

Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary

OVERNIGHT AT THE BERLIN GRANDE, 2 SHOWS THUR-FRI SEPT 13-14, 2018

Departures, as applicable, from Willoughby, Beachwood, North Olmsted, Middleburg Heights, Independence, Medina.

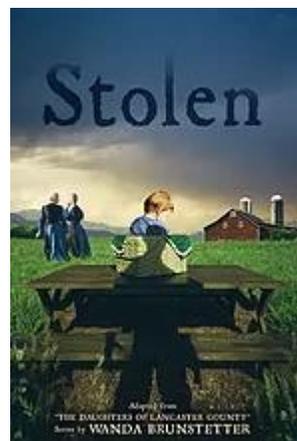
Back again at a reduced price . . . as we extended last year to our “special customers?”

A lot of great things are happening in the Holmes County Amish area. We all know about the beautiful scenery, the friendly faces and the great food but, recently, a beautiful new hotel, the Berlin Grande, has opened and, just down the road, a fantastic new Ohio Star Theatre opened last year . . . and with a new show for 2018. Joining the second brand-new theater just down the road, there are plenty of things to see and do!

One of the first live performances we will be seeing is the new “Stolen”, combining a signature blend of comedy and drama into this new musical, adapted to the stage from the book by Wanda Brunstetter. A small Pennsylvania community is shaken when the son of a prominent Amish family is kidnapped and everyone comes under suspicion as a quirky, bumbling detective takes on the case. The show has been described as being full of “intrigue and humor”.



If you were on last year’s tour, you most probably enjoyed the light-hearted humor and music at the Amish Country Theater, seeing why it was selected as one of the American Bus Associations “Top 100”. We’ve learned that the new show for 2018 will be “Show Me The Funny” . . . as the cast celebrates their new home in Berlin, Ohio. This show presents a totally different view of the Amish and others living in this rural area. Musicians will be performing with various talents, including being able to play two trumpets at the same time. Past shows have had plenty of music, dancing, humor and even a ventriloquist.



More than likely you’ve been to the Warther Museum in Dover with its intricately-carved trains and miniature factories, but now we are taking you to view the work of David Warther, a fifth-generation carver of Swiss heritage, who is continuing his family's carving legacy in the center of Ohio's beautiful Amish country. The carvings created by David are intricately worked in antique ivory, ebony wood and abalone pearl. He works daily in the workshop where he is creating the "History of the Ship" from 1st Dynasty Egypt, circa 3000 B.C., to the present day and, during this visit, you will be hearing the story from the mouth of this artist.



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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. This tour typically departs between 7 AM and 8 AM with the exact time shown on the itinerary you will receive approximately one to two weeks prior to the tour departure. Tour typically returns about 7 to 8 PM, although this may vary.

We have arranged for a visit to an Amish Home with a docent greeting us to discuss their way of life. While we are here, within walking distance, there is an antique shop, craft mall, candle shop and a leather store.

We will also be visiting a store where the Amish shop for non-electric appliances and necessities for a simpler life; have you ever seen a gas-powered refrigerator? They have a wide variety of items including candles, jars for food preservation, candies, tools & garden supplies, and many hard-to-find items you may have been searching for . . . plus, a gift that we have purchased for each passenger to take home with them! We will have a number of equally-fascinating stops during this two-day tour, while enjoying three hearty meals and a glass of wine or two at a popular local wine shop in Amish Country.



Our next stop will be in the shops that line the village where vendors and crafters rent booths that features their unique products and handmade items, from wood crafts, textiles, dolls, ceramics and fine art. Originally opening in 1993, the original part of the store soon outgrew its space and an expansion was underway within nine months. Sol's Palace, the largest of the three stores opened in 1994 and the main focus of the shop was, and has remained, crafts. Sol's Kit-N-Kaboodle opened in 2002 and features everything from inspirational items to sports memorabilia.

Food is most important on tours to this area and, during our meals we will be feasting on chicken & roast beef and, later during the tour, a family-style meal featuring turkey & ham . . . all freshly prepared from area farms. It goes without saying, in keeping with the inclusions, that an expanded breakfast awaits us at the hotel, with all kinds of bakery, eggs and meats.

\$284 per person in a double

\$279 per person in a triple

\$274 per person in a quad

\$345 per person in a single

Reduced pricing from 2017!

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

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The beautiful Berlin Grande



Even the ropes are carved from ivory

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