Asheville & Pigeon Forge

"Gems of the Blue Ridge & Great Smoky Mountains"



Presented by Wendt Touring 5 days ~ 4 nights...

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

Blue Ridge Parkway ~ Biltmore House & Gardens ~ Biltmore Estate Winery Smith Family Dinner Theater ~ Dollywood Park ~ Comedy Barn Theater Biltmore Village ~ Gatlinburg ~ Tamarack

TOUR INCLUDES:

- ➤ Motorcoach transportation
- > Four nights lodging
- ➤ Seven meals 4B & 3D
- ➤ All shows & admissions
- Baggage handling
- ➤ Professional Tour Manager



TOUR FARE:

Call for current pricing and availability.

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- Day 1: Home City ~ Asheville, North Carolina: Travel aboard a deluxe highway touring motorcoach to Asheville. En route rest and meal stops will be made periodically. Later today we arrive in the lovely city of Asheville, North Carolina, located between the Blue Ridge and Smoky mountains. Known for its fresh air, cool climate and abundant sulfur springs, Asheville became a popular health resort in the 1850's for America's rich and famous. Arrive at our hotel in the Asheville area for a memorable two-night stay. Gather this evening for dinner at a local restaurant.
- **Day 2:** <u>Biltmore Mansion & Gardens ~ The Biltmore Village:</u> This morning we visit the Biltmore Estate. Built in the late 1800's, the mansion was home for George Washington Vanderbilt, grandson of railroad magnate Cornelius Vanderbilt. Enjoy ample time to explore the four floors of the magnificent Biltmore House, 75 acres of beautiful formal gardens, a conservatory and the Biltmore Estate Winery. Displayed throughout the 250-room French Renaissance-style chateau are prints from Vanderbilt's vast art collection, Vanderbilt family china and crystal, and 15th-century Flemish tapestries. Also located on the grounds is the Biltmore Village which offers a wide variety of shops and restaurants.
- Pigeon Forge, Tennessee ~ Smith Family Dinner Theater: Following breakfast we embark on a delightful city tour of Asheville, noted for its architectural treasures. Highlights include Pack Square the city's bustling center, the 1928 Art Deco octagonal shaped city hall building and the beautiful 1909 Basilica of St. Lawrence. After our tour enjoy free time for lunch in downtown at Asheville's Grove Arcade, a 1929 Gothic-style indoor shopping mall. Later this afternoon we journey through the Great Smokey Mountains to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee for a delightful two-night stay. Located in the heart of the Great Smoky Mountains, Pigeon Forge is known for its traditional Appalachian crafts, music and folklore. Enjoy an evening of great food and entertainment at the Smith Family Dinner Theater. Seven time winners of Best Show in the Smokies The Smith Boys will entertain guests with a variety show filled with classic country, gospel, oldies, bluegrass and clean family comedy. Impersonations of famous stars and a tribute to the Andy Griffith Show make this a must see show!
- Day 4: Dollywood Park ~ Gatlinburg ~ Comedy Barn Theater: Enjoy the day at Dollywood Park The Entertainment Capital of the Smokies! From the sounds of contemporary country to the fabulous '50s, there's musical entertainment for everyone. Explore unique one-of-a-kind attractions you'll not find anywhere else. Dozens of Master Craftsmen historic American traditions are demonstrated including glassblowing, blacksmithing, wagon making and more. Later today we visit the lovely resort mountain town of Gatlinburg. Dogwood trees line the main street along where replicas of late 19th-century trolleys carry passengers in and around town. After dinner tonight we attend the Comedy Barn Theater, an award winning family comedy variety show in the Smoky Mountains. This exciting show features magicians, fire-eaters, jugglers, ventriloquists, clean family comedians, live country and gospel music as well as fun barn yard animals. And don't forget about the world famous Comedy Barn Canines!
- **Day 5:** Pigeon Forge ~ Tamarack ~ Journey Home: This morning we leave Pigeon Forge and begin our final journey home. Rest and meal stops will be made periodically as we travel. Enjoy a stop at Tamarack a statewide collection of handmade crafts, art and specialty foods and thousands of one-of-a-kind gifts that showcase The Best of West Virginia!