

Zavalla to DC Caravan 2013

Note: Times given are travel times as estimated by MapQuest. They do not include stops for fuel or lunch or dog walks.

We are asking for comments and suggestions.

Leave Zavalla on April 14(?). Depending on the group, we can leave before or after church.

Drive 4 hrs 14 minutes... 245 miles.

First night at Chem-a-haut State Park outside of Bastrop, LA. 888-677-2436 318-283-0812 \$16 for Water and Elec

Drive 6 hours 31 mins 331 miles.

Night 2 (April 15) at Elliott Creek (Slickrock) near Russellville, Alabama. \$15
1111 CR 88 Russellville, Alabama 256-332-4392 877-367-2232

Drive 1 hour 25 minutes.

Nights 3 & 4 (April 16 & 17) Monte Sano State Park in Huntsville, ALA. Tour Space Center and Museums and Wal-mart. 256-534-6589. There is a park next to the space center but we will be there during space camp for the kiddies. \$19 a night plus 3.09 tax. 58 spaces available with water and electric. 5 minutes from Huntsville.

Drive 4 hours 34 minutes, 252 miles People who want to tour Gatlinburg should leave early like at 6 AM or earlier. For those of us not interested in touring Gatlinburg, we can leave at a more normal time like 8 AM not that 8 AM is so normal and join those hardy folks for dinner.

Night 5 (April 18) in Sevierville, TN. 15 miles north of Gatlinburg and \$20 cheaper. We could stay 2 nights if people want to shop or do more in Gatlinburg. We need to decide so we can make reservations but I am going with 1 night.

Drive 5 hours, 322 miles to Staunton, VA.

Night 6 (April 19) Staunton, VA. Get up the next morning and tour Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library and maybe Luray Caverns.

Drive 2 hrs 9 mins 125 miles to Harpers Ferry KOA, WV

Nights 7, 8, 9 (April 20 – 21) at KOA in Harpers Ferry, WV We could cut this to 2 nights. Tour the town the day we get there and the Battleground the next day. Estimated cost \$103 minus \$8.50 if you have the KOA Value Kard (cost \$24 a year).

Drive 1 hour 36 minutes ---85 miles to 5381 Sands Road, Lothian, MD Duncan's Family Campground.

Nights 10, 11, 12, 13 (April 22 – 25) We could extend this to 5 or 6 nights depending on pissed we are with each other. Duncan's gives a 15% discount to the over 65 crowd and 10% to AAA, Good Sam, FMC, etc. Full Hook-ups are \$45 a night less your discount. About \$38 is a great rate for DC. There are shuttles to the Metro but we can also drive about 15 minutes and be at the Suitland Metro Station. We can decide on what we want to see after we decide on how long to stay in each of these places.

Drive 4 hours 162 miles to Williamsburg

Nights 14 & 15 (April 26 & 27) in Williamsburg.

Chem-a-Haut. Thanks to James, we have more information. The number to call is 877-226-7652. It is best to just ask for a site near CI-12 and CI-14 - that is C (cee) and I (eye) as in Confidential Informant. Make your reservation for one night - April 14.

Monte Sano in Huntsville knows that the Texas Airstream Group is coming. I told her my arrival date and she asked if I was with the Airstream Group. Phone is 256-534-6589.

<http://www.covecreekrvresort.com/> That is the website for the Sevierville campsite. One night is \$36.08. Tell them you are with the Texas Airstream Group and she will park us all together and down my the creek. 865-429-7716 is the number to call. Good reviews. Just a few more to go.

On Wed, Jan 16, 2013 at 1:33 PM, Mary Rowell <mary.rowell@gmail.com> wrote:

Onward and northward - Staunton, VA Walnut Hills KOA. It has everything including massages and fishing. Price is \$39 a night. Get your KOA Kard.

It is \$25 a year and you get a 10% discount on everything at the KOA. By the time we leave Harper's Ferry, you will have saved \$25 or more.

Call 540-337-3920 and ask to speak to Tanya. She made our reservation and is holding 10 places for us.

Mary

On Wed, Jan 16, 2013 at 1:56 PM, Mary Rowell <mary.rowell@gmail.com> wrote:

Onward and eastward.

I am happy to report that Larry, Paula, and Tommy are resting comfortably and recovering nicely from sticker shock. I explained to them that the sites were all new and most of them had patios. Still, they were not convinced that \$119 a night plus tax was a good deal. Needless to say, we are not staying in Harper's Ferry. I did find 2 other campgrounds if you packed your tents and wanted to rough it. Anyway, there is plenty to see and shop in DC at a much reduced camping rate. Also, day trips to Harper's Ferry, Annapolis, Baltimore, etc. Just work on your list of want-to-see and want-to-do's and we can get this organized.

Duncan Family Campground Lothian MD is our next stop. The number is 410-741-9558. They know us as the Texas Airstream Group and Mary and Larry Rowell. Full Hookups are \$45 but they will apply our discounts for over 65 and Good Sam when we pay up there. I have us arriving April 20 and leaving April 26. That puts us in Williamsburg April 26 and 27. I hope we get better rates than Harper's Ferry or we may have to head to BillysTown.

Mary

On Wed, Jan 16, 2013 at 2:23 PM, Mary Rowell <mary.rowell@gmail.com> wrote:

When I called, the lady said the parks did not open until March and to call back then. She also said that they never fill up so if we wanted to wait until April 14 to call just so we could be together, that would also be okay. I plan to wait until March to call because we are not getting the park people but the developer's people.

Mary

On Thu, Jan 17, 2013 at 1:58 PM, <wilson@hal-pc.org> wrote:

> I just called the park for April 15th and they did not have you
listed. I
> called 877-367-2232. Is this the correct number? So far I have made
all
> the reservations. You have done a great job. The 15th is the only
one I
> have left. Thank you. Judy
>