Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary

THE WILD PONIES OF ASSATEAGUE ISLAND, OCEAN CITY SUN-WED SEPT 17-20, 2023

Departures, as applic: Parma/Cleve.West, Middleburg Hts, Independence, Beachwood/Orange.

This tour to Maryland has a lot of interesting new stops but one that stands out is our visit to "Assateague, home to the Wild Horses". Assateague Island National Seashore is



located not too far from our home for three nights, the Holiday Inn Oceanfront in Ocean City. The island has over 37 miles of beach and more than 300 wild ponies. These animals wander the beaches, inland pine forest, and salt marshes.

Several theories about how the ponies arrived on the island have yet to be confirmed. One theorizes that a Spanish galleon with a cargo of horses sank and the horses swam to the island. Another idea has the wild horses being brought here by the early Colonial Settlers. The ponies have adapted well since their diet includes saltmarsh cordgrass, dune grasses, bayberry twigs, rosehips & persimmons.

On Sunday, there will be several stops enroute and, upon our arrival, we will be greeted with a delicious dinner in Ocean City, right at our hotel. The evening will be yours to enjoy this vacation destination.

The next day breakfast will be included, and you can enjoy it at your leisure. Mid-morning, about 10 AM, we will depart on an escorted tour of Assateague Island. This 37-mile long barrier island is famous for its beautiful beaches and abundant birds but, more famously known as "The Home of the Wild Ponies". Needless to say, don't miss the view of the famous Assateague Lighthouse. Step back in time as you enjoy lunch on your own in the historic walking town of Berlin, with time to browse through the shops along Main Street.



After a brief stop at the hotel to freshen-up, we will depart for Harrison Harbor Watch, located on the inlet. This restaurant, with many great dishes including the seafood dishes it is known for, dates back to 1884 when a local farmer who raised beautiful horses and was a respected purveyor of peaches and other fruit, saw all the fresh seafood being

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brought in daily aboard the fishing boats and decided that he would like to offer these fresh, delicious items in a restaurant in that area. Our tour would not be the same if we did not treat you to dinner at this popular dining spot. After dinner, those interested can visit the Ocean Downs Casino for some gaming.

Tuesday, after breakfast, will have you enjoying a "Touch of Italy". Our guide will be taking you to the O.C. Lifesaving Station Museum for a bit of O.C.'s Past & Present. Then we will relax on an educational Eco-Cruise aboard "The Explorer" through Assawoman Bay! The "Bay" is more of a lagoon than what you might consider a "bay" and is located between Ocean City, Maryland and mainland Delmarva. After our cruise we've set aside the afternoon to enjoy the Ocean City' Boardwalk, which extends almost 2-1/2 miles.

At the time announced, we will depart aboard the coach for Millville, Delaware, and the Dickens Dinner Theater. After dinner, we will be enjoying an upscale magic show this evening before returning to our hotel. The next day we will be having a Farewell Breakfast before departing for home, with many pleasant memories of the area.

THE WILD PONIES OF ASSATEAGUE AND OCEAN CITY - SEPTEMBER 2023

Package includes 6 meals and a show

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