

Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary

CHRISTMAS AT LOUISVILLE'S BROWN HOTEL MON-WED DEC 3-5, 2018

Departures, as applicable, from Willoughby, Beachwood, Independence, North Olmsted, Middleburg Heights, Medina, Mansfield, Columbus, Grove City, Washington CH.

We have upgraded this tour to include yet another landmark hotel, the Brown Hotel of Louisville. As we've said over the years, it's not necessarily the destination, but rather the route we travel . . . and the Brown Hotel is everything that you might expect from us.

The Brown Hotel is listed in the National Register of Historic Places, first opened in 1923 by James Graham Brown. One thing that has taken on a life of itself is the open-faced turkey sandwich, created 3 years after opening; it includes Mornay sauce with bacon, and is better known to all of us as "Kentucky Hot Brown". Guests have included a Prime Minister and a Queen. A certain elevator operator abandoned his area to go to a dance with a "special girl" . . . that fellow was Victor Mature (before he got famous, of course).

History also tells us that, over the years, rooms were expanded, giving significantly more space when the 600 rooms were reduced to 293 spacious suites.



Upon our arrival in Louisville we will be greeted with a "warm welcome" and then a special dinner in Louisville, with plenty of holiday decorations as we dine. Following dinner, our evening continues with the spectacular "Lights Under Louisville" holiday display.

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On Tuesday, after breakfast, there's a little bit extra that you'll find with a Great Day! tour package. We will be heading over to the "Home of the Kentucky Derby" to tour the museum to explore the "greatest two minutes in sports" and reindeer games. From here, we will be visiting the Frazier History Museum in "Museum Row". Named after its founder, Owsley Brown Frazier, it will have many of its regular artifacts plus, this holiday season, their permanent exhibit, the toy soldier collection that is not only bigger but also more valuable and rare than nearly any other toy soldier collection on public display; there are over 16,000 toy soldiers in its collection.

We have added yet another visit during this year's holiday tour, and one that is sure to get you into the mood . . . the Evan Williams Bourbon Experience, not too far from our hotel. There will be a tour and tasting; who knows, we may even get a chance to taste their delicious bourbon chocolates.



We've also included "Nutcracker, the Exhibition", which we have been advised by the museum will be returning. This afternoon we will be walking across the street to the Louisville Slugger Company. It's never difficult to locate the building that towers 120 feet into the sky. There's a big bat resting on the building, an exact-scale replica of Babe Ruth's 34-inch Louisville Slugger bat. We will be touring the manufacturing area as well as visiting the museum.

After our return to the hotel, we will "freshen up" before taking our reserved seats for dinner, a holiday pre-show and then the live performance of Irving Berlin's "**Holiday Inn**", **the Holiday Musical**".

Before we continue homeward, there will be a luncheon along the way, at the beautiful new Hofbrauhaus. Modeled after a Munich brewery, enjoy many of the traditions from Germany that have made Hofbrauhaus famous, from the traditionally-decorated rooms to the

German fare. **Guten Appetit!**

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