

# Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary

**KANSAS CITY . . . HERE WE COME!**

**SUN-FRI JUNE 21-26, 2020**

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

## Attractions from the Route 66 Era – Kansas City Highlights – Arch – Steamboat Arabia

Kansas City grew as the French and Spanish arrived but, after the 1804 Louisiana Purchase, a visit by Lewis & Clark led to the constructing of a fort where the Kansas and Missouri rivers meet. Today the city is known for its wonderful steaks and hickory-smoked barbecue, jazz, architecture and for being the home of Hallmark Cards. Nicknamed “*The City of Fountains*”, it has more fountains than any city, with the exception of Rome, Italy.



At the Anheuser-Busch Brewery Experience we'll see its historic brewing methods all the way through to the product coming off the line. Afterwards we will be enjoying a “*Route 66 Favorite*”, a Ted Drewes Frozen Custard, known as “*Concretes*”, an icon on Route 66.



Since our company is known for the great meals, this tour includes specialties in Kansas City . . . a great steak and KC Hickory-Smoked BBQ, just two of the 12 meals in this tour!

At the Hallmark Visitor Center, you'll discover the company started by a Nebraska teen. Later we'll be seeing

artifacts from the “*Arabia*”, the side wheeler steamboat that sank in the Missouri River in 1856, it was discovered in 1989 in what is now a farm field due to the meandering of the river over the years.



We will be guests during our visit to Longview Mansion. Built in 1914 by a lumber baron, it was the heart of Longview Farms, once known as “*The World's Most Beautiful Farm*”.

Our narrated tour will have us stepping back into the early 1800s to the “*Town of Kansas*” as our Guide relates its beginnings as we drive to Lewis & Clark Point on the the Missouri River. You'll be seeing the huge “*Community Bookshelf*” on the outside of the KC Public Library, with “*book spines*”, each measuring 25 feet, depicting books.

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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 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 8 PM to 10 PM, although this may vary.



There will be a short visit to the Crown Center Complex, the dream of the founder of Hallmark Cards and another visit at the 1914 Union Station which, at one time, saw a dozen railroads utilizing its facilities and now serves as the Amtrak Station after its \$250 Million restoration.

With 48 fountains, hundreds of miles of boulevards and 124 parks, we'll be showing you why Kansas City is truly the Midwest's best kept secret! Enjoy the Spanish-inspired Country Club Plaza, the first suburban shopping center in the U.S. Begun in the 1920s, it is home to magnificent European fountains and statuary. We will visit Independence, Missouri, home of Harry S. Truman, viewing both the Truman Library and Independence Square. We will also be learning of about the Power & Light District and Subtopolis, created through the mining of a 270 million-year-old limestone deposit; it now boasts miles of underground wide, paved streets.



The Gateway Arch celebrates the westward expansion of the United States and the pioneers who made it possible. Over 43,000 tons of concrete and steel make up this monument that soars 63 stories into the Midwest sky. Time-permitting, we will be visiting the museum for this 630-foot high National Park Arch.

Grant's Farm, the 281-acre ancestral home of the Busch family, is named for Ulysses S. Grant who originally worked a portion of the land. We will be touring this homestead.

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**Package includes 12 meals.**

**\$1224 per person\* in a double**  
**\$1199 per person\* in a triple**  
**\$1174 per person\* in a quad**  
**\$1498 per person\* in a single**



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