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Carolinas & Georgia

Asheville - Myrtle Beach - Charleston - Savannah

Oct. 16-26, 2021 11 Days



PRICE INCLUDES:

- Motorcoach Transportation
- Hotel Accommodations
- Utopia Tours Tour Director
- Baggage Handling (1 bag p.p.)
- Schaumburg, IL
- Indy 500 Speedway Visit
- Williamstown, KY
 - Ark Encounter
 - Lunch at Cafeteria
- Asheville, NC
 - Biltmore Estate
- Myrtle Beach, SC (2 nights)
 - Barefoot Landing
 - "One" at Alabama Theatre
 - Broadway On the Beach
 - Legends In Concert
 - Dinner
- Charleston, SC
 - Cruise to Fort Sumter
 - Charleston City Market
 - Guided City Tour of Charleston
 - Dinner
- Savannah, GA (2 nights)
 - Savannah's City Market
 - Dinner
 - Guided City Tour of Savannah
 - Tybee Island
- Nashville, TN
 - Downtown Nashville
- Rockford, IL
 - Pizza Party
- 10 Breakfasts & 4 Meals

Sat., Oct. 16: Schaumburg, IL Get ready for a tour full of entertaining, fun attractions and beautiful scenery covering Myrtle Beach, Charleston, Savannah, Nashville, and more! Our first day's drive will take us to **Schaumburg, IL**, making meal and comfort stops along the way as we get to know our fellow traveling companions.

Sun., Oct. 17: Williamstown, KY (B) Our travels take us southwest across Indiana, with a stop at **Indy 500 Speedway**, on our way to the **Williamstown, KY**, area.

Mon., Oct. 18: Asheville, NC (B, L) A short drive brings us to the **Ark Encounter**. This life-sized Ark was built according to the dimensions given in the Bible and is the largest timber frame structure in the world. It's partly built by skilled Amish craftsmen, using standing dead timber. The Ark is an architectural and engineering wonder containing three decks of world-class exhibits within this unique attraction that brings to life the biblical accounts of Noah's Ark. It spans 510 feet long, 85 feet wide, and 51 feet high. You will learn about the life of Noah, how he and his family could have fit in the Ark, how they cared for the animals on the Ark, and how his life was before the flood. A must-see, and is enjoyed by young and old alike. **Lunch is included at the cafeteria** here. Then continue on through the Appalachian Mountains to **Asheville, NC**, where we will spend the night.

Tues., Oct. 19: Myrtle Beach, SC (B) Our morning starts out at the **Biltmore Estate**. Enjoy the **self-guided tour** of the Biltmore House. Stroll through America's Largest Home® on a marked route, assisted by knowledgeable guides along the way. You'll drink in all the amazing sights of architecture, artwork, and much more from the Gilded Age. Stroll acres of formal and informal gardens designed by America's foremost landscape architect, Frederick Law Olmsted. From the beauty of the Italian Garden to the breathtaking trees in America's first managed forest, Biltmore's lush landscape is a living tribute to Olmsted's genius. Our horticultural experts continually work to preserve the original vision for the gardens and grounds, including our Rose Garden that features more than 250 varieties. Enjoy more beautiful scenery as we leave Asheville, NC, and travel to **Myrtle Beach, SC**. Our lodging is located right on the beach of the Atlantic Ocean. We will spend **two nights at the Hampton Inn & Suites Oceanfront**, enjoying shows and other sights in the area. While here you may want to relax on the beach or enjoy the indoor/outdoor pools. This evening we will go to **Barefoot Landing** for the show **"ONE" at the Alabama Theatre**. ONE weaves a magical journey filled with song, dance, and laughter. It will be one of the most enjoyable nights of live entertainment that you will ever experience – vigorous, uplifting, and even spiritual. ONE brings audiences an incredible entertainment experience featuring everything from Country, Gospel, Broadway, Pop and Rock to plenty of hilarious family comedy. After the show we'll return to our hotel.

B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner included that day

Price per person/Room Occ: Double Occ-\$2,100; Triple Occ \$2,070; Quad Occ-\$2,040; Single Occ \$2,610

Deposit Per Person: \$200 due upon sign-up. Final balance due by: Aug. 27, 2021 Payments by Cash or Check only.

Trip Cancellation & Interruption Insurance information is available on our website for more details & pricing.

STATES VISITED ON THIS TOUR: MN-WI-IL-IN-OH-KY-TN-NC-SC-GA

Wed., Oct. 20: Myrtle Beach, SC (B, D) You will have an **included breakfast** this morning, after which you can enjoy walking along the beach and a relaxing morning. Mid-afternoon we will head out to **Broadway at the Beach**, located in the heart of Myrtle Beach with 350 acres of dining, shopping, attractions and nightlife. While here we'll enjoy **Legends In Concert**, at their theater, where each legendary performer not only looks like the star they portray, but use their own natural voices to pay homage to their iconic music counterpart. Legends in Concert live tribute shows are known for their elaborate theatrical sets, magnificent costumes and full array of incredible special effects. An outstanding cast of accomplished tribute artists, talented singers and dancers, and a live orchestra comprised of some of the top musicians in the industry, support each Legends in Concert production. A **meal is included** before returning to our hotel.

Thurs., Oct. 21: Charleston, SC (B) We travel to **Charleston, SC**, this morning. The Charleston area is rich in history, tradition and Southern culture. Upon arrival we will go to Patriot's Point and board the cruise out to **Historic Fort Sumter**. We will get off the boat and tour Fort Sumter, learning of the first shots fired here that began the American Civil War. Next we will go to the **Charleston City Market**, the cultural heart of the city. It is one of the nation's oldest public markets with many places to eat and shop for local handcraft items and many shops. Mid-afternoon a **local step-on-guide** will join us on our motorcoach for a **guided tour of Charleston**, which has barely changed since it was founded in 1670. You will feel welcome with its charm and beauty. Then check into our hotel in **Charleston, SC**, for the night. You may wish to explore more of the Market area tonight as the evening is on your own to enjoy.

Fri., Oct. 22: Savannah, GA (B) In Charleston this morning, we'll tour the **Boone Hall Plantation**, which has been open to the public since 1956. The McRae Family purchased the plantation in 1955 and it was Mrs. McRae who furnished the house with antiques and began giving tours. Today, the McRae Family still owns the property, and they continue to make improvements to the plantation so that our visitors can experience what plantation life was like. As you tour each site on the plantation, our knowledgeable staff will help you understand the day to day activities of those who lived on plantations as well the history of the people who lived here at Boone Hall. Boone Hall Plantation was founded in 1681 when Englishman Major John Boone came to Charleston and established a lucrative plantation and gracious home on the banks of Wampacheone Creek. The family and descendants of Major Boone were influential in the history of South Carolina, the colonies and the nation. The McRae family is proud to present that history, covering over 330 years, on a daily basis. We will then depart for **Savannah, GA**. Savannah is known for its wealth of history and architecture that few American cities can match. We will check into our lodging for a **two-night stay**. This evening we will go to **Savannah's City Market on River Street**. Here enjoy a meal at one of their many restaurants and places to eat, plus visit the charming stores, antique shops, and delightful markets where you can find everything from art to souvenirs.

Sat., Oct. 23: Savannah, GA (B, D) This morning a **local step-on-guide** will join us for a **guided tour of Savannah, GA**, learning about historical landmarks, houses, museum, squares, and parks abound in this beautiful coastal city. The afternoon will be spent on **Tybee Island**, a short drive from Savannah. Enjoy the ocean views, relax on the beach, have lunch, do some shopping, and explore the area. We will then return to the hotel. Tonight take in some great southern cooking with an **included dinner** our last night here in Savannah.

Sun., Oct. 24: Nashville, TN (B) As we leave the coastal area we will travel through Georgia to Atlanta, then continue on to Chattanooga, TN. Our destination is **Nashville, TN**. Nashville continues to uphold its Music City nickname, with over 130 music venues here that keep this city alive. After checking into our lodging we will go to **downtown Nashville** for a free evening to explore the "District," which is has music shows, great places to eat, and the country atmosphere Nashville is known for.

Mon., Oct. 25: Rockford, IL (B, D) Leaving Nashville this morning we will make our meal and comfort stops while visiting with our friends we have made during this tour. Our overnight is in **Rockford, IL**. We will treat you to a **Pizza Party** tonight.

Tues., Oct. 26: Home (B) We will return home later afternoon-evening after a great tour exploring the Carolinas & Georgia and more! Thank you for traveling with Utopia Tours.

*Payments by cash or check only (cc's not accepted at this time). Cancellation penalties apply if you cancel after 8/27/21. If Utopia Tours cancels tour, any payments are fully refundable. See Policy Sheet for more information. Price includes transportation, Utopia Tours tour director, baggage handling (1 p.p.), meals and attractions as noted in Includes section. Travel Guard Trip Cancellation & Interruption Insurance is available. *Information (dates, inclusions, prices, etc) subject to change without notice. Pick-ups available along route of tour. CDC guidelines will be followed.*