

Saints and Sinners in Kentucky October 25-29, 2022

There is a maximum of 24 people plus guide and driver.

The meals that are included on the tour are specified for each date: Breakfast (B) and Lunch (L).

DAY 1 - Tuesday, Oct. 25

We meet the bus at First United Methodist Church in Salem, VA at 8:30 a.m. You may leave your car in the parking lot. We will stop for lunch in Charleston, West Virginia. After lunch, we will go to First Presbyterian Church in Charleston where Aaron will give a 30-minute concert on the two pipe organs in the sanctuary. It is rare for a church to have two fine instruments in the same space. Music will be whatever tourists request --- stump the organist.

If organ specs mean anything to you, information can be found at

https://pipeorgandatabase.org/organ/7225 https://pipeorgandatabase.org/organ/44213

We then go our hotel in Georgetown, Kentucky. Dinner is on your own, and there are three places to eat within walking distance: Cattleman's Roadhouse, Fazolis, and KFC.

Lodging for the entire tour: Best Western Plus Georgetown - all rooms have two queen beds https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotels-in-georgetown/best-western-plus-georgetown-corporate-center-hotel/propertyCode.18085.html

DAY 2 – Wednesday, Oct. 26 (B, L)

Departing the hotel at 9:30 a.m., we travel 30 miles north to the Ark Encounter. The Ark Encounter features a full-size Noah's Ark, built according to the dimensions given in the Bible. Spanning 510 feet long, 85 feet wide, and 51 feet high, this modern engineering marvel amazes visitors young and old. Lunch is included. Note that dinner will be a bit early. Be back on the bus at 4:00 p.m. https://arkencounter.com

We then head to the Hofbräuhaus in Newport Kentucky for some authentic German food and beer. Perhaps you have been to the original restaurant in Munich, Germany? Our reservation is at 5:00 p.m., and you will order food and drinks on your own. www.hofbrauhausnewport.com

We take a 2-hour riverboat cruise on the Ohio River where we will get to see Cincinnati at night. The cruise is from 7:00-9:00. https://bbriverboats.com

DAY 3 – Thursday, Oct. 27 (B)

We depart the hotel at 8:45 a.m., and a 10-minute drive south finds us at the Kentucky Horse Park. Considered a treasure in the state of Kentucky and unlike any other facility in the world, since 1978, the Kentucky Horse Park's mission has been to celebrate our relationship with the horse through education, exhibition, engagement, and competition. Make sure to catch the horse drawn trolley at 10:00 a.m., the hall of champions show at 11:00 a.m., and the parade of breeds show at 1:00 p.m. Owned and operated by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, the park welcomes over 500,000 visitors a year. Lunch is on your own within the park. https://kyhorsepark.com

Be back on the bus at 2:00 p.m. to head for the Kentucky State Capitol where we have a guided tour at 3:00 p.m. Kentucky's Capitol is the fourth permanent building since statehood in 1792. It was built to replace the earlier 1830 capitol, still standing in downtown Frankfort, which had become inadequate to accommodate the growing state government. A long and bitter quarrel among Louisville, Lexington and Frankfort over which city should be Kentucky's Capital finally ended in 1904, when the legislature voted to spend one million dollars for a new capitol to replace the 1830 capitol on the old public square in downtown Frankfort. The architect's design was far too immense for the square, so the present site in south Frankfort was chosen instead. https://capitol.ky.gov

We return to the hotel, and dinner is on your own.

DAY 4 – Friday, Oct. 28 (B)

Today, we depart the hotel at 9:00 a.m. Our first stop is the Mary Todd Lincoln House, the family home of 16th president Abraham Lincoln. Mary Lincoln was sophisticated, educated, and versed in politics. On the surface, her success in the White House seemed assured. Yet, few women in American history have endured as much controversy and tragedy. www.mtlhouse.org

Next, we go to Barrel House Distilling for a tour and tasting. Located in Lexington's historic distillery district, Barrel House Distillery is proud to distill award winning spirits including RockCastle Bourbon, Pure Blue Vodka, Oak Rum, Devil John Moonshine and more. After the tour, you are on your own for lunch, and there are many choices within short walking distance. https://www.barrelhousedistillery.com

The bus departs at 2:00 p.m. for the Four Roses Distillery where we have a tour and tasting at 3:00 p.m. Four Roses is located on a beautiful setting and features a new Visitor Center and is often listed as one of the best distillery tours in Kentucky. in Lawrenceburg in the be https://fourrosesbourbon.com

We return to the hotel, and dinner is on your own.

DAY 5 – Saturday, Oct. 29 (B)

We leave the hotel at 9:00 a.m. to head home. Lunch will be in Charleston, West Virginia.

Luggage – you will be responsible for getting your luggage off the bus and into the hotel, but please let Aaron know in advance if you need help

Please note that while changes to the tour are not likely, weather, site renovations, and other factors could keep the tour group from any given site or could require a change of lodging. Any changes will be comparable in value.

Tour Costs and Payments

Price Per Person – all rooms have two queen beds:

Quad Triple Double Single \$855 \$905 \$995 \$1.275

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\$50 per person is due to secure your place on the tour Balance is due September 15

You may purchase your tour with a check or credit/debit card. Please make your check payable to <u>International Tour Company</u> and put 2022 Saints and Sinners Tour in the memo line.

You may give a check to Aaron Garber in person or mail it to:

International Tour Company P.O. Box 23 Cloverdale, VA 24077-0023

You may pay with a credit/debit card by calling 540-404-1918. There is a 3.3% fee added to credit card payments.

What is included:

Tour Director Aaron Garber will be with you the entire tour. Lodging every night – all rooms have two queen beds Ground Transportation – 54-seat motorcoach Meals as outlined in the itinerary Entrance fees to the sites on the itinerary Tips for the motorcoach driver

What is not included:

Travel insurance; contact Aaron if you are interested in trip cancellation insurance.