

Chattanooga: Rivers & Rail

September 14 - 22, 2022

(9 days - 8 nights)



Wed, Sep 14

Texarkana, AR

With fall in the air our group of travelers will be eager to board the motorcoach and get acquainted with fellow travelers as we route thru the Metroplex and continue to Texarkana to overnight.

Thu, Sep 15

Florence, AL

Continuing across Arkansas to the east we stop for lunch in Forrest City before crossing the Mississippi River at Memphis into the Volunteer State of Tennessee. Moving slightly to the south, we enter the state of Mississippi, paralleling the Tennessee border to Corinth. Our visit at the Civil War Interpretive Center which traces the story of Corinth in the Civil War from secession through Reconstruction. We then cross over into Alabama where we still stay the next two nights.

Fri, Sep 16

Florence, AL

Muscle Shoals, AL lies on the south bank of the Tennessee River, which coincidentally was called the "Singing River" by the Native Americans. No wonder it has garnered plenty of attention for their rich music history with musicians such as Hank Williams and Nat King Cole. Just down the road in Tusculumbia, we have the privilege of visiting the birthplace and home of Helen Keller, the "Miracle Worker". Ivy Green, built in 1820 by the grandparents of Helen Keller, the home survived the ravages of the Civil War.

Sat, Sep 17

Chattanooga, TN

This morning we make our way to Huntsville, home to the largest space museum in the world: the US Space & Rocket Center. Not only is America's

Highlights Include:

- 3 nights in downtown Chattanooga
- 2 nights Florence, AL (Muscle Shoals area)
- US Space & Rocket Center
- Southern Belle Riverboat
- Tennessee Aquarium
- Incline Railway / Lookout Mountain
- National Medal of Honor Heritage Center
- Chattanooga National Military Park
- River City Session (Appalachian-style music show)
- Helen Keller Birthplace
- Loretta Lynn's Plantation Home
- Coal Miner's Daughter Museum

space program on exhibit in Huntsville, it was forged in Huntsville. Known as the "Rocket City" because Huntsville, Alabama is where rockets were developed that put men on the moon. After lunch we head to the Unclaimed Baggage Center in Scottsboro. The concept of selling items from lost and unclaimed airline luggage has gained national attention in recent years. Leaving Scottsboro, we are just a short drive to Chattanooga, which lies at the transition between the ridge and valley portion of the Appalachian Mountains and the Cumberland Plateau.

Sun, Sep 18

Chattanooga, TN

We begin our day with a city tour of Tennessee's 4th largest city: Chattanooga. In 1815 it began as a small trading post and also served as one of the staging are-

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as of the Cherokee relocation known as the Trail of Tears. After lunch we visit one of Chattanooga's newest attraction, the National Medal of Honor Heritage Center. Have your camera ready as we board the Southern Belle Riverboat for a sightseeing cruise on the scenic Tennessee River. Oh what a day!

Mon, Sep 19

Chattanooga, TN

All board the Incline Railway, one of the steepest in the world. At the top of Lookout Mountain, we will enjoy the wonders and "See Seven States" view. You will have to take it all in before boarding the motorcoach for a ride down the mountain. This afternoon we will explore the Tennessee Aquarium, which highlights the voyage of a drop of water from its origin in the Appalachian Mountains to the Gulf of Mexico. This evening be prepared to tap your toe at an Appalachian-style dinner show, River City Sessions.

Tues, Sep 20

Memphis, TN

This morning we depart after our fantastic 3-night stay in the scenic city of Chattanooga and route to Hurricane Mills, the home of country music star, Loretta Lynn. Tour the 18,000 square-ft. Coal Miner's Daughter Museum which contains her memorabilia and costumes. Enjoy a tour of her plantation home, a simulated coal mine, grist mill and a replica Butcher Holler house before we continue to Memphis.

Wed, Sep 21

Texarkana, TX

Begin the day with a tour of Graceland, a mansion on a 13.8 acre estate that was home to Elvis Presley. Our tour will also consist of touring his jets and car museum. We route across Arkansas and to Texarkana to overnight.



Thu, Sep 22

Return home

Our fall tour to include Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee is coming to a close but we will take with us great memories of the trip and the new friends we have met. Today we continue westward, stopping for lunch in the Metroplex before returning home.



Price Includes:

- Roundtrip motorcoach transportation from: **Abilene, Big Spring, Midland and San Angelo**
- 8 nights accommodations
- Baggage handling for one piece of luggage
- Admissions to included attractions per itinerary
- Meals: 8 continental breakfasts and 8 lunches or dinners
- Gratuities for motorcoach driver and local guides
- Services of a tour escort

Cost per person:

Ins. (25+)

\$2379 (2 people per room)	\$187
\$3109 (1 person per room)	\$248

\$50 deposit due upon booking

Final payment due July 25, 2022

Travel Insurance

An optional Travel Insurance plan is available for purchase on overnight tours. In today's changing travel environment, it's important to protect your travel investment so you can relax and enjoy your trip. Unforeseen events such as flight delays, baggage loss or even a sudden sickness or injury could impact your travel plans. For convenience, we offer a Travel Insurance Services protection plan to help protect you and your travel investment against the unexpected. For more information and rates, please review the product flyer at:

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