

TOP-NOTCH TRAVEL TOURS

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"The MAILING"

SPRING/SUMMER 2022 "MILES OF PLEASURE...MEMORIES TO TREASURE"

✿ ☺ ✿ 'SPRING' Has SPRUNG ✿ ☺ ✿
(Well, on some days more than others!)

"Well, I 'had' good intentions of getting this Mailing out in APRIL!."
It has become more difficult to schedule attractions/events, etc. as you need to email 'or' leave message(s) and wait to hear back from them -- as many have shortened their work-week and/or cut back on staff. As a result of the 'staffing' issues - it has made 'lunch stops' difficult when we make random drop-offs for you to have lunch 'on your own' then, we 'try' to get back on the road ASAP! This also makes it harder to judge 'estimated arrival times' in reaching our next destination. ☺ Therefore, I have found it necessary to start including more of these lunches within the package to help smooth out our travels! But, 'HEY' that's OK, as I enjoy researching 'unique places' to eat along the way! ☺

"As always, we appreciate your patronage and look forward to seeing you on-board!" Brenda ♥

☎ ~ Reservations ~ ☎

Many trips fill-up quickly and may be limited to one or two coaches. However, you are always welcome to call and check on availability and/or the length of the 'Standby' list. Likewise, if you sign-up early and find you won't be able to join us please call to cancel ASAP. A deposit is required on 'multiple-day' trips to help offset initial costs of lodging, meals, tickets...etc. Upon making your reservation, please mail your deposit:

\$100 per person (or, 'as indicated' per trip) to: **TOP-NOTCH TOURS** P O Box 526 - Lebanon, IN 46052

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All trips include....

**Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation & Gratuities, along with Attractions and Meals, per listing.**

Departures from.... **Indianapolis ~ Lebanon ~ Lafayette** [unless otherwise indicated]

Let the good times roll....

✱ The following trips are 'FULL' at this time. ✱

(Details were in the 'JANUARY 2022' mailing)

April 30-May 7 'Outer Banks' & 'Norfolk'

May 14-21 → " Limited Space \* "

June 7-9 3-day 'MYSTERY TRIP'???

June 29 'Derby Dinner Playhouse'...  
(Re-scheduled from February 3rd)

July 6-9 'Twilight River Cruise' See Info... ➔

Aug 1-4 'Put-in-Bay' & 'Sauder Village', OH

Aug 27-Sept 1 We're 'Wisconsin' Bound

Sept 11-17 'Adirondack Mountains', NY

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☎ \* "Obviously, Call Right Away!" ☎

**July 6 - 9 (Wednesday-Saturday) ~☀~**

### TWILIGHT RIVER CRUISE!

~ 'Two Coaches' ... 'Limited Space' ~

"Up and Down the Mighty Mississippi...  
LeClaire, IA to Dubuque and Back!"

Plus, the '**JOHN DEERE PAVILION**' (Moline, IL)

Details were in the 'JANUARY' Mailing.

"Call if you would like to join us and /or if  
you need us to send you all the details!"

Motorcoach Transportation / 2-day Cruise

3-Nights Lodging - Attractions/Admissions

(3) Breakfasts ~ (3) Lunches ~ (3) Dinners

\$942 double/per person - \$1,160 single

**September 27 - 29 (Tuesday-Thursday) 3 days/2 nights** *Let's Get 'FALL'ish and Horse Around!*

### Lexington, Kentucky ...'Horse Capital of the World!'

"We did a similar trip, but as a 'MYSTERY', back in '2018'. It is beautiful rolling country,  
with gorgeous horse farms, interesting variety throughout and we had a great time!  
Sooo, I don't know what has taken me so long to work it in again?."

#### Many Highlights:

✱ 2- nights Lodging at the **Embassy Suites Hotel**

✱ Step-on Guide for Touring ✱ Tour the 'indescribable' **Kentucky Castle**

✱ Behind-the-Scenes Tour of **Keeneland Race Course**

✱ Guided Tour of '**Old Friends Retirement Farm**' (Thoroughbred Horses!) ..☺..

✱ Lunch at the **Bluegrass Stockyards** ✱ Driving Tour through **Bluegrass Horse Country**

✱ Plus, a couple '**Mystery Stops**' along the way?

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2-nights Lodging - Local Step-on Guide - Listed Attractions

(2) Full Breakfasts ~ (3) Lunches ~ (1) Dinner ~ (1) Evening Reception

\$610 double/per person - \$838 single

**October 6 (Thursday) Experience this Incredible 'one-of-a-kind' Attraction...An Awe-Inspiring Day!**

**ARK ENCOUNTER** (*Williamstown, KY*)

~ **Noah's Ark** ~

**Spanning 510-ft. long, 85-ft. wide and 51-ft. high**

A life-size, all wood ARK, which is the largest timber-frame structure in the world. The incredible craftsmanship is itself an exhibit; all three decks of the ARK are full of state-of-the-art, world-class exhibits that will amaze and inspire you!

*You can go at your own pace, with plenty of places to sit along the way.*

*Enjoy the '**Ararat Ridge Zoo**' - with exotic animals from around the world.*

*And, of course, you won't want to miss the amazing **Gift Shop!***

Includes a full '**Buffet Lunch**' at **Emzara's Kitchen**, where you can sit, relax and enjoy a spectacular view of the ARK!

Departures from: *Lebanon & Indy* - \$120

**October 14 - 22 (Friday-Saturday) 9 days/8 nights "A Long Time Coming...But, Worth the Wait!"**

★ **TEXAS** ... and ... **OKLAHOMA** ★

**w/ Sooo Many 'Highlights' and 'Great Sightseeing' Along the Way!**

**Texas:**

Focusing on **WACO**, home of **Chip and Joanna Gaines** from **HGTV's 'Fixer Upper'**. [2-nights]

One of their biggest projects was renovating two 120 ft. Grain Silos and a 20,000 sq. ft. Grain Barn into the ever-so-popular complex known as the **"Magnolia Market at the Silos"**.

Magnolia Market and its famous landmark Silos occupy two city blocks in downtown Waco.

*Owned by Chip and Joanna, the main store of 'Home Decor' offers items in Joanna's own unique style, along with additional shops to include Clothing, a Garden Supply Shop, the Silos Bakery, Magnolia Press Coffee Shop and, of course, the famous 'Food Truck' Park!*

We will also have a '*Local Step-on Guide*' for area touring, as well as the

★ **Dr. Pepper Museum** ★ **Texas Ranger Hall of Fame & Museum**

★ **'Fixer Upper' Sites** ... Seeing many of the past, present and future projects of Chip and Jo's, along with several **HGTV 'Fixer Upper' Homes** - as well as to learn of their upcoming plans!

★ Stop at the historic **1870 'Waco Suspension Bridge'** - a legendary icon of downtown Waco.

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★ TEXAS ... and ... OKLAHOMA ★ ...Cont'd...

Oklahoma:

- ★ Tour the **National Weather Center** (Norman, Ok) - A very educational and impressive experience!
- ★ **OKLAHOMA CITY** - [Step-on Guide] A narrated, fun and entertaining tour on the **Bricktown Water Taxi**, on the *Bricktown Water Canal*...thru the former warehouse district; now, a very popular entertainment/dining area. Wine Tasting at the **"Put a Cork In It"** Winery (optional, of course!) [Dinner and Overnight]
- ★ **PAWHUSKA** - **"The Pioneer Woman"** Free time for lunch and to browse **'The Mercantile'** as well as other downtown shops; or, you may want to check-out the **Osage Nation Museum!** We will have a local guide for a side-trip out to see **'The Lodge'**. Located on the *Drummond Ranch*, this is the family 'guest house' and 'production site' for Ree's *'Food Network'* show. [Dinner and Overnight: Bartlesville, OK]
- ★ **Lendonwood Gardens**, followed by lunch at the **Shangri-La Resort** en route to Miami, OK. [Overnight] A special evening...as we 'tour' and 'dine' at the **Coleman Theatre**, circa 1929. This 'grand' historic theatre, located on Route 66, has been completely restored to her original splendor and deemed the **"Jewel of the Mother Road!"**

★ "Plus, it's always fun to include a little **'Mystery Stop'** as we're winding down.?"

Motorcoach Transportation ~ 8-nights Lodging ~ Listed Attractions / Admissions

2-nights en route: Hayti, MO & Sulphur Springs, TX 'and' 1-night en route home: St Louis SW, MO

(8) Breakfasts ~ (5) Lunches ~ (6) Dinners

\$1,990 double/per person - \$2,510 single - \$1,840 triple/per person

Note: A \$200 Deposit, per person - is due upon making your reservation.

November 14 - 18 (Monday-Friday)

♪ ❄️ ♪ **'CHRISTMAS' in the Ozarks!** ♪ ❄️ ♪

Back to **'BRANSON'**

5 days/4 nights



'Great Shows' .... 'Great Seats'



★ Grand Jubilee ★ Clay Cooper



★ Daniel O'Donnell ★ Presleys' Jubilee

★ 'Miracle of Christmas' ('Sight & Sound' Theatre)

★ Down Home Country (Morning Show - Grand Country Inn)

❄️ Holiday 'NIGHT-LIGHT' Drive ~ Tour, "College of the Ozarks" ❄️

3-nights: Grand Country Inn (Branson) - 1-night: Drury Inn (St. Louis SW)

(4) Breakfasts ~ (3) Lunches ~ (4) Dinners

\$885 double/per person - \$1,084 single

Note: I have included a 4-day 'Holiday Getaway' to include **The GREENBRIER**.

FYI...We will arrive there by 'mid-afternoon' on Thursday and depart 'late-afternoon' on Friday. This allows plenty of time to experience this incredible hotel as well as 'making it much more affordable' for all to enjoy!

**November 30 - December 3 (Wed-Sat) 4 days/3 nights \* \* \* Holiday Highlights \* \* \***

**The *Greenbrier* Resort** Plus, *The Legendary Lights of Clifton Mill*  
White Sulphur Springs, WV Clifton, OH

**Overnight en route:** At the **Mills Park Hotel** with a 'Classic Design' of modern  
'Historic Charm' - located in the heart of *Yellow Springs, OH*. ("We love this place!") ☺

The **Historic Clifton Mill** has celebrated Christmas for over 30 years as one of the country's finest -  
now, with over 4-million lights illuminating the mill, the gorge, the riverbanks, trees and bridges.  
There is even a 100-foot 'waterfall' of twinkling lights, all with the flip of one switch - transforming  
night into a fantastical Winter Wonderland! And, 'so much more' to get us into the Christmas Spirit!

For over two hundred years **The *Greenbrier*** has welcomed guests with  
warm hospitality and unmatched service - comfortably casual, yet very elegant!

All inclusive....

- \* 1-night at 'The *Greenbrier*' with Great Accommodations and Wonderful Meals....
- \* A great, festive (group) 'Dinner' and an amazing 'Buffet Breakfast' in the **Main Dining Room**
- \* Historic Resort Tour \* Afternoon Tea \* Culinary Demonstrations \* In-house 'Movie Theatre'
- \* \$20 'Slot Play' for Casino (a 'must see' - w/ 'play' optional', of course) \* Midnight 'Champagne Toast'
- \* Browse the many Shops within the Hotel \* Bunker Tour - Very Interesting! (\$) \* Spa Services (\$)

\* Plus, we will make a stop at the **TAMARACK MARKETPLACE!** (Beckley, WV)

**Overnight en route Home: Delta Hotel - Huntington, WV**

**3-nights Lodging - Attractions, per listing**

**(3) Breakfasts ~ (1) Lunch ~ (2) Dinners**

**\$845 double/per person - \$1,174 single**



Next Mailing: SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER



Watch for a 1-day 'HOLIDAY' Get-Away

along with our line-up for

'2023'

FEBRUARY (tbd) ~ Florida

MAY ~ 'Biltmore Estate' - Asheville, NC & Charleston, SC

and, of course, MORE.?.?

\* ☺ \* "Take Time To Enjoy Life's Simple Joys" \* ☺ \*

STANDARD TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ~ **Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation**
- ~ **Fully Escorted**
- ~ **Accommodations, meals, admissions and attractions listed, per itinerary**
- ~ **Gratuities for listed meals, unless otherwise specified**
- ~ **Driver Gratuities**
- ~ **Baggage Handling\*** (one bag/per person)  
*\*unless specified on 1-night stays*
- ~ **Travel Insurance** (available at your option)

And always...those little extras to make your trip memorable and **'TOP-NOTCH'**.

Accepting....

MASTERCARD / VISA / DISCOVER

Note: There will be a 3.5% Processing Fee

☎ ~ RESERVATIONS ~ ☎

*Dee or Brenda at...*

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Next Mailing: **September/October**