

Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary

BOSTON POPS, 4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS

MON-FRI JULY 2 - 6, 2018

Departures, as applicable, from Westlake, Elyria, North Olmsted, Middleburg Heights, Independence, Beachwood, Willoughby, Ashtabula.

We've had, over the years, several requests for an upscale holiday tour that includes the Boston Pops. Affectionately known as "America's Orchestra," the Boston Pops is the most recorded and arguably the most beloved orchestra in the country, beginning with the establishment of the modern-era Pops by Arthur Fiedler. In 2010, with the 125th anniversary season, the Boston Pops reached a landmark moment in a remarkable history that began with its founding by a Civil War veteran Henry Lee Higginson and founded the Boston Symphony Orchestra. From the start he intended to present, in the warmer months, concerts of light classics and the popular music of the day. From a practical perspective, he realized that these "lighter" performances would provide year-round employment for his musicians. The "Promenade Concerts," as they were originally called, were soon informally known as "Popular Concerts," which eventually became shortened to "Pops," the name officially adopted in 1900. This is your year to join with us as we sojourn to Boston.



MONDAY – Today we will be traveling to the village of Herkimer in New York State, named after the German immigrants who settled in this area in 1722. Stops will be made along the way today. We will be arriving at Gems Along The Mohawk and boarding the Lil' Diamond for a 1-1/2 hour cruise, traveling through one of the area's locks before returning to the dock. Upon our arrival back at the dock, our chef-prepared dinner awaits us before we check into the Inn in the foothills of the beautiful Adirondack Mountains in Rome, New York. The group will be staying at a historic Inn on a quiet 52-acre "lavishly landscaped" estate. **(D)**

TUESDAY – After breakfast we will continue east to Boston, Massachusetts where our lunch stop will be at Quincy Market. We will be embarking on a Historic Boston Tour including

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All tour details are anticipated at the time that the Scheduled Tour Brochure was prepared and specific stops and/or other inclusions are subject to change or elimination without notice. Tours typically depart between 6:30 AM and 8:45 AM with the exact time shown on the itinerary you will receive approximately one to two weeks prior to the tour departure. Most tours return about 4:30 PM to 6:15 PM, although this may vary.

parts of the Freedom Trail, a visit to Old North Church and then across the Charles River to Cambridge, home of Harvard University. After that we will be checking into a suburban Hilton Hotel for a two-night stay. This afternoon we will be going to the Esplanade for the Boston Pops Rehearsal Concert; each person will be receiving a wristband which gives you admittance to the Hatch Shell Stage.



After settling in, you will enjoy dinner this evening as we wait for the music to begin. The Boston Pops 4th of July Rehearsal Concert begins at 8:30 PM. This is the best way to actually see the Boston Pops since only about a tenth as many people come tonight as show up on Wednesday night.

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WEDNESDAY – After a full breakfast we will be traveling to the Boston Harbor to board a ship for a Boston Harbor Cruise. During this 2-1/2 hour tour you will be enjoying the view of Boston from the harbor while enjoying a bountiful buffet luncheon including boiled lobster and musical entertainment. After we disembark, we will be visiting the museum at the Kennedy Library as it captures the powerful story of the Kennedy years, learning of his life, leadership and legacy. This evening we will be traveling to the Hyatt Regency Cambridge, located on the banks of the Charles River for a delicious dinner before the fireworks. This 4th of July dinner buffet is beautifully-presented with the various dishes brought out in iron skillets over flames. Afterwards, we can take our chairs over to the banks of the Charles River and enjoy the warm evening breezes and await the Fireworks Spectacular! **(B, L, D)**



THURSDAY – Again, breakfast is included at the Hilton and we will depart with a coffee break and lunch stop along the way. This afternoon we will be checking into the beautiful Turning Stone Resort in Verona.

A dinner buffet awaits you and, for those interested in a “little gaming action”, you will be presented with \$40 in free play in their casino. **(B, D)**

FRIDAY – A leisurely breakfast is included at the casino’s restaurant before we depart for home. Along the way, this inclusive tour includes yet another luncheon at an “upscale” Inn. Afterwards, we will continue our trip homeward. **(B, L)**



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Package includes 10 meals, Same price as last year.

\$994 per person in a double

\$974 per person in a triple

\$954 per person in a quad

\$1236 per person in a single

Deposit to book, \$100 per person; we accept credit cards and checks.

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