

TRI-STATE TRAVEL

Oklahoma's Oil & The Osage Nation

6 Days May 16-21, 2023

When Oil was discovered on the Osage Prairie, the tribe became rich beyond imagination, but it was short lived and tragic. These lands are rural and remote, filled with abundant life and western stories. The tour has two great dinners, one at The Pioneer Woman Mercantile the other at Old West Buffalo. Come discover the many colors of the Prairie and the history of the Osage Nation.

Tour Highlights:

- Day Tour to Pawhuska, Oklahoma
 - Guided Osage Tour
 - The Pioneer Woman Mercantile
 - Dinner from Ree Drummond's Recipes
 - The Ben Johnson Cowboy Museum
 - The Osage Nation Museum
 - Ree Drummond's Lastest Book
 - Old West Buffalo Tour & Dinner Theatre
- Bartlesville Black Gold Guided Tour
 - Frank Phillips Mansion
 - Black Gold Oil Well Tour & Demo
 - Nellie Johnstone No. 1 - the First Oil Gusher
 - Woolaroc Museum & Wildlife Preserve
- Precious Moments Chapel
- New Theater Dinner Show
 - featuring "The Million Dollar Quartet"
- Five Nights First Class Lodging for Five Nights
- Five Breakfasts
- Three Dinners & One Drury 5:30 Kickback
- Taxes and Gratuities on Included Accommodations, Attractions, and Meals
- Luggage Handling
- Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation

Per Person Prices:

\$1,859 DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

\$1,729 TRIPLE...\$1,669 QUAD...\$2,229 SINGLE

\$500 per person deposit due with reservation

Final Payment due March 15, 2023

**Travel Insurance is available
and strongly recommended.**

(see page 2 for details)

**For Additional Information
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Day 1 - Kansas City, MO - Today travel to the Kansas City, Missouri area where you check into the Drury Inn for the night. Dinner is on your own, however you, but you can take advantage the 5:30 Kickback for free hot food and cold beverages. **(Kickback)**

Day 2 - Bartlesville, OK - Frank Phillips Home - Arrive today in Bartlesville, OK where you visit the Frank Phillips Home. Step back in time, and explore the early 20th century! This beautiful, Neo-Classical home remains almost entirely unchanged since Frank Phillips himself lived here and offers visitors the amazing opportunity to experience life as one of Oklahoma's most prominent families. Then check into your hotel for a three-night stay. Dinner is on your own this evening. **(B)**

Day 3 - Pawhuska City Tour - Pioneer Woman Mercantile - Osage Nation Museum - Ben Johnson Cowboy Museum - Dinner at Mercantile - Today, you will be joined by a local guide for a windshield "roam" in Pawhuska and the surrounding area enjoying views of the Osage Hills, Tallgrass Prairie, and much more! Your guide will take you back in time to the 1920's oil boom with stories of riches, historical buildings, famous cowboys, and Native Osage Culture. Discover why Pawhuska is the little town with a big history!

Visit the Pioneer Woman Mercantile, owned by Food Network TV show host Ree Drummond, aka The Pioneer Woman, this shop is a must-see destination. Come explore the glorious cabinets, browse the abundant shelves, and peek in all the drawers! Shopping at The Merc is a treasure hunt, with surprises everywhere you turn. There is also a Deli and a Bakery where you can enjoy comfort food classics in the deli, to hand-crafted bakery items, the offerings are endlessly delicious. Everyone will get a copy of Ree's newest cookbook.

Today, also includes a visit to the Osage Nation Museum, devoted to Osage history, art, and culture and the oldest tribally owned museum in the United States. Highlights include an extensive photograph collection, historical artifacts, and traditional and contemporary art.

Oklahoma's western film history is also 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.

For dinner, you return to the Pioneer Woman Mercantile and enjoy a 4-course meal dinner from Ree's favorite recipes, complete with appetizers, salads, entrees, dessert and beverage - all made in The Mercantile and served family style. **(B,D)**

Day 4 - Bartlesville Black Gold Tour - Woolaroc Museum & Wildlife Preserve - Old West Buffalo Encounter - Buffalo Dinner Theater Show - Today's touring features sights in and around Bartlesville related to the discovery of Oil and the magnificent American Buffalo. You will see a Gusher as the Nellie Johnstone No. 1 (Oklahoma's first oil well from 1897) blows water into the sky replicating oil. Next, discover Bartlesville Buffalo Art, where there are more than 30 life-size painted buffalo statues scattered about the town.

One of today's highlights will be the 3700 acre Woolaroc Museum & Wildlife Preserve. Will Rogers said, 'Of all the places in the U. S., Woolaroc is the most unique.' It was the country estate of oil baron Frank Phillips, founder of Phillips Petroleum Company. 'Uncle Frank' hosted U.S. Presidents, well known business titans, dignitaries, Indians, movie stars, lawmen and outlaws alike on this sprawling ranch.

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.

This afternoon, enjoy an Old West Buffalo Encounter and learn the epic tale of the American buffalo. Then hop on a hay wagon for a ride into the Buffalo herd. You also have time to browse the Trading Post for unique mementos and healthy grass-fed bison meat. Stroll down the boardwalk past the Apothecary, the Saloon and the Bank and take a selfie inside the jail. Visit our Hall of Fame where you'll learn even more about the fine folks who saved the buffalo from extinction.

Included this evening at the Old West Buffalo is a theater show featuring Theodore Roosevelt and Charles Goodnight, two of the heroes who saved the bison from extinction. This event includes a catered barbecue meal. **(B,D)**

Day 5 - Precious Moments Chapel - Overland Park - New Theatre Dinner Show - Today visit the Precious Moments Chapel. Beloved stories from the Bible Stories of Hope, Inspiration and Faith. View 84 murals covering over 9,000 square feet with 30 verses and stories in stained glass. The Chapel is surrounded with tranquil gardens which create feelings of comfort, peace and reflection. Nurture your spirit through one-of-a-kind Precious Moments bronze statues, fountains and unique horticulture. After your visit you will have time for shopping at the Precious Moments Gift Shoppe and lunch on your own at an area restaurant.

End the day in the Kansas City, MO area and an overnight stay at the Drury Inn. This evening your group will attend a dinner show at The New Theatre titled, "The Million Dollar Quartet." A musical about the impromptu concert at Sun Studios by Elvis, Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins and Jerry Lee Lewis. **(B,D)**

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.

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