

Fall Colors, Exploring and Shopping in Dubuque and Galena October 13 - 15, 2020



Day 1 - Our trip begins bright and early, picking up in Waukee, Ankeny and Ames. We will head directly to Dubuque with a brief stop along the way. There is so much planned in our days. Lunch will be at **Convivium Urban Farmstead**, a unique, non-profit, eatery set in the middle of Dubuque's oldest residential neighborhood. We will tour their unique gardens after lunch and learn their story. Then it's on to **Betty Jane Candies**, a confectionery that's had their treats in goodie bags for Hollywood events like the "Academy Awards" and "Dancing with the Stars". Our dessert will be sampling their chocolates as we listen to their stories. Next it's on to **Cable Car Square** to experience the **Fenelon Place Elevator** for a spectacular view above. While you wait, wander the homes of the early settlers now transformed into unique shops and eateries. We will check into the **Hotel Julian** before heading out for the evening. Our evening meal is a **Progressive Dinner**, complete with a step on guide to share Dubuque's stories. We will visit two of Dubuque's founding father's grand homes, take in a beautiful view of the Mighty Mississippi at **Eagle Point** and enjoy our main course in a beautiful retired Catholic Church now known as **Steeple Square**.

Day 2 - We continue with a tour of **Verena St. Coffee** complete with a tasting. Then it's on to **St. Luke's Methodist Church** and their 100 windows of beautiful Tiffany glass. Tiffany brought women to Dubuque to create these windows. Did you know women can see a wider color spectrum than men? Lunch will be aboard the **American Lady** as we take in a cruise on the Mississippi River.



**Dates: Tuesday - Thursday,
October 13 - 15, 2020**

**Registration Deadline:
September 1, 2020**

**Cost: \$469 per person double
\$580 single, \$442 triple
\$200 deposit at registration**

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**with questions. Please leave a
message if there is no answer.**



Our afternoon will be spent in **Galena, Illinois**. **Galena** was once a thriving river town now lost in time. Built on cliffs, this town is full of history and lots of shops. We will tour **Grant's Home** before heading to the heart of downtown to shop and explore on your own. **DeSoto Hotel** is an icon in Galena. You are welcome to take a self guided tour through the hotel. Spend time in the "quiet room" where you can relax and enjoy a continuous 20 minute documentary about the city, the hotel and General Grant. We end the day with dinner in the **Parker Room** of the **Desoto Hotel**.

When we return to Hotel Julien the evening is on your own. Enjoy their pool or hot tub, walk around downtown Dubuque or enjoy your own hotel and it's history. There is a self guided tour about this hotel too. Al Capone was known to stay there. Rumor is he once owned the hotel.

If you like casinos two are close by. Transportation can be arranged.

Day 3 - Once luggage is loaded we begin our journey home. First stop, **New Mallory Abbey** where we will experience the **Trappist Monks** in their morning chant. Across the street we will tour the **Trappist Casket Company**. These caskets can be purchased by anyone however, their focus is sending them to world disasters. We are so close to **Dubuque County's Freedom Rock** it would be a shame not to make a quick stop to see what Bubba Sorenson created.

No trip to Eastern Iowa would be complete without a stop in Dyersville at the "**Field of Dreams**". The White Sox's will have had their MLB game of 2020 by then. If you haven't been there, here's your chance. If you have, see where the temporary field was built and take a walk on the diamond from the Hollywood film. This will be a quick stop.

We will enjoy boxed lunches from Caroline's of Hotel Julien as we travel home. The goal is to return to Ames before 5 p.m.

Trip includes: Motor coach transportation, all group admissions and tours, Mississippi River lunch cruise, 2 nights hotel stay, 2 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners, luggage fee, and all gratuities.

No refunds after registration deadline but you are welcome to find a replacement

If you have any special needs for transportation, hotel accommodations or meals please be sure to include them with your registration.



Name: _____

DeSoto Hotel Dinner Choices

Please choose from these options and return with your resignation form.

All meals include beverage choices of coffee, tea, milk or soda. Adult beverages are on your own.

_____ New York Strip Steak - Ten-ounce New York Strip Steak with a Cabernet reduction served with Red Smashed Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables, House Salad, Roll and Carrot Cake

_____ Pretzel Crusted Walleye -A pretzel crusted Walleye Filet topped with whole-grain mustard sauce, served with Fingerling Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables, House Salad, Roll and Carrot Cake

_____ Stuffed Pork Chop - A thick Iowa Pork Chop baked and stuffed with sage bread dressing and brandy peppercorn sauce. Served with Red Smashed Potatoes and House Salad, Roll and Carrot Cake

_____ Vegan meal possible upon request.

Box lunch choices:

Please choose from these options and return with your resignation form.

_____ Asian Chicken Wrap - Grilled chicken breast, broccoli slaw, scallions, and cilantro tossed in a peanut sauce - rolled in a flour tortilla

_____ Ham and Swiss-Ham - Roma tomatoes and Swiss cheese on a hearty whole wheat grain bread

_____ Roasted Turkey BLT - Turkey, tomatoes, bacon, avocado, lettuce on locally baked whole grain bread

All lunches will include chips, cookie and bottled water

_____ Vegan meal possible upon request.