

# Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary

**MARION, HOME OF PRESIDENT HARDING**

**WED APRIL 21, 2021**

Departures, as applicable, from Beachwood, Independence, Middleburg Hts, Elyria, Sandusky.



Marion was established as a town in Ohio in 1821 and grew as the population expanded, quickly boasting several churches, a private academy, two newspapers, three mills and almost two dozen stores. The area benefited by being along two railroads. Products manufactured here included steam shovels that were used in the construction of the Panama Canal.



But enough about the history of the city itself. This tour centers on one of the most famous residents of Marion, Senator Warran G. Harding, who went on to be the 29<sup>th</sup> president of our country. He had an interesting history as president, later passing away in a San Francisco hotel room in 1923.



Our tour starts out at a 1928 theatre that is considered to be a historic treasure. The theatre was designed to be as if it were a “Palace in Old Spain”. We plan on taking a tour, enjoying a luncheon and hearing the theatre organ played. This building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, due to being an atmospheric theatre, an architectural style popular in the United States during the 1920s.

There will be a quick stop at the Harding Memorial and Gravesite, so that we can hear the history of the site, before we arrive at the new Warren G. Harding Presidential Center where we will be visiting both the home and the museum. The home has been restored to the time of his “front porch campaign for president to the United States” and features many of the original furnishings owned by the President and his wife, Florence.

Before we depart for home we will be visiting the Historic Women’s Club Home for both a guided tour and a gift from our friends in Marion. The “Club” is an organization of women

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founded in the 1890s to support education, artistic endeavors and social issues important to the community. These women were instrumental in starting the library, a hospital, school lunches, and the school nurse program in Marion plus working for women's voting rights.

**\$172 per person**



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