

SPRING NASTIVILLE & MEMPHIS TOUR

Paducah, KY ~ Nashville, TN (2 nights) ~ Memphis, TN (2 nights) April 29-May 6, 2020 • 8 Days

Motorcoach Tours across the U.S. & Canada

We've put together a fun Spring Tour that spends 2 nights in Nashville & 2 nights in Memphis, where you'll see, hear, and taste the southern goodness of these areas. In Nashville visit downtown, the Wildhorse Saloon, Country Music Hall of Fame, Johnny Cash Museum, General Jackson Lunch Cruise, and of course the Grand Ole Opry! In Memphis we'll spend time on Beale Street and Graceland Entertainment Complex! Plus more!



<u>Wed., April 29:</u> Oglesby, IL Join Utopia Tours as we start out on our Spring Nashville & Memphis Tour! Get to know your fellow travel companions as we travel through Wisconsin and into Illinois. Our first night is in <u>Oglesby, IL</u> at the <u>Days Inn</u>.

<u>Thurs., April 30:</u> Paducah, KY (B) This morning we make our way through southern Illinois and across the border to <u>Paducah, KY</u>. Paducah is known as *the City of Crafts & Folk Art*. This afternoon we'll stop at the <u>Quilters Museum</u> which has three galleries of quilt and fiber art that you're sure to be impressed by. Then enjoy the night on your own here in <u>Paducah, KY</u>.

Fri., May 1: Nashville, TN (B, L) Traveling southeast on 24 we drive just a few hours to Nashville, TN! From the 1870's when the Jubilee Singers from Fisk University started becoming well known, to the current day with the stars that get their start here and come to entertain here, Nashville continues to uphold its Music City nickname. There are over 130 music venues here that keep this city alive. Upon arrival you will have free time in downtown Nashville to go into some of the venues where country singers got their start, like Tootsies, and others, plus have time to shop. Lunch is included at the World Famous Wildhorse Saloon, known for its southern food, live music, and dancing. Then on to the Country Music Hall of Fame to experience country music's past and present. We'll also visit the Johnny Cash Museum, featuring a large collection of Johnny Cash's memorabilia and artifacts. We'll check into our hotel, and have dinner on your own before heading out to the Grand Ole Opry at the Opry House. The 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. We spend two nights in Nashville.

Sat., May 2: Nashville, TN (B, L) A local guide joins us this morning for a city tour of Nashville seeing some of the Stars homes, the Parthenon, and more. Then we board the General Jackson Showboat. Lunch and entertainment is included in their two-story Victorian theatre as we cruise along the Cumberland River. A highlight of our stay in



Nashville. After the cruise we will spend time in the Opryland area that surrounds our

## **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Motorcoach Transportation
- Hotel Accommodations
- Utopia Tours Tour Director
- Baggage Handling (1 bag p.p.)
- 7 Breakfasts / 3 Meals
- Oglesby, IL (1 night at Days Inn)
- Paducah, KY (1 night)
  - -Quilters Museum
- Nashville, TN (2 nights)
  - -Free time in Downtown
  - -Lunch at Wildhorse Saloon
  - -Country Music Hall of Fame
  - -Johnny Cash Museum
  - -Grand Ole Opry
  - -Guided City Tour
  - -General Jackson Lunch Cruise
- Memphis, TN (2 nights)
  - -Guided City Tour
  - -Graceland
  - -Dinner
  - -Mississippi Riverboat Cruise
  - -Peabody Hotel-Duck Walk
  - -Beale Street
- St. Louis, MO
  - -St. Louis Arch Visit
- Cedar Rapids, IA (1 night)

STATES VISITED on this tour: MN, WI, IL, KY, TN, AR, MO, IA

# PRICE PER PERSON Double Occupancy .......\$1,490 Triple Occupancy ......\$1,460 Quad Occupancy ......\$1,430 Single Occupancy ......\$1,890 DEPOSIT: \$100 p.p. (due upon sign-up) FINAL PAYMENT DUE: March 18, 2020

Early Bird Discount \$50 per person if you pay the deposit by 2/5/20 \*discounts to be deducted from final payment Trip Cancellation & Interruption Insurance available.

hotel. You may wish to go to the Opry Mills Complex for shopping and their food court, or the Nashville Palace for honkey-tonk dancing and dining. The beautiful Opryland Resort has 9-acres of indoor gardens and waterfalls, multiple restaurants, and more that you could explore, too!



Sun., May 3: Memphis, TN (B, D) We have a half-days travel ahead of us today, taking us from one music city, to another! We're on our way to Memphis, TN-Home of the Blues, located on the Mississippi River. Upon arrival we'll have lunch on our own, before a local guide boards our bus for a city tour of Memphis. We will travel along the Mississippi River, see some Victorian homes, the Lorraine Hotel, BB King's Blues Club, St Jude's Children's Research, and more. We will then check into our lodging nearby for a two-night stay. A delicious dinner is included tonight.

Mon., May 4: Memphis, TN (B) After your included breakfast, we will go to the legendary Graceland, Elvis Presley's mansion, to see the exuberant life-style of the "King of Rock 'n Roll." Graceland has recently gone through a massive \$137 million expansion and now has an entertainment complex with new exhibits, museums, and performance space behind Graceland Plaza. We've included a tour of the Graceland Mansion and Elvis' airplanes. The Mansion tour includes his living room, his parents' room, the kitchen, TV room, pool room, the famous Jungle Room, his father's office, the newlyenhanced Trophy Building, the Racquetball Building, and the Meditation Garden. Then step aboard his customized airplanes to see how he traveled in luxury including goldplated seatbelts and leather-covered tables. Lunch is on your own here. Then we'll board the Memphis Riverboat for a 90-minute narrated cruise on the Mississippi River. The Peabody Hotel is a Landmark Hotel, and we will go here later this afternoon to watch the famous **Duck Walk**. This evening you have the option of spending time at the hotel for the evening, or the bus will take you to Beale Street, the most iconic street in America, for a couple of hours. Beale Street runs from the Mississippi River to East Street, nearly 2 miles of Blues clubs and restaurants.

Tues., May 5: Cedar Rapids, IA (B) We will enjoy breakfast this morning, then depart Memphis after a couple days exploring the City of Blues. Our travels take us through Tennessee to Missouri, with a stop in **St Louis at the Arch**, located on the Mississippi River. We continue on to our hotel in **Cedar Rapids**, **IA**. The evening is on your own.

Wed., May 6: Home (B) Homeward bound today after our Spring Nashville & Memphis Tour experiencing the sights, taste, and sounds of these two music cities. We arrive home later this afternoon. Thank you for traveling with Utopia Tours.

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# TO SIGN-UP:

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DEPOSIT: \$100 p.p. due upon sign-up. FINAL PAYMENT: Due by 3/18/20. Payment by cash or check is preferred. ŚA, MASŤERCARD, 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.

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TOUR INCLUDES: See "Price Includes" Section. All sightseeing admissions, transportation, transfers, guide fees, a Utopia Tours tour director, events included in tour itinerary, lodging, baggage handling (for one piece of luggage per person), taxes, tips for services included in tour, meals mentioned in "Price Includes" section of itinerary. NOT INCLUDED: Tips for meals or services not included in tour price. Tour Director and Tour Driver tips. PACKING: Dress for comfort! Layered clothing is the way to go! TOUR BUS: The tour bus will have a restroom in the back of the bus. Most buses have Wifi capabilities (limited in Canada & Alaska). Some buses may have plug-ins for your electronics. MOTORCOACH SEATING:
There are no assigned or reserved seats.\* It is common policy on motorcoach tours to rotate seats during tours. For the comfort and courtesy of all passengers, it is required that everyone participate in seat rotation.\* ("unless we've been contacted by you for medical reasons) BREAKS: On driving days, we stope every few hours for coffee and lunch breaks. This is a great time to stretch a little, use restroom facilities, take a smoke break, and mingle with the other passengers. UTOPIA TOURS reserves the right to make changes or alterations in the printed itinerary, dates, routings, or included features prior to or during the tour as may be necessary for the smooth and efficient operation of the tour without prior notice and assumes no responsibility for delays and/or expenses due to such modification. We will make every effort to fullfil special meal and rooms requests, but do not assume responsibility or liability if request isn't fulfilled. RESPONSIBILITY: Utopia Tours is not responsible for any loss or damage of personal property or for injuries, expenses or damages whatsoever incurred or claimed by any tour member. Once our activities have ended for the day and we are at our lodging, as well as any time you have exited the bus during the tour day, you are on your own and Utop TOUR INCLUDES: See "Price Includes" Section.

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