



Travel News & Notes

Winter 2020

DERBY DINNER PLAYHOUSE: *SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER* Wednesday, March 25

Come relive the movie that changed dance forever with lighted disco balls and floors, bell bottoms and of course guys in white suits doing the moves. This musical adaptation of the 70's classic film is the story of a talented, streetwise kid from Brooklyn who attempts to escape his dead-end life through dance. The score is a trip down memory lane, with award winning hits from the Bee Gees. While the backdrop is bleak with

racial tension, violence and rebellious teens we all want Tony to overcome while *Stayin' Alive*. Please remember this is an adult themed show — street wise slang, promiscuity and stagey crude behavior all remaining in character with the life and setting of the characters. If you are a fan of the movie this relives disco classics such as *How Deep is Your Love*, *Jive Talking*, *You Should Be Dancing* and *More Than A Woman* while

having us root for these bold young boys to fight their way down wrong paths to become men.

TOUR PACKAGE: *All inclusive* including deluxe motorcoach transportation; buffet luncheon and matinee performance at the dinner theatre; taxes and gratuities.

Reservations due February 16.

COST: \$100 per person

SPRING MEET AT KEENELAND Thursday, April 23

We're pleased to return to the elegance of Keeneland's spring meet. Our deluxe motorcoach spirits us to this center of world-class thoroughbred racing to enjoy the deluxe accommodations afforded our guests in Keeneland's LEXINGTON ROOM. Overlooking this world famous racing course we enjoy a sumptuous luncheon buffet while perusing our racing programs. We'll place our bets at the Lexington Room's convenient mutual windows in time for the 1:00 PM post

time. Just steps away we watch the action from the VIP balcony, or via the in-room monitors. Come enjoy the poetry of the world's finest horses framed by the shimmering pastels of a Kentucky spring.

TOUR PACKAGE: *All inclusive* includes deluxe motorcoach transportation; admission to Keeneland's Lexington Room; luncheon buffet; program; taxes and gratuities.

Reservations due February 16.

COST: \$130 per person



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FRANKFORT, KY & BUFFALO TRACE DISTILLERY Thursday, May 14

Intrigued by a recent PBS story we've identified a local bit of history we wanted to explore and share. Lining a hallway in the state capitol is a collection of some 60 dolls depicting First Ladies of the Commonwealth. The project is the creation of and curated by the Kentucky Federation of Women's Clubs who will greet us and explain the origin of the collection, how the dolls are made, and why not all First Ladies featured in the display were spouses. We'll also share a guided tour of the capitol before dining at one of Frankfort's favorite eateries. Then on to an exploration of perhaps Kentucky's most famous export and home to its oldest continually operating distillery BUFFALO TRACE. If you have a family member looking for a B, L, A,

N, T, O, or N uniquely stoppered bottle you'll already have been introduced to this warm and smooth exlir. This single barrel bourbon is the first of its kind, described as "a deep satisfying nose of nutmeg and spices; dry vanilla notes in harmony with hints of honey amid strong caramel and corn." We'll have a guided tour and tasting with a bit of time to explore their remarkable gift shop before snoozing our way home. A day of history, both fanciful and fulfilling awaits.

TOUR PACKAGE: *All inclusive* with deluxe motorcoach; admission to all attractions; tour and tasting at Buffalo Trace; lunch; taxes and gratuities.

Reservations due February 29.

COST: \$100 per person

NEW
ITINERARY

COUNTRY STAR JOSH TURNER AT SHIPSHEWANNA Saturday-Sunday, May 30-31

Hold on to your hat folks — the rich, deep bass, honey tones of country's cuter-than-a-cupcake JOSH TURNER will begin our summer with a bang! Country music's award winning and one of the radio's most distinctive voices with Top Ten hits such as *Why Don't We Just Dance*, *Your Man*, *Long Black Train* and *Won't You Come With Me* will be waiting for us at Shipshewana's Blue Gate Theatre. We'll enjoy lunch enroute at our favorite the BACK 40

JUNCTION before heading to the heart of Indiana Amish country and our guided tour of the area. Then a tummy tickling family style dinner at the Blue Gate restaurant. Finally Josh's evening performance at the nearby theatre. He has sold over 8 million recordings with his recordings staying on the country charts for 17 consecutive weeks. This is one personality you will want to see live so kick off the

summer with the magic of this talented music maker.

TOUR PACKAGE: Includes deluxe motorcoach transportation; overnight accommodations; 3 meals; premium orchestra seating for the concert; guided tour of Amish country; taxes and gratuities.

Reservations due March 31.

COST:

\$350 per person DOUBLE occupancy

\$390 per person SINGLE occupancy

NEW
ITINERARY

CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART: PICASSO, MICHELANGELO and TIFFANY Wednesday-Friday, June 3-5

Where else could you find exhibitions of these three great masters all under the same roof — at the same time? We're taking advantage of Cleveland Art Museum's special exhibits, plus a bit more of what Cleveland has to offer. We start with lunch in Columbus' German Village before heading up to the top of the state where we enter the lush 10 acres of indoor and outdoor celebration that is the CLEVELAND BOTANICAL GARDENS. Our day ends with a dinner cruise on Lake Erie watching the lights ignite the metropolitan cityscape. The next day is devoted to THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART. Our guided tour will introduce us to the museum with special time allocated for these three unique

exhibitions. TIFFANY IN BLOOM BY LOUIS COMFORT TIFFANY focuses on his passion for stained glass as a way to bring nature's splendid color into the home. Rare masterworks such as Wisteria, Peacock, Bamboo and Peony lamps highlight Tiffany's many influences from Asian to Art Nouveau. PICASSO AND PAPER was organized by the Cleveland Art Museum and the Royal Academy of Arts, London, England showcasing more than 300 works spanning the artist's career. Highlights include a large collage of cut and painted papers, Cubist papers, the artist's sketchbooks and an array of works related to major paintings and sculpture projects. And finally MICHELANGELO: MIND OF THE MASTER — a name

synonymous with creative genius. This exhibition provides an unprecedented look over the shoulder of the Italian Renaissance painter through more than two dozen original drawings demonstrating the inventive preparations for his most important commissions, including the Sistine Chapel ceiling and Saint Peter's Basilica. Our accommodations will be city center at the upscale Drury Inn and Suites.

TOUR PACKAGE: Includes deluxe motorcoach transportation; all attractions listed above including tickets and guided tours; 5 meals; taxes and gratuities.

Reservations due March 31.

COST:

\$540 per person DOUBLE occupancy

\$670 per person SINGLE occupancy

DERBY DINNER PLAYHOUSE: GLENN MILLER ORCHESTRA Monday, June 8

Due to the fast sellout of our tour last year we have made plans for the return engagement of the nostalgic and smooth melodies of the GLENN MILLER ORCHESTRA with our friends at the Derby Dinner Playhouse. If you missed it before please don't miss this return visit to the magic of the 1940s! The legend lives on at our favorite southern Indiana theater as this 19-member orchestra puts you *In the Mood* playing original Glenn Miller arrangements. Unlike other visits to the Derby Dinner Playhouse this is a special dessert matinee performance with the concert starting at 3 PM. So we'll round out the day with dinner at Louisville's historic and world-class BROWN HOTEL. Dining at this elegant

and artistic icon we'll feel like toe tapping in our strappy heels and zoot suits before heading back to the Queen City.

TOUR PACKAGE: All inclusive includes deluxe motorcoach transportation; dinner & dessert buffet; matinee performance; taxes and gratuities.

Reservations due March 31.

COST: \$100 per person



SUMMER BREEZES ON CAPE COD / PLYMOUTH / NANTUCKET / MARTHA'S VINEYARD #2

Sunday-Friday, June 14-19

No your eyes aren't deceiving you! Our original 2020 Cape Cod trip sold out so quickly we've added a second tour the very next week — same price/ same itinerary. We begin with our flight to Boston where we are met by our deluxe motorcoach. Our first stop will be Boston's JFK PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY on the campus of University of Massachusetts. We then head to historic Plymouth, MA. Here we overnight before a busy day including PLYMOUTH PLANTATION and traveling on to the Cape and the historic village of SANDWICH. With its picturesque working mill, tea room and guided historic home tour it proves a delightful introduction to the Cape's history before our next destination of BREWSTER and the OLD SEA PINE INN. Originally an exclusive boarding school for young ladies the Old Sea Pine now serves as a family lodge operating as a B&B and our home for the next four nights. Our third morning takes us to the Woods Hole Ferry terminal from which we depart for MARTHA'S VINE-

YARD. Our friendly local guide shows us the highlights—celebrity hangouts, special shopping and restaurants—that make this *the* island retreat. Time will be available to explore the Vineyard's unique shopping and dining options before reboarding the ferry for our return to the Cape. The following day we explore CHATHAM, the NATIONAL SEASHORE and the top of the Cape PROVINCETOWN. Our afternoon is shared with those gentle giants of the ocean—a whale watching expedition. Since this particular area boasts a reef only 50-60 feet below the surface the whales are exceptionally available—don't forget your camera! Our final day on the Cape we take the hour journey across the waves this time to the historic and caught-in-time island of NANTUCKET. Our tour here includes: WHALING MUSEUM, OLDEST HOUSE & HISTORIC GARDEN and THE GREATER LIGHT ART COLONY. A bit of time on your own to explore the shops and cafes before we fly over the water returning to our farewell evening of a

traditional CAPE COD LOBSTER BAKE. Next morning we depart our friends at the Old Sea Pine headed for a return to Boston and our flights home. This is an area full of history, breath-taking scenery and the romantic isolation of Lands End lighthouses offering you travel memories amid the sea grass and sand dunes — everything special about the Cape will be yours.

TOUR PACKAGE: Round trip airfare; deluxe motorcoach transportation; MV & Nantucket ferry transfers; admissions to all attractions listed above; 1 night accommodation Plymouth/ 4 nights Cape Cod; portorage of 1 bag once arrived in Boston; 6 meals; taxes and gratuities.

NOTE: *Due to the uniquely individual b&b accommodations available at the Old Sea Pine Inn room types will be assigned on a first come/first served basis.*

Reservations due February 29.

COST:

\$ 1,950 per person DOUBLE occupancy
\$ 2,250 per person SINGLE occupancy

WILD WYOMING: JACKSON HOLE / GRAND TETONS / YELLOWSTONE / CODY

Monday-Saturday, September 7-12

Wyoming is home to two of the nation's most scenic and majestic National Parks and we're headed west to explore them both. Our flight from Cincinnati takes us to Jackson Hole and offers a bit of time to explore the shops and art galleries of this wealthy Western enclave. We'll share a docent-guided tour of the unparalleled sculpture and paintings of the NATIONAL MUSEUM OF WILDLIFE ART before heading on to GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK. Here an ethereal mountain landscape towers over Jackson Hole valley providing breathtaking vistas. We move on to the granddaddy of all National Parks YELLOWSTONE. People have been living in the Yellowstone area for thousands of years, but it was in the mid-1800s explorers and artists brought Yellowstone's wonder to the attention of the federal government. The park established in 1872 is known world wide for its incredible natural phenomena such

as OLD FAITHFUL, herds of buffalo and the mysterious, bubbling mud pots. Our accommodation will be 3 nights at the park's GRANT VILLAGE with Park Service guided tours and time on your own to explore this amazing destination. Next we'll head east to CODY and the BUFFALO BILL HISTORICAL CENTER. Actually five museums in one — you'll see the Wild West in a whole new way. Then a visit to a poignant, dark time in our country's history as we visit the WWII Japanese Interment Camp at HEART MOUNTAIN. What trip out west would be complete without the songs and fine eats of the CODY CATTLE COMPANY dinner show. This is a tour no one in the area offers—you won't want to miss a thing, so saddle on up and get that reservation in the Pony Express saddlebag.

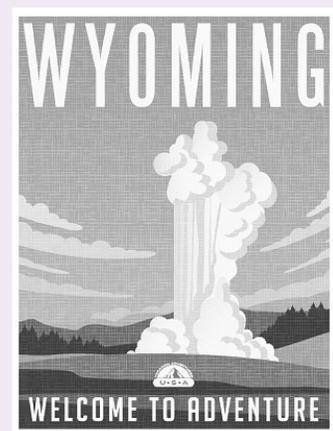
TOUR PACKAGE: Includes roundtrip airfare; deluxe ground transportation in Wyoming; all overnight accommodations

as listed above including 3 nights in Yellowstone/ 1 night Jackson Hole / 2 nights in Cody; 9 meals; all admissions and guided tours as indicated above; portorage of 1 piece of luggage; taxes, gratuities; and park admissions.

Reservations due May 30.

COST:

\$ 2,150 per person DOUBLE occupancy
\$ 2,480 per person SINGLE occupancy





**20TH ANNIVERSARY RETURN TO THE EMERALD ISLE:
IRELAND W/ SCOTLAND POST TOUR OPTION**
Monday-Wednesday, September 21-30

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You knew we couldn't stay away — as James Bond said "Never say never again." In celebration of our first visit 20 years ago we're headed back to our home away from home, Ireland — this time with a Scottish kick. Our itinerary reflects all our favorite sites, cities, accommodations and friends from over 32 tours to Ireland. We begin with the capitol city of DUBLIN and our guided motorcoach city tour including ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL and the complicated history that is DUBLIN CASTLE. A visit and tasting at that beacon to Irish hospitality JAMESON DISTILLERY brightens our day before a more somber look at an element of the 1840's Irish famine New Ross' FAMINE SHIP, *the Dunbrody*. Our day ends at the elegant island retreat that is WATERFORD CASTLE where we dine in style before sinking into our pillowy beds for the night. The morning shines bright as we enjoy a guided tour of the sparkle of the world renown WATERFORD CRYSTAL before heading to another Irish legend and the 'gift of gab' bestowed at BLARNEY CASTLE. Our day comes to a close in the heart of the Kingdom of Kerry in its capitol KILLARNEY. A scenic drive onto THE RING OF KERRY with a visit to our friend and award winning shepherd Brendan Ferris at the KELLS SHEEPDOG CENTER will have you wondering why the pets in your life aren't so well trained; then up the west coast to another adventure as evening makes us Lords and Ladies at the BUNRATTY CASTLE BANQUET. We overnight at the historic OLD GROUND in ENNIS before further exploration of the unique geography that is the BURREN. Appearing barren this limestone dome is anything but with treasures such as miniature Mediterranean orchids in harmony with Arctic alpine species tucked snugly in the warmth of stone nooks and crevices. On the opposite side of this immense vista is the bustling collegiate GALWAY where we overnight before visiting two family owned icons CELTIC CRYSTAL home of the only colored crystal made in Ireland and the intimate showroom that is CONNEMARA MARBLE. Our final run up the west coast changes scenery again as we head for the wild beauty and white sand beaches of ROSSNOWLAGH. Here we overnight right on the beach at the award-winning SANDHOUSE HOTEL & SPA. A day trip into DERRY, Northern

Ireland shares the more recent tragedy of 'the Troubles' told to us by educator and guide Ronan McNamara before returning to another night of gourmet dining and listening to the waves outside our windows. Finally travelling back across the Irish midlands we take a look at the event that changed Ireland forever with our guided tour at the STROKESTOWN FAMINE MUSEUM before we end our Irish journey back in Dublin.

IRELAND LAND PACKAGE: Includes all attractions and guide services listed above; deluxe motorcoach transportation in country; all accommodations including Waterford Castle and the Sandhouse; Bunratty Castle banquet and show; services of Irish driver/ guide and MKL Tour escort; 16 meals; taxes and gratuities; portage of 1 bag in country.

Reservations due May 1.

COST:

\$2,480 per person DOUBLE occupancy
* Single supplement and group air available upon request

**OPTIONAL POST TOUR
SCOTLAND
Wednesday-Sunday
September 30-October 4**

After returning to Dublin guests can choose to head back to the U.S or join us as we head to BELFAST and a visit to their impressive TITANIC MUSEUM before taking the ferry crossing to SCOTLAND and a visit to the mists and magic of bagpipes and royal resistances. Highlights include: EDINBURGH CITY TOUR including EDINBURGH CASTLE; tour of the retired BRITANNIA ROYAL YACHT; ST. ANDREWS, ROSSLYN CHAPEL; SCOTTISH NIGHT AT THE JAM HOUSE; and HOLYROOD PALACE. Departure to the U.S. is from Edinburgh.

SCOTLAND LAND PACKAGE:

Ferry crossing from Ireland to Scotland; deluxe motorcoach transportation; onboard guide services and MKL Tour escort; 4 nights accommodation; admission to all attractions listed above; portage of 1 bag; 6 meals; taxes and gratuities.

TOUR COST:

\$ 699 per person DOUBLE occupancy
* Single supplement available

MCCORMICK'S CREEK/ HUNTER HONEY & WILLOWFIELD LAVENDER FARMS Wednesday-Thursday, October 14-15

First we visit the heart of Brown County with lunch of country favorites in Nashville, IN. Then we head to nearby Bloomington and a late afternoon stop at the beautiful OLIVER WINERY for a tour and tasting at this award-winning and beautifully landscaped vintner. Our day ends in the rustic woodlands of Indiana's first state park at the CANYON INN in MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK. After a yummy buffet dinner we're entertained by a presentation from the park's

naturalist and perhaps a late evening stroll around the grounds. After breakfast we're off for our guided tour of the TIBETAN MONGOLIAN BUDDHIST CULTURAL CENTER followed by a visit to the HUNTER HONEY FARM. Here four generations of bee keepers have been producing honey products for over 100 years. Our final stops will be a ramble around the WILLOWFIELD LAVENDER FARM and a central Indiana favorite GRAY'S CAFETERIA. Lovely lush foli-

age dances overhead as we travel through south central Indiana before heading back to the Queen City.

TOUR PACKAGE: *All inclusive* including deluxe motorcoach transportation; all meals; overnight accommodations; admissions to all attractions; baggage handling of 1 piece of luggage; taxes and gratuities. **Reservations due May 30.**

TOUR COST:
\$295 per person DOUBLE occupancy
\$345 per person SINGLE occupancy

JACK O LANTERN SPECTACULAR & LAGRANGE GHOST TOUR Wednesday-Thursday, October 21-22

If you haven't heard of the JACK O LANTERN SPECTACULAR that has fast become a Louisville tradition you are missing a truly remarkable experience. Voted the #1 Halloween Event in the Country by *Country Living Magazine* you will be speechless by the over 5,000 professionally carved Jack O Lanterns that decorate in wild abundance a 1/4 mile woodland trail in the city's southside Iroquois Park. More than 30 artists from around the country spend the month in Louisville carving thousands of pumpkins. Each year a theme guides the artists to carve people, places and things so detailed they are easily recognizable. It can take anywhere from 6-14 hours to carve just one pumpkin making this an all the more incredible effort. And best of all

proceeds go to benefit the Louisville Parks Foundation. But before we are entertained by the artistry of the pumpkins we explore another famous haunt of Louisville — the historic and elegant BROWN HOTEL. We're greeted with a celebratory cocktail as we're regaled by the hotel's historian on the facts and fiction that surround this majestic hostelry. After a chef's delight dinner we head to the park and the indescribable JACK O LANTERN SPECTACULAR. As our pumpkin peeking ends too late for a reasonable journey back to the Queen City we'll overnight in Louisville at the nearby Hampton Inn. Next morning we'll head to LAGRANGE where we'll be joined by local guides to show us the highlights of this quaint, historic and engagingly haunted

little town. A chance to wander the shops and cafes of LaGrange with time to grab a bite of lunch is included before heading back home. Gone roughly 24 hours we promise delights and sites that will stay with you for months.

TOUR INCLUDES: Deluxe motorcoach transportation; admission to Jack O Lantern Spectacular; historian presentation at the Brown Hotel; overnight accommodation at the Hampton Inn; 2 meals; guide services in LaGrange; taxes and gratuities; portage of 1 bag.

Reservations due May 30.

COST:
\$285 per person DOUBLE occupancy
\$380 per person SINGLE occupancy



CHRISTMAS AT COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG & CHRISTMAS TOWN AT BUSCH GARDENS Sunday-Thursday, December 6-10

Since the first organized Christmas celebration drew visitors in 1936 nothing matches the excitement, sights, smells, sounds and grandeur of the Christmas season in Colonial Williamsburg. We travel through the hills of West Virginia to Beckley where we enjoy the handmade crafts and shopping along with a bite of lunch at the TAMARACK ARTS & CRAFTS CENTER before travelling on to Charlottesville, VA and our overnight accommodations. We begin the next morning with a tour of our 5th President James Monroe's home ASH LAWN HIGHLAND. Just a stone's throw down the road we lunch at another historic landmark and home to the most incredible fried chicken, country cooked green

beans and stewed tomatoes you'll ever eat — the 200 year old MICHIE TAVERN. Then on to Colonial Williamsburg with a bit of time to settle in before we enjoy a wonderful candlelit dinner at the historic KINGS ARMS TAVERN. The evening is yours to enjoy with your choice of the historic district's holiday activities. Next morning our guides welcome us with an ORIENTATION TOUR OF HISTORIC COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG followed by an afternoon spent exploring the sites and history of this exquisite village. The following day we're off for a bit of holiday shopping at one of the largest YANKEE CANDLE STORES in the US. The building contains many stores — not just Yankee Candle, including a Christmas

Shop delightful with light snow falling, a general store, kitchen shop, Vera Bradley, toy store, household shop — and a 'Man Cave' for those hard-to-buy-for fellows. Then on to CHRISTMAS TOWN AT BUSCH GARDENS where evening brings to life over 10 million holiday lights. Here you'll have the chance to experience Christmas in England and Ireland before enjoying performances of the musical *Scrooge No More* and their premier dinner show *Deck the Halls*. As evening ends we head back through the twinkling dusk to our beds in Colonial Williamsburg. The next day we share AFTERNOON TEA at the Williamsburg Inn, plus time on your own to explore more of the dozens of

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CHRISTMAS AT COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG & CHRISTMAS TOWN AT BUSCH GARDENS, *continued*

special programs offered. Our farewell dinner at the historic CHRISTIANA CAMPBELLS brings to a close our visit to centuries past and celebrations present before departing the next morning — with one more surprise enroute home. Deluxe continental breakfast will be offered each morning at our hotels, with overnight

accommodation in the heart of Colonial Williamsburg at the Woodland Inn. Amid the chaos of a modern Christmas there is still a place where peace is present.

TOUR PACKAGE: Deluxe motorcoach transportation; admissions to all attractions listed above; on-site guide services as indicated; 4 nights lodging; 8 meals

plus Williamsburg tea; baggage handling; taxes and gratuities. **Reservations due June 1.**

COST:

\$960 per person DOUBLE occupancy
\$1,065 per person SINGLE occupancy
***Pricing lower than in 2017!**

CHRISTMAS AT BILTMORE ESTATE

Tuesday-Thursday, December 1-3

We have traditionally offered this exquisite experience only every other year, BUT due to the extensive waiting list and disappointed folks left behind in 2019 it's back ahead of schedule. Over a century ago the Vanderbilts chose the Christmas holidays to open their home and what makes BILTMORE special is it remains a family property — decorations & decor exactly as the Vanderbilts meant it to be. Biltmore is festooned with elaborate floral arrangements and beautiful glass-blown ornaments all wrapped in the aromas of cinnamon and spice drifting from the lower floor's kitchens. We'll explore the home in a specially arranged BEHIND-

THE-SCENES TOUR followed by a fabulous holiday luncheon buffet at the estate's DEER PARK RESTAURANT. Next we head off for an insider's motorcoach tour of the city of Asheville ending at our dinner destination. As evening fades into night we return to the elegance that is CANDLELIGHT AT BILTMORE. At night the estate is transformed by the glow of fireplaces and candles, our approach lighted with the flutter of luminaries.

Musicians playing chamber music in the library and choirs singing in the Conservatory— these are the memories Biltmore leaves with her holiday guests. Enroute to Asheville we enjoy lunch at the historic

BOONE TAVERN in Berea, KY and while in Asheville a pre-Candlelight dinner at the incomparable GROVE PARK INN, home to the Food Network's National Gingerbread competition. A beautiful way to enjoy the holiday season awaits. . .

TOUR PACKAGE: Includes deluxe motorcoach transportation; overnight accommodations; all admissions and tour fees; baggage handling of 1 piece of luggage; taxes and gratuities; and 6 meals.

Reservations due May 30.

COST:

\$590 per person DOUBLE occupancy
\$695 per person SINGLE occupancy

9TH ANNUAL INDY SYMPHONY'S YULETIDE CELEBRATION & THE SKYLINE CLUB LUNCHEON

Friday, December 11

We can't believe it's been nine years since we first introduced our guests to the magic of Kay's hometown and its incredible symphony holiday celebration. With the city centres' Monument Circle turned into the world's largest Christmas tree this is indeed a city that knows how to celebrate. We'll begin with private club privileges as we enjoy lunch overlooking downtown Indianapolis at the SKYLINE CLUB. Then

on to the Hilbert Circle Theatre and the Indianapolis Symphony matinee performance of a YULETIDE CELEBRATION, the nation's largest of it's kind. Truly a remarkable performance attracting thousands from the region to this elaborate and uplifting holiday celebration each year. As we leave the theatre over 42,000 lights and 6 miles of garland adorn the city centre Soldiers and Sailors Monument and after a last sigh

we'll head home through the December dusk.

TOUR PACKAGE: All inclusive including deluxe motorcoach transportation; main floor Orchestra seats for symphony, lunch; taxes and gratuities.

Reservations due May 31.

COST: \$135 per person

VIKING RIVER CRUISE: PARIS AND THE HEART OF NORMANDY

8-Day Cruise Departs October 24, 2021

It is only 110 miles as the crow flies from Paris to the English Channel, but the Seine River lazily snakes its way through 240 miles of magnificent Norman vistas. This itinerary explores GIVERNY with a visit to the beautiful gardens and charming farmhouse where Claude Monte lived and worked — the setting inspiring so many masterpieces. Trace the footsteps of JOAN OF ARC IN ROUEN and walk the hallowed ground at NORMANDY'S AMERICAN MILITARY CEMETERY

and JUNO, GOLD, and OMAHA BEACHES. In Paris anchored at the foot of the Eifel Tower you'll enjoy an included city tour here and in every port, as well as an array of other excursion options to fit your interests including a pre- or post- extension to *Downton Abbey's* real life home Highclere Castle and world renowned Oxford. This cruise along the Seine celebrates history, art, food and customs in the country's most dazzling urbane and pastoral settings. For detailed itinerary and

pricing please indicate your interest on the enclosed registration form.

NOTE: Cabin prices begin at \$2,575 per person. As a special incentive MKL Tours is pleased to offer **the first 20 guests registered a \$200 per person certificate that can be used toward your cruise price in conjunction with any other special offers available through Viking. To be sure you can take advantage of this offer please don't delay in contacting us.**



2020-2021 MKL TOUR REGISTRATION FORM

Please use this form to register for any of the trips listed below. Amount to be submitted with reservation for each tour is also listed. Any balance due is 60 days prior to tour, or upon receipt of invoice. Due dates for reservations for all tours are given in newsletter copy under individual tour description.

- DERBY DINNER: SAT. NITE FEVER, March 25. Balance due w/ reservation
- BUFFALO TRACE, May 14. Balance due w/ reservation
- CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART, June 3-5. \$100 pp deposit w/ reservation
- CAPE COD/ PLYMOTH and MORE #2, June 14-19. \$200 due w/ resv
- IRELAND LAND PACKAGE, Sep. 21-30, \$400 due w/ resv
- MCCORMICK'S CREEK & more, Oct. 14-15. Balance due w/ reservation
- COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG & BUSCH GARDENS CHRISTMAS TOWN, Dec. 6-10. \$100 pp due w/ reservation
- CHRISTMAS AT BILTMORE, Dec. 1-3, \$50 pp due w/ resv.
- VIKING RIVER CRUISE: PARIS AND THE HEART OF NORMANDY INFORMATION, October 24, 2021 departure
- KEENELAND, April 23. Balance due w/ reservation
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- WILD WYOMING, Sep. 7-12. \$200 per person deposit due w/ reservation
- SCOTLAND POST LAND PKG, Sept. 30-Oct. 4. \$100 due w/ reservation
- JACK O LANTERN SPECTACULAR, Oct. 21-22. \$50 pp due w/ reservation
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ROOMMATE'S NAME _____

ROOMMATE'S ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

PHONE _____

TYPE OF ACCOMMODATION:

- Double (1 bed/ 2 persons)
- Double (2 beds/ 2 persons)
- Single (1 person)

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PAYMENT OPTIONS:

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Check # _____

Credit Card: VISA Mastercard Discover Amount to be charged: _____

Account Number _____ Exp. date _____

Signature (credit cards only) _____

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