

# 2024 Travel Guide



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This travel guide is a current list of our tours for 2024. As new tours are added we will send updates in the form of a newsletter during the year.



2024

Source: Vertex42.com



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## STOP BY AND VISIT US FOR OUR "MEET & GREETINGS"...

This year again, we will have our "get acquainted tour preview" meetings in the Walmart parking lots listed below. We'll bring one of our buses and have a table set up outside the bus with 2024 Travel Guides, gift certificates and some 'give-aways'. Bring a friend and get extra gift certificates. Some of our popular trips sell out prior to this, so please don't wait to sign up! We'll be on hand to answer questions and share information for our 2024 tours. It is not necessary to make a deposit there to take advantage of our early booking discounts. Reservation can be made by phone and deposits mailed in anytime after you receive this Travel Guide. We look forward to the fellowship with all of you and hope to see you at one of the meeting places. Mark your calendar to stop by and say hello, and pick-up a gift certificate!

**THURSDAY FEBRUARY 8, 2024**

WALMART – LIBERTY HIGHWAY –  
ANDERSON, SC

ANYTIME BETWEEN 1:00 PM AND 4:00 PM

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2024**

WALMART – EDGEFIELD ROAD –  
N. AUGUSTA, SC

ANYTIME BETWEEN 1:00 PM AND 4:00 PM

Hope to see you there!!!

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

CHUBB Insurance, the company we use to offer Travel Protection for our trips, has advised us that they will only offer the "group" policy to persons 80 years old or under. We will still be able to offer the Travel Protection to persons 81+, but the cost will be based on your age and trip cost. We can give you a quote at the time of booking if you wish to add it on.



The travel industry has had many challenges since the pandemic, including rising cost at restaurants and hotels as well as staffing shortages. One area of concern for us as a bus company has been the hotel's inability to offer us luggage handling for our group. There may be occasions while on a tour that we will ask you to handle your own luggage. Of course if you need help, one of our staff will be glad to try and assist you. We mention this so that you will keep this in mind while packing your suitcase, you'll need to be sure it is manageable for you. Thank you for your understanding!

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**BOOK EARLY & SAVE!**

BOOK BEFORE MARCH 15, 2024  
Receive the following discounts (per person):

When you make a deposit, you will receive  
\$10.00 off : Trips 3-5 days in length  
\$15.00 off : Trips 6-10 days in length  
\$25.00 off : Trips 11+ days in length

When you pay in full, you can double your discount. You will receive  
\$20.00 off : Trips 3-5 days in length  
\$30.00 off : Trips 6-10 days in length  
\$50.00 off : Trips 11+ days in length

\* No Discounts will apply to Credit Card Payments, Cruises, or Fly Trips. \*  
This will insure the best pricing possible for everyone.

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We are located in Downtown Anderson at the address listed above.

# ALL ROADS LEAD TO FUN ON A MYSTERY TOUR

3 DAYS - 2 NIGHTS  
May 28 - 30, 2024

\$625 PP Double / \$590 PP Triple  
\$560 PP Quad / \$755 Single



Will we go North, South, East, or West... It's a **BIG MYSTERY!** Join us with luggage packed and no clue about where you're headed. We hope this mystery tour includes old and new friends out for lots of great food, sightseeing, surprises, entertainment, and most of all, renewed friendships with fellow travelers. You'll have no idea where you're going until you get there which makes for an exhilarating and surprising tour experience.



If we told you too much, it wouldn't be a mystery, would it? We will tell you this **Mystery Tour** will be filled with touring, unique places and entertainment!

You will have the opportunity to receive extra travel dollars on this trip. This is certain to be a great time you'll never forget. Join us on this fun-filled adventure, as this will be a memorable event! ***This trip has sold out 7 years in a row within a few weeks of being advertised, so make your reservation early!***

## Deposit/Payment Requirements:

**\$200.00 Deposit Per Person due with your reservation**

*Plus cost of travel protection (rates for persons 80 & under), if desired  
(travel protection offers insurance benefits & non-insurance services)  
cost per person\* from: \$57 Double, Triple, Quad or Single*

\* subject to change- additional cost for persons 81+



**Final Payment Due by April 4, 2024**



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# ROLLING ON THE RIVERS



JUNE 3 - 8, 2024  
6 DAYS/5 NIGHTS  
INCLUDES 11 Meals

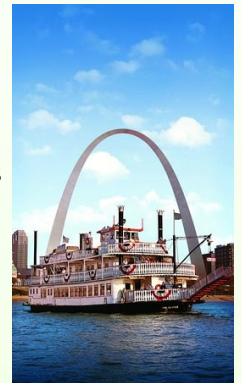


*Would you like to ride on five different excursions on two great rivers, the Cumberland, Mississippi, and Tennessee Rivers? If you like riverboatin' then this is the tour for you!*



**DAY 1:** Join Ionosphere as we board our motorcoach and travel through **Georgia** and into **Tennessee**, en route to **Nashville**, for our first overnight. We enjoy a fantastic **dinner cruise** tonight onboard the **General Jackson** on the waters of the **Cumberland River**. (D)

**DAY 2:** Following breakfast this morning, we depart for **St. Louis, Missouri**. **Lunch will be included** enroute. Upon mid-afternoon arrival in St. Louis, we will enjoy a **Mississippi River Cruise** that features captivating views of the St. Louis skyline. We can take a stroll around the top deck to see the city from brand new angles. Next, we will visit the **Gateway Arch**, which is a 630-foot monument. Clad in stainless steel and built in the form of a weighted catenary arch, it is the world's tallest arch, the tallest man-made monument in the Western Hemisphere, and Missouri's tallest accessible building. We'll begin our tour with an interactive pre-boarding exhibits featuring 60s era animation and Gateway Arch trivia. Then, we'll be transported 630 feet to the top of America's tallest man-made monument. We will overnight at the Drury Inn in St. Louis with dinner on our own in the area. (B,L)



**DAY 3:** This morning we travel south to **Hannibal, Missouri**. We'll enjoy a relaxing **riverboat cruise** aboard the Mark Twain, an authentic Mississippi River paddlewheeler, following an **included lunch** at the dock. Following the cruise we visit **Mark Twain's boyhood home and museum**, and see the house of his sweetheart, Becky Thatcher. We will spend the night in downtown Hannibal and dinner will be on our own in the area of our hotel. (B,L)

**DAY 4:** Our travels continue into Iowa. We'll have lunch on our own in **Le Claire** with a little time to explore the unique shops along Cody Road. Now it's time to travel to **Davenport, IA** for a visit to **Isabel Bloom Studio** for a **guided tour** that will take us behind the scenes for access to every step in the making of each Isabel Bloom sculpture. Next, we will travel to **Moline, Illinois**, for a stop at the **John Deere Pavilion**, to see an impressive showcase of vintage and modern-day farm equipment. Interactive displays allow us to sit in the cab of a harvester, or take a virtual tour through the Harvester Works, the company's local combine factory. We'll check into our hotel in Moline, where we have accommodations for the night. This evening we enjoy a special treat as we depart for 2

**JOHN DEERE**



½ hour **Celebration Dinner Cruise on the Mississippi River!** A paddlewheeler from bygone days will take us leisurely up the river as we enjoy live entertainment and delicious food. We can sit back, relax, and watch the unfolding panorama as we cruise on the upper Mississippi River. (B,D)



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**DAY 5:** Following breakfast this morning, we travel through Illinois and cross into southeastern **Indiana**. We'll have an **included lunch** today enroute to our destination in **Lexington, KY**. Our route takes us through Indianapolis, the capital city of Indiana. We'll have dinner on our own tonight in the area of our hotel in Lexington. **(B,L)**



**DAY 6:** Following breakfast this morning we head for Knoxville, TN, where we will enjoy a **Luncheon Cruise** on the beautiful **Tennessee River** aboard an authentic paddle wheeler. Now it's time to head for home. We have some wonderful memories to recall as we recollect our time spent "Rolling on the Rivers" in Nashville, St. Louis, Hannibal, Moline and Knoxville! Wow! What an amazing adventure. **(B,L)**

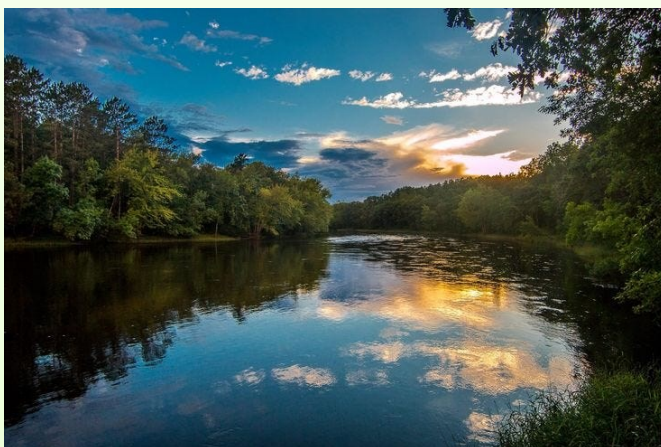
**\$1495 PP Double / \$1360 PP Triple  
\$1220 PP Quad / \$2035 Single**

**Deposit/Payment Requirements:**

**\$400.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation**  
**Plus cost of travel protection (rates for persons 80 & under), if desired**  
**(travel protection offers insurance benefits & non-insurance services)**  
**cost per person is\*: \$86 Double , Triple or Quad - \$ 146 Single**

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# SCENIC PACIFIC NORTHWEST WONDERS

**INCLUDES GLACIER NATIONAL PARK, CANADIAN ROCKIES,  
CALIFORNIA REDWOODS, YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK & PIKES PEAK**

June 17 - July 7, 2024

21 Days/20 Nights - Tour includes 39 Meals!

\$6195 PP Double / \$5540 PP Triple

\$4845 Quad / \$8795 Single



**Day 1:** Join Ionosphere Tours as we begin our exciting tour to the **Canadian Rockies and beyond!** During the next **21 days** we will explore some of North America & Canada's most beautiful scenery. Today we leave the South behind and travel through Georgia, Tennessee and Kentucky enroute to **Illinois** and our overnight accommodations in **Marion**. **Lunch** will be included today (L)

**Day 2:** Today we find ourselves crossing the **Mississippi River** as we pass through St. Louis, Missouri, the "Gateway to the West". Missouri, the Show Me State, is rich in history and celebrities, bringing to mind Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, the Sante Fe Trail and Harry S. Truman. **Lunch will be included** today in Columbia, MO. By late afternoon we arrive in the **Sioux City, Iowa** area, where we spend the night. (B,L)

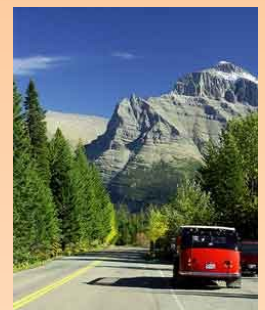


**Day 3:** Following breakfast we continue our journey, spending much of the morning in **Iowa**, before turning westward into **South Dakota**. In the late afternoon we take the loop drive through **Badlands National Park**, making a stop at the Visitor's Center. Dinner will be included in **Wall, South Dakota**, home to the famous **Wall Drug Store**--a most unusual place. We'll have our included dinner and time for a little shopping before we check into our hotel in Wall. (B,D)

**Day 4:** We get an early start and continue travel westward into **Wyoming** this morning. We head toward Sheridan in the **Big Horn Mountains**, the scene of many fierce battles between the U.S. Cavalry and the Sioux, Cheyenne and Crowe Indians. Following lunch we will visit **Fort Phil Kearny**. Fort Phil Kearny was one of three U.S. Army forts established along the Bozeman Trail in 1866. Named after deceased Civil War General Philip Kearny (pronounced car-nee) the fort's mission was to protect travelers along the Bozeman Trail against Indian attack. By mid-afternoon we depart, heading north into Montana and stop overnight in **Billings**, in the heart of Yellowstone Valley. **Dinner will be included** tonight. (B,D)

**Day 5:** We depart this morning and continue to explore **Montana**. We'll make a stop in **Great Falls**, to visit the **C.M. Russell Museum**. This unique museum displays watercolors, sculptures and oil paintings of the cowboy artist Charles Russell. We will overnight in the **Browning, Montana area**. We'll have an **included dinner** tonight. (B,D)

**Day 6:** Following breakfast we'll take a short drive to Lake Mary Visitor Center in **Glacier National Park**. We'll step aboard our special touring vehicles for an Eastern Alpine excursion that travels the "**Going to The Sun**" highway, one of the most outstanding scenic roadways in the world. It's a veritable fairyland of snowfrosted peaks and sparking ice caps. This afternoon we will continue our journey northward traveling into **Canada** on our way to **Calgary**, in the province of **Alberta**. Calgary is the second largest city in Alberta and home of the world famous "Calgary Stampede". We'll check into our hotel in Calgary before we depart for an **included dinner**. Following dinner we'll visit **Calgary Tower** and enjoy a spectacular view of Calgary and the Canadian Rockies. Located 626 feet above the downtown core, the Calgary Tower offers the best view in the city. From the Observation Deck we'll experience a spectacular 360° view of the bustling city, the majestic Rocky Mountains, the foothills, and the prairies. We can stand on the amazing glass floor for a birds-eye view of the city streets below. (B,D)



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**Day 7:** This morning's journey carries us into the even more spectacular scenery as the highway winds and climbs toward **Banff**. We'll be in **Banff National Park**, which surrounds the year round resort of Banff. We will visit the magnificent **Banff Springs Hotel**. We'll also take the 8-minute ride on the **Sulphur Mountain Gondola** for a spectacular view of the surrounding mountains. We'll have free time later today to do some shopping and browsing in the quaint and scenic downtown area, where we just might see an elk grazing in a front yard! We will spend the next two nights in the Banff area. **(B)**



**Day 8:** Our journey continues this morning through Magnificent Banff National Park to beautiful **Lake Louise**. This is one of the most photographed spots in Canada, with majestic Victoria Glacier towering in the background. Continuing north, great mountain ranges are on both sides of the road as we climb to elevations above 7,000 feet. Snow-capped peaks rise to more than 11,000 feet above us. Our highlight of the day is sure to be our **snowcoach ride** onto the **Athabasca Glacier**, 2,000-foot thick extensions of the **Columbia Icefield**. We will return to Banff for our overnight accommodations again tonight, where we will enjoy an **included dinner** tonight. **(B,D)**

**Day 9:** We depart Banff this morning and head west, crossing into the province of **British Columbia**. Our journey will take us in the heart of British Columbia's interior. We'll see a spectacular range of scenery as we travel between the high peaks of the **Canadian Rockies** and across the ranchlands of the interior. Today's highlights include the Continental Divide, a view of the Spiral Tunnels, a remarkable feat of railroad engineering, the Kicking Horse Canyon, Rogers Pass and of course the glaciers and snow-capped peaks of the Canadian Rockies. Our overnight is in **Kamloops, BC** and **dinner will be included**. **(B,D)**

**Day 10:** Following breakfast our journey continues west towards the Pacific Ocean and the city of **Seattle, Washington**. On today's journey we will again see dramatic changes in scenery, from the desert-like environment of the interior, through the winding river canyons and pristine forests, to the Coast and Cascade Mountains and the lush green fields of the Fraser River Valley. Highlights include the steep slopes and rock sheds along the Thompson River and the rushing waters of Hell's Gate in the Fraser Canyon. On arrival in Seattle we'll include admission to the **Space Needle**, which is 650 feet high and has been Seattle's signature structure since it was built as the centerpiece for the 1962 World's Fair. We will overnight in the **Seattle** area, and **Lunch will be included** today. **(B,L)**

**Day 11:** Following breakfast we board our motorcoach and head south into **Oregon**. We'll make a stop for an **included lunch** at **Multnomah Falls Lodge**, which is a wonder in itself. Built in 1925 and named the nation's first National Historic Landmark, the lodge structure includes every type of rock found in the Columbia River Gorge. We'll have an amazing view of Multnomah Falls, dropping 620 spectacular feet, and the tallest of the Columbia River Gorge's many waterfalls. On the lower level, you'll find the Multnomah Falls Visitor Center and Gift Shop. Following lunch, we continue south along the scenic, rugged **Oregon coast**, making our way to tiny **Bandon, Oregon** for our overnight. **(B,L)**



**Day 12:** After breakfast we are on our way, continuing along the coast of Oregon to **Gold Beach**. Here, where the **Rogue River** empties into the Pacific Ocean, we enjoy an unforgettable **Jet Boat excursion** up the river. In this modern world, this Mail Boat is still the only way folks here have of getting their mail! Back onboard our motorcoach, we cross the state line into northern **California**, destined for majestic **Redwood National Park**. Our route carries us deep into the heart of America's greatest **Redwood Forest**, where the tall trees block the sunlight from the sky above. Dinner and overnight are in the lumber town of **Eureka, California**. **(B,D)**



**Day 13:** Following breakfast this morning we leave Fortuna behind, traveling through another magnificent Redwood Preserve, **Humboldt Redwood State Park**, and through the **Avenue of the Giants Lunch will be included** in the Garberville area. The **San Francisco** skyline is a sight that is sure to take your breath away as we dip toward San Francisco Bay, and enter the incredible span of the **Golden Gate Bridge**. We spend the night in the area of, **San Francisco, California**. **(B,L)**

**Day 14:** We'll head to the **Fisherman's Wharf** area following breakfast this morning. We'll love San Francisco's breathtaking waterfront, as we cruise under the majestic Golden Gate Bridge and around notorious Alcatraz Island, on a **Golden Gate Bay Cruise**. We'll discover San Francisco's history via an award-winning audio commentary, learning of her history, marveling at her architecture, and hearing tales of the fascinating glory days of this marvelous West Coast city. Following our cruise we'll have some free time for browsing and lunch on our own in the Fisherman's Wharf area. Some may want to ride on the world famous **"cable cars"**. By early afternoon we depart for **Yosemite National Park area**. We'll have accommodations in this area tonight and we'll **include dinner**. **(B,D)**



**Day 15:** A region of unusual beauty, **Yosemite National Park** lies on the western slope of the Sierra Nevada. The park is much greater both in area and beauty than most people realize. After breakfast this morning we will have a **narrated tram tour** of this awesome park that Abraham Lincoln set aside as the nation's first state park in 1864. Twenty-six years later Yosemite became a National Park. Later today we depart for the **Reno/Lake Tahoe** area, where we will spend the night. The evening will be free to enjoy on our own, following an **included Dinner** at the hotel. (B,D)



**Day 16:** Following breakfast we continue our exciting journey. We depart for **Salt Lake City, Utah**, where we have accommodations tonight. Founded in 1847 by the Mormons under the leadership of Brigham Young, the city first became the capital of the Mormon settlement and then of the state of Utah. This evening we'll have an **included meal** at one of the area's favorite restaurants. (B,D)

**Day 17:** Leaving Salt Lake City this morning, we cross into **Colorado**, headed for **Colorado Springs**, where we have accommodations for the next two nights. Colorado Springs is 6,000 feet above sea level, which may explain why it was chosen as home of the high-flying U.S. Air Force Academy. West of the city, 14,110-foot Pike Peak stands tall, providing a lovely alpine backdrop. **Dinner will be included** at one of Denver's local restaurants, en-route to Colorado Springs. (B,D)



**Day 18:** Following breakfast this morning we will make our way to the base of Pike's Peak at the foot of the Rockies. We'll take the **Pikes Peak Cog Railway** to the top for an unbeatable view. Following our Cog Railway adventure, we will visit the **U.S. Air Force Academy**. Grounds include a B-52 bomber display, scenic overlooks, a chapel, planetarium and Falcon Stadium. We will also be awed as we drive through the **Garden of the Gods**, a 1300-acre park with massive red sandstone formations. Among them are the Kissing Camel and Balanced Rock. The sun accentuates the color of the stone. Overnight will again be in Colorado Springs, and **lunch will be included** today. (B,L)

**Day 19:** It's time to bid farewell to Colorado as we head east this morning. We'll be on I-70 all day today as we travel into **Kansas**. We'll drive by **the Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum in Abilene, KS**. We'll catch a glimpse of the boyhood home of President Dwight David Eisenhower. This is also the final resting place of Dwight D. and Mamie Doud Eisenhower. We'll **include dinner** in the Abilene area before we continue on to **Topeka**, where we will spend the night. (B,D)

**Day 20:** Today, our journey takes us into Missouri. This afternoon we marvel at the Gateway Arch and get our cameras ready for a picture of this amazing structure. **Lunch will be included** today. We cross the Mississippi where it joins the Ohio River, as we make way for **Paducah, Kentucky**, where we have accommodations for tonight. (B,L)

**Day 21:** We'll spend our last day of this tour traveling through the beautiful mountains of Tennessee as we turn our thoughts toward home. It's been an unforgettable tour. We'll never forget our experiences and our fellowship with our friends. (B)

### **Deposit/Payment Requirements:**

**\$1000.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation**

*Plus cost of travel protection (rates for persons 80 & under), if desired  
(travel protection offers insurance benefits & non-insurance services)  
cost per person\* from: \$497 Double, \$431 Triple, \$327 Quad - \$683 Single*

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# ALASKA ROUNDTRIP CRUISE

## Sailing on PRINCESS' "Discovery Princess"

9 DAYS - 8 NIGHTS  
JULY 19 - JULY 27, 2024

Prices from-

**\$2285 PP Double Inside Cabin**  
**\$3315 PP Double Balcony Cabin**

PRICES INCLUDE TRANSPORTATION & PORT CHARGES, TAXES  
1 NIGHT HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS PRIOR TO CRUISE



PRICES DO NOT INCLUDE AIRFARE- CURRENT ROUNDTRIP AIRFARE ON ALASKA AIRLINES  
FLIGHT WITH OUR GROUP WILL BE AN ADDITIONAL **\$510\*** per person \*subject to availability

Come sail with Ionosphere Tours as we discover Alaska. Our journey begins as we fly from Atlanta to Seattle, Washington. We will overnight in the Seattle, WA area. We depart at the next day at 3:00 pm on Princess' "Discovery Princess". Our ports of call will include Ketchikan, Juneau and Skagway in Alaska, and Victoria, British Columbia in Canada. A highlight is certain to be Glacier Bay National Park. Here we will see some of the world's most awe-inspiring tidewater glaciers, waterfalls and icebergs.

### **PRE-CRUISE DAY – FRIDAY, JULY 19**

This morning we will depart for Atlanta and take our afternoon flight to SEATTLE, WASHINGTON where we will spend the night.



### **DAY 1 – SATURDAY, JULY 20 – SEATTLE/BOARD SHIP**

Today we will be transported from our Seattle hotel and board "Discovery Princess" for our 7-night inside passage cruise.

### **DAY 2 – SUNDAY, JULY 21 – AT SEA**

This day will be spent at sea. Many shipboard activities will be available and will be highlighted in our daily activity sheets.

### **DAY 3 – MONDAY, JULY 22 – JUNEAU**

We spend the day in Juneau, Alaska's capital. We may want to pan for gold, take Whale watching cruise, flightsee the Juneau Ice Field, or walk right up to the Mendenhall Glacier. We arrive at 1:00 pm set sail at 10:00 pm.

### **DAY 4 – TUESDAY, JULY 23 – SKAGWAY**

We seem to step back in time today as we visit Skagway. During the icy winter of 1897-98, gold was discovered and within 3 months the settlement grew from one cabin into a thriving city of more than 20,000. Excursions include: White Pass Scenic Railroad, Glacier Discovery by helicopter and many more to choose from. We arrive in Skagway at 7:00 am and depart at 8:30 pm.



### **DAY 5 – WEDNESDAY, JULY 24 – GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK SCENIC CRUISING**



Known as Alaska's crown jewel, Glacier Bay National Park is otherworldly in its beauty and breadth. This UNESCO World Heritage Site covers millions of acres and contains seven tidewater glaciers as well as mountains and deep fjords. Its waters are even home to whales, seals and otters. Cruise to Glacier Bay National Park and let the landscapes and wildlife show you what makes it so worthy of the utmost protection.

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**DAY 6 – THURSDAY, JULY 25 -KETCHIKAN/ INSIDE PASSAGE CRUSING**

Known as the “Salmon Capital of the World,” Ketchikan is also the ancestral home of the Tlingit People, who have carved the world’s largest collection of totem poles. We’ll arrive in Ketchikan at 7:00 am. Shore excursions include the Rain Forest, Misty Fjords and the Saxman Native Totem Village. We sail at 1:00 pm. We will cruise the inside passage enroute to Victoria, BC

**DAY 7 – FRIDAY, JULY 26 – VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA**

We arrive at the capital of British Columbia at 7:00 pm today. Victoria is located on Canada’s largest island, Vancouver Island. This seaside enclave and one-time British colony has retained much of its colonial splendor. Victoria blooms with color during the spring and summer months, contributing to its nickname: The Garden City. We depart at 11:59 pm .



**DAY 8 – SATURDAY, JULY 27 – SEATTLE/ATLANTA**

Homeward bound - We say goodbye to Alaska as we transfer to the airport in Seattle, WA for our flight back to Atlanta.



**TOUR INCLUSIONS:**

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- \* Overnight in Seattle prior to the Cruise
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**Final Payment Due by April 1, 2024**

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# CRUISETOUR TO ALASKA SAILING ON PRINCESS CRUISES-“GRAND PRINCESS”

7-NIGHT VOYAGE OF THE GLACIERS CRUISE  
PLUS 6-NIGHT INTERIOR TOUR WITH DENALI NATIONAL PARK  
**14 DAYS - 13 NIGHTS**  
**August 1 - 14, 2024**

**From \$4865 PP Double Balcony Cabin**  
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**PRICES INCLUDE ALL PORT CHARGES, TRANSFERS, LAND ACCOMMODATIONS AND EXCURSIONS LISTED**

**PRICES DO NOT INCLUDE AIRFARE- ROUNDTRIP AIRFARE**  
**WITH OUR GROUP WILL BE AN ADDITIONAL \$1035 \* per person**  
\*A pre-night hotel in Atlanta is included in the airfare cost due to an early am departure

Come along with **Ionosphere Tours** as we discover Alaska. Our journey begins as we fly to **Fairbanks, Alaska** for a 2-night stay. We'll enjoy a cruise on the **Riverboat Discovery sternwheeler** down the Chena River and a visit to an **Athabaskan village**. Next we'll enjoy a Gold Dredge #8 tour with the chance to pan for your own gold. A hearty miner's lunch is included. From Fairbanks we travel by motorcoach to **Denali National Park** and check into the Denali Princess Wilderness Lodge for a 2-night stay. The next afternoon, we'll travel into the park for a **Denali Natural History Tour**. After our second nights stay, we travel by motorcoach to the south side of the park for 2-night stay at the **Mt. McKinley Princess Wilderness Lodge**. We can take in the sensational views in the Great Room or on the expansive deck. Our land tour continues the next day with a transfer to Talkeetna and our exclusive Direct-to-the-Wilderness **Princess Rail journey aboard domed railcars to Whittier**, where we will board "**Grand**" **Princess**. We'll sail beyond the Hubbard Glacier through Glacier Bay to Skagway, Juneau and Ketchikan, and suddenly our world perspective will change. Now we'll be looking up at perpetually snow capped mountains that rise 15,000 feet seemingly straight up from the shoreline. We'll view massive glaciers looming large over iceberg-strewn bays, pushing their faces into tidewater. We'll marvel at the wonder of it all...on a **7-night Cruise between Whittier, Alaska and Vancouver, British Columbia**.

Due to an early morning flight departure it will be necessary to spend a pre-tour night (July 31) in a hotel near the airport in our Atlanta. Cost of this hotel is included in the above flight cost.

## **DAY 1 - THURSDAY, AUGUST 1 - FAIRBANKS**

We will depart and take our flight to Fairbanks, Alaska, where we have accommodations for 2-nights.

## **DAY 2 - FRIDAY, AUGUST 2 - FAIRBANKS**

This morning we'll take a cruise on an authentic Sternwheeler Riverboat down the Chena River. Next, we will enjoy a Gold Dredge #8 tour with the chance to pan for our own gold. A hearty miner's lunch is included. The evening is at leisure. We'll spend a second night in Fairbanks.

## **DAY 3- SATURDAY, AUGUST 3 - FAIRBANKS/DENALI**

Today we will travel by scenic motorcoach to Denali National Park and check into the Denali Princess Wilderness Lodge for our 2-night stay. The remainder of today is ours to enjoy. There are optional tours available for you to book.

## **DAY 4 - SUNDAY, AUGUST 4 - DENALI**

The morning is free to choose an optional excursion or just relax. This afternoon we will take the included Natural History Tour into Denali National Park, where we might see moose, bear or caribou. This evening is free for you to explore the area. We'll spend the night again in Denali.

## **DAY 5 - MONDAY, AUGUST 5 - DENALI/MT. MCKINLEY**

Today we'll travel by motorcoach to the south side of the park for a 2-night stay at the Mt. McKinley Princess Wilderness Lodge. We'll have sensational views of the mountain in the Great Room or on the expansive deck. Our evening is at leisure.

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**DAY 6 – TUESDAY, AUGUST 6 – MT. MCKINLEY**

Today is ours to enjoy at the Mt. McKinley Princess Wilderness Lodge. We may choose an optional excursion or just take time to relax. Optional tours could include a tour of an authentic Homestead of a modern pioneer family, a horse-drawn covered wagon ride for amazing views of the peaks and glaciers or maybe a Talkeetna River float trip.

**DAY 7 – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7 - MT. MCKINLEY/WHITTIER**

We'll take in the final views of the mountain from our motorcoach before our transfer to Talkeetna and our Direct-to-the-Wilderness **Princess Rail journey to Whittier**, where we will board the "Grand Princess". We depart Whittier at 8:30 pm

**DAY 8 – THURSDAY, AUGUST 8 - HUBBARD GLACIER CRUISING**

We spend today cruising **Hubbard Glacier**. The stars of the voyage are the dazzling glaciers that flow from the icy peaks that line the bay.

**DAY 9 – FRIDAY, AUGUST 9 – GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK CRUISING**

Princess is one of a select few cruise lines permitted to cruise the pristine waters of **Glacier Bay**, the highlight of our 7-day Voyage of the Glaciers cruise. Just west of Juneau, this breathtaking national park and preserve boasts some of the world's most spectacular tidewater glaciers, such as Margerie Glacier, which often drops colossal chunks of ice into the sea.

**DAY 10 – SATURDAY, AUGUST 10 - SKAGWAY**

We seem to step back in time today as we visit **Skagway**. During the icy winter of 1897-98, gold was discovered and within 3 months the settlement grew from one cabin into a thriving city of more than 20,000. We may want to take a narrated helicopter journey over the vast Gold Rush country beyond mountains, glaciers, canyons and waterfalls. Or you may experience Alaska on the White Pass Scenic Railroad. Our ship sails at 8:30 pm.

**DAY 11 – SUNDAY, AUGUST 11 - JUNEAU**

We will arrive at 6:30 am this morning in **Juneau**, Alaska's capital. We may want to pan for gold, flightsee the Juneau Ice Field, or walk right up to the Mendenhall Glacier. We set sail at 4:00 pm.

**DAY 12 – MONDAY, AUGUST 12 - KETCHIKAN**

This morning we arrive in **Ketchikan**. We'll have plenty of time to immerse ourselves in Tlingit Indian culture as we have an option to view the world's largest collection of totem poles, take the Rain Forest Canoe Adventure, or just explore the city along the colorful waterfront. We depart at 6:00 pm.

**DAY 13 – TUESDAY, AUGUST 13 - INSIDE PASSAGE CRUISING**

This day will be spent cruising the inside passage. Many shipboard activities will be available and will be highlighted in our daily activity sheets.

**DAY 14 – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14 - VANCOUVER, BC/HOME**

Homeward bound - We say goodbye to Alaska as we transfer to the airport in Vancouver, BC for our flight back home.



Passport required



**Deposit Payment Requirements:**

**\$1000.00 Deposit\* Per Person due with your reservation**

*Plus cost of insurance if desired (rates for persons 80 & under) - Cost per person\* from:  
\$431 double balcony- \$327 double inside cabin - Includes insurance for cruise & airfare*

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4 DAYS/ 3 NIGHTS  
INCLUDES 6 Meals



\$765 PP Double /\$710 PP Triple  
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**Day 1** – Make plans to join **Ionosphere** for the world's largest music festival – 40 Days & 40 Nights of Gospel Music at the Ark and Creation Museum – featuring multiple concerts daily from Award Winning Artists. Dinner will be included at the historic, **Boone Tavern Hotel Restaurant in Berea, KY**. Built in 1909 Boone Tavern Hotel & Restaurant was named for Appalachian hero Daniel Boone. Following dinner we drive the short distance to **Georgetown, KY** area, where we will get settled into our hotel, where we have accommodations for the next two nights. **(D)**

**Day 2:** Today our journey takes us past the many white and black fences of the beautiful horse farms as we make our way to the unparalleled **Creation Museum in Petersburg**. This state-of-the-art 70,000 square foot museum brings the pages of the Bible to life, casting its characters and animals in dynamic form and placing them in familiar settings. We'll see Adam and Eve live in the Garden of Eden and see the scaffolding and smell the freshly-cut timbers in the busy work site of Noah's Ark. The themes of the exhibits resound in the theater presentations: Men in White, Six Days of Creation, The Last Adam, and Dinosaurs and Dragons. The Special Effects Theater, complete with rumbling seats and rising mists, takes visitors on a fantastic quest to find the real purpose and meaning of life. **Dinner will be included** tonight. **(B,D)**



**Day 3:** Following breakfast this morning we will spend the entire day at the **Ark Encounter**, located in **Williamstown, Kentucky**. The Ark is a Christian evangelistic outreach intended to bring the Ark of Noah's day to life. Our admission during the 40 days & 40 Nights at the Ark Festival will include live music in Noah's Village as well as Christian programs and presentations by various speakers. Scheduled to perform today are world renown gospel music artists and also appearing will be speakers. Between concerts, there is so much to see and do. We can explore the Ark Encounter with its state of the art exhibits, and understand the reality of the events that are recorded in the book of Genesis: The global Flood did happen as an act of God's judgment. Noah and his family really did build a ship of the same size and dimensions as written in Genesis 6. All of the animals brought by God to Noah did fit inside the Ark. Noah

and his family could care for all of the animals while they were on the Ark. The Flood of Noah's day was a worldwide catastrophic event that resulted in large-scale human and animal death, leaving behind many of the plant and animal fossils and landforms we see today. God saved Noah and his family and the animals on the Ark, just as He had promised. We can also visit Ararat Ridge Zoo's exotic animals, enjoy an **included lunch**, ride a camel, plus much more! **(B, L)**

**Day 4:** Following breakfast this morning we will venture into horse country as we explore the beauty of the Lexington area. We will stop for a visit to the grounds at **Keeneland Racetrack**. We'll have a chance to watch the morning workout regime of some of the amazing thoroughbred horses that race here. A National Historic Landmark, Keeneland features beautifully landscaped grounds that are open to the public. Next, we're homeward bound. We have some wonderful memories to recall as we recollect our time spent in beautiful Kentucky! **(B)**

### Payment Requirements:

**\$200.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation**

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# NIAGARA FALLS USA, ERIE CANAL & PENNSYLVANIA AMISH with "MOSES"



August 19- 24, 2024 - 6 Days / 5 Nights - Tour Includes 10 Meals  
\$1450 PP Double / \$1320 PP Triple / \$1190 PP Quad / \$1890 Single

**Day 1:** Today we travel through the mountains of West Virginia and Pennsylvania as we make our way to **Fairmont, West Virginia**, for an overnight stay. **Lunch** will be included today. (L)

**Day 2:** Following breakfast this morning we depart and head north entering Pennsylvania, and then on to the "Empire State" of New York. By mid-afternoon we arrive in Lockport for the **Lockport Locks & Erie Canal Cruise**. This is a unique 2-hour cruise past many of the historic sites and five original locks. The cruise includes being raised and lowered 50 feet in the only double set of locks on the Erie Canal. We will have an **included dinner** here also. Now it's time to head for **Niagara Falls, NY**, where we have accommodations for the next two nights. (B,D)

**Day 3:** Off to spend the day enjoying the classic North American landmark - Niagara Falls, USA. We arrive at America's Oldest State Park, **Niagara Falls State Park** where we have an amazing view over Niagara Gorge, this architectural wonder affords unobstructed views of the wild cascades of Niagara Falls. Next we take the elevator to the base of the gorge to experience the raging whitewater as we board the world famous **Maid of the Mist** for an up-close view of the American and Canadian Falls. We will literally be covered in the mist. Don't worry you will be furnished with a raincoat! We will also discover the story behind the thunder at the Niagara Adventure Theater in Niagara Falls, NY as the film, "**Niagara: Legends of Adventure**" immerses you in action. See the majesty that inspired settlers and explorers to worship and challenge New York's mighty Niagara Falls. This afternoon - Imagine being able to reach out your hand and touch the power emanating from Niagara Falls. A trip to the Visitors Center at **Niagara Power Project** can emulate that very experience. Located just 4-miles downstream from the Falls, it is set amidst the spectacular scenery of the Niagara River Gorge. Tonight - a special **dinner overlooking the falls**, where the view is breathtaking! (B,D)

**Day 4:** We're a little wistful as we leave Niagara Falls behind this morning. It's easy to understand why so many people return again and again to see this unforgettable sight! Today's travels take us back into **Pennsylvania**. Around lunch time we catch up to the mighty Susquehanna River, which we'll follow mostly of the way to our overnight destination of **Lancaster**. After checking into our hotel, we'll have an **included dinner** in an authentic **Amish home**. (B,D)

**Day 5:** After an **included breakfast buffet** at the hotel this morning we welcome our step-on guide onboard our motor-coach for a **Guided Tour of the farms and homes of the Amish**. Manicured homes, gardens and fields are evidence of the hard work of the Amish and Mennonite residents of Lancaster County, and we're sure to see the well-known black buggies of the Amish that are their only mode of transportation to and from work, church and the markets. Our **included lunch** is an Amish treat as we enjoy a family style feast at the **Miller's Smorgasbord Restaurant** or similar. Following lunch we have reserved seats in the grand, **Sight and Sound Millennium Theater** for "**DANIEL**". Taken from his people, Daniel is exiled far from home in the powerful kingdom of Babylon. Now this faithful servant must navigate his new life inside a palace filled with golden statues and shifting empires. As royal pressures mount, Daniel is faced with a dangerous choice. Will his trust in the one true God remain steadfast through every test of faith? Now it's time to wave goodbye to our friendly Amish hosts and travel to **Hagerstown, Maryland** for overnight. (B,L)



**Day 6:** We're homeward bound after breakfast this morning. The breathtaking natural wonder of Niagara Falls beauty of the farmlands and the rare and simple lifestyle of the Amish of Pennsylvania will remain with us for a very long time. What a wonderful summer getaway we have shared. We really look forward to going through our pictures and telling everyone at home about our awesome adventure. (B)

*\*This tour requires that you can comfortably walk 2-3 blocks on several occasions*

## Payment Requirements:

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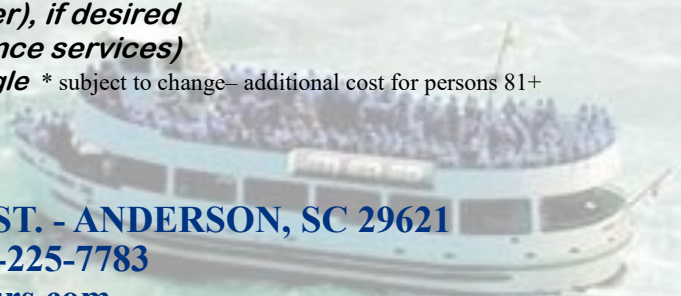
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**Day 2:** Today we find ourselves crossing the **Mississippi River** as we pass through St. Louis, Missouri, the "Gateway to the West". Missouri, the Show Me State, is rich in history and celebrities, bringing to mind Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, the Sante Fe Trail and Harry S. Truman. By late afternoon we arrive in the **Council Bluffs, Iowa** area, where we spend the night. **Lunch will be included** today. (B,L)

**Day 3:** Following breakfast we continue our journey, spending much of the morning in **Iowa**, before turning westward into **South Dakota**. This afternoon we take the loop drive through **Badlands National Park**, making a stop at the Visitor's Center. **Dinner tonight will be included** in **Wall, South Dakota**, home to the famous **Wall Drug Store**--a most unusual place. Following dinner we continue on to **Rapid City**, where we have accommodations for the next two nights. (B,D)



**Day 4:** Following breakfast, a full day of breathtaking scenery and historical points of interest is in store for us. Our **guided tour** will include **Mount Rushmore National Memorial** and **Custer State Park**. Next, we will step back in time at the Fort Hays Old West Town Square. Here we will stroll along the boardwalk and take a free, self-guided tour of the Dances With Wolves film set. We will have an **included Chuckwagon Supper & Branson-style Music Variety Show** here as well. (B,D)

**Day 5:** We get an early start and travel into **Wyoming** this morning. We head toward Sheridan in the **Big Horn Mountains**, the scene of many fierce battles between the U.S. Cavalry and the Sioux, Cheyenne and Crowe Indians. Our overnight stay is in Buffalo Bill's frontier town of **Cody, Wyoming**. Our included dinner tonight will be at **Buffalo Bill's historic Irma Hotel** in Cody. (B,D)

**Day 6:** Following breakfast we'll experience one of the highlights of our tour as we drive through the **Shoshone National Forest**, enroute to **Yellowstone National Park**. We arrive late in the morning and welcome our **Park Service Guide** onboard for a tour of this magnificent park. Established in 1872 and covering 3,472 square miles, Yellowstone was the world's first National Park. Along the way on our tour, we'll marvel at the picturesque Grand Canyon of Yellowstone, Yellowstone Lake, the Paintpots, and Old Faithful. **Lunch will be included today**. Our accommodations are in **West Yellowstone, Montana**, at the western entrance to the Park. (B,L)



**Day 7 :** This morning's journey carries us into the even more spectacular scenery of **Grand Teton National Park**. Few mountain ranges have a greater variety of glaciated canyons than the Tetons. We'll stop at the Coulter Bay Visitor Center, Jenny Lake, and the Chapel of Transfiguration, as we travel through the Park. We continue on to **Jackson, Wyoming**, where we have free time this afternoon to explore this city, the center of activity for ranchers and vacationers in Jackson Hole country.

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We continue westward into **Idaho**, where we will spend the night in **Idaho Falls**, following an **included Dinner. (B,D)**

**Day 8:** Following breakfast we head south into **Utah**. Just outside of Salt Lake City we will visit **Antelope State Park**. Rich in scenic beauty and natural features, Antelope Island State Park is the perfect place to view the Great Salt Lake and get a taste of the vast open country found in the Great Basin. Next, we head into **Salt Lake City**, where we have accommodations tonight. Founded in 1847 by the Mormons under the leadership of Brigham Young, the city first became the capital of the Mormon settlement and then of the state of Utah. This evening we'll have an **included meal** at one of the area's favorite restaurants. **(B,D)**



**Day 9:** We depart Salt Lake City this morning and ride through the sagebrush landscape of southern Utah. By lunchtime we arrive in Bryce, Utah, where we'll enjoy an **included lunch at Ruby's Inn Restaurant and Steakhouse**. As we enter **Bryce Canyon National Park**, we welcome our **Park Guide** onboard as we explore this area that includes some of the earth's most colorful rocks. Bryce is not a true canyon, but series of horseshoe-shaped amphitheaters carved in the edge of a plateau by tributaries of the Paria River. An Indian name for the area translates, as "red rocks standing like men in a bowl-shaped canyon". We'll spend the night at **Ruby's Inn**, where we will have the evening free to explore the hotel and have dinner on our own. **(B,L)**

**Day 10:** Following breakfast we'll head south to **Zion National Park**, enjoying a **narrated tram tour** of this beautiful area that was once a refuge for Mormon pioneers. Desert terrain and huge, sculpted rock formations co-exist with waterfalls and hanging gardens. Gigantic stone masses seem to guard the canyon floor and spectacular gorges. As we depart the park we'll stop for a rest stop at the Thunderbird Lodge at Mt. Carmel Junction, before heading south into **Arizona**. **Dinner will be included** tonight at the **Cameron Trading Post**, near the Desert View entrance to **Grand Canyon National Park**. By early evening we arrive at the south entrance of Grand Canyon, spending the next two nights in **Tusayan**. **(B,D)**



**Day 11:** We have an entire day to experience the magic of one of the world's most outstanding spectacles--**Grand Canyon National Park**. In form glowing color and geological significance, the Grand Canyon is unsurpassed. We begin the day with a **guided tour of the Park**. The remainder of the afternoon is free to explore on our own as we take advantage of the free minibus service along the West Rim Drive to many scenic points. **Dinner will be included in the Park** tonight followed by a **sunset tour** along the south rim of the Grand Canyon onboard the Park Transportation bus. **(B,D)**

**Day 12:** Following breakfast this morning, we turn east toward **New Mexico**. Our destination is **Albuquerque**, where we have accommodations for the night. Spread out before the dramatic Sandia Mountains, Albuquerque is the metropolis of New Mexico, where past and present mingle. Lunch will be included today in the Gallup, New Mexico area. **(B,L)**

**Day 13:** Following breakfast this morning, we're off for an exciting ride on the **Sandia Peak Tramway**, an aerial tram which lofts passengers to the top of 10,000-foot Sandia Peak. The 2.7 mile ride is the longest clear and unsupported span in North America. The view, both east and west, is spectacular! Next, we'll have free time and lunch in **Old Town**, the original Albuquerque founded in 1706. Old Town clusters around a plaza and San Felipe de Meri Church. The warmth of aged adobe adds a special charm to its shops, galleries, restaurants and hidden patios. We can look here for bargains on silver and turquoise jewelry. Our destination today is **Amarillo**, in the Texas panhandle. Dinner will be included at the World Famous **Big Texan Steak Ranch**, home of the free 72 oz. steak challenge. **(B,D)**



**Day 14:** We continue our journey today as we head southeast and enter the "**Sooner State**"-- **Oklahoma**. By late afternoon we arrive in the Capital City, **Oklahoma City**. Despite a sleek and sophisticated appearance, Oklahoma City has not forgotten its Western and Indian heritage. The 39 Indian tribes still represented in the state hold regular tribal activities in and around the city.

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We'll make a stop at the **Oklahoma City National Memorial**. The Outdoor Symbolic Memorial is a place of quiet reflection. This Memorial honors the victims, survivors, rescuers, and all who were changed forever on April 19, 1995. It encompasses the now-sacred soil where the Murrah Building once stood, as well as the surrounding area devastated during the attack. We spend the night here, where cowboys still practice their trade at the horse and cattle ranches in the surrounding area. **Dinner will be included** tonight. (B,D)

**Day 15:** We head for **Tennessee** this morning as we journey eastward. We arrive in **Memphis, Tennessee**, area where we have accommodations for the night. **Lunch will be included** today. (B,L)

**Day 16:** We'll spend our last day of this tour traveling through the beautiful mountains of Tennessee as we turn our thoughts toward home. As we near home we are reminded of the words to **America, the Beautiful**. What a wonderful journey we have shared! (B)



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# AUTUMN IN AWESOME NEW ENGLAND INCLUDES THE ROCKY COAST OF MAINE



**\*2 DATES\*** October 5- 13 **OR** October 7 -15 2024 - 9 Days/8 Nights  
\$1995 PP Double / \$1795 PP Triple / \$1595 PP Quad / \$2825 Single  
Tour Includes 16 Meals

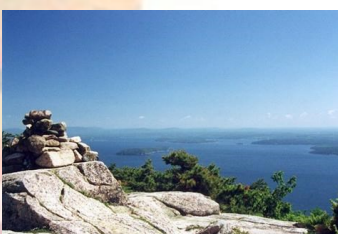
**Day 1:** Join **Ionosphere Tours** for one of the most enjoyable tours you will ever experience. Our adventure begins today as we venture north traveling through South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, W. Virginia and into **Maryland** for our overnight stay in Hagerstown. **Lunch will be included** today. (L)

**Day 2:** Following breakfast, we will continue north, traveling through Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, New York and into Connecticut, where we spend the night in **Milford, CT**. **Dinner will be included tonight**. (B,D)

**Day 3:** Following breakfast this morning, we continue our amazing New England journey as we travel through **Rhode Island** and into **Massachusetts**. Just on the outskirts of **Boston**, we will visit the **JFK Museum and Library**, dedicated to the memory of our nation's thirty-fifth president. We can relive the Kennedy era in this dynamic combination museum and library, where our visit starts with a short film and then we will explore on our own a series of fascinating exhibits, including the Kennedy-Nixon debate, the Cuban Missile Crisis, the space program, 1960's campaign paraphernalia and displays about Jacqueline and other Kennedy family members. The striking, I.M. Pei designed building overlooks the water and the Boston skyline. We will then head into Boston and have lunch on our own in **Quincy Market at Faneuil Hall Marketplace**. Next, a short driving tour of the city will include a view of the USS Constitution, "Old Ironsides" of the War of 1812, the Boston Common, the oldest public park in the country. We'll catch a view of the Old State House, from whose balcony the Declaration of Independence was first read to the citizens of Boston in 1776. We'll travel through Massachusetts as we make our way toward **Portsmouth, New Hampshire** area. We will enjoy an **included dinner** and spend the night in the Portsmouth area. (B,D)



**Day 4:** We cross into **Maine** early this morning and travel along the coast through **Kennebunkport**, where former President Bush has a home. In **Portland**, we make a picture stop at **Portland Head Lighthouse**, said to be the first lighthouse authorized by the US and the oldest lighthouse in continuous use. Next, we travel along the rocky coast of Maine to **Pemaquid Point** near Bristol, site of the first permanent settlement in Maine (1625). Continuing along the coast to Camden, we enter **Camden Hills State Park** where the view of the Atlantic coast from 800 ft. **Mt. Battie** is spectacular. We continue on to **Waterville, ME**, where we will spend the next 2 nights. We will have an **included dinner**. (B,D)



**Day 5:** Following breakfast this morning, we depart for **Acadia National Park**, located on **Mount Desert Island**, near **Bar Harbor**. We'll enter Acadia National Park, and take the scenic drive to **Cadillac Mountain**. The island is of rugged granite with forests and flowers and has many bays and inlets, of which many can be seen from the vantage point on 1530 ft. Cadillac Mountain, the highest point on the Atlantic coast of the US. Next, time to explore and have an **included lunch in Bar Harbor**. By mid-afternoon we will depart for **Waterville, ME**, for our 2nd overnight stay. (B,L)

**Day 6:** Following breakfast this morning we continue our amazing New England journey as we travel into **New Hampshire** and the **White Mountains**. We'll enjoy the breathtaking scenery along our route through the White Mountains and we pause to enjoy **The Mount Washington Cog Railway**. It is the world's first mountain-climbing cog railway. **Lunch will be included today**. We cross into **Vermont** and have accommodations for tonight in **Montpelier, VT**. (B,L)

**Day 7:** Our first stop this morning will be to visit the **Bragg Farm Sugarhouse**, in Montpelier, VT. They offer free sugar house tours and tasting, multimedia displays in a real woodshed theater, and country store. The Bragg Family has been producing Vermont Maple Syrup for 8 generations. Their pure maple syrup is made the traditional way, using buckets and a wood-fired evaporator.



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We'll also include a stop at the **Cold Hollow Cider Mill**, located at Waterbury Center. This Vermont legend is New England's largest producer of apple cider. We'll watch cider making and sample free cider fresh from the press. On hand is a collection of antique cider making and agricultural machinery. **Lunch will be included** today. Later this afternoon we pause for a break at **The Vermont Country Store**, home of the Voice of the Mountains mail order catalog. Our overnight is in the **Milford, CT** area. (B,L)



**Day 8:** After breakfast at the hotel this morning we depart for Lancaster, PA in the heart of the Amish country. Our **included lunch** today is an Amish treat as we enjoy a feast at a local favorite restaurant. Next we welcome our step-on guide onboard our motorcoach for a **Guided Tour** of the farms and homes of the Amish. Manicured homes, gardens and fields are evidence of the hard work of the Amish and Mennonite residents of Lancaster County, and we're sure to see the well-known black buggies of the Amish that are their only mode of transportation to and from work, church and the markets. We'll travel to **Hagerstown, Maryland** for our overnight. (B,L)



**Day 9:** All to soon, our journey must come to an end. Following breakfast this morning, it's time to turn toward home, filled with the wonderful memories that remain from our autumn excursion. We reflect on all the beautiful scenery we've viewed this week, and maybe even talk of future trips into the beautiful region of New England. What a wonderful time we have shared. (B)

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# ALL ROADS LEAD TO MUSIC IN TENNESSEE

6 Days/5 Nights  
OCTOBER 25 – 30, 2024  
TOUR INCLUDES 10 MEALS



**Day 1:** Our Autumn adventure begins today as we board our motorcoach and travel through Georgia into Tennessee. Our trip continues west and carries us around Nashville and into **Kentucky**. Following an included dinner, we'll spend the night in the riverside city of **Paducah**. (D)



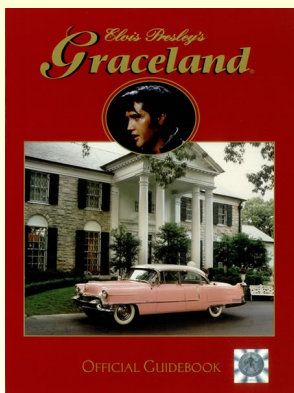
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**Day 2:** This morning we will welcome our local **Nashville guide** onboard our bus for a tour of the best of Music City. Tour sites include Nashville downtown area, the state capitol, Ryman Auditorium, Centennial Park & the Parthenon, Music Row's Recording Studios, the Governor's Mansion, Vanderbilt University, Belmont College and many other points of interest. Following lunch on our own, we'll visit the **Country Music Hall of Fame**. The museum presents its collection to illustrate country music's story as told through the turns of two centuries. After an **included dinner**, we have reserved seats for the world renowned **Grand Ole Opry**. The Opryhouse seats 4,400, making it the largest recording studio in the world! (B,D)

**Day 3:** After breakfast this morning we will visit **The Johnny Cash Museum** features the world's largest collection of Johnny Cash artifacts and memorabilia in the world. Walk through the life of the Man in Black depicted in interactive exhibits, films and



much more. Located in the same building we will also visit **The Patsy Cline Museum**. It celebrates the life of the legendary songstress and features hundreds of never seen before artifacts, personal belongings, interactive touch screens, film, video and more. Next, we depart for Hurricane Mills, Tennessee to visit **Loretta Lynn's Dude Ranch**. We'll experience the legend of Loretta Lynn as we tour her plantation home, replica Kentucky birth home, Coal Miner's Daughter Museum, Frontier Homestead, and the simulated Coal Mine. Overnight will be in Jackson, Tennessee and we'll enjoy our dinner at **Casey Jones Village Restaurant**. (B,D)



**Day 4:** It's just a short drive to Memphis this morning and our first stop will be a visit to the legendary **Graceland**. Only here can we begin to understand the personal life of "**Elvis**", one of the world's greatest entertainers. We'll see thousands of artifacts and walk through the Hall of Gold, an 80-foot hallway lined with gold and platinum albums and singles representing the sale of over one billion records, more than any other entertainer in the history of recorded voice. Also included will be a tour of the interior of Elvis' private jet, the Lisa Marie. We'll also have time to explore the museums and gift shops, featuring hundreds of Elvis' tapes and CD's and every kind of souvenir imaginable. This afternoon we will tour a National Historic Landmark, the legendary **Sun Recording Studio**. Here,



many rock-'n-roll, country, and rockabilly legends have recorded, such as Johnny Cash, Elvis Presley, Carl Perkins, Roy Orbison, Charlie Rich and Jerry Lee Lewis. Now we travel down to Beale Street to visit the **Rock 'n Soul Museum**, which features artifacts, pictures and music highlight slices of our cultural and musical past. **Dinner will be included** tonight at one of the city's famous BBQ restaurants, and we'll spend the night in the Memphis area. (B,D)

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**Day 5:** - Following breakfast this morning we leave Tennessee behind as we travel into **Mississippi**, making a stop in **Tupelo, the birthplace of Elvis Presley**. We'll view the statue of Elvis as a boy, tour the humble two-room house where the "King of Rock-'n-Roll" was born, see his childhood church and visit the memorial chapel visitors center and museum. The "Walk of Life" surrounding the house where Elvis was born allows us to walk through every year of Elvis' life. We'll enjoy an **included lunch** today. Now it's time to travel into **Alabama**, where we have accommodations in the **Birmingham** area. (B,L)

**Day 6:** Following breakfast we depart for home. This will certainly be a trip we will never forget. The sights and sounds of Nashville and Memphis, the Grand Ole Opry, Johnny Cash Museum, Loretta Lynn's Dude Ranch, Graceland, Elvis' birthplace and the food and the fellowship, just couldn't be beat! (B)

**\$1640 PP Double / \$1505 PP Triple**  
**\$1375 PP Quad / \$2150 Single**



**Deposit/Payment Requirements:**

**\$400.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation**

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# SAN ANTONIO ON THE RIVERWALK

## Plus Biloxi, Waco & Dallas



**November 4 - 10, 2024**  
**7 Days / 6 Nights**  
**Includes 12 Meals**

(No One under 21 on this Tour)



**Day 1:** We're on our way to the Lone Star State of Texas! The word "Texas" comes from 'tejas', the Caddo Indian word for "friendly". And we will find it so—all along the way! We have accommodations for tonight at the **Beau Rivage** in **Biloxi, MS**. A **dinner buffet** is included tonight. Tonight is ours to enjoy the excitement of our casino hotel. **(D)**

**Day 2:** Our travels today carry us on to **Houston, Texas**, the most populous city in Texas and the fourth-most populous city in the United States. We'll pass through Baton Rouge and on to **Lafayette**, the "Capitol of Acadiana," in the very heart of Cajun Country. Here we enjoy a special treat as we tour **Martin Accordions** to see how accordions are made. Junior Martin and his family custom craft fine diatonic accordions used by professional and amateur musicians around the world. You're sure to enjoy the demonstration of authentic Cajun Music played on these fine Cajun Squeeze boxes **Lunch will be included** today featuring some authentic Cajun/Creole cooking! By late afternoon we arrive in the Houston area, where we have accommodations for tonight. **(B,L)**



**Day 3:** Following breakfast this morning we continue on to **San Antonio, Texas**. "Remember the Alamo" are words we all know. Our accommodations for the next three nights are in the downtown area, along the beautiful **River Walk**, the pride of the city. Cobblestone walkways lead to the river-level shops and restaurants. Upon arrival we will visit the **Buckhorn Museum & Texas Ranger Hall of Fame**. It is actually five museums in one! with Horns, Fins, Feathers, The Hall of Texas History Wax Museum,

and special exhibits unlike anything seen in any other museums in the world. The Texas Ranger Museum honors the incredible history of the world's most famous law enforcement agency. **Lunch will be included** in the same Saloon where Teddy Roosevelt recruited Rough Riders and Pancho Villa is rumored to have planned the Mexican Revolution.

Following lunch it's just a short walk for a visit to the shrine, **The Alamo**. Next, we'll

walk just across the street and see the **IMAX docudrama**

**"Alamo - The Price of Freedom"**, presented on a screen

six stories tall. The film recounts the battle of the Alamo. Now it's

time to check into our hotel and the remainder of the afternoon and evening is free to enjoy dinner

on our own. and explore the Riverwalk. Everyone will have a ticket for a **River Cruise** on a

colorful barge floating along the San Antonio Riverwalk. We'll experience a historical narrative

tour from our boat pilot. This included ticket can be used whenever we like, during our time in San

Antonio. **(B,L)**



**Day 4:** Following breakfast we welcome our **local guide** onboard to help us explore the fascinating city of San Antonio, the cradle of Texas liberty and the deathbed of such heroes as Davy Crockett and Jim Bowie. Stops will include the **San Jose Mission** and the **SAS Factory Store**. San Antonio is home to the famous SAS (San Antonio Shoemaker) footwear! Following our tour the afternoon is free to explore the fabulous River Walk area.



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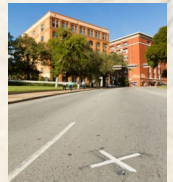
The 2.5 mile tree-lined River Walk, or Paseo del Rio, symbolizes the beauty and romance of the city. We may want to browse in the River Center Mall, take a trolley ride, or just relax at an outdoor café along the River Walk. The highlight of the day will be an **included dinner** at an authentic Mexican Restaurant along the Riverwalk. It's an enchanted kind of evening. (B,D)



Day 5: Following breakfast we will depart this magical city and travel to **Waco, TX**. Following lunch on our own, we'll have time to visit the shops at the **Magnolia Market** and the **Silos Baking Company**, located at the Silos. **Chip and Joanna Gaines** are the town celebrities as the stars of Magnolia network's hit show 'Fixer upper'. This amazing couple call Waco their home and their businesses include Magnolia Realty and Magnolia Homes along with the Magnolia Market and a restaurant called Magnolia Table. One of the Silos will

become a shop called "Chip's Corner." We will also have time to include a visit to the **Dr. Pepper Museum**, located adjacent to the Magnolia Market. Dr. Pepper is the nation's oldest major soft drink and the Museum is housed in the 1906 Artesian Manufacturing and Bottling Company building, which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places as the 'Home of Dr. Pepper'. By late afternoon we depart for the **Dallas, TX** area for our overnight following our **included Dinner**. (B,D)

Day 6: Following our breakfast this morning we will have a short driving tour of the downtown Dallas area that will include a stop at Dealey Plaza, the location of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, on November 22, 1963. Our accommodations for tonight are in the **Jackson, MS** area, following an **included dinner** in one of the area favorite restaurants. (B,D)



Day 7: Today we travel home with so-o-o many memories of the wonderful time we've had the past seven days! We just can't believe all that we have seen and done! Let's get together again real soon. (B)

**\*This tour requires that you can comfortably walk 4-5 blocks on several occasions**

**\$1690 PP Double / \$1460 PP Triple  
No Quads / \$2350 Single**

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# Christmas in Myrtle Beach

**3 DAYS / 2 NIGHTS**  
**November 18 - 20 2024**  
**Tour includes 4 meals**

**\$540 PP Double / \$515 PP Triple**  
**\$495 PP Quad / \$625 Single**

**Day 1:** Today we travel to the beautiful Grand Strand, where we get settled in for a two-night stay. Following an **included seafood buffet** tonight, we are in for a treat as we take our seats at the **Carolina Opry**. Seeing this spectacular show is a Myrtle Beach tradition that gets better each year! (D)



**Day 2:** Our day begins with breakfast at our hotel, followed by time for some Christmas shopping and lunch in the area. Later this afternoon we will experience the magic of the holidays comes alive at the **Alabama Theatre's** award winning production, **The South's Grandest Christmas Show**. This Christmas extravaganza brings an incredible combination of talent, scenery and special effects to the Grand Strand to produce a spectacular new holiday musical experience sure to put you in the season's spirit. **Dinner** will be included tonight. (B,D)

**Day 3:** Our third day begins with maybe a little later breakfast at our hotel, followed by the opportunity to take in the beauty of the ocean, just outside our window. Next, we will board our coach filled with the Christmas spirit, and head toward home. We'll have lunch on our own at Columbiana Mall in Columbia, SC. We arrive back home by late afternoon. (B)



## Deposit/Payment Requirements:

**\$200.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation**  
Plus cost of travel protection (rates for persons 80 & under), if desired (travel protection offers insurance benefits & non-insurance services)  
**cost per person\* from: \$57 Double or Triple - \$44Quad - \$57 Single**  
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# CHRISTMAS IN NEW YORK CITY

5 Days/4 Nights  
December 5 – 9, 2024  
Tour includes 8 Meals



**Day 1:** Come away with us as we depart early today for the magical city - the city that never sleeps! Everything about **New York City** generates excitement, especially during the Christmas season. This city celebrates the season like no other, as you are soon to discover! We will overnight in the **Hagerstown, Maryland** area tonight. Lunch will be included today. (L)

**Day 2:** Following breakfast, we will continue north, traveling through Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey. By early afternoon we arrive in **New York City**, where we have accommodations in the New York area for the next two nights. We'll have some free time for shopping and an **included dinner** in mid-town Manhattan, near Times Square. Following dinner we'll take an elevator ride to the **Top of the Rock**, located in Rockefeller Plaza, for a spectacular view of the city. We'll also be able to see the awesome Christmas tree and ice skating rink in this area. Now it's time to check into our hotel, just across the Hudson River in New Jersey. (B,D)

**Day 3:** This morning we will drive into the city and visit the **9/11 Memorial and Museum**. Following lunch on our own at Brookfield Mall food court, we will welcome our step-on guide onboard for a **Guided Tour of Manhattan Island!** We'll see the sights from Central Park, which covers 840 acres of wooded and landscaped grounds, to the famous Fifth Avenue, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Theater District, Grand Central Station and more. Our tour will end in the Times Square area where we will enjoy an **included dinner**. This evening - **BROADWAY THEATER!** We have reserved seats for one of the award winning musicals currently on Broadway. (B,D)



**Day 4:** Before departing New York this morning we have tickets for the best Christmas show of them all! It's **Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular**, featuring the **Rockettes**, live on the great stage at Radio City Music Hall. Next, we will take the Staten Island Ferry from Battery Park to Staten Island, to catch a view of the Statue of Liberty. We'll have lunch on our own at the Food Court at the Ferry Terminal in Staten Island, before we continue our journey. We will spend the night in **Hagerstown, MD**, following an **included dinner** (B,D)

**Day 5:** After enjoying our breakfast this morning, we journey towards home. The magic of the big city is left behind and we reminisce about all we've seen and experienced. (B)

## CANCELLATION POLICY WITHOUT INSURANCE:

Due to the strict cancellation policies of the New York area hotels, Broadway shows and some restaurants on this tour, any cancellation would result in charges for any unrecoverable expenses that would not be refunded to Ionosphere Tours, unless you can replace your reserved spot on the tour. Every effort will be made, by Ionosphere Tours to give you as much refund as possible.

**\*This tour requires that you can comfortably walk 4-5 blocks on several occasions**

**\$1460 PP Double / \$1355 PP Triple  
\$1255 PP Quad / \$1865 Single**

### Deposit/Payment Requirements:

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# CHRISTMAS AT GAYLORD OPRYLAND HOTEL

4 Days / 3 Nights  
December 16 - 19, 2024  
Tour includes 3 Meals

\$1140 PP Double / \$1030 PP Triple  
\$980 PP Quad / \$1525 Single

**Day 1** – Let’s celebrate the **Christmas Season** in grand style at the magnificent **Gaylord Opryland Hotel!** This resort hotel goes all out for the holidays, decorating to the hilt and providing the very best in holiday entertainment! This morning we depart the Southeast and head for **Nashville, Tennessee. Lunch will be included** today. Upon arrival we get checked into this beautiful Resort for our three-night stay. (L)

**Day 2** - The morning we can have a leisurely breakfast at one of the specialty restaurants, explore the nine acres of lush indoor gardens, or maybe take a flatboat ride on the water-way in the Delta. Later in the morning we will tour the **Ryman Auditorium**. Our knowledgeable guides will take us for exclusive access to the venue’s working dressing rooms, featuring rare vintage photos and priceless memorabilia. We will find inspiration at every turn — even take your place onstage and get goosebumps you’ll never forget. From surprising artifacts to one-of-a-kind exhibits and priceless memorabilia, touring the Ryman is Music City inspiration at its best. After lunch on our own we will enjoy **Fantasy in Ice**. This 20,000-square foot magical winter wonderland includes magnificent ice sculptures, many over 25 feet in length, which we can walk through, slide down, and photograph. We are in for a special holiday treat tonight as we enjoy the **Country Christmas Dinner Show** (entertainment TBD). (D)



**Day 3** - Once again we will have a leisurely morning at the resort. We will have time to explore the **Conservatory, the Cascades,** and the amazing **Delta,** all found within the Opryland Hotel. We’ll just have to see it to believe it! Included is admission for the **Flatboat ride in the Delta.**



By lunchtime we will board the **General Jackson,** a paddle-wheel showboat, for a **Holiday Luncheon Cruise** on the Cumberland River. We will enjoy live entertainment, along with the live band onboard. Following our luncheon cruise we will return to our beautiful hotel. Tonight, following dinner on our own at the hotel we will make ready for a second evening of entertainment as we take our seats for the **Grand Ole Opry**. The Opry, the country’s longest-running continuous radio program, has not missed a broadcast since its beginning in 1925. (L)



**Day 4** - Following breakfast this morning, it’s time to say goodbye to this beautiful resort. But there is still much fun in store as we sing some holiday songs and enjoy good fellowship, making our way home. We arrive home early this evening, filled with the “Spirit of the Season”.

**This tour requires quite a bit of walking due to the size of the hotel property.**

**\*\*The order of activities may vary\*\***

## Deposit/Payment Requirements:

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# EASTERN CARIBBEAN CRUISE

## on Princess Cruise Lines "CARIBBEAN PRINCESS"

10 DAYS - 11 NIGHTS  
FEBRUARY 22 - MARCH 3, 2025

Prices from-  
\$2160 PP Double Inside Cabin  
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\$2710 PP Double Balcony Cabin



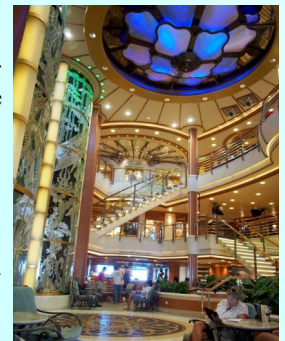
**PRICE INCLUDES Princess PLUS-** Beverage Package, Unlimited WIFI, Crew Appreciation -and more!  
ALL PORT CHARGES, TAXES, ROUNDTRIP TRANSPORTATION TO  
AND FROM PORT CANAVERAL AND PRE & POST CRUISE HOTEL



**Princess** invites us to depart on an **8-Night Eastern Caribbean Cruise** onboard the **Caribbean Princess**. Exciting adventures await aboard Caribbean Princess, as she sets sail with a multi-million-dollar array of luxurious enhancements. From staterooms that offer a more restful sleep, to endless tempting new dining options, plus other upgrades, you'll find. Come away with **Ionosphere Tours** as we depart from **Port Canaveral, Princess's newest cruise Port** on a cruise vacation that will give us the opportunity to an experience that we will never forget. Our voyage will also take us to **St. Thomas, Virgin Islands**, capital of the island group. The harbor is easily one of the Caribbean's most scenic. The United States purchased the Virgin Islands from Denmark for \$25 million in gold. St. Thomas has a reputation as a duty free-

mecca for shopping; **St. Maarten** offers a delightful case of split personality. Legend has it that a Frenchman and a Dutchman divided ownership of the island through a walk-off: Standing back to back, the two headed in opposite directions, walking around the island until they met; **San Juan, Puerto Rico**- The oldest city under the American flag, San Juan vibrates to a lively salsa beat. There's an unmistakable zest in the air here. Perhaps it's the stunning natural setting: the verdant peaks, tropical forests, and gleaming white-sand beaches; and **Grand Turk, Turks & Caicos**, Grand Turk, the capital of the Turks and Caicos Islands, is a small island bursting with turn-of-the-century Caribbean charm, retaining the look and feel of the Caribbean 40 years ago. Grand Turk was founded by Bermudan salt rakers some three centuries ago and its Bermudan-British-colonial architecture surrounded by colorful local dwellings make the island a treasure to visit.

All this and more as **Princess** invites us to depart on a cruise vacation that will give us the opportunity to explore four ports of call. While onboard we can and enjoy leisurely meals in the **Horizon Court** or full service meals in the **"Dine my Way" Dining Restaurants**. You may want to try one of the **specialty restaurants** (additional charges apply) - Sabatini's Italian restaurant; Crown Grill Steakhouse; The Salty Dog Gastropub; or Chef's Table for an exclusive glimpse into the Princess kitchen. In addition there is Room Service available. The evenings onboard are, in a word, magical - Original musicals, dazzling magic shows, feature films under the stars, top comedians and nightclubs that get your feet movin' and groovin'. There will be many options for us to choose from each day. We can choose from a variety of shore excursion at each port of call. Or we may want to take a dip in the crystal-clear pool, get a facial, relax in one of the poolside whirlpools, or relax on the pool deck. There's something happening around every corner. You have a whole cruise of days and nights to experience it all.



**Day 1 - Saturday, February 22** - We depart early this morning and head south for **Florida**, for our overnight stay.



**Day 2 - Sunday, February 23 - Set Sail!** This morning we have continental breakfast at the hotel before continuing down the coast to **Port Canaveral**. Early this afternoon we board **Princess' "Caribbean Princess"** for our 8-night cruise adventure to **St. Thomas, Virgin Islands; St. Maarten; San Juan, Puerto Rico;** and **Grand Turk, Turks & Caicos**. Most dining options, nightly entertainment, and most shipboard activities are included onboard. (B)

**Day 3 - Monday, February 24 -At Sea** - Today we'll enjoy many options onboard. We can browse in the duty free shops, partake of a wine tasting, relax in an overstuffed chair with a book, enjoy a lavish Broadway-style show in the plush Theater and try our luck in the **Princess Casino**.

**Day 4 - Tuesday, February 25 - At Sea** - You'll have a full day to take advantage of all the shipboard activities!

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**Day 5 - Wednesday, February 26 – St. Thomas, Virgin Islands-** Spend a fascinating full day delving into all that St. Thomas has to offer, a world class beach-gorgeous Magens Bay, historical locations and fantastic shopping. Our ship will dock at 8:00 am and depart at 6:00 pm.

**Day 6 - Thursday, February 27 – St. Maarten** - Experience the essence of this tropical paradise, from Philipsburg, the contemporary Dutch capital, to its vibrant French counterpart, Marigot. Both cities exude distinct European charm. Our ship will dock at 7:00 am and depart at 5:00 pm.

**Day 7 - Friday, February 28 – San Juan, Puerto Rico** – The oldest city under the American flag, San Juan vibrates to a lively salsa beat. There's an unmistakable zest in the air here. Perhaps it's the stunning natural setting: the verdant peaks, tropical forests, and gleaming white-sand beaches. Or maybe it's Puerto Rico's mix of cultures, the blend and occasional clash of four centuries of Spanish heritage overlaid with a century spent as America's only Commonwealth. Whatever the reason, San Juan is one of the most enticing ports in the Caribbean, and it only gets lovelier with age. Our ship will dock at 7:00 am and depart at 4:00 pm.



**Day 8 – Saturday, March 1 – Grand Turk, Turks & Caicos-** Grand Turk was founded by Bermudan salt rakers some three centuries ago and its Bermudan-British-colonial architecture surrounded by colorful local dwellings make the island a treasure to visit. It is recognized as being one of the first places in the New World where Christopher Columbus landed and also gained worldwide attention when John Glenn splashed down near Grand Turk on his historic first mission to space. Grand Turk is six miles long and just over a mile wide with a population of only 6,000. It is blessed with miles of uncrowded, beautiful beaches and is close to several uninhabited cays such as Gibb's Cay, home of the stingray encounter. While there are many landside attractions to explore such as the Old Prison, Lighthouse Park, and the re-created salt salina, the real beauty of the island lies underwater. Grand Turk is world-famous for its healthy and beautiful coral reefs that surround the island, stretching almost from the coastline to the 7,000-foot vertical wall just offshore. Our ship will dock at 12:00 pm and depart at 6:30 pm

**Day 9 - Sunday, March 2 – At Sea** - You'll have a full day to take advantage of all the shipboard activities!

**Day 10 – Monday, March 3 – Port Canaveral/Home-** This morning we arrive back in Port Canaveral, where Ionosphere Tours motorcoach awaits us. We have had such a wonderful and relaxing Cruise Vacation. By evening we arrive back home, and we've loved this life of leisure.



Passport required

**\*\*Please note: You will need a valid passport for this tour.  
Please use your legal given name when making your reservation**

**Deposit/Payment Requirements:**

**\$500.00 Deposit Per Person due by August 1, 2024**

*Plus cost of travel protection (rates for persons 80 & under), if desired  
(travel protection offers insurance benefits & non-insurance services)*

*cost per person\* from: \$146 double inside cabins- \$165 double balcony cabin*

*\* subject to change– additional costs for persons 81+*

\*\* Your deposit reserves your spot on the tour. We must provide Princess with the names of everyone going on this cruise by the deposit date listed above. After this date we may or may not be able to secure additional cabins. Your deposit will be refundable until the final payment due date. So please deposit early to secure your cabin.

**CANCELLATION POLICY WITHOUT INSURANCE:**

Due to the strict cancellation policies of Princess, any cancellation after the final payment date will result in charges for any unrecoverable expenses that would not be refunded to Ionosphere Tours.

**Final Payment Due by November 1, 2024**

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# 14 DAY SEARCH FOR THE NORTHERN LIGHTS

ON PRINCESS CRUISE LINE'S  
"EMERALD PRINCESS"

16 DAYS – 15 NIGHTS  
SEPTEMBER 26 – OCTOBER 11, 2025

*Prices from*  
**\$3010 PP Double Inside Cabin**  
**\$4060 PP Double Balcony Cabin**



PRICES INCLUDE ALL PORT CHARGES, TAXES, & TRANSPORTATION

(Princess reserves the right to add additional fuel surcharges if oil price exceeds \$65 per barrel)

PRICES DO NOT INCLUDE AIRFARE - ROUNDTRIP AIRFARE  
WITH OUR GROUP WILL BE AN ADDITIONAL **\$TBD\*** per person

\*Airfare cannot be secured until 11 months prior to Cruise

Witnessing the Northern Lights should be on everyone's bucket list. This well-documented phenomenon, caused by electrically charged particles from the sun entering the Earth's atmosphere, is a truly incredible sight, with brightly coloured trails and swirling patterns engulfing the night sky. Norway is one of the best places to see the Northern Lights, don't miss the opportunity to try to catch a glimpse. There are lots of areas with superb viewing potential, but the port of call are worth a standalone visit too, so you're guaranteed an unforgettable trip regardless of whether the lights come out to shine or not.



Forget your troubles and prepare yourself for a "bucket list" trip as we fly from Atlanta to London, England and spend one night in London, prior to our cruise on the **Emerald Princess**. Sail the same seas the Vikings traveled 1,200 years ago, and visit cities that date back to the Iron Age. Share an adventure with loved ones as you venture through storybook towns and explore picturesque fjords featuring dramatic mountains and majestic waterfalls. Our ports of call will include: **Trondheim, Norway; Tromso, Norway; Alta, Norway; Lofoten Islands (Gravdal), Norway; and Alesund, Norway**

**Day 1 - Friday, September 26 - London, England-** Our afternoon/evening flight takes us to **London, England**

**Day 2 - Saturday, September 27 - SET SAIL!** - Our transfer to the ship is **included** today. By late morning we board the "**Emerald Princess**". We sail at 4:00 pm, bound for **Trondheim, Norway**.

**Day 3 - Sunday, September 28 - At Sea-** Today we'll enjoy many options onboard. We can browse in the duty free shops, partake of a wine tasting, relax in an overstuffed chair with a book, enjoy a lavish Broadway-style show in the plush Theater and try our luck in the Princess Casino.

**Day 4 - Monday, September 29 - At Sea-** You'll have a full day to take advantage of all the shipboard activities!

**Day 5 - Tuesday, September 30 - Trondheim, Norway-** Trondheim is the third largest - and second oldest - city in Norway. The town was originally called Kaupangen upon its founding in 997 A.D. by Viking king Olav Tryggvason. The city commands the trade routes linking Southern Norway with the fjord lands to the north. Trondheim quickly became a major commercial and cultural center - the city served as Norway's royal capital. Trondheim's old city features broad avenues and attractive 17th-century wood buildings - a legacy of the rebuilding that followed a disastrous fire that leveled the city in 1681. Our ship will dock at 12:00 pm and depart at 8:00 pm.

**Day 6 - Wednesday, October 1 - At Sea-** You'll have a full day to take advantage of all the shipboard activities!

**Day 7 - Thursday, October 2 - Tromso, Norway -** Lying north of the Arctic Circle, Tromso has been a departure point for Arctic explorers and hunters since the 18th century. Today, this town of some 50,000 individuals is home to the northernmost university in the world, which gives Tromsø a lively cultural and street scene. Owing to its position in the middle of an area known as the auroral oval (where your chances of seeing the lights are much higher), Tromso is widely regarded as one of Norway's best Northern Lights locations. Our ship will dock at 9:00 am and depart at 8:00 pm.

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**Day 8 & 9 - Friday & Saturday, October 3-4 - Alta, Norway -** Alta is known as the "City of the Northern Lights" and people from around the world come here to watch the spectacular phenomenon known as the Aurora Borealis. In 1899, the world's first Northern Lights observatory was built on Halldetoppen just outside of Alta. But Finnmark's largest city has more to offer than bright dancing lights. Alta's the gateway to unspoiled beauties such as the Finnmarksvidda plateau and the Sautso, often called Northern Europe's Grand Canyon. From the UNESCO-protected rock carvings at the Alta Museum to the fascinating Sami culture, Alta is a tantalizing treasure just waiting to be discovered. Our ship will dock at 11:00 am Friday, and depart at 1100 pm Saturday.

**Day 10 - Sunday, October 5 - At Sea-** You'll have a full day to take advantage of all the shipboard activities!

**Day 11 - Monday, October 6 - Lofoten Islands (Gravdal), Norway-** Gravdal is one of the largest villages in Vestvågøy and part of the Lofoten Archipelago in northern Norway. Gravdal serves as your gateway to the Lofoten Islands, the western remnants of great mountains that were worn away by glaciers. Lying entirely above the Arctic Circle, the islands' dramatic natural architecture of rocky peaks along with picturesque villages places this archipelago in a league of its own. Our ship will dock at 8:00 am and depart at 11:00 pm.

**Day 12 - Tuesday, October 7 - At Sea-** You'll have a full day to take advantage of all the shipboard activities!

**Day 13 - Wednesday, October 8 - Alesund, Norway-** In 1904, a massive fire destroyed 800 buildings in this fishing port. Germany's Kaiser Wilhelm II responded with immediate aid, and Ålesund was reborn. Not surprisingly, the town was rebuilt in the then-popular Art Nouveau style known as Jugendstil. The result is one of the prettiest ports in Norway. Buildings with elegant turrets and spires can be seen lining the streets of the city center. Today, the city is one of Norway's most important fishing harbors and the world's largest supplier of stockfish (Klippfisk) - dried cod. Alesund's major attractions are the surrounding fjords and the stunning Sunnmore Alps. Our ship will dock at 8:00 am and depart at 5:00 pm.

**Day 14 - Thursday, October 9 - At Sea-** You'll have a full day to take advantage of all the shipboard activities!

**Day 15 - Friday, October 10 - At Sea-** You'll have a full day to take advantage of all the shipboard activities!

**Day 16 - Saturday, October 11 - London, England - Flight to Atlanta** - As we disembark the fantastic "Emerald Princess" early this morning, we'll reminisce about all the beauty we've seen, as we prepare to depart for the London Airport, for our flight to Atlanta. When we land in Atlanta our Ionosphere motorcoach awaits to take us home!

### Deposit/Payment Requirements:

**\$1000.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation- (or by March 15, 2025)\*\***

*Plus cost of travel protection (rates for persons 80 & under), if desired (for cruise, land and airfare)  
(travel protection offers insurance benefits & non-insurance services)  
cost per person\* from: \$ TBD double balcony- \$ TBD double inside cabin*

*\*subject to change- additional cost for persons 81+*



Passport required

### CANCELLATION POLICY WITHOUT INSURANCE:

Due to the strict cancellation policies of Princess Cruise Lines, any cancellation after final payment date, will result in charges for any unrecoverable expenses that would not be refunded to Ionosphere Tours.

**\*\*\* Your deposit reserves your spot on the tour. We must provide Princess Cruise Line with the names of everyone going on this cruise by the deposit date listed above. After this date we may or may not be able to secure additional cabins.**

***So please deposit early to secure your cabin.***



**Final Payment Due by June 10, 2025**



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## PLAN FOR THE UNEXPECTED

Because of cancellation penalties incurred, especially on cruises, we strongly recommend the purchase of trip protection insurance, which includes trip cancellation, interruption, and emergency medical coverage. Ionosphere Tours assists customers who wish to purchase travel protection by offering a plan through CHUBB LTD. Purchasing this protection will insure you receive a refund if you have to cancel due to an unforeseen sickness, injury, or death of the Insured, a Traveling Companion or Family Member (Certain exclusions apply).

When you make a reservation for any travel with Ionosphere Tours, you will be offered the option of purchasing an insurance protection plan. The cost for the Deluxe Travel Protection Insurance is listed on each of our Trip Brochures. The best time to buy tour protection is within 15 days of your initial deposit or payment so that you may be eligible for Existing Medical Conditions coverage. (Other conditions, restrictions and exclusions may apply). This trip protection must be purchased no later than your final trip payment date. If you choose not to purchase trip protection, every effort will be made by Ionosphere Tours to refund you any monies we are able to recover. Penalties will occur after the final payment date listed on each trip brochure.

**\*GROUP PLANS AVAILABLE TO ANYONE 80 YEARS OF AGE OR YOUNGER– Individual plans available to anyone 81+ years of age\***

### Schedule of Benefits for Deluxe Protection plan

Benefit	Maximum Benefit Amount
Medical Expense/Emergency Assistance	
Medical Expense	\$50,000
Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation	\$1,000,000
24-Hour Assistance Services	Included
Trip Cancellation	100% of Trip Cost
Trip Interruption	150% of Trip Cost
Travel Delay - 6 hours (Up to \$150 Per Day)	\$1000
Missed Connection - 3 hours	\$500
Baggage and Personal Effects	\$1,500
Baggage Delay-24 Hours	\$400



## **BOOK EARLY & SAVE!**



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Receive the following discounts (per person):

When you make a deposit, you will receive:  
 \$10.00 off : Trips 3-5 days in length  
 \$15.00 off : Trips 6-10 days in length  
 \$25.00 off : Trips 11+ days in length



When you pay in full, you can double your discount. You will receive:  
 \$20.00 off : Trips 3-5 days in length  
 \$30.00 off : Trips 6-10 days in length  
 \$50.00 off : Trips 11+ days in length

\* No Discounts will apply to Credit Card Payments, Cruises, or Fly Trips. \*  
 This will insure the best pricing possible for everyone.

**NO SPECIAL FORMS NEEDED**-Your discount will appear on your receipt

# IONOSPHERE TOURS - CUSTOMER RESERVATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT

Tour Destination \_\_\_\_\_ Tour Dates \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) (as used on nametag) \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*For Cruise and Air Travel only-Name(s) as it appears on Passport or Driver's License \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Accommodations ( ) Double ( ) Triple ( ) Quad ( ) Single

Roommate(s) 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Special Requests ( ) Smoking ( ) Handicapped-(requirements \_\_\_\_\_)

Desired pick up point as listed in Travel Guide \_\_\_\_\_

Travel Protection Insurance included (for 80 & under)- yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

Please include your deposit/full payment and Trip Insurance payment with this form.

The amount of the deposit and insurance (for 80 & under) – due are listed on each trip brochure. If you have any coupons or I.T.'S MONEY be sure to include them as well -  
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## Reservations:

We encourage you to make your reservations as soon as you decide you want to go on a trip. Why? Because only a limited number of people can be accommodated on our motorcoaches and some trips fill up quickly. Your deposit reserves your spot. To make a reservation simply call our office. Deposits are due 10 days after making your reservation. A confirmation will be mailed after your deposit is received. Credit card payments will incur a 3% to 5% surcharge due to the processing fees charged to us by Credit Card Processors. Local number 864-225-7783 or Toll free 800-972-1741. Mail deposits to: Ionosphere Tours – 307 N. Main St. – Anderson, SC 29621

## Cancellation & Trip Interruption Protection:

When you make a reservation for a Tour, you will be offered, CHUBB LTD. Travel protection at that time. Travel protection offers insurance benefits & non-insurance benefits. If you choose to purchase this protection we will accept the payment and you will be sent a Certificate of Insurance. For this motorcoach tour coverage, pre-existing conditions will be waived if your payment is received within 15 days of making your initial trip deposit. Because of cancellation penalties incurred, especially on cruises we strongly recommend the purchase of Cancellation/Interruption Protection. Without the purchase of travel protection you will only receive a full refund if you cancel before the final payment date listed on each of the trips brochures. Travel protection premiums are non-refundable.

## I.T.'s MONEY:

For each day you travel with us you will receive \$2.00 of I.T.'s Money (Ionosphere Tours Money). You may apply that amount to any Ionosphere Tour. The coupon is not transferable to any other person and is not redeemable for cash. When submitted, the I.T.'s money credit will be deducted from the final payment of the tour for which it is being used.

## What's Included:

### Transportation:

Round-trip transportation is provided via our Prevost motorcoaches. All coaches are equipped with restroom, air-conditioning, adjustable seats, DVD & monitors, public address system, scenic view cameras, and tinted panoramic viewing windows

### Accommodations:

Your highly-rated accommodations are chosen on the basis of location and cleanliness. We think you'll be delighted with our selections. We will try to accommodate special room requests, but they can not be guaranteed. Room assignments are made by the hotel.

### ROOM CLASSIFICATIONS:

Single...**1 person/1 bed** - Double...**2 persons/2 beds** - Triple...**3 persons/2 beds** - Quad...**4 persons/2 beds**

### Sightseeing:

All sightseeing tours, guides, and admissions are covered in the tour price as outlined in the itinerary.

### Luggage Handling:

Luggage handling is included (when available)- 1 bag per person. On occasion you may be asked to handle your own luggage. You may also bring 1 small overnight bag which will be your personal responsibility. Customers are reminded that we will gladly allow storage of carry-on bags in the luggage bay under the coach. Drivers will not be responsible for bringing these items to the rooms or for providing access to these bags until the end of the day.

### Gratuities:

All necessary tips to bellmen, doormen, and dining room tips on meals in the itinerary are included.

### Meals:

Meals are covered if so stated in the itinerary. The following codes describe what meals can be expected: B – Breakfast (Breakfast may be a full or a continental breakfast), L - Lunch, D - Dinner

## What's Not Included:

**Meals:** Other than meals stated on the itinerary.

**Personal expenses:** Room Service, telephone calls and all other items of a personal nature.

**Gratuities to Tour Director and Driver:** Gratuities are appreciated, and the amount is always at your discretion.

Suggestions - \$3.00-\$5.00 per person per day for your Tour Director and \$3.00-\$5.00 per person per day for your Driver.

**Gratuities on Cruises:** You will be given guidelines from the Cruise Company for expected tipping.

## DEPARTURE and RETURN POINTS:

We will depart and return to the same locations on each of our tours. The following is a list of those places. In some cases if you are the only passenger at a location, we may ask you to join us at a nearby location. Anderson, SC – Walmart on Liberty Hwy.; Lavonia, GA– Silo Center- exit 173 off I-85; Grovetown, GA– Walmart exit 190 off I-20; N. Augusta, SC – Walmart Hwy 25 (Edgefield Rd.) near I-20; Aiken, SC – Walmart Hwy 1.

## OTHER DEPARTURE and RETURN POINTS:

We will also pick up along most major routes, such as I-20, I-85, I-95, and I-75 when the tour travels through a city on both its departure and return. Ask for details when you call to make your reservation!

A **special** pick-up for a group depends upon the number of passengers, distance involved, and length of the tour. All special pickups *must* be approved.

Our departure locations are doing you and Ionosphere Tours a service by allowing us to use their establishments for arrivals and departures. Not all of these locations allow parking. If you must leave a vehicle parked while on tour, kindly check with someone at that pick-up point. Neither these locations nor Ionosphere Tours are responsible should damage occur to your vehicle.

Please be at your departure point and *visible* at least ten (10) minutes prior to your scheduled departure time.

## THE STAY IS ON US:

Ionosphere Tours offers a maximum of \$90.00 towards an overnight stay prior to the tour departure to anyone subject to all of these conditions:

- Takes a tour of 5 days or more in duration.
- Lives more than 70 miles from the *nearest* available pick-up point for that tour.
- *Verifies* pick-up point and *requests* the \$90.00 refund and provides a receipt for the overnight room. (When the tour departure time is late enough to allow you to drive to the departure point that morning, an overnight stay is not warranted.)

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