



TRI-STATE TRAVEL

A Capitol Christmas from the Gaylord

December 5 - 10, 2018

6 Days – 5 Nights

Boarding in Galena & Moline, Illinois & Davenport & Dubuque, Iowa

Please call us at 1-800-779-4869 to make a reservation

Day One, Wednesday, December 5, 2018

Board your deluxe motorcoach and prepare for a journey to our Nation's Capital. Your first overnight accommodations are provided in Dayton, OH.

Day Two, Thursday, December 6, 2018

We continue eastward through Pennsylvania arriving in Washington, DC midafternoon. Prior to checking into the Gaylord National Resort for Christmas on the Potomac you will have the opportunity to experience Evansong at the Washington National Cathedral. Your Christmas season comes into full focus as we enter the Gaylord Resort, our home for the next three nights. Here you will enjoy the region's most beautiful Christmas decorations with 1,000's of twinkling lights and a 55-foot-tall Starlight Christmas tree suspended over the indoor garden atrium. Enjoy dinner on your own and free time to ride the Capitol Wheel, view the indoor snowfall and sights & sounds season laser show. (B)

Day Three, Friday, December 7, 2018

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel. Our first stop today is at Mount Vernon, the estate of George Washington, America's most visited historic home. Here George Washington escaped the rigors of public office and enjoyed the life of a successful Virginia planter. You will have time to visit the Ford Orientation Center & Donald W Reynolds Museum and Education Center. The center contains sculptures, paintings, portraits, documents and artifact describing the life, times and accomplishments of our Nation's first president. Enjoy free time to shop and lunch on your own at Old Town Alexandria, a beautifully-preserved historic district on the Potomac. Don't miss the Torpedo Factory Artist Studio for that special hard to find gift. Time to reboard our coach and make our way to Christ Church. This Church is a beautiful example of Georgian church architecture. Silver plaques mark the pews of George Washington and Robert E Lee. We continue to Washington, DC arriving at the United States Botanic Garden, one of the oldest botanical gardens in North America. See the Poinsettias displayed for the season. Dinner is included prior to visiting the National Zoological Park. Here we join thousands of visitors who make Zoo Lights a part of their annual holiday tradition. Zoolights includes live music performances and tasty winter treats. One last stop today at Pageant of Peace in Ellipse Park across from the White House. This is the sight of nightly choral performances, a Nativity scene, a burning Yule log, the National Christmas Tree and a spectacular display of lighted Christmas trees representing each state and territory of the United States. (B,D)

Day Four, Saturday, December 8, 2018

After an included breakfast we are joined by a local guide. Visit the White House Visitor's Center where you can explore an interactive touchscreen tour of the White House, view over 90 artifacts, shop at the retail store and view the 14-minute film, "White House: Reflections From Within". Our next visit is to the NEW Museum of the Bible. Tour this amazing state-of-the-art 420,000 square foot facility. Here you will discover one of the World's largest private collections of biblical objects and artifacts, which conveys the global impact and compelling history of the Bible in a unique and powerful way. Enjoy shopping and lunch on your own at the downtown holiday market featuring 150 regional artisans, crafters and boutique businesses with hundreds of diverse gift items. This afternoon we will visit the largest Roman Catholic Church in the United States and North America and is one of the ten largest churches in the world, Basilica of the National Shrine of Immaculate Conception. It is just a short drive to Baltimore, Maryland where we will experience the Christmas Markets in the Inner Harbor. The unique atmosphere with thousands of lights, the big Holiday Tree, the delicious smell of waffles, gingerbread, bratwurst and mulled wine bring you into the perfect Christmas mood. Dinner this evening will be at one of Baltimore's local restaurants. The holiday spirit continues this evening as we enjoy the Washington DC's Temple Visitors Center Festival of Lights. See a live nativity scene, listen to live musical performances and experience over 250,000 lights and tree displays from around the world. Tens of thousands of lights adorn the grounds of the Oz-like temple looming above the skyline. Late evening finds us returning to our hotel. (B,D)

Day Five, Sunday, December 9, 2018

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel prior to checking out. We continue our Christmas theme as we have scheduled a visit to Ralphie's actual house from A Christmas Story in Cleveland, OH. Is the Leg Lamp still in the window? Dinner is included at the Hofbrauhaus, modeled after the legendary 400+ year old Hofbrauhaus in Munich. As guests you are able to enjoy many of the German traditions. (B,D)

Day Six, Monday, December 9, 2018

After breakfast it is a short drive to Cleveland's West Side Market. This landmark features over 100 vendors and is located in the bustling Market District. Home will be our next destination. Enjoy your memories of A Capitol Christmas....Happy Holidays!! (B)

Your Tour Includes: Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation, 5 Nights' Accommodations, 8 Meals, Full Time Tour Director, All Attractions & Activities Per the Itinerary, All Taxes and Gratuities for Included Accommodations, Attractions, Meals and Step on Guides, Luggage Handling For One Piece Per Person

Not Included: Travel Protection Plan, Gratuities to Tri-State Travel Tour Director and Motorcoach Driver, Or Items of a Personal Nature

Price Per Person:

Quad	\$1199.00
Triple	\$1275.00
Double	\$1395.00
Single	\$1785.00

