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Hamilton In Chicago

Sept 11-13, 2017

See the hottest show in the Windy City – Plus, tour 3 historic homes, Old St. Patrick’s Church, and enjoy an incredible taste of Chicago neighborhoods!

While Hamilton is coming to the Fox, it is a limited run and they are not offering group tickets. We are once again offering a tour to Chicago to see the most popular show in years. Plus, we will tour three historic homes, including Hemmingway’s childhood home, and visit Old Saint Patrick’s, the oldest public building in the city.

Monday, Sept. 11 - Welcome to Chicago

We board our motorcoach in St. Louis and head north to Chicago. We will make stops along the way with lunch on own at our favorite place en route, Portillo’s, then arrive this afternoon for a guide tour of the Windy City. Since the hit musical *Hamilton*, the story of an immigrant who rose to be one of the most powerful people of his era, inspired this tour, we begin our trip by immersing ourselves in the immigrant story in Chicago. Generations of immigrants arrived, entered the mainstream and rose to powerful positions in the Second City.

We begin with a stroll along **Prairie Avenue**, also known as “Millionaires’ Row” from 1880 to 1920, when the elite of Chicago lived here: George Pullman, Phillip Armour, Daniel Burnham, and Marshall Field. While many of the homes did not survive, those still standing tell a story of residents and servants that outlive the glory days. We enjoy a tour of the **Glessner House**, one of the remaining original homes on the street. Many of the family’s furnishings have been returned to the home giving a realistic view of how they lived in their first floor rooms.

Then we’ll head to **The Cambria Chicago Magnificent Mile Hotel**, located next door to Gino’s East on Superior Avenue. Stop by the front desk to get priority seating at Gino’s and avoid the lines, or simply call down for pick up!

Tuesday, Sept. 12 – Hemmingway & Hamilton

Enjoy breakfast in the hotel before we meet up with our tour guide and head to the charming village of Oak Park, where we tour **Ernest Hemingway’s Childhood Home**. Next we tour **Old St. Pat’**, the city’s oldest public building due to it’s survival of the Great Chicago Fire. It is home to a thriving congregation of young families today and continues to celebrate its Irish immigrant heritage!

Next, enjoy lunch on own at **Manny’s Deli** in Chicago’s West Loop. Known for its amazing soup and huge sandwiches, you might want to find someone to share! Return to the *Magnificent Mile* near our hotel for an afternoon of shopping or exploring on your own.

Tonight we dine at the legendary **Lawry’s Restaurant**, housed in the former **McCormick Mansion** just off the Magnificent Mile. The McCormick family was one of the first to build on the north side of the

Chicago River after the Great Fire – creating a new center of wealth and power for the city’s elite. Now it is famous for their incredible steaks and amazing seasoning!

After dinner is your chance to experience the sensational show everyone is talking about: **Hamilton!** This revolutionary new musical has taken Broadway by storm and continues to be the hottest ticket in Chicago this year. Our seats are located in the Mezzanine of the *PrivateBank Theatre*. We return to the hotel after the show. **(B, D)**

Wednesday, Sept. 13

After breakfast in the hotel, we explore the **Pilsen neighborhood** and tour the **Hull House**. This beautiful home of a country doctor became the nation’s first “settlement house” which helped ease immigrants’ adjustment to life in America. Learn about Jane Addams’ place in history and the foundation’s work that continues today. The home is now a part of the busy University of Illinois campus.

Lunch today will be a progressive feast through Chicago’s neighborhoods! We will enjoy **appetizers** in bustling **Chinatown, a pasta & salad** in **Little Italy**, and dessert in **Greektown** before bidding farewell to Chicago! Our guide will fill in the details on all these immigrant communities, their history, and their place in the city today. We bid a fond farewell to Chicago and head back to Saint Louis with a dinner stop on the way home. Thank you for traveling with us! **(B, L)**

Tour includes:

- ✓ Round trip transportation on a luxury motorcoach
- ✓ Stay 2 nights at the hotel The Hotel Cambria Magnificent Mile– only unpack once!
- ✓ Tour 3 homes, including the childhood home of Hemmingway!
- ✓ Tour Old St. Patrick’s Church
- ✓ Walk Prairie Avenue, once known as Millionaire’s Row
- ✓ Dinner at Lawry’s, located in the old McCormick Building
- ✓ A progressive lunch through Chicago’s Chinese, Italian and Greek neighborhoods!
- ✓ Mezzanine Ticket to see Hamilton!
- ✓ All other Activities as indicated
- ✓ Baggage Handling
- ✓ Professional Tour Directors Dea Hoover and Declan Rutan
- ✓ All gratuities including step-on guides, included meals, driver and director

Please note: Any notice of fuel surcharges imposed by carriers and/or attractions will be disclosed at least 30 days prior to tour departure.

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Make your reservation with a \$400 deposit per person. Due to the nature of purchasing tickets for this show and contracting hotel space, the deposit is non-refundable. Once this tour fills, a wait list will be formed. Please send a check, or call with a credit card along with your name, address, phone number, and all roommates’ names if you are sharing a room and any dietary or walking restrictions.

We encourage all travelers to purchase travel protection and pay with initial deposit. Please remember that certain benefits are time sensitive. Plans help provide coverage for unexpected circumstances and help protect your trip and your investment.

Balance on base tour price is due July 28, 2017, and no refunds will be given after that time. If you purchase Travel Protection and need to cancel after July 28, 2017, you must file a claim.