

# Show Me More!

## Kansas, Missouri & Oklahoma

### September 7 - 13, 2021

(7 days - 6 nights)



#### Tues, September 7 Ponca City, OK

Excitement in the air as friends, new and old, eagerly board the Bilbrey Tours Motorcoach. While we anticipate some of the known attractions, we await

to discover various unknown treasures along our journey. Set back and enjoy as we are truly ready to “Show Me More!”

#### Wed, September 8 Independence, MO

We start our morning at the Palace on the Prairie in Ponca City. The dream of oil baron E. W. Marland was to live in a palace. This magnificent mansion reflects the elegance of the affluent days of the oilman, who lived lavishly and entertained in the same style. Next up, we head to Pawhuska to shop at Ree Drummond’s (The Pioneer Woman) Mercantile. After lunch on your own in Pawhuska OK, we make our way in Kansas and on to Missouri—The Show Me State where we will stay the next three nights in Independence, MO.

#### Thurs, September 9 Independence, MO

This morning you are in for a treat...a real treat as we visit Strawberry Hill Bakery in Merriman, KS. Their Eastern European specialty of hand rolled sweet bread is called povitica (poh-vee-TEET-sah). No worries, there are plenty of samples for everyone. Enjoy lunch on your own at Hallmark Crown Center before stopping in at Hallmark Visitor Center where we discover how a teenager from Nebraska tucked two shoe boxes of postcards under his arms and set out to create an iconic company in KC. We pay our respects this afternoon as we visit the World War I Museum & Memorial. Home to the most comprehensive collection of

#### **Highlights Include:**

- Pioneer Woman Mercantile, Pawhuska OK
- Missouri Star Quilt Company
- World War I Museum
- Evel Knievel Museum
- Marland Mansion - Palace on the Prairie
- Fort Leavenworth
- National Cemetery
- Hallmark Crown Visitor Center
- KC Strings
- Strawberry Hill Bakery
- 3-nights Independence, MO

WWI objects in the world.

#### Fri, September 10 Independence, MO

Today’s journey is truly an all-American dream come true as we visit Missouri Star Quilt Company. Even if you are not a quilter you will love the story and vision behind a family single handedly making a HUGE impact on the small town of Hamilton, MO with the help of YouTube



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videos for quilters. Jenny Doan's 500-plus videos have logged 135 million views and lifted annual revenue at the family's online fabric retailer, to an estimated \$40 million. The Doans have remade the one-stoplight town of Hamilton, Missouri (pop. 1,900), into what they call "the Disneyland of quilting," attracting as many as 8,000 tourists a month." Be prepared to be AMAZED.

**Sat, September 11                      Fort Leavenworth, KS**

Today we say goodbye to Missouri and make our way back into Kansas. Arriving in Leavenworth KS just in time to enjoy lunch at the Santa Fe 1888 Union Train Depot, now home to the Riverfront Community Center. After lunch, it is time to explore more of the city. Known as the Best Hometown of the Army, Ft Leavenworth is the oldest active military post west of the Hudson Fort Leavenworth features the Buffalo Soldier Monument, the Frontier Army Museum, Oregon and Santa Fe Trails, Memorial Chapel, and more. Leavenworth KS is also home to the National Cemetery, established by President Abraham Lincoln in 1862. It is one of the first 14 national cemeteries and is the final resting place for 23,000 veterans from every war since 1812.

**Sun, September 12                      Wichita, KS**

We cannot depart the "First City of Kansas", without visiting the C.W. Parker Carousel Museum. Thousands of volunteer hours have been dedicated to the restoration of the 1913 wooden carousel! Best of all, you will enjoy a ride on the more than 100 year old carousel. We now make our way on to the capitol of Kansas —Topeka. For daredevils and dreamers of all ages, this afternoon we rediscover the spectacle of the death-defying Evel Knievel show. Witness the incredible collection of the physics-defying bikes that launched the legend. See his iconic 1974 Mack Truck & Trailer "Big Red." Examine the star-spangled helmets (battered, and beaten and beautiful) that undoubtedly saved Evel's uninsurable life more than once. Listen to the eye-widening, imagination-sparking, and the doesn't-seem-possible stories that defined an American icon. After we have defied the impossible, we are just a couple of hours away from our overnight stay in Wichita KS.

**Mon, September 13                      Return home**

Today we will be returning to the Lone Star State but we will take with us the memories of our time together in Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri and the fun we

have shared with friends. Hope you remember how Bilbrey Tours did truly "Show You MORE!"

**Thank you for traveling with  
Bilbrey Tours!**

**Price Includes:**

- Motorcoach transportation from:  
**Abilene, Big Spring and Midland**
- 6 nights hotel accommodations
- Hotel baggage handling for 1 piece of luggage
- Meals: 6 breakfasts,  
7 lunches or dinners
- Admissions to all included attractions per itinerary
- Services of a tour escort
- Gratuities for driver and local guides

**Cost per person:**

	<b><u>Ins.</u></b>
<b>\$1580 (2 people per room)</b>	<b>\$137</b>
<b>\$1985 (1 person per room)</b>	<b>\$137</b>

**\$25 deposit due upon booking**

**Final payment due July 22, 2021**

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