Scheduled Tours, September 12-15, 2019 and December 4-7, 2019 for groups unable to fill a bus

SHOWTIME IN THE SMOKIES . . . You select the shows! . . . host of the Great Day! Tours 50th anniversary tour

Suggested Tour Length - 4 Days (expandable to 5

- Seven meals - three dinners, one lunch and three breakfasts
- You select the shows your group will see (call for the details of the twenty shows)
- A narrated tour of the Great Smoky Mountain National Park
- Dollywood and/or Titanic Museum . . . popular stop on our 50th Anniversary Tour
- Ole Smoky Mountain Moonshine . . . the first legal Tennessee still
- Ripley's Aquarium (with the 3D IMAX) or Oktoberfest
- Christ in the Smokies Museum and Garden
- Harrah's Cherokee Casino for a little gaming action
- Biltmore Mansion with lunch plus Biltmore winery
- Don't forget the Pigeon Forge Winterfest in November and December
- Five-day package can include more shows, attractions and meals



Scheduled Tours, September 30- October 4, 2019 (Appreciation Tour) and December 2-5, 2019 for groups unable to fill a bus

THE BIG APPLE . . . NEW YORK CITY

Each package is customized for your group!

Suggested Tour Length - 3, 4 or 5 Days

- Lodging can be in New York City or a suburban hotel (less expensive)
- Great meals - We know some great restaurants in New York City
- Possible package inclusions:
 - Tickets to a Broadway Show
 - Guided Tour of New York City
 - Shopping in New York City
 - Seeing Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty
 - NBC Studios and Rockefeller Center
 - Dinner-Cruise
- Also see the New York City Shopping Express Tours



Scheduled Tour, September 15-18, 2019 for groups unable to fill a bus

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CHICAGO . . . THE WINDY CITY

Suggested Tour Length - 3, 4 or 5 Days

- Lodging in downtown Chicago or in a nearby suburb (for the best value)
- Attractions - Your customized package can feature:
 - Guided tour of Chicago (gangster-style tour also available) or a harbor front cruise
 - Navy Pier and its shops
 - Museum of Science & Industry plus the Omnimax
 - A great view of the city, lake and four states from the 360 Chicago Observation Deck (plus the optional "tilt")
 - Shedd Aquarium . . . with over 32,500 animals to make you feel the wonder of the living world
 - A fabulous Architectural Cruise
 - Tour of a chocolate confectionery
 - Tour an operating dairy farm. Group will tour a real dairy farm, see a 4D movie, enjoy lunch and visit a birthing barn, cheese plant and information center (see how the dairy industry protects the environment, cares for the cows and ensures the highest quality milk possible)
- Upscale meals and shows - We know the palate-pleasing places
 - Chicago's Little Italy
 - Dinner and entertainment at Medieval Times
 - Bob Chinn's Crab House (serves meals to 3,000 people each day)
 - Family-style Amish dinner (enroute home)
 - Dinner with entertainment at a 1920's speakeasy (with singing & dancing servers)
 - Ask us about including a Broadway-style or other show



Scheduled Tour, July 24-26, 2019 and August 7-9, 2019 for groups unable to fill a bus

WASHINGTON D.C. TOUR

Suggested Tour Length - 2 to 4 Days

- Several meals including a dinner overlooking the Washington Channel
- Full-day guided tour of Washington including the popular monuments, memorials, Arlington Cemetery (with the tram) plus the Kennedy Gravesite and Tomb of the Unknown Soldier . . . where we watch the "Changing of the Guard"
- Smithsonian Museums (amount of time varies by tour length)



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- Four-day package can include a tour of the Capitol Building, Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, the National Zoo and additional Smithsonian Museums

Scheduled Tour, June 22-23, 2019; August 19-20, 2019 and September 24-26, 2019 for smaller groups

THE GORGEOUS MOHAWK VALLEY & CATSKILL MOUNTAINS

Suggested Tour Length - 3 Days

- Lock cruise - Narrated 90-minute cruise included through one of the locks
- Herkimer Diamond Mines - one of the few places in the world where they can be found
- Train Ride, with an elegant lunch, through the Catskill Mountains
- Sonnenberg Gardens & Mansion - Tour the 40-room Queen Anne-style mansion, completed in 1887, with its signature floral design and landscaping
- Unique stop to learn about a carpenter who put up cough syrup and laxative tea in his home leading to a most-successful product . . . thanks to promotions by a young girl "Elizabeth" and a funny guy, "Bill"
- Six meals - two breakfasts, two lunches (one aboard the train and the other in a former Baltimore & Ohio train depot) and two dinners including one at the Savoy, a landmark originally established in 1908 in Rome, New York



Scheduled Tour, October 2-4, 2019 for groups unable to fill a bus

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA TOUR

Suggested Tour Length - 6 Days

- Nine meals
- Birmingham Botanical Gardens
- McWane Center (a hands-on science museum) with an IMAX presentation
- Alabama Jazz Hall of Fame
- Rosa Parks Library and Museum at Troy University
- Eternal Word Television Network Tour . . . seen on local cable television stations
- Birmingham Civil Rights Institute - a place of remembrance, revolution and reconciliation
- Creation Museum - a state-of-the-art museum ranging from dinosaurs to Adam and Eve
- Stops in Louisville and Bardstown
- Tour can be expanded to include Selma and Montgomery - walk across the bridge!



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We spend two nights here during our October 6-12, 2019 Southern Tour for groups unable to fill a bus

HOLLAND, MICHIGAN

May is Tulip time in Holland with other gardens to discover in the summer months

Suggested Tour Length - 2 or 3 Days

- Attractions such as Windmill Island, Dutch Village, Veldheer Tulip Gardens and DeKlomp Wooden Shoe & Delft Factory, boat cruise or dune ride (number of included attractions varies by the length of tour)
- Three meals (two-day tour) or five meals (three-day tour) including a dinner theatre
- Three-day package can include the Mystery Dinner Train or Grand Rapids attractions
- Holland Tulip Time offers several show and parade options
- Tour can be combined with Grand Rapids including the Gerald Ford Home



Scheduled Tour, May 9-11, 2019 with parade & three shows for groups unable to fill a bus

ARK ENCOUNTER

This full-sized replica of Noah's Ark is the largest wooden timber structure in the world. Built as described in the Book of Genesis using the original dimensions, the Ark is 510 feet long, 50 feet tall and 85 feet wide. You will be seeing how Noah and his family may have lived, as well as an "animatronic Noah" who will answer questions. There is plenty of seating throughout the Ark so passengers can rest as needed. Great Day! Tours has designed a variety of options in various price ranges so your group can enjoy this fabulous new attraction.

CUSTOMIZE YOUR TWO OR THREE-DAY EXPERIENCE TO INCLUDE SOME OF THE FOLLOWING

- Noah's Ark Encounter experience (see above)
- Lodging in the Queen City area or at a casino hotel (with meals and a gaming bonus)
- Meals at some great restaurants
- Dinner-cruise on the Ohio River
- Creation Museum - this state-of-the-art museum brings the pages of the Bible to life.
- National Underground Railroad

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Scheduled Tour, June 18-19 and October 19-20, for groups unable to fill a bus

MISSISSIPPI RIVER CRUISE ABOARD THE RIVERBOAT TWILIGHT

Suggested Tour Length - 4 Days but expandable up to 9 Days

Mark Twain said "nothing so liberalizes a man and expands the kindly instincts that nature put in him as travel and contact with many kinds of people." Cruise the Mississippi River much like Huckleberry Finn except you'll be in an elegant riverboat which features three decks with Victorian steamboat architecture, both inside and out. There is comfortable dining salons (pictured) and sun decks with lounge chairs to sightsee or to "catch a snooze." This is also a nature habitat for many rare species . . . you typically see 20 to 30 bald eagles on a cruise. This is a Great Day! specialty tour.



- Two nights lodging in the Quad Cities
- One-night lodging at the Grand Harbor Resort in Dubuque, Iowa
- Two-day, 166-mile roundtrip cruise aboard the Riverboat "Twilight"
- Lunches and Dinners aboard the cruise are served, plated meals
- Nine meals including five meals plus snacks aboard the ship
- Live entertainment both days including musicians and storytellers
- Admission to the National Mississippi River Museum
- Complimentary shuttle service to Dubuque attractions and casino
- Baggage handling, taxes and gratuities on items included
- Expandable to a five or six-day package including Wisconsin Dells, Milwaukee or Chicago or a nine-day Mount Rushmore tour

Scheduled Tour, October 7-10, 2019 and October 14-17, 2019 for groups unable to fill a bus



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