



BACKROADS & BEACHES

Take a charming jaunt through the mountains of West Virginia and into some of the best that the Eastern Coastal states have to offer! Stay 3 nights in 3 states with sites like Virginia Beach, Chesapeake Bay, historic Odessa, and more!

APRIL 13 - 24, 2023

Departs Wichita, OKC, Tulsa, Springfield

Included Meals



- 11 Breakfast
- 3 Lunch
- 3 Dinner

Activity Level



\$3249 Double **\$2999 Triple**
\$2839 Quad **\$3349 Single**

\$300 Non-Refundable Deposit Per Person
Optional Travel Protection Available
Final Payment Due 90 days before departure

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Day 1 // Fairview Heights, IL Become acquainted with your fellow travelers as our eastbound journey begins today, stopping for the night near St. Louis.

Day 2 // Lexington, KY Embark on a **Kentucky Backroads Tour** to see some of the most scenic sights in the Bluegrass State and a sit down to a delicious southern-style **lunch** at a local landmark restaurant before continuing the journey east.

Day 3 // Richmond, VA Today we travel through the mountains of **West Virginia** as we wind through the country roads to Richmond.

Day 4 // Virginia Beach, VA Visit a historic area associated with the Revolutionary and Civil Wars. Spend some time in Petersburg, Virginia today beginning with the Farmer's

Bank. Placed on the National Register of Historic Places, the bank is now a rare museum dedicated to the social and economic impact banks had in early America. Then visit **Old Blandford Church**, one of the oldest standing churches in the country containing historic Tiffany glass windows. We then will continue traveling on our first glimpses of the coast at **Virginia Beach with a 2 night stay.**

Day 5 // Virginia Beach, VA We will spend our day exploring Virginia Beach, a city with many sides. Ever since the English colonists landing on Cape Henry in 1607, the Hampton Roads area has been a maritime community. Explore this rich heritage at the **Old Coast Guard Museum** this morning. This afternoon we will depart on a **narrated boat cruise** that includes views the Norfolk Naval Station- the world's largest naval base home to just about every type of ship in the Navy's armada.

Day 6 // Ocean City, MD Today we will drive over the **Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel** on our way to the eastern shore of Maryland. This iconic bridge and tunnel is 17.6 miles long and crosses the southern mouth of the Chesapeake Bay. We will arrive for our 2 night stay at Ocean City for a **dinner** with a view of Assateague Island.

Day 7 // Ocean City, MD Kick off today's shore adventure with a guided tour of the

incredible and famous "**Home of the Wild Ponies**" and **Visitor's center on Assateague Island.** Learn how these wild horses thrive on the island and are dependents of survivors of a long lost shipwreck off the coast of Virginia. Spend some free time exploring the historic town of **Berlin** with its charming shops lining Main Street. Board an **eco-cruise** of the beautiful Assawoman Bay. We end the day with dinner and a show at the **Dickens Dinner Theater.**

Day 8 // St Michaels, MD In southern Delaware, stories of a daring escape and hardline politics are told at the **Seaford Museum and Ross Plantation.** Local history overlaps with national events through interesting displays here. Continue on to **St. Michaels** to visit the **Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum** and learn about life of the bay and tour this 18 acre museum with artifacts, exhibitions and vellels. Founded in 1965 the site formerly housed seafood packing plants, docks and work boats. Today it educates visitors about the Chesapeake Bay and the famous oyster beds and crab that are plentiful in the region.

Day 9 // Annapolis, MD Today, enjoy a full day's worth of iconic Chesapeake Bay culinary traditions and history! Visit the Historic 300 year old brewery, the Ram's Head Tavern. Take either a coach tour or tour a **Maryland State House.** After lunch enjoy Maryland's state dessert, Smith Island Cake served at either the Historic PACA

House or London Town. End the day with a **Harbor cruise** for the full Annapolis experience.

Day 10 // Wilmington, DE Continue our exploration of military history at the **Dover Air Mobility Command Museum.** The campus houses over 30 aircraft. Slow the pace back down as we enter historic **Odessa, Delaware** which prides itself with historic preservation. The town has a unique district of buildings representing different styles and types found in the 18th and 19th centuries. Enjoy **dinner** tonight with the group.



Day 11 // Wilmington, DE This morning wander among the spring blooms at **Longwood Gardens**, a beautiful oasis of color. Then visit **Winterthur**, a great American country estate nestles in the heart of Delaware's beautiful **Brandywine Valley.** Discover the museum's magnificent collection of American antiques celebrating the best in style and craftsmanship. Delight your senses with a stroll through the glorious 60 acre garden and surrounding landscape of woodlands, waterways and rolling meadows.

Day 12 // Home Board a **flight home** with a greater understanding of the mid-Atlantic coast and many memories to share.

