

Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary

FINGER LAKES & THE GRAND CANYON TUE-THUR AUG 10-12, 2021 WITH ELEGANT DINING SELECTIONS & WINE TASTINGS

Departures, as applicable, from Westlake, Elyria, North Olmsted, Middleburg Heights, Independence, Beachwood, Willoughby, Ashtabula.

This was a new tour two years ago. Well, actually, we brought back and expanded a popular tour that we've been offering about every two to four years. This three-day tour combines the New York Finger Lakes with the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon with a number of Elegant Dining Selections and Wine Tastings. We will be starting out in the Painted Post - Corning Region. While a lot of ideas surround how the area got its name, the early inhabitants of this territory (the Seneca Indians) never had a painted post nor was the post that existed even "painted". This plain post had been used as a type of "bulletin board" and when the settlers moved into the area, they are the ones who painted it. The Seneca word for the area was meant "*Land of the Post*" . . . which really has absolutely nothing to do with this trip, but we did learn that as we laid out this tour and wanted to share it with you.

The only reason we mention it is that it lies in the region that we will be touring, the Finger Lakes, so well known for the great wines that come from its country vineyards. It's so named for its eleven long, thin lakes, carved out in a glacial valley. It is also well known for the dramatic waterfalls, leading to its having been acclaimed to be a "*backdrop for Mother Nature's best work*".



Our day starts out with a guided tour of the Corning Museum of Glass with time for browsing and to visit their wonderful gift shop. Our first meal of this visit will be a Finger Lakes Wine Country Dinner, starting with a Finger Lakes wine or grape juice. In keeping with the theme of the tour, our dinner includes chicken piccata in garlic & New York white wine sauce or sirloin slices in New York red wine & mushroom demi-glace (a rich brown sauce that is oftentimes used in French cuisine) plus regionally-grown fresh vegetables . . . but this is just the start.



The Glenn Curtiss Museum in Hammondsport honors this pioneer in early aviation. The Museum exhibits airplanes as well as Curtiss motorcycles and local collectibles. Interestingly, in 1907 he set a speed record on a V8-powered motorcycle, using an engine built for dirigibles. We've selected this museum as it has something for everyone. We've also

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arranged for an enjoyable narrated sightseeing cruise on Seneca Lake, discovering the beauty and charm as it can only be seen from the water.

There will be many captivating sights including the 165-foot Hector Falls and the majestic cliffs of the eastern shoreline . . . before we enjoy an afternoon winetasting at a Finger Lakes vineyard as we travel to the International Motor Racing Research Center in Watkins Glen.

Later in the afternoon, dinner will be served at the Seneca Harbor Station as we overlook Lake Seneca (see below). We'll be starting out with a garden salad, New England clam chowder, garlic smashed potatoes, sautéed vegetables and ending up with chocolate tuxedo cake for dessert. When signing up, please advise of your entrée choice:

- **New York strip steak with herb-garlic butter.**
- **Zesty Italian-marinated chicken breast with tomato fresca.**
- **Stuffed portabella mushrooms (filled with a blend of veggies, topped with melted cheese and served over wilted spinach).**
- **Broiled haddock with lemon and butter.**
- **Shrimp pasta (sautéed in cream sauce and served over linguini).**



By now, you have probably noticed the quality that has been built into this tour, including the upscale meal entrees, and complementary wine tastings, a tradition oftentimes identified as a Great Day! hallmark over the years, depending on where the tour may be headed.

But here's where this tour really stands out as we travel to Pennsylvania's Grand Canyon, also referred to as Pine Creek Gorge. While we have no intention of traveling its full length, since it stretches for over 45 miles, its dynamic topography creates many scenic wonders, including steep canyon walls and waterfalls. And, based on reviews by our previous guests, there is no better way to see it than during the horse-drawn covered wagon ride that carries on the theme of this tour destinations. The wagon company has advised us that they are not able to accommodate wheelchairs or walkers.



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GRAND CANYON

Wellsboro will be our next stop. Founded in 1806 by settlers from Delaware, Maryland and Philadelphia, it was named in honor of Mary Wells, wife of one of the original settlers. We will be dropped at Timeless Destination in the downtown area where we will be starting out with garden salad, fresh baked bread, our entrée and their dessert du jour. When booking this tour, please advise which entrée you prefer:

- **Quatro Formaggi Pasta served with Cajun four cheeses.**
- **Chicken Piccata (pan seared chicken breast with lemon caper sauce served with potato and vegetable du jour).**
- **Dill Salmon (fresh grilled salmon with a dill cream sauce served with potato and vegetable du jour).**

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Package includes 5 meals, with entrée selections as indicated, and wine tastings.



\$724 per person in a double
\$714 per person in a triple
\$704 per person in a quad
\$890 per person in a single

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