

All About Autumn

November 1 - 6, 2021

(6 days - 5 nights)



Monday, November 1 Texarkana, AR

With the feel of autumn in the air we board our motorcoach to begin our tour to the mountains of Arkansas. Today's route will take us through the metroplex, where we will stop for lunch. This afternoon we make our way across East Texas and to our overnight destination of Texarkana.

Tuesday, November 2 Hot Springs, AR

Known as a relaxing spa vacation getaway we set our sights on Hot Springs, located in the beautiful Ouachita Mountains. Our first stop this morning will be at Garvan Woodland Gardens, a 210-acre botanical garden owned by the University of Arkansas. Garvan Gardens is home to Anthony Chapel. Nearly six stories tall, the brilliantly designed structure complements the surrounding wooded landscape and offers views of the changing season with floor-to-ceiling glass walls. Enjoy some free time this afternoon in downtown Hot Springs, known for naturally heated springs is home to eight bathhouses from the 19th & 20th centuries that make up Bathhouse Row.

Wednesday, November 3 Mount Magazine

Today we take in the beautiful fall foliage throughout Arkansas, "The Natural State." Lunch will be at Mather Lodge overlooking Petit Jean Mountain, the inspiration for the creation of

Arkansas's first state park. A Park Interpreter will join our group for an afternoon tour through the state park where we will learn the Legend of Petit Jean and how the mountain received its name. At the conclusion of our Petit Jean Mountain exploration, we make our way to Mount Magazine State Park for the night.

Thursday, November 4 Fort Smith, AR

Just a few miles away, we begin our morning with a visit at the Subiaco Abbey; a monastery established in 1887. Today the Abbey is home to 40 Benedictine monks in the Catholic Church serving God by prayer and work in the tradition of the Swiss-American Congregation. Afterwards we will tour one of the oldest (since 1880) and largest wineries and vineyards in mid-America at Wiederkehr Village. We will also enjoy lunch while there. This afternoon we make our way over to Fort Smith, "where the New South Meets the Old West." We will learn more about the 2nd largest city in Arkansas with the help of a local

Highlights Include:

- Hot Springs, AR
- Garvan Woodland Gardens/ Anthony Chapel
- The Lodge at Mount Magazine
- Mount Magazine State Park
- Petit Jean State Park
- Lunch at Mather Lodge
- Subiaco Abbey - monastery established in 1877
- Wiederkehr Winery & Village - Swiss winemaking for 135 years
- US Marshals Museum
- A & M Scenic Train excursion

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guide. This afternoon we also will make a stop at the US Marshals Museum to visit the Hall of Honor, dedicated in 2019 after years of preparation. Dine at a locally, family-owned Italian restaurant before calling it a day.

Price Includes:

- Roundtrip deluxe motorcoach transportation from: **Abilene, Big Spring, Midland & San Angelo**
- 5 nights accommodations
- Baggage handling for one piece of luggage
- Admissions to included attractions
- Meals: 3 continental breakfasts, 2 breakfasts 5 lunches or dinner
- Gratuity for motorcoach driver
- Services of a professional tour escort

Cost per person:

\$1325 (2 people per room)

\$1715 (1 person per room)

Ins.

\$105

\$137

\$25 deposit due upon booking

Final payment due September 1, 2021

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Tour Activity Level: EASY 1 2 **3** 4 ACTIVE

Luggage tags and a detailed itinerary will be provided 2 weeks prior to tour.

Friday, November 5

Yukon, OK

This morning we venture through the Ozark Boston Mountains aboard Arkansas & Missouri Railroad. Embrace the vibrant colors of Autumn as we burrow through the Winslow Tunnel and travel along trestles while enjoying our lunch aboard this vintage train. We turn west and head into the "Sooner" state where we will overnight.

Saturday, November 6

Return Home

Before making our way back into the Lone Star State, you are in for a morning treat at the world famous Express Clydesdales. There we tour their beautiful and historical Clydesdale Barn (originally built in 1936 by H.I. Grimes, an Oklahoma City oilman and farmer) and see their majestic horses. Clydesdale are big, powerful, refined draft horses named after, and imported from, Clydesdale, Scotland. These gentle giants typically stand around 18 to 19 hands high and weigh nearly a ton. Today these Clydesdales travel across North America as ambassadors and help raise millions of dollars for Children's Miracle Network Hospitals and other charities. This afternoon we make our way home after a tour filled with nature, history, new friends and memories that we will cherish for years to come.

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