

Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary

SIGHTS UNSEEN IN CLEVELAND

TUE MAY 14, 2019

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



With most of our staff being born and raised in the Cleveland area, and having visited many of the fascinating areas as our tour planners have, we have discovered how few people have visited these attractions or, if they have, it has been many, many years . . . and things do change. Your guide will be taking you through the stately Soldiers and Sailors Monument that commemorates the American Civil War. The center column, made of polished black Quincy stone with six bronze bands, faces the former May Company and rises 125 feet above the Memorial Room and Esplanade. You'll be invited into the interior of the Monument that has stood here for almost 120 years which was recently renovated to give it a greatly-improved look inside.

In keeping with the theme of "Sights Unseen", your Tour Director has arranged for your "morning coffee" at a beautifully-restored Cleveland landmark. At the corner of East 9th Street and Euclid Avenue sits the historic Cleveland Trust Rotunda building. In 1906, the Cleveland Trust Company began construction of a central banking complex. A renowned architect, George Browne Post, who had previously designed the home of the New York Stock Exchange was commissioned to design the building for them. The building opened in 1908. Cleveland Trust later became Ameritrust and in the 1990s merged with Society Corp. Since 2015 the building has been the home of Heinen's Grocery Store and we've included your coffee break in the rotunda. Tom and Jeff Heinen invested \$10 million to transform the bank rotunda, and an adjoining building at 1010 Euclid Avenue, into a 27,000-square-foot supermarket, which opened its doors on February 25, 2015 showcasing this beautiful building which has been carefully renovated and restored to its original grandeur. Your Tour Director has arranged for your "morning coffee" here.



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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 depart between 7:30 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. Tours returns about 5:45 PM to 6:30 PM, although this may vary.

Midday we will be dining in Cleveland's Historical Little Italy neighborhood at Cleveland's oldest restaurant where you will be selecting from a three-entrée menu. Founded in 1918, this popular venue has served such famous icons as Alex Trebek and Dean Martin.



After our delicious lunch, Eliot Ness' name "pops up", at the nearby Lake View Cemetery that we will be touring . . . viewing his headstone and hearing the stories of the other important people including President James A. Garfield, Jephtha Wade (founder of Western Union) and John D. Rockefeller. We will also be seeing the Wade Memorial Chapel that was built in the Neoclassical design in 1901.

The Cemetery was founded in 1869 and sits on 285 acres. It was designed after the great garden cemeteries of the Victorian-era in France and England. So many stonemasons were brought in from Italy to build the magnificent monuments, chapels and memorials that led to the founding of the Little Italy neighborhood where we dined today. To-date, there have been over 104,000 burials here.

Before heading home, we will be making a 45-minute stop at an Italian food market, located in Cleveland's revitalized Midtown Corridor.

This popular shop was started over 85 years ago by an Italian immigrant, who was "hungry for the flavor of his homeland". We will also be seeing the new "Playhouse Square Chandelier" which has been proclaimed as the "instant icon for Cleveland's theatre district" with 4,200 crystals of light-catching illumination. It was built as a reminder of the beautiful chandeliers that originally adorned the lobbies of these theaters.



While a lot of things have changed, our price remains the same for the third year . . . so why not learn more about your community and its history. Who knows, maybe your Tour Guide will let you in on the connection between Great Day! Tours and the

collection you will be seeing at the Police Museum as well as the sidewalks inside Lakeview Cemetery.

\$134 per person
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