

Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary

HOT SPRINGS N.P., RT 66 & ARKANSAS

SUN-SAT SEPT 19 – 25, 2021

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

This one-of-a-kind adventure is enjoyable and, if you aren't careful, you just might learn more of the history of our great country . . . from Hot Springs National Park to Route 66 & gangsters to Sam Walton, the founder of Walmart.

Along the way there will be interesting visits including places like the West Tennessee Delta Heritage Center, discovering the history, music and culture that makes this area unique, from the school that Tina Turner attended to a collection of Abraham Lincoln memorabilia. Then it's off to a mid-day dinner on historic Beale Street . . . where no one goes away hungry!

Our staff has planned a 2-night stay in Hot Springs, Arkansas, to allow time to see everything that has been planned. In Hot Springs National Park, there will be viewing of



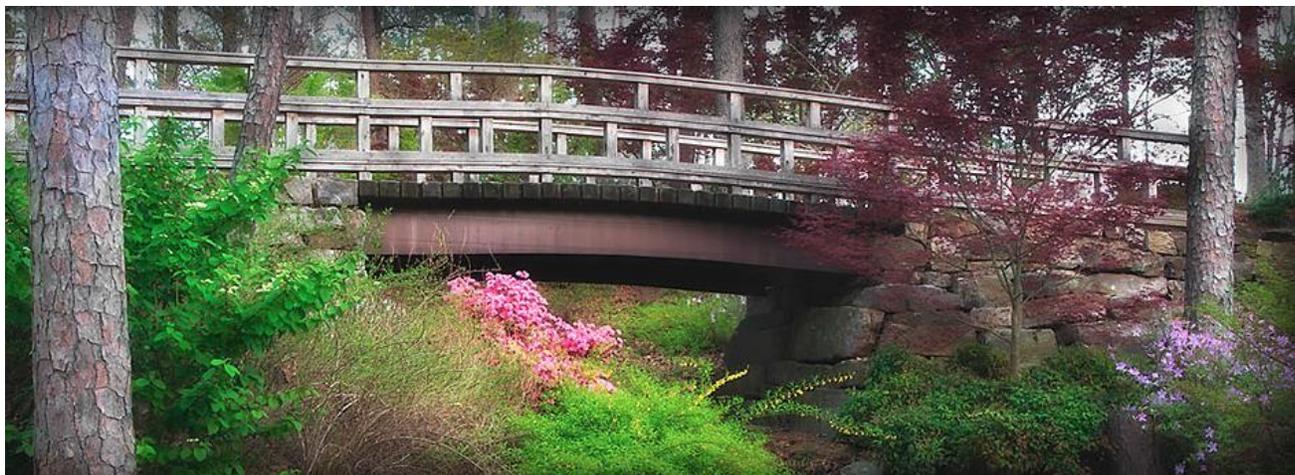
the infamous “Bathhouse Row”, as well as fascinating sights and interesting stories. Enjoy the beautifully restored boutique hotels with vintage details; some filled with art from local artists. Hot Springs’ is most known for the healing and relaxing powers of its hot mineral spring waters, but we will also learn about its past links to some of the country’s most notorious gangsters. You will have some time to experience, on your own, the “perfect place to immerse in Hot Springs’ acclaimed

thermal waters”.

There’s a visit to the nationally recognized Garvan Woodlands Gardens, nestled in the picturesque mountains. The beauty will probably “blow you away” as you see the canopy of pines reaching skyward, providing protection for delicate flora and fauna while gentle lapping waves can be heard along the wooded shoreline and rocky inclines.

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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 will typically depart between 6 AM and 7:30 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 9:30 PM, although this may vary.



During our visit to the Gangster Museum of America, you will be learning of more of the colorful history of Hot Springs and its connection to “folks” from up-north in Chi-town.



As we travel north through Arkansas, our next stop will be in Fort Smith, originally settled in 1817 as a western frontier military post. It was best known for its role in the settling of the “Wild West”, its law enforcement heritage and the actions of “Hanging Judge” Isaac C. Parker. Also of interest is the history associated with its bordellos, one which has been restored, with tours being given by “Miss Laura” or one of her “girls”. Her “house” is the first of its kind to be placed on the National Register of Historic Places.



Nearby Bentonville is the home for Sam Walton’s original 5 & Dime variety store, still with its tin ceiling and floor tiles. We will be exploring Crystal Bridges, the “preeminent American art museum in the country” financed by Alice Walton, Sam’s daughter.



Crystal Bridges
Museum of American Art

Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art has a world-class collection of American art, stunning architecture, and is nestled in 120-acres of Ozark woods. The collection includes iconic images such as “*Kindred Spirits*”, Norman Rockwell’s “*Rosie the Riveter*” and Andy Warhol’s “*Coca-Cola*”. At the Museum of Native American History, we’ll be walking through various time periods, getting a glimpse into what life was like for America’s first inhabitants.

In Bella Vista, we will be stepping into what has been referred to as “Norman Rockwell’s World”, enjoying the leisurely pace of years past while seeing the center’s collection of farm vehicles, antique cars and trucks before a lively interactive show with dinner.



Joplin, Missouri, is a stop on this tour. Many folks have assumed that it was named after the ragtime composer Scott Joplin, who also lived in the state, but it was actually named for an early minister who settled here. The city grew as cross-country highway came through, leading to its name being incorporated into the lyrics of “Route 66” by Bobby Troup.

Most everyone has a lot of pent-up interest in getting out during 2021 and this is your chance. Great destinations, delicious dining and so much more.



HOT SPRINGS, RT 66 & ARKANSAS – SEPTEMBER 2021
7-Day package includes 12 meals

\$1834 per person in a double
\$1804 per person in a triple
\$1774 per person in a quad
\$2234 per person in single

Deposit to book, \$100 per person; we accept all major credit cards and checks.
Tours can now be booked online, 24 hours a day with a credit card.