



KENTUCKY BOURBON TRAIL

With our WGM and WGP

Featuring 4 Distilleries, Belle of Louisville Dinner Cruise, & Old Kentucky Home State Park

5 DAYS - 4 NIGHTS
APRIL 16 - 20, 2024

\$1,299.00 Per Person *Double Occupancy*
\$1,798 per person single occupancy



PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- * 2 Nights lodging at the Fairfield Inn in Bardstown
- * 2 Nights lodging at the Aloft Hotel in Louisville
- * 4 Breakfasts
- * 4 Dinners, including a Riverboat Dinner Cruise (or Derby Dinner Theatre)
- * Maker's Mark Distillery
- * Heaven Hill Distillery in Bardstown
- * Visit to Old Kentucky Home State Park, including Mansion Tour of "My Old Kentucky Home"
- * Bardstown Bourbon Company
- * Copper & Kings Distillery of American Brandy
- * Louisville Slugger Museum
- * Kentucky Bourbon Trail Welcome Center (*Frazier Museum*)
- * Churchill Downs Walking Tour & Kentucky Derby Museum
- * "Horse Talk" - Betting Class
- * "Hattitude" - Hat Making Class
- * Souvenir Gift
- * Luggage Handling
- * Taxes & Meal Gratuities
- * Motorcoach Transportation



Cancellation insurance available & highly recommended; see reverse side for details.

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The sample itinerary described below is approximately like the itinerary your group will be following during your stay with WHITE STAR TOURS. However, the exact times, days, and destinations may vary for your group.

Day 1 - Depart from Pennsylvania and travel to Bardstown, KY where lodging has been arranged for you the next two nights. After check-in at the **Fairfield Inn**, you will have time to freshen up before departing for a delicious **dinner** at a popular restaurant in the area.

Day 2 - Following breakfast, you will depart for Loretto, KY to visit the **Maker's Mark Distillery** (founded in 1953) for a tour of the world's largest distillery. Every barrel is hand rotated and every bottle is hand dipped in 400-degree red wax for the signature topper. Barrels spend a minimum of three hot Kentucky summers in the top of the rackhouse where the whisky expands through the wood, gaining color and flavor. A tasting panel determines when the whisky is ready to move to a cooler section, keeping it from maturing too quickly. It usually takes between six to seven years for the whisky to be ready. During your tour, you will learn about their history and how their bourbon is made. The tour includes the campus, a few of the production buildings, and a guided tasting. Afterwards, you will head to the **Heaven Hill Distillery** which was founded in 1935. An experienced host will guide you through the history and heritage of America's original whiskey. An educational bourbon tasting is also included. After your visit, stop for lunch on your own in the downtown area. This afternoon you will visit the **Old Kentucky Home State Park**. The park's centerpiece is *Federal Hill*, a farm owned by U.S. Senator John Rowan in 1795 when the mansion became a meeting place for local politicians and visiting dignitaries. The farm is best known for its association with American composer Stephen Foster's anti-slavery^[4] ballad "My Old Kentucky Home". Foster was a cousin of the Rowan Family. After popularity of the song increased throughout the United States, *Federal Hill* was purchased by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, dedicated as a historic site, and renamed "**My Old Kentucky Home**" in 1923. A **tour of the mansion** is included. After the tour, return to your hotel to freshen up before departing for **dinner** in the area.

Day 3 - After breakfast, you will check out and depart for a visit to the **Bardstown Bourbon Company** for a Napa Valley style experience that features a state-of-the-art bourbon distillery which is both modern and authentic. Bardstown Bourbon Company is set on 100 acres of active farmland in the heart of the Bourbon Capital of the World and produces the highest-quality Kentucky bourbon, whiskey, and rye brands. After your visit, travel to Louisville with a lunch stop on your own along the way. Upon arrival in Louisville, you will visit the **Copper & Kings Distillery of American Brandy** where a dynamic American-style brandy is made. Distilled in American copper potstills and matured in bourbon barrels, this distillery makes a differentiated, uncommon, unadulterated, pure pot-distilled natural American Brandy. From here you will head for the **Louisville Slugger Museum** which showcases the history of the *Louisville Slugger* brand of baseball bats made by Hillerich & Bradsby. After your visit, check into the **Aloft Hotel** for a two-night stay. This evening you will enjoy a **riverboat dinner cruise or the Derby Dinner Theatre**.

Day 4 - Enjoy breakfast, then depart for the **Kentucky Bourbon Trail Welcome Center** at the Frazier Museum to learn about the area's bourbon distilleries. Kentucky is the birthplace of Bourbon and produces 95% of the Bourbon in the world. During your Kentucky Bourbon Trail, you discovered how Bourbon became America's only true native spirit. Enjoy lunch on your own in the area, then depart for **Churchill Downs** to visit the **Kentucky Derby Museum** where you can explore the museum's two floors that capture the tradition and pageantry of the Derby and view "**The Greatest Race**", the Museum's 360-degree high-definition video. Here is where your education takes on a serious "**Hatitude**," with a **class on how to make your own Derby Hat**. You will discover that The Kentucky Derby is as much about watching people as it horses, every woman accessorizes with stylish hats. You will also enjoy a seminar titled "**Horse Talk**," where you will learn the secrets of picking a winner, including tricks like reading a horse's eyes, ears and tails. A Waking Tour at Churchill Downs is also included. Afterwards, enjoy a delicious **dinner with simulcast horse racing**.

Day 5 - Following breakfast, check out and depart for home with lasting memories of the Kentucky Bourbon Trail.

TRIP CANCELLATION PROTECTION-- Cancellation protection is encouraged for medical emergencies that may occur. The **Enhanced option must be paid within 14 days** from the day the first deposit for the trip is paid to the organization and/or group leader. There is an additional Enhanced upgrade - **Cancel for Any Reason**. Cancellation must be made no later than 48 hours prior to your scheduled departure, conditions, limitations, and exclusions do apply. These plans are only valid for trips booked through White Star Tours. To purchase the protection, please contact NTA/AON Insurance via their website at <https://nta.aontravelprotect.com> and provide the **Tour Operator Location #386097**.