



**The ARK ENCOUNTER, KENTUCKY
plus LOUISVILLE AND LEXINGTON**

**April 5 - 11, 2020
7 days / 6 nights
\$2273**

Another adventure as we travel west into Pennsylvania for a special lunch and overnight before continuing the next day into Cincinnati, Ohio for dinner aboard the Belle of Cincinnati Riverboat! Next day finds us in Williamsport, KY, home to the massive Ark structure, to enjoy several exhibits! Overnight for two nights at the 5 star Brown Hotel, a legend in Louisville that has been welcoming guests for generations! Lots of touring in Louisville with our local guide including a visit to the “Vault”! More excitement in Lexington, your home for two nights, with our guide showing us the city highlights including the Kentucky Horse Park! Fine food at fine restaurants, lovely accommodations and the gentle people of the South to mingle with. Other groups do this tour but we do it right!

ITINERARY

Day 1 – INDEPENDENCE/NEWARK/WILMINGTON/MEADOWLANDS, PA

Our morning departure takes into scenic Western Pennsylvania with lunch at the delightful **Nemacolin Woodlands Resort** followed by a guided tour of their Hardy Art collection. Continue on to Meadow Lands, PA for overnight. Dinner this evening at Atria’s neighborhood Italian Restaurant. Meals:L,D
DOUBLETREE HOTEL

Day 2 - MEADOWLANDS/CINCINNATI

After a tasty breakfast we depart for the city of Cincinnati, with arrival in the late afternoon. Dinner tonight on the **Belle of Cincinnati Riverboat** as it sails the Ohio River. Overnight in Cincinnati. Meals:B,D
HOLIDAY INN RIVERFRONT

Day 3 - CINCINNATI/ARK ENCOUNTER

Cross over the Ohio river this morning into Williamsport, Kentucky with our first stop at **the Ark Encounter**. The Ark is massive and is a three-story focal point of the park, 510 feet long and 85 feet wide. It is the largest timber-frame structure in the U. S. The many exhibits are designed to explain and engage visitors in Bible Stories. It will no doubt amaze and inspire you. Lunch on the deck of **Emzara’s Kitchen**, a two-story casual dining restaurant with a spectacular view of the Ark. Afternoon arrival in lovely Louisville, your home for two nights. **The Brown Hotel** is elegant and is one of the finest hotels in the South. Tonight, an optional theater performance at the Derby Dinner Theater Playhouse, noted for its professional productions of Broadway musicals. Meals:B,L
BROWN HOTEL

Day 4 - LOUISVILLE SIGHTSEEING/KENTUCKY DERBY MUSEUM

Our local guide will join us for a guided tour of **Louisville**, also known as the Bourbon City. You’ll see many unique sights including the Slugger Museum. A great tour of the **Kentucky Derby Museum** where you will experience the most dynamic celebration known worldwide as the “Greatest Two Minutes in Sports”. Tour **Churchill Downs** and enjoy an 18-minute film on the Derby History in the Great

Hall and some gift shop time. Lunch in the **Derby Cafe** followed by a visit to the **Vault** in the museum, where you experience a unique presentation with a museum curator as they take you through an up-close journey through Thoroughbred racing history using rare artifacts not currently on display. Return to our hotel to relax or perhaps walk through the rooftop gardens before dinner in the main dining room of the hotel. Meals:B,L,D

BROWN HOTEL

Day 5 - LOUISVILLE/NONESUCH/LEXINGTON

A picturesque drive through the lush green countryside with stone fences and horse farms takes us to **Shaker Village**, to learn about the Shakers, their daily lives and work values. Enjoy touring some of their 19th century structures, listen to a musical performance of Shaker songs, and enjoy an included lunch. It is a fascinating experience. Move on to **Buffalo Trace Distillery**, the longest continuously operating bourbon distillery in the US. Its informative, fun and includes tasting. Lastly, you're in for a treat as we visit **Old Friends Farm**, founded in 2003 by former Boston Globe film critic Michael Blowen. About 139 retired thoroughbreds, with names you would recognize, live here under the care of Michael and his staff. Visit with them! Check into our hotel before departing for dinner on your own at **Thursday Night Live**, an outdoor pavilion with local food stands, beverage vendors and live music. Meals:B,L,D

EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL

Day 6 - THOROUGHBRED FARM/CHARLESTON, WV

Enjoy breakfast at our hotel before we depart for the **Kentucky Horse Farm**, a must see for lovers of these magnificent animals. It is the only park dedicated to man's relationship with the horse. All breeds of horses are represented with three outstanding museums and daily equine presentations. Your visit includes a trolley ride to see the park. Continue to Charleston, WV for overnight. Meals:B,L

HOLIDAY INN AND SUITES

Day 7 - CHARLESTON, WV/HOME

Morning departure for home stopping enroute for lunch. Arrival in Wilmington in the late afternoon followed by Newark and Independence. Meals:B,L

TOUR INCLUSIONS: Roundtrip motorcoach transportation * 6 nights first class and deluxe hotels based on double occupancy * admission to all sightseeing as per itinerary * meals include breakfast daily, lunches and dinners * taxes and gratuities for hotels, included meals and guides * luggage handling at hotels * services of a Tour Director from 4 Seasons Tours *

Conditions: A deposit of \$100 is due with each reservation. Final payment is due March 15, 2020,

Cancellations: deposit is refundable until date of final payment. There are no refunds after March 15, 2020.

Trip cancellation insurance is recommended and available from 4 Seasons Tours.

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