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ALEXTRAVEL UTOPIA TOURS

DEAR FRIENDS IN TRAVEL Since March of 2020 we have all traveled through such a different time that most of us did not think we would every go through. We surely hope everyone has been safe and healthy during this time and as this seems to be on-going. So many things have changed and so much is on hold in the travel industry. We all have wonderful memories of our travel adventures in the years past and we all are waiting to be able to experience more memories as travel opens and feels safe to travel again. Travel is an exciting industry that we feel fortunate to have a part in it for almost 50 years! We are staying positive while keeping safe as we try to move forward and will have a comeback story. As this year progressed it was evident that our friends and clients that were booked on group tours and travel felt it be safest to cancel their tour. We are very understanding of that as well. So many attractions and hotels and restaurants and businesses, etc were closed and not sure when open and operating again plus the airlines and cruises were cancelling their vacations and this is going in to the end of the year for some. So has been such an uncertain time for sure. Utopia Tours has since cancelled all the group motorcoach tours through 2020. We never thought that almost a whole year of tours would not be operated. We miss connecting with all the people we have worked with over the years in the hotel and attraction and bus industry, etc They are all saying hope to see you next year! That is our hope too. With cancelling the tours, Utopia has refunded everyone in full for their deposits or full payments. We are working on some of these same tours for 2021 and will be sending out 2021 brochures to those that had registered for the tours this year. It will probably be late Sept. before the brochures are completed as we will need to update with hotels and attractions, etc on how they are doing as far as being open and what would be included, etc. It is all so different now. Plus we need to make sure all is safe and open to travel across the United States and Canada. We will surely stay in contact with everyone as these weeks go by and update as we go, etc. We are basically in a waiting game now to gain the trust and confidence in being able to travel safely. At this point, we are looking at April as a start up time frame for motorcoach travel. A lot of people - families are taking their own driving trips this summer and what a great way to see the country also while making family memories. With all this, we will be asking everyone to adopt certain behaviors with practicing social distancing, use hand sanitizer, wash your hands, wear a mask (where necessary), etc while traveling. We have been in this for some time now and is just being responsible while traveling in the safest manner possible and hopefully resume travel carefully. As travel advisors, we are all experiencing something that has never before occurred in our industry to this extent. So are working with new guidelines, etc. as we go. For Alex Travel, people are looking in to and inquiring about travel in 2021 and Ďeyond. It is great to work with our experienced travel advisors who are up to date on the changes that have taken place and what is expected as you pursue your next travel destination by air, cruise, Train, etc. We will do our best to work through this with you. Our travel advisors are knowledgeable and professional. We had a number of group tours and cruises to Europe and Alaska, etc that were cancelled due to the COVID-19 during 2020 now. For these, refunds or travel vouchers were given. We have a listing of 2021 tours now that are gaining interest and also 2022 tours. Plus give us a call on your next family vacation travels as well.

Well, we wanted to update everyone as to where we are at and going forward through this pandemic. We surely appreciate your continued interest in our travels and tours that we offer plus your personal vacations. Do give us a call or e-mail with any questions or concerns you may have. Please stay safe and healthy and we look forward to travel excitement ahead.

Thank you Steve and Elaine Angen and staff Alex Travel and Utopia Tours



UTOPIA TOURS

MOTORCOACH TOURS ACROSS THE U.S. AND CANADA

Utopia Tours started in 1971 in Garfield, MN, by Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Angen. Over the years this family-run tour company, now owned by Ralph's son Steve, and his wife Elaine, has provided the opportunity for passengers to experience the landscapes, history, and culture of many destinations throughout the U.S. and Canada, while enjoying the fellowship of the travelers they meet along the way.

Tours include: motorcoach transportation, hotel accommodations, a Utopia Tours tour guide, baggage handling (on most tours), breakfasts & meals as listed in individual tour brochures, plus admission to attractions as noted in individual tour brochures.

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UTOPIA TOURS: Information (dates, inclusions, prices, etc) subject to change without notice.

Deposits due upon sign-up. Trip Cancellation & Interruption Insurance available with Travel Guard. Pick-ups and drop-offs:

*Fargo

/ Fargo-Mrhd Visitors Ctr *Fergus Falls / Wal-Mart

- *Alexandria / Perkins;
- *St Cloud

/ Country Inn & Suites
(and others depending on route of tour)
Cancellation penalties apply.
Contact us, or check out our website
utopiatours.com
for more details
& tour brochures.
We will update with current
COVID-19 motorcoach tour

COVID-19 motorcoach tour policies and procedures as the industry evolves and as we get closer to our 2021 tours.

We look forward to traveling with you again in 2021!

AMERICA'S WASHINGTON, DC, TOUR

Fri., April 9-Mon., April 19, 2021 ~ 11 Days Gettysburg, DC (3 nights), +Ark Encounter

SPRING NASHVILLE TOUR

Tues., April 20-Tues., April 27, 2021 ~ 8 Days Enjoy 3 nights in Nashville!

ARK ENCOUNTER & CREATION MUSEUM TOUR

Mon., April 26-Fri., April 30, 2021 ~ 5 Days Spend 2 nights in Kentucky visiting these popular attractions!

DOOR COUNTY & MACKINAC ISLAND TOUR

Sun., June 20-Fri., June 25, 2021 ~ 6 Days Sister Bay, WI (2 nights), Mackinac Island, MI (2 nights)

NIAGARA FALLS & MACKINAC ISLAND TOUR

Sun., July 18-Sun., July 25, 2021 ~ 6 Days Niagara Falls, Skylon Tower Meal, Erie Canal Cruise, Frankenmuth, Carriage Ride

ALASKA TOURS

A few options will be available...watch for details

GREAT PARKS OF THE WEST TOUR

Wed., July 28-Wed., Aug. 4, 2021 ~ 8 Days South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana, North Dakota



CANADIAN ROCKIES & GLACIER PARK TOUR

Fri., Aug. 6-Fri., Aug. 13, 2021 ~ 8 Days Medicine Hat, AB, Banff (2 nights), Whitefish, MT, Great Falls, MT, Medora, ND

NEW ENGLAND FALL COLORS TOUR

Thurs., Sept. 23-Fri., Oct. 8, 2021 ~ 16 Days Gettysburg; New York; Plymouth, MA; Boston, MA; Kennebunkport, ME Littleton, NH; Thousand Islands Cruise; Niagara Falls, ON; Skylon Tower Meal

DOOR COUNTY & MACKINAC ISLAND TOUR

Sun., Oct. 3-Fri., Oct.8, 2021 ~ 6 Days Sister Bay, WI (2 nights); S.S. Badger Carferry crossing Lake Michigan; Mackinac Island, MI

FALL CAROLINAS & GEORGIA TOUR

Sat., Oct. 16-Tues., Oct. 26, 2021 ~ 11 Days Ark Encounter; Biltmore Mansion; Myrtle Beach, SC (2 nights); Charleston, SC Savannah, GA (2 nights); Nashville, TN

CHRISTMAS BRANSON TOUR

Sat., Nov. 13-Thurs., Nov. 18, 2021 \sim 6 Days 1st Night Kansas City, MO; 3 nights Branson, MO; last night Des Moines, IA



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We love what we do, and it's rewarding when we hear of the great memories our customers have made over the years. It's time to plan your next memorable vacation!

Ken Koob, from the Alexandria area, will be traveling with you on the following tours...

Splendor of Norway A custom tour June 14-24, 2021 Escorted by Ken Koob Land Only \$3,325 p.p. Dbl + Air Round Trip Airfare included. Oslo: Akershus Fortress, the King's Palace, the Parliament Building, Vigeland Sculpture Park, Holmenkollen Ski Jump; Lillehammer: Maihaugen; Dombas; Geiranger: Ferry from Geiranger to Hellesylt on Geiranger Fjord; Balestrand; Ferry from Flam to Gundvangen on Aurland & Sogne Fjord; Stalheim: Stalheimkleiva/Stalheim Hotel, Flam, Flam Railway to Myrdal, Stave Church of Undredal; Bergen: City Tour, Troldhaugen-Home of **Edvard Grieg**

<u>Alpine Countries Tour</u> <u>Germany, Austria, Switzerland</u>

with Ed-Ventures, Inc.

July 11-23, 2021 Escorted by Ken Koob

Land Only \$3,499 p.p. dbl occ + air

This tour presents the natural beauty, dynamic history, and special traditions found in Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. Highlights: OVERNIGHTS IN: Frankfurt, Rothenburg, Salzburg, Oberammergau, Lucerne, Black Forest, Rudesheim

Taste of Scotland & Ireland

with Military Tattoo
Aug. 10-19, 2021

Escorted by Ken Koob
Land Only \$3,750 p.p. Dbl + air
Includes: Overnights in Glasgow (1), Nairn (1)
near Edinburgh (2), Dublin (2), Killarney (2),
Bunratty (1). 9 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 6 Dinners,
Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, Blair Athol
Distillery, Blarney Castle, Cliffs of Moher,
Edinburgh Castle, Loch Ness Cruise, Skellig
Experience, Titanic Belfast, Sheepdog
Demonstration

Plus here are some more tours to choose from...

Panama Canal Cruise plus Costa Rica & the Caribbean with Princess

Jan. 22-Feb. 1, 2021

Prices p.p. Dbl Occ: Interior \$2,375

Oceanview \$2,875; Balcony \$3,375

Price includes RT Air.Set sail on a 10-day cruise from Ft Lauderdale with Princess Cruiselines.

The Panama Canal is the Eighth Wonder of the World. Your cruise ship features many amenities and dining options. Ports: Falmouth, Jamaica; Cartagena, Columbia; Panama Canal New Locks; Cristobal, Panama; Limon, Costa Rica; Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

Hawaiian Adventure Oahu-Kauai-Maui with Collette

Jan. 28-Feb. 6, 2021

Price p.p. Dbl \$5,799 including air from Mpls Highlights: Waikiki Beach, Pearl Harbor, Oahu's North Shore, Waimea Canyon, Kauai Coffee Estate, Fern Grotto, Iao Valley, Lahaina, Polynesian Luau. Overnights: Oahu (3), Kauai 3), Maui (3)

Alaska Denali Explorer Cruise Tour 3-Day Land / 7- Day Cruise

with Princess Ship: Coral Princess

June 20-30, 2021

Inside Cabin \$3,950 p.p. Dbl occ
Oceanview Cabin \$4,550 p.p. Dbl occ
Balcony Cabin \$4,975 p.p. Dbl occ
Fairbanks (1 night), Denali (2 nights at Denali
Princess Wilderness Lodge), Natural History
Tour, Rail Denali to Whittier, Cruise departs
from Whittier: Hubbard Glacier Scenic Cruising,
Glacier Bay Scenic Cruising, Skagway, Juneau,
Ketchigan, Juneau, Ketchikan, Disembark
Vancouver.

<u>Alaska Yukon & Double Denali</u> <u>Land & Sea Journey</u>

3-Day Cruise / 7- Day Land

with Holland America Ship: Volendam

Aug. 4-15, 2021

Inside Cabin \$3,650 p.p. Dbl Occ
Oceanview Cabin \$3,950 p.p. Dbl Occ
Balcony Cabin \$4,450 p.p. Dbl Occ
Cruise: Set sail from Vancouver, Scenic
Cruising Inside Passage, Juneau, Disembark
Skagway. Land: Skagway, White Pass & Yukon
RR to Fraser, Whitehorse, Dawson City,
Paddlewheel, Pan for Gold, Denali, Wilderness
Tour, McKinley Explorer Denali to Anchorage,
Anchorage. Ask about tour extensions!

Don't see the trip you're looking for, or the dates that work for you?

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Romantic Danube

Regensburg, Germany to Budapest, Hungary

with Viking River Cruises

Sept. 25-Oct. 3, 2021

Standard Cabin p.p. dbl \$3,174* French Balcony p.p. dbl \$4,174* Veranda Stateroom p.p. dbl \$4,674* Suite p.p. dbl \$6,674*

*+Round Trip Air from Mpls \$799 to \$4,298 p.p. Visit historic Salzburg, explore Gottweig Abbey, one of Austria's most revered monastic centers, and make dumplings with Wachau Valley apricots. Spend two days in Vienna, celebrating the city's musical heritage at a concert featuring works by Mozart and Strauss. Soak in the healing qualities of Budapest's healing baths. With medieval towns, grand cities, and stunning scenery, this 8-day journey on the "Blue Danube" is one you're sure to love.

THE REAL ID: The REAL ID requirements will be implemented for travel by October 2021. Be prepared. If you have a valid Passport you don't need to also have an Enhanced Driver's License for domestic (U.S.) flights, unless you choose to do so. A Passport is required for flights out of the U.S. See dps.mn.gov for links to more info. on the REAL ID.



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