



# Are We There Yet? Tours

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## Crystal Bridges Art Museum

***Plus make a piece of art at Terra Studios, tour and dine at The Peel Mansion***  
**September 22-24, 2017**

Come see some of the best works of American Art in a brand new gallery designed just for this purpose! Alice Walton has used the Walmart fortune to bring incredible works of art to the South, put on display for the public to see. From Norman Rockwell's *Rosie the Riveter* to Winslow Homer's *Spring* you will be astonished at the collection less than a day's travel from St. Louis!

### **Friday, September 22**

We begin our journey by heading west along I-44, following the course of the famous Route 66. We'll take a break at the **Rolla McDonald's** before arriving for our shopping and late **lunch at Sandstone Gardens**, an amazing home and garden store with an incredible café inside! We then head south into Arkansas, arriving at the **Embassy Suites** for their **Happy Hour**. There are numerous restaurants around the hotel to enjoy, or, for those who wish to maximize their visit to the museum, the Embassy Suites has a **shuttle to Crystal Bridges for Late Hours at the Museum tonight**. There is a restaurant and café at the museum, where you can get a bite to eat as well. **(L, Happy Hour)**

### **Saturday, September 23**

After our included hot, cooked to order breakfast this morning, we head to **downtown Bentonville**. A wonderfully quaint town square is home to numerous shops as well as the Walmart Welcome Center, a museum focused on the origin of the largest retailer in the world. We then head for a **tour and lunch at the Peel Mansion Museum and Heritage Gardens**. Built in 1875 by Colonel Samuel West Peel, this amazing Italianate Mansion features amazing woodwork, particularly the walnut stairway in the front hall. There are numerous other styles found in the home as well, including a rare Anglo-Japanese mantle in the library and Greek Revival molded trim in the parlor, and the museum has collected period appropriate pieces to furnish the house in the grand Victorian Style in which it was designed. This attention to detail extends to the gardens, where paintings, photographs and even interviews with those descended from the early settlers were interviewed for what the gardens would have been like in the late 1800s.

After our lunch made with recipes from the Peel Family, we head to the highlight of our tour – **Crystal Bridges Art Museum!** Enjoy an afternoon wandering the curving halls of this incredible museum, featuring such well known works as Asher Durand's *Kindred Spirits* and Andy Warhol's *Dolly Parton*, just some of the many treasures awaiting your gazing pleasure at the gathering place of five centuries of American masterworks. Or take a stroll through the outdoor sculptures along the walking paths on the grounds as well. Enjoy your time at the museum until we return to the Embassy Suites for the manager's reception. Dinner is on your own at a choice of restaurants near our hotel. **(B, L, Happy Hour)**

### **Sunday, September 24**

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before we create a bit of art of our own at **Terra Studios!** A collection of art studios with numerous artists in residence tucked away into the woods, Terra Studios is the home of the *Original Blue Bird of Happiness!* After a tour of the Art Park, we will roll up our sleeves and get creative - the last time we were there, our group had the option of creating either a beautiful painted scarf or intricate pottery creations. As we get closer to the tour, we will let you know what our project will be based on which artists are available.

We then bid Arkansas adieu and head back to Missouri, stopping for lunch on our own at Branson Landing before returning this evening to Saint Louis. Thank you for traveling with us! **(B)**

\$514 per person, double occupancy

\$724 pp single occ

\$484 pp tpl occ

\$457 pp quad occ

**You can enjoy this elegant tour for only \$499 pp dbl occ\* when you pay with check or money order!**

\$499 per person, double occupancy

\$702 pp single occ

\$469 pp tpl occ

\$443 pp quad occ

Price includes:

- Round Trip Coach Transportation on a luxury coach with restroom on board
  - Overnight accommodations at the Embassy Suites, famed for their manager's reception and hot, cooked to order breakfast!
  - Baggage handling at the hotel – no need to drag your bag inside!
  - An afternoon at Crystal Bridges, with the option to go Friday night as well
  - Create a piece of art at Terra Studios
  - 4 Meals (2 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches) plus free apps and cocktails at the Embassy Suites
  - Tour and lunch at The Peel Mansion, based on the Peel family recipes!
  - Gratuities to step-on guides, escorts and driver
- Trip cancellation insurance available at an additional charge. Please see the brochure available from our office or on our website.

*Please note: Any notice of fuel surcharges imposed by carriers and/or attractions will be disclosed at least 30 days prior to tour departure. The itinerary is subject to change and substitutions will be made with service of equal or greater value*

***Make your reservations today with a \$100 refundable deposit, including Trip Cancellation and Interruption Insurance if desired. By purchasing this insurance at time of deposit, you will be covered for all pre-existing conditions as well as protected if something happens on the tour.***

***Balance on base tour price is due August 1, 2017, and no refunds will be given after that time except via Travel Insured Trip Cancellation and Interruption Insurance. 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, all roommate's names if you are sharing a room and any dietary or walking restrictions. Preferential seating on the coach provided by the order in which your deposit is received.***