TRI-STATE TRAVEL

Eclipse of the Flower Moon 6 Days May 14-19, 2022

May in Oklahoma is a time when the taller plants such as spiderworts and black-eyed Susans creep over the tinier blooms stealing their light and water, it's known by the Osage as the flower-killing moon ... a time when coyotes howl... a time when the moon is larger ... Come explore the Heritage of Oklahoma's early Natives and Cowboys. This package capitalizes on interest in "The Pioneer Woman" cooking show and a new movie based on the novel "Killers of the Flower Moon" ... plus it coincides with a total lunar eclipse.

Tour Highlights:

- Iron Dog Ranch Evening
 - Chuckwagon Steak Dinner
 - Will Rogers Stories & Rope Tricks
 - Music & Dancers from the musical "Oklahoma"
- Day Tour to Pawhuska Oklahoma
 - Shopping at The Mercantile (The Pioneer Woman)
 - Catered Lunch from Ree Drummond's Recipes
 - The Ben Johnson Cowboy Museum
 - The Osage Nation Museum
 - Native Woman Fashion Show
 - Native Osage Storyteller Presentation
 - Osage Feast Dinner w/Music and Dance
- Bartlesville Black Gold & Wooly Beast Tour
 - Woolaroc Museum & Wildlife Preserve
 - Will Rogers Memorial Museum
 - Oklahoma Country Music Dinner Show
- National Frontier Trails Museum
- Harry S Truman Presidential Library
- Five Nights First Class Lodging,
- Five Breakfasts, Two Lunches, Three Dinners
- All Taxes, Tips and Luggage Handling
- Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation



Per Person Prices:

\$1,499 DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

\$1,449 TRIPLE...\$1,399 QUAD...\$1,879 SINGLE

\$250 per person deposit due with reservation Final Payment due April 8, 2022

Travel Insurance is available and strongly recommended. (see page 2 for details)

For Additional Information Or To Make A Reservation Contact:

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Day 1 – Independence, MO - After a day of travel, arrive in Independence, MO for a night at the Drury Inn. Take advantage of the hotel's 5:30 Kickback of hot foods and cold beverages for dinner.

Day 2 – The National Frontier Trails Center – Claremore, OK - Iron Dog Ranch Evening & Chuckwagon Dinner - Will Rogers Stories & Rope Tricks - "Oklahoma" Music & Dancers during Eclipse - This morning tour the National Frontier Trails Center, the only museum in the nation devoted to the three great western routes: the Santa Fe, Oregon and California Trails. Located in Independence, MO, the principal "jumping off" point for all three trails, the museum highlights the unique features of each trail and their dramatic impact on American History. This is a site that should be particularly interesting to all travelers on this tour, as the story of the Osage Nation includes stories impacted by the Western Migration of America.

Then arrive in Claremore, OK for a three night stay at the Holiday Inn Express. This evening, head to the Will Roger's Birthplace Ranch in Oologah, OK where you'll find the Chuckwagons are circled and steaks are on the grill. This working Longhorn Cattle Ranch is a historical treat and you can explore the ranch house and grounds at leisure.

This western evening not only includes a dinner, but a chance to hear words of wisdom as phrased by native Oklahoma Actor/Politician Will Rogers. Then with the sun setting, and a Lunar Eclipse rising, you find the stage filled with singers and dancers performing a few tunes from the Broadway classic "Oklahoma." (**D**)

Day 3 - Pawhuska, OK - Pioneer Woman Mercantile & Lunch - Tour the Osage Nation Museum - Osage Feast, Osage Storyteller & Music -You will spend this day in Pawhuska, OK, the Official Headquarters of The Osage Nation. This tribe of Native Americans has a history similar to most tribes during America's Westward Migration, but with one startling unique chapter. Oil was discovered on their land in the 1894 and they quickly became the wealthiest group of people in America. This Cinderella story eventually turns tragic as told in "Killers of The Flower Moon" a best-selling novel that is soon to be a movie starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Robert De Niro.

Pawhuska is also the home of Ree Drummond "The Pioneer Woman," a noted food writer and television personality. During your day of sightseeing you will enjoy lunch (included) prepared from her recipes and have a chance to shop in the famous Mercantile.

Also included today will be visit to The Osage Nation Museum. You will visit the Osage Nation Museum devoted to history, art, and culture. Highlights include an extensive photograph collection, historical artifacts, and traditional and contemporary art. Founded in 1938, this is the oldest tribally owned museum in the U.S.

Oklahoma's western film history is on display at the Ben Johnson Cowboy Museum. Dedicated to the Oscar-winning actor, this amazing collection features notable Osage County cowboys, cowgirls and western heritage. If you like world-class art, this museum has the largest collection of John D. Free original paintings and bronzes on-site. Also, while you're here, find out more about the iconic Drummond family; they've been ranching in Osage County for over 100 years.

During this day you will attend a native woman fashion show where the models walk around the room as the narrator talks about their clothing and why they wear it. There will also be artifacts and jewelry you can buy and opportunities to take pictures with the models.

This evening's main attraction begins with an Osage Storyteller who relates tribal history.

That is followed by a traditional Osage Feast featuring authentic menu items such as: Corn Soup w/Pork, Fry Bread, Osage Indian Tacos and Grape Dumplings. Then enjoy the rhythmic chanting and drums of a heritage music and dance presentation. **(B,L,D)**

Day 4 - Wooly Beast & Black Gold Tour - Woolaroc Museum & Wildlife Preserve & Lunch - Oklahoma Country Music Dinner -

Today features sights in and around nearby Bartlesville, OK related to the discovery of Oil and the magnificence of the American Buffalo. In this small town, witness a Gusher as the Nellie Johnstone #1 (Oklahoma's 1st Oil Well 1897) blows water into the sky replicating oil. Then discover Bartlesville's Buffalo Art, there are more than 30 life-size painted buffalo statues scattered about town.

Also included is the 3,700 acre Woolaroc Museum & Wildlife Preserve. It was the country estate of oil baron Frank Phillips, founder of Phillips Petroleum Company. Its name comes from the woods, lakes and rocks. On the grounds you will find a museum with one of the world's greatest collections of western art, relics and exhibits that tell the alluring story of the American West. You will also find an 1840's Mountain Man Camp, the Woolaroc Animal Barn, and a herd of Buffalo roaming across the prairie with grasses blowing in the breeze, prairie flowers in bloom.

Tonight, you celebrate with modern Country Music as a local band performs the music of Oklahoma native's Toby Keith, Garth Brooks and Reba McEntire. **(B,L,D)**

Day 5 - Truman Presidential Library – Independence, MO - This morning you depart Claremore and return to Independence for the night. Tour the Harry S. Truman Presidential Library. The major issues and events of Harry Truman's Presidency are highlighted in this 10,500-square-foot core exhibition. Check into the Drury Inn for the night. Dinner is on your own this evening, but you can take advantage of the hotel's 5:30 Kickback featuring a rotating menu of hot foods and cold beverages. **(B)**

Day 6 - Depart for Home - After breakfast, depart for home. (B)

The Travel Protection Plan: is not included but is available and strongly recommended. Premium is non-refundable unless the entire tour cancels. We offer a travel protection plan through Trip Mate Travel Insurance/a division of United States Fire Insurance Company Eatontown, NJ. Any surcharges and/or tax increases received from suppliers for this package (Airlines, Cruise Companies, Hotels, etc.) may result in an increase in the per person price of your tour package.

For those individuals who may have purchased the Travel Protection Plan, this may also result in an increase in your Travel Protection Plan Premium. Please refer to <u>www.tripmate.com/Plan</u> **TPD13** for information regarding detailed coverages and limitations to the insurance policy. Waiver of Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion. The exclusion for pre-Existing conditions will be waived provided (a) your payment for this plan is received within seven days of the date your initial payment or deposit for your trip is received; and (b) You are not disabled from travel at the time your plan payment is paid.

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