

FLORIDA TOUR,

Nashville ~ Savannah ~ St. Augustine Cape Canaveral ~ Key West (2 nights) ~ Ft Myers (3 nights)

Feb. 7-21, 2020 • 15 Days

### Motorcoach Tours across the U.S. & Canada

Fri., Feb. 7: Oglesby, IL Utopia Tours is looking forward to getting away from the cold and snow for a while on our Florida Tour! Comfort and meal stops will be made on our way to our first nights destination - Oglesby, IL. Enjoy getting to know your fellow travelers as we head south over the next few days.

Sat., Feb. 8: Nashville, TN (B) Today we travel through Illinois, Indiana, and Kentucky, on our way to Nashville, TN. Nashville continues to uphold its Music City nickname, as there are over 130 music venues here that keep this city alive. Upon arrival we will check into our lodging. This evening we will have dinner before going to the **Ryman Theatre**, the original Opry Theatre, for the evening performance of the **Grand Ole Opry**. The Grand Ole Opry has been entertaining audiences

for over 90 years, and is the show that made country music famous with new stars, superstars, and legends, all live on WSM Radio.



Sun., Feb. 9: Savannah, GA (B, D) Our journey takes us through Chattanooga, TN, and Atlanta, GA, with our destination being the coastal area of 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 the night. This evening we look forward to an included meal at the Pirate's House. It is situated a block from the Savannah River and has welcomed visitors since 1753. It first was an inn for seafarers, then became a rendezvous for pirates and sailors. Then return to our hotel for the night.



Mon., Feb. 10: St Augustine, FL (B) This morning a **local tour guide** will join us for a City Tour of Savannah, GA, learning about historical landmarks, houses, museum, squares, and parks abound in this beautiful coastal city. After our tour we will spend time in the Market Place area where you can have lunch on your own. Our route takes us down I-95, following the Atlantic Coastline, to Jacksonville, FL, or "Jax" as the locals call it. Later we will be in St. Augustine, FL. St. Augustine, FL, is

located on the shores of the **Atlantic Ocean**, and is our nation's oldest city, founded in 1565. A **trolley tour** is included to experience the rich history, beautiful architecture, and highlights of this city. The evening is on your own to explore the city and have dinner.

Tues., Feb. 11: Cape Canaveral / Ft. Pierce, FL (B) Traveling along the Atlantic Coast we route through Daytona Beach to Port Canaveral, FL, a cruise, cargo & naval port. At the Kennedy Space Center, we will board a bus for a tour of the Space Center complex, learning about the

space missions and more while here. Then continue on down the Atlantic coast to Fort Pierce, FL, the Sunrise City. Fort Pierce is located in the pristine Indian River Lagoon. Enjoy the night here.

Wed., Feb. 12: Key West, FL (B, L) This morning we will continue on routing through West Palm Beach to Ft. Lauderdale. Here we will board the Jungle Queen for a narrated cruise along the historic New River, known as the "Venice of America." See Millionaires Row, where the homes of the rich and famous are, spectacular yachts, and more as we spend a beautiful evening on this cruise. A box lunch is included while cruising. Next we pass through Miami to our destination is the Florida Keys, making a coffee stop along the way. The Florida Keys is over 1,000 square miles of history including sunken treasures and pirates. We'll arrive afternoon in **Key West.** FL, the southernmost city of the continental United States, and noted for it's 19th Century gingerbread-style houses. Today, tourism, fishing and

shrimping sustains the economy. We'll check into our lodging for a twonight stay.

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Motorcoach Transportation
- Hotel Accommodations
- Utopia Tours Tour Director
- Baggage Handling (1 bag p.p.)
- 14 Breakfasts / 6 Meals
- Oglesby, IL
- Nashville, TN
- -Grand Ole Opry at Ryman Theatre
- Savannah, GA
- -Meal at Pirate's House
- -Guided City Tour of Savannah
- -Market Place
- St Augustine, FL
- -Trolley Tour
- Port Canaveral, FL
- -Kennedy Space Center Tour
- · Fort Pierce, FL
- Ft. Lauderdale, FL
- -Jungle Queen Cruise w/Box Lunch
- Key West, FL (2 nights)
- -Trolley Tour
- -Ernest Hemingway Home & Museum
- -Southernmost Point Buoy
- Key Largo, FL
- -Shell World
- Florida Everglades
- -Gator Park
- -Alligator Alley Everglades Airboat Tour -Lunch
- Fort Myers, FL (3 nights)
- -Sanibel Island excursion & Lunch
- -Edison & Ford Winter Estates
- -Fleamasters Fleamarket
- Sarasota, FL
- -Ca' d'Zan Ringling Mansion
- St Petersburg / Clearwater, FL area
- Chattanooga, TN, area
- -Meal
- Paducah, KY
- -National Quilt Museum
- St Louis, MO
- -Gateway Arch (ride to top not included)
- Wisconsin Dells, WI
- -Pizza Party

STATES VISITED on this tour: MN-WI-IL-KY-TN-GA-FL-MO-IA

# **PRICE PER PERSON**

Double Occupancy .....\$2,999 Triple Occupancy......\$2,969 Quad Occupancy ......\$2,939 Single Occupancy ......\$3,700 DEPOSIT: \$200 p.p. (due upon sign-up) FINAL PAYMENT DUE: Dec. 27, 2019

Early Bird Discount \$100 per person if you pay the deposit by 11/15/19 discounts to be deducted from final payment

Trip Cancellation & Interruption Insurance available. Ask us for details or see our website.

Thurs., Feb. 13: Key West, FL (B) The day starts with a **Trolley Tour**, showing us the highlights, learning more about this scenic area, and more to familiarize ourselves with Key West. Plus visit the Ernest Hemingway Home and Museum, and make a picture

stop at the **Southernmost Point Buoy**, marking the southernmost point of the continental U.S. today. This evening you may want to spend time at Mallory Square, where there is entertainment on the boardwalk, venues to dine in, and is where you can watch the sun set during their Sunset Celebration.



Fri., Feb. 14: Ft Myers, FL (B, L) **HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY** Leaving Key West this morning we make our way back up through the Keys, including a stop in Key Largo, at the well-known **Shell World**. Our route then takes us on **Alligator Alley** and the **Florida** Everglades to Gator Park. Here we take an Airboat Tour into the Everglades, seeing the wildlife and more in the largest subtropical wilderness in North America which is half

land and half water. Lunch is included here. Continuing on, we go through Naples, FL, before arriving at our destination-Fort Myers. FL. Relax here in this city located on the **Gulf Coast**. Your tour guide will give you options during our **3-night stay** in **Ft. Myers, FL**, at the Drury Inn. Enjoy the **Kick-Back food served each evening** while we're here.



Sat., Feb. 15: Ft Myers, FL (B, L) Out on **Sanibel Island**, with its white sand, palm trees, and blue waters, we've included a delicious Lunch. Plus you'll have free time to explore the Island. Sure to be a highlight of your Florida Tour. Later we will visit the Edison/Ford Winter Estates. The estate from the bygone era of Thomas Edison and Henry Ford, are



simply amazing. Complete with gardens and a museum featuring many of the inventions, the estates are one of the top 10 most visited historical homes in the country. It's been a fun few days here in Ft Myers enjoying the warm weather.

Sun., Feb. 16: Ft Myers, FL (B) The day is on your own, or you have the option of joining us as we go to the Fleamasters Fleamarket. You'll find about 900 stores and numerous snack bars in over 400,000 square feet of space at the Fleamarket.





Mon., Feb. 17: St Petersburg, FL / Clearwater, FL area (B) We depart this morning and travel to **Sarasota**. Here we'll visit the **Ringling Bro's** Ca' d'Zan. The home of the circus king and his wife, a couple from humble mid-western origins, Ca' d'Zan stands as a testament to the American Dream of the Roaring Twenties. Inspired by and designed in the Venetian Gothic style of the palazzos. Then continue along up the Gulf Coast to the St. Petersburg / Clearwater, FL, area, and it's 35 miles of sugar sand beaches. Your Tour Director can help you with your day, whether it's exploring the beaches, the shops, museums, restaurants, or even take in an adventure like fishing, biking, or kayaking.

Tues,. Feb. 18: Chattanooga, TN, area (B, D) After the last eight days in Florida enjoying the sunshine and beaches from coast-to-coast, we start making our way home. It's a driving day, so coffee/comfort and meal stops will be made along the way. Sit back and enjoy the scenery as we make our way to our destination of the Chattanooga, TN, area. We've an included a **meal** for you tonight.

Wed., Feb. 19: St Louis, MO (B) Our route takes us north through Nashville, TN, and Paducah, KY. In Paducah we will make a stop at the National Quilt Museum. Then on to St. Louis, MO. St. Louis is known as the place where history and imagination collide and is the Gateway to the West. It's also where the journeys of Lewis & Clark both started and ended. The evening is on your own to enjoy here in **St Louis, MO**.

Thurs,. Feb. 20: Wisconsin Dells, WI (B, D) This morning we'll visit the **Gateway Arch**, which stands 630-feet tall and is 630-feet wide, and is our country's tallest man-made monument. You may wish to take the ride to the top (cost not included) for a fantastic view of the city. Then we'll **sightsee** around the city, pointing out the highlights of this scenic and historic city. Then continue on to Wisconsin Dells, WI, for our last night of the tour. A Pizza Party is our treat to you tonight

It's been a great tour, savoring the Florida sunshine, and all the Fri., Feb. 21: Home great sights and cities along the way. From white sand beaches, to snow white landscapes, we return to Minnesota, arriving mid-afternoon. Thank you for traveling with Utopia Tours.

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**TO SIGN-UP:** 

•Visit us at our office •Call us •Use form on our website •Use form from office

**DEPOSIT:** \$200 p.p. due upon sign-up. **FINAL PAYMENT:** Due by 12/27/19. Payment by cash or check is preferred. VISA, MASTERCARD, DISCOVER accepted. **DISCOUNTS:** U-Save Coupons, Early Bird Discounts, etc., are to be deducted from final payment, not your deposit.

PICK-UPS AND DROP-OFFS are in: Fargo / F-M Visitors Center; Fergus Falls / Wal-Mart; Alexandria / Perkins; St Cloud / Country Inn & Suites (on Park Ave). You can leave your car at these locations for the duration of your tour.

Other pick-ups may be available depending on route of tour.

#### SEE POLICY SHEET FOR MORE INFO.

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MORE INFORMATION will be mailed out to you approximately 10 days prior to departure. This letter will include a tour brochure, hotel list, your pick-up and drop-off times/location, luggage tags, and more. Name tags will be in the tour packet you receive when you board the bus.

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