

Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary

PHILADELPHIA IN 3 DAYS AND DINNER WITH BEN FRANKLIN

WED-FRI, AUGUST 4-6, 2021

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

About 220 years ago, Philadelphia was the country's largest city, not New York, Los Angeles or Chicago. It kept that title for almost thirty years. The original city was laid out by William Penn, the fellow who laid out the "Province of Pennsylvania", a British colony that eventually became the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. It has been claimed that it was William Penn who set the democratic principles that served as an inspiration for the U.S. Constitution.



We do want to remind you not to "cut yourself short" by taking any shorter tour since Philadelphia has so much to offer as well as the historic dining opportunities that we've included . . . something passengers seldom have the opportunity to experience.

Philadelphia is probably best known for the signing of the Declaration of Independence but has so much more history. It had the first lending library, founded in 1731 by Benjamin Franklin. History buffs know that the city was the location of the country's first hospital and the first botanical garden. We will be traveling along Benjamin Franklin Parkway (the Champs Elysees of Philadelphia), seeing the "Rocky Steps", the Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, Congress Hall, Franklin Court and the Betsy Ross House. We also plan on seeing the Comcast Center, City Hall, the Avenue of the Arts and a bit of Society Hill.



*Our Host for Dinner . . .
Ben Franklin*

Dinner will be special when we dine at historic City Tavern, with dinner hosted by someone who had so much to do in the early days of the city . . . **Benjamin Franklin**. How often can you meet and talk with such an important author, publisher, statesman, scientist, diplomat and inventor (remembering his kite experiment). While having little formal education, he achieved much and grew wealthy through his successful printing business.

This historic tavern has had a major impact on the area, as you will learn. When John Adams arrived in Philadelphia in 1774 to attend the First Continental Congress, he was greeted by leading citizens

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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 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.

and immediately taken to the tavern he would call “the most genteel tavern in America.” A few months earlier, Paul Revere had ridden up to this same Tavern with the news of the closing of the port of Boston by the British Government.

Following dinner, we will be viewing the city in the early evening from atop One Liberty Observation Deck, discovering Philadelphia from this vantage point.

We’ve included the Stoogeum, the only museum of Three Stooges memorabilia in the country. Containing close to 100,000 pieces of “*Stoogeabilia*”, this museum displays personal items, movie props & costumes, rare photos, displays, movie posters and artwork.

But, even as we depart for home, the interesting stops continue. We’ll be stopping in the Brandywine Valley at Longwood Gardens, an American botanical garden covering over 1000 acres of woodlands, gardens and meadows. Originally founded by Pierre du Pont in 1906,



it has become world-renowned for its dedication to botany and art. There are 20 outdoor gardens and 20 indoor gardens where we can see the Italian Water Garden, Flower Garden Walk, aquatic display gardens and, as time permits, Peirce’s Woods (a seven-acre oasis that’s a year-round woodland Garden that showcases the most ornamental characteristics of the eastern deciduous forest), a collection of eight outdoor “rooms” of distinct woodland habitats. During our visit, there is a good chance you’ll see deer, butterflies, birds, beavers and bees. An additional luncheon is included as we travel homeward. All this in one three-day tour, at the same price as last year.



PHILADELPHIA THREE-DAY TOURS – AUGUST 2021
Includes 5 meals, Stoogeum, City Tavern, Longwood Gardens
A full three-day comprehensive tour with so many inclusions.

\$664 per person in a double

\$654 per person in a triple

\$644 per person in a quad

\$813 per person in a single

Same prices as last year.

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