Great Day! Group Tours Ideas

NEW ONE-DAY TOURS

Pricing varies by departure city . . . call for your customized package and pricing.

KENTUCK KNOB
• Kentuck Knob
• Special luncheon
• Visit to the Flight 93 Memorial Site, Quecreek Mine Rescue Site or a candy company

Scheduled Tours, May 21, 2019 for groups unable to fill a bus

NATIONAL COMEDY CENTER
Just opened in August of 2018
The National Comedy Center in Lucille Ball's hometown of Jamestown, New York, is the first state-of-the-art museum dedicated to telling the vital story of comedy in America. The museum celebrates comedy's great minds and unique voices, from Charlie Chaplin to Dave Chappelle. Exclusive collections and world-class exhibits give comedy fans an unprecedented behind-the-scenes look at the time-honed creative processes that have elevated entertainment to an art. More than 50 immersive exhibits take visitors on an interactive journey through comedy history, from early vaudeville acts to today's comedians.

After creating a humor profile, visitors can explore content tailored to their individual tastes, from broad slapstick to edgy satire. Along with educational games and fun competitions, your passengers can step into the shoes of comedy pros, trying their hand at cartooning, comedy writing, live stand-up, and faux pie fights . . . or simply cheer on their friends. We also have a scheduled Tour on August 15 for smaller groups. There are several package options including this national museum. Here are a few suggestions: Cruise and Comedy - Admissions to the Comedy Center, lunch and a cruise on Lake Chautauqua. Package can also include a luncheon cruise aboard the SummerWind or Chautauqua Belle (as you heard about at our recent marketplace). Ball of Comedy - Comedy Center admissions, the Lucy Desi Museum and Studios and lunch in the Tropicana Room.

WEASEL, WINE AND PIZZA
The Weasel Boy Brewing Company offers a great group experience. Begin with a tour of the facility and learn about the craft beer making process, followed by beer/cider sampling. All the beer is made on sight. A buffet-style pizza and salad lunch feature the thin style crust made from scratch with whole wheat flour infused with Brown Stoat Stout (other dining options are also available). Your group will also visit the John and Annie Glenn Museum located in John Glenn's boyhood home and the Nelson T. Gant homestead. After being freed in the will of his Virginia master, Gant moved to central Ohio and rose from poverty to become one of the wealthiest men in the country.
RABBIT RUN THEATER
Experience the rustic charm of Rabbit Run Theater. Situated near the shores of Lake Erie, in North Madison, this 275-seat facility offers outstanding theater with a professional staff producing top-notch comedies, dramas and musicals. Before the show, enjoy dinner at your choice of meal venues:

Grand River Cellars Winery and Restaurant - Located in the heart of the Grand River Valley Wine Region. Begin a relaxing evening with a wine tasting featuring three varieties of wine. Then enjoy a delicious chicken breast/rib combo dinner served with roasted garlic mashed potatoes, vegetable, seasonal dessert and iced tea or coffee.
Steele Mansion - Restored to its 1870's grandeur, enjoy dinner followed by a self-guided tour through this spectacular French Second Empire mansion. Dinner includes mixed green garden salad, chicken piccata served with roasted redskin potatoes, vegetable, rolls and butter, assorted dessert and iced tea or coffee.

The 2019 show schedule is below:
Forever Plaid (June 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15) - When four young singers are killed in a car crash, they posthumously take the stage for one final gig in this delightfully sweet and humorous nostalgic trip to the 1950's. This deliciously fun revue is chock-full of classic barbershop quartet harmonies and pitch-perfect melodies.
A Chorus Line (June 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 29,30, July 3, 5, 6) - A stunning musical capturing the spirit and tension of a Broadway chorus audition. The show explores the inner lives and poignant ambitions of Broadway performers.
Mamma Mia (July 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28, August 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10) - The magic of ABBA's timeless songs propels this enchanting tale of love, laughter and friendship.
My Way, a Musical Tribute to Frank Sinatra (August 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31) - Some of the greatest music of the 20th century, made famous by "old blue eyes", comes masterfully to life in this wonderful musical revue.

DINE ON A COVERED BRIDGE IN OHIO
• Tour and demonstration at a plant bulb company (everyone gets a garden gift).
• Lunch on a covered bridge including a visit from a historical character.
• Covered bridge tour with a Local Guide.
• Wine and cheese tasting or a cupcake and canvas class.
• Tour of a bat company

CASTLES, CAROUSELS AND CRIMINALS
One of the highlights of this overnight tour is lodging in the suites at the Mohican Castle. Your group will participate in a Murder Mystery Dinner Program (also at the castle) plus enjoy a ride on an old-fashioned carousel, tour the former Ohio State Reformatory (five movies have been filmed there), see birds up close at the Ohio Bird Sanctuary and visit the Malabar Farm State Park.
**JAWS WITH PAWS**
- K-9 experience - See how these amazing animals are trained for law enforcement and the military.
- Farm-to-table luncheon at a farm market - Meet the farmer and take a tour of his farm and market.
- Horse Farm - The trainer will explain how they raise, train and show these Belgium horses. Tour the barn and see many beautiful horses.
- Winetasting - Visit a beautiful countryside winery and sample some wines while the owners tell their personal stories of starting their business.

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**CLEVELAND AIR SHOW from the NAUTICA QUEEN**

*September 1 or 2*
Cleveland will host the USAF Thunderbirds as headliners of the 2019 Cleveland National Air Show at Burke Lakefront Airport . . . displaying the pride, precision and professionalism of American Airmen. The team combines years of training and experience with an attitude of excellence to showcase what the Air Force is all about. Formations that have the jets fly only a few feet from wingtip to wingtip and solo pilots exhibiting some of the maximum capabilities of the F-16 Fighting Falcon - the Air Force's premier multi-role fighter jet. Enjoy a luncheon and see the Air Show from the Nautica Queen.

**SAP'S-A-RISIN'**
This maple syrup tour is one "sweet trip" but is available only in late February or early March. This is when the sap begins to rise in this area's maple trees and can be tapped for making syrup.

- Geauga Park District at Swine Creek - Hear what the early settlers learned from the native American Indians . . . like how to turn the watery sap of the maple tree into a delightful and wholesome treat. Learn how locals "boil it all down" for you to enjoy.
- Middlefield Cheese - Try samples in this general-type store (which also has meats, jams, breat, noodles and more).
- Amish Feast - No tour to this area would be complete without a good old-fashioned Amish feast . . . and you will dine in an Amish home. No one will leave hungry, but this experience is one you will not forget anytime soon.
- Family Owned Sugar House - Visit a family-owned sugar house (weather permitting). An experienced maple syrup maker will be on hand to answer questions.
- Maple Products - Shop for everything "Maple" . . . including some of the finest pure maple syrup in the world.

*Scheduled Tour, March 4, 2019 for groups unable to fill a bus*
SENECA RESORTS & CASINO MATINEE SHOW SCHEDULE

Seneca Allegany Resort & Casino and the Seneca Niagara Resort & Casino feature a grand casino floor with reel-spinning and video slot machines and plenty of your favorite table games. They also proudly feature the Poker Room and The Casino Bar. On select Tuesdays, they have matinee shows (schedule below). While at the casino, enjoy $20 slot play, a luncheon buffet and tickets to the show. Consider an overnight tour for a more relaxed tour and a larger bonus.

"Sounds of Summer" (May 28 at Seneca Allegany) - A Beach Boys Tribute that includes over 20 Familiar hits and tells the story of America's Band . . . The Beach Boys.

"Broadway Tonite Live!" (September 25 at Seneca Niagara) - This Broadway tribute will take you through Broadway's greatest hits; filling the state with beautiful costumes, dramatic singing, exciting choreography and dynamic music and dancing.

"An Afternoon with the Stars" (September 10 at Seneca Allegany) - Remember all the wonderful variety shows we grew up on in the 70's and 80's? Now is your chance to see them live and re-created by Las Vegas' number one impersonators of all time.

"Carole King Tribute" (October 8 at Seneca Niagara) - A cast from New York City brings you family friendly comedy and custom musical arrangements. Written by the team that brought you award winning "Beautiful" on Broadway.

"The Rat Pack" (November 5 at Seneca Allegany) - Relive the days of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Sammy Davis Jr. in the popular and entertaining Las Vegas tribute show backed by a Vegas style band.

"The Lettermen" (December 10 at Seneca Niagara) - Three young men in letter sweaters burst onto the music scene in 1961. Twenty million records and over 10,000 sold-out concerts later, The Lettermen continue romancing audiences around the world with each note of every song. This show combines holiday classics with Lettermen favorites.

LUNCHEON SHOWS

MOE BANDY - Warren on Wednesday, July 17 / Lorain on Thursday, July 18 One of America's all-time leading classic country music artists, Moe's songs never stray far from the traditionally Honky Tonk fare. Loving, cheating, drinking and patriotic songs form the core of his music. A luncheon is included prior to the show.

DIVA'S OF THE 70'S - Columbus on Wed, Sept 11 / Cleveland on Thurs and Fri, Sept 12 & 13 This tribute show to Barbra Streisand, Cher, Donna Summer and Tina Turner will bring back to mind many of your favorite songs and ladies of the 70's. Enjoy a luncheon prior to the show. Scheduled Tour, September 11, for smaller groups.

SIX - Columbus on Thur, Sept 26 / Cleveland on Fri and Sat, Sept 27 & 28 Six voices . . . zero instruments . . . all music. This contemporary vocal group features six real brothers who take musical entertainment to a whole new level. Enjoy a luncheon prior to the show. Scheduled Tour, September 26, for smaller groups.

GLENN MILLER ORCHESTRA - Cleveland on Friday, June 21 / Lorain on Saturday, June 22 Just as it was in Glenn's day, the Glenn Miller Orchestra is still the most sought-after big band in the world. Today, the band continues to play many of the original Miller arrangements plus some modern selections arranged and performed in the Miller style and sound. Enjoy a luncheon prior to the show.

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A SIMPLE SANCTUARY
August 23 - November 9
She prayed the day would never come, but when her past comes calling, Melissa James has no choice but to flee. Pursued and living on the run, she finds desperate sanctuary and surprising friendship in Amish Country. Part suspense, part romance, "A Simple Sanctuary" is a compelling story of love tested, the cost of freedom and the solace found in true community. She left everything she knew, to save everything she loved.
• Family-style Amish luncheon
• Tickets to A Simple Sanctuary
• An additional stop in Amish Country

ALUM CREEK STATE PARK FANTASY OF LIGHTS
Available November 23, 2019 - January 1, 2020
Gardens Aglow at the Franklin Park Conservatory - A docent will give you a guided tour followed by time to explore elegant displays of poinsettias, seasonal foliage and lights, delightful entries in the annual gingerbread competition, a Paul Busse model garden railway and an array of activities. Lunch - In a restaurant that features German specialty entrees Alum Creek State Park Fantasy of Lights - Three miles of LED holiday lights with more than 100 displays.

Scheduled Tour, December 2, for groups unable to fill a bus

CANTON CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR
November 15 or 16
This holiday tradition returns in 2019. Filled with talent of all ages, this show features traditional holiday musical numbers, choral groups, dancing, festive costumes and stage sets all set to bring you into the holiday season. The package also includes a complete luncheon, Arts in Stark and Heggy's Candies (A Canton tradition for generations).

Scheduled Tour, November 16, for groups unable to fill a bus

THE LETTERMEN at SENECA NIAGARA CASINO & RESORT
December 10
"The Lettermen" - Three young men in letter sweaters burst onto the music scene in 1961. Twenty million records and over 10,000 sold-out concerts later, The Lettermen continue romancing audiences around the world with each note of every song. This show combines holiday classics with Lettermen favorites

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