



## LOUDOUN COUNTY SENIOR TRIPS PROGRAM



### Magnificent Michigan featuring Mackinac Island and Lake Huron

June 17 – 26, 2020  
9 Nights – 10 Days

*The Grand Hotel, breathtaking landscapes, unique attractions, quaint villages, horse drawn carriage rides, scenic railroads and rich culture...just some of what makes this trip to Michigan truly MAGNIFICENT.*

#### Day One – Wednesday, June 17, 2020

Depart via luxury motor coach headed to **Dearborn, MI**. Upon arrival, enjoy **dinner included** at **Ford's Garage**, an eatery with the vibe of being in a 1920's service station/prohibition bar with old style brick, dark colors, rich wood and hand-hammered copper bar top, with many other unique features. Tonight, check in and relax at the **Hampton Inn & Suites Dearborn**, your accommodations for the next four nights.

**Meals: D**

#### Day Two - Thursday, June 18, 2020

Enjoy **breakfast** at the hotel before departing with your **All-Access Tickets** to explore the Henry Ford Museum of Innovation, Greenfield Village, Ford Rouge Factory and the Giant Screen Experience at your leisure. These passes will provide entrance to all areas of The Henry Ford. Take your time and truly delve into and experience all this site has to offer:

- **The Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation** where guests experience the strides of America's greatest minds while fully immersing in their stories: Step inside the bus where Rosa Parks took a stand by taking a seat; Play pilot as you explore flight innovations, starting with the Wright brothers' achievements; or make yourself at home inside Buckminster Fuller's circular Dymaxion House.
- **Greenfield Village:** Step foot in the lab where Thomas Edison had his lightbulb moment or the workshop where the Wright brothers taught us to reach for the sky. Take a ride in a real Model T, walk through four working farms, hop on the Weiser Railroad, (pulled by one of the oldest steam engines) or a carousel ride atop the giant green frog (famous for its red pants). Rub shoulders with world-class artisans and explore the place where America's can-do spirit inspires you to go out and get it done.
- **Ford Rouge Factory Tour:** Pop open the hood on game-changing technology, sustainable design, and sheer American grit at America's greatest manufacturing experience with an awe-inspiring scale of a real factory floor as you rev up your inner engineer.
- **Giant Screen Experience:** Experience NEW state-of-the-art 4K digital projection, sound and seating and embark on a most entertaining and enlightening tale of America's past, present and future.

Enjoy **lunch on own** while touring. After some time at the hotel to rest, enjoy dinner at **Andiamo**, a vibrant steakhouse offering Italian favorites.

**Meals: B, D**

### Day Three - Friday, June 19, 2020

After breakfast spend a few more hours at **The Henry Ford**. Lunch today will be at **Meadow Brook Hall** a Tudor revival style mansion Built between 1926 and 1929 by Matilda Dodge Wilson, widow of automobile pioneer John Dodge, and her second husband, Alfred Wilson. It represents one of the finest examples of Tudor-revival architecture in America. Take a **Guided Behind the Scenes Tour** of the 88,000 square foot house, exploring rarely-seen areas of The Hall including staff wings, bathrooms, closets and playrooms. After some rest time at the hotel enjoy dinner this evening at **The Witney**, an iconic lumber baron's mansion with an exquisite garden serving upscale New American Cuisine.

**Meals: B, L, D**

### Day Four – Saturday, June 20, 2020

Enjoy **breakfast** at your hotel this morning before departing with a local Guide for a **Detroit Music City Tour**. Stops will include: **The Tuskegee Airman National Museum, Motown Museum, and the Ford Piquette Avenue Plant, (Birthplace of the Model T)** with **lunch and live entertainment included** during the tour. **The evening has been set aside for free time and dinner on own at MGM Grand Detroit Casino**, where a premier gaming experience is draped in modern luxuries, luxe décor and plush places to relax and play before returning to the hotel for the night.

**Meals: B, L**

### Day Five – Sunday, June 21, 2020

Enjoy **breakfast** at your hotel this morning before **checking out** and continuing your adventure! Enjoy **free time and lunch on own in Hillman**, a quaint little village town in Alpena and Montmorency counties. Afterwards, **check in to Thunder Bay Resort**, one of Northern Michigan's most unique destinations, known for its award-winning Elk Viewing Carriage/Sleigh ride, gourmet meals, and wine tasting events. This afternoon take part in the **Elk Viewing Journey** by boarding a horse drawn carriage or sleigh lead by massive draft horses. You will be whisked "over the river and through the woods" to the resort's elk preserve to view Rocky Mountain elk in their natural habitat. Upon returning to the resort, you'll be greeted at the **Elk Antler Cabin** by a warm fire and enchanting aromas where culinary artist Spencer has prepared a decadent, five-course gourmet dinner on 125-year old wood cook stoves. During dinner, experience up to six wines from the Sunrise Side and be entertained with storytelling from your hosts followed by free time to explore the resort and retire to your room at your leisure.

**Meals: B, D.**

### Day Six – Monday, June 22, 2020

Enjoy **breakfast** at the resort this morning prior to checking out and departing for **Mackinaw City**. Enjoy free time and lunch on your own in Mackinaw City, a village on the northern tip of Michigan's Lower Peninsula, where the Great Lakes, Huron and Michigan meet. In the afternoon depart on a Trolley Tour of Mackinaw City. Afterwards, you'll leave the motorcoach behind and take the **Ferry to Mackinac Island**. As a crossroads between Lake Huron and Lake Michigan, the Straits of Mackinac was once of great strategic importance and a stronghold for the French, British and American forces that fought in the Midwest during the 18th and 19th centuries. Once arrived at the island, you'll board a horse-drawn carriage to transport you to the **luxurious Grand Hotel** for a two night stay. Enjoy dinner this evening at **Salle a Manger Dining Room**.

**Meals: B, D.**

### Day Seven – Tuesday, June 23, 2020

Enjoy **breakfast** at your leisure this morning prior to departing for a **Narrated Carriage Tour of Mackinac Island**. Experience the history and charm of Mackinac in the most enjoyable and authentic way. Your tour will include stops at the **Surry Hills Carriage Museum; Wings of Mackinac Butterfly Conservatory** where you can stroll among hundreds of butterflies dancing and chasing each other in this climate controlled conservatory filled with lush flowers; and **Arch Rock** to view the beautiful natural limestone formation which is one of the most photographed spots on the Island. Return to the **Grand Hotel** following your tour for **lunch on own here** or take a carriage taxi into town for a delightful afternoon of shopping at quaint shops and boutiques and enjoying lunch in one of the many delicious offerings located there. Your day is completely free to enjoy the magnificent surroundings afforded at the **Grand Hotel**, rich in history and a place where time moves at the pace of horse-drawn carriages and bicycles. Take a step away from it all and unwind in the warm hospitality that has been charming guests since 1887. **Dinner is included** at the **Salle a Manger Dining Room**.

**Meals: B, D**

### Day Eight – Wednesday, June 24, 2020

Enjoy **breakfast** at your leisure this morning prior to checking out. Take the ferry back to the mainland and depart to Alpena MI. Enjoy a box lunch on route to Alpena. This afternoon you'll enjoy a **Lady Michigan Alpena Shipwreck Cruise**. From a glass-bottom boat see magnificently preserved shipwrecks and scenic shorelines of Thunder Bay. Visit the **Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center & Museum**, where there's a shipwreck gallery, theater and archaeology lab. It includes a full-size replica wooden Great Lakes schooner and shipwreck where visitors can walk the decks, feel a Great Lakes storm, and touch the massive timbers of the boat resting on the lake bottom ... without getting wet! Dinner this evening is included at Alpena's oldest historical saloon, **John A Lau Saloon & Restaurant**. This evening Depart for Saginaw MI and check into **Doubletree by Hilton, Bay City, MI**.

**Meals: B, L, D.**

### Day Nine – Thursday, June 25, 2020

Enjoy **breakfast** at your leisure this morning prior to checking out. As we venture south, we'll stop at the historic **Saginaw Castle Museum**, previously known as Castle Station or Saginaw Post Office, where you can explore exhibits dedicated to the story of the people of the Saginaw region. Depart for Independence Ohio, lunch will be on your own on route. Check in to the **SpringHill Suites by Marriott Cleveland Independence**. Enjoy dinner included at the elegant and sophisticated **Lockkeepers Restaurant** before returning to the hotel for the evening.

**Meals: B, D.**

### Day Ten – Friday, June 26, 2020

Enjoy **breakfast** at your leisure this morning prior to checking out. Today, we'll take an excursion trip via train ride from **Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad** a Class III railroad operating diesel-electric and steam-powered excursion trips through scenic Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Upon arrival, disembark and visit the **Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens**, where you'll take a **Grand Estate Guided Tour** of the Manor House and Gardens. Enjoy free time and a box lunch before departing for home.

**Meals: B, L.**

**DOUBLE OCCUPANCY:     \$ 3132 Member / \$ 3177 Non-Member**  
**SINGLE OCCUPANCY:     \$ 4170 Member / \$ 4215 Non-Member**

#### **Tour Includes:**

- Hotel Accommodations for Nine (9) Nights
- Luggage handling / 1 suitcase per person
- Luxury, round-trip motor coach transportation.
- Nine (9) Breakfasts, Four (4) Lunches, and Eight (8) Dinners.
- Admissions and guide service as stated in the itinerary, taxes, and gratuity.
- Gratuity for guides and driver not included.
- *Please note this trip requires extensive walking*

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