

# · Nashville & Suburbs

(starting point)

- · McKenzie
- Jackson
  - · Ripley
  - · Memphis

(optional ending point)

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# Sunday thru Friday

October 4 - 9

## Rates:

# REGISTER BY JUNE 30TH AND SAVE!

Early Bird Rate Fee - Prior to June 30th

SINGLE PRICING (1 PERSON): \$1650.00 COUPLE PRICING (2 PEOPLE): \$2800.00

Late Rate Fee - After June 30th

SINGLE PRICING (1 PERSON): \$1750.00 COUPLE PRICING (2 PEOPLE): \$3000.00



### Price Includes:

- Five hotel rooms (Sun-Thurs)
- Access to five industry related tours/professionals
  - Five breakfasts (Mon-Fri)
- Lunch OR dinner each day (Sun-Thurs)
- Nashville Nights and Lights Tour Ticket
  - Graceland Platinum Tour Ticket
    - Memphis River Boat Ticket
    - Coach bus transportation
      - Souvenir apparel
  - Snacks and beverages on the bus

\*\*AIRFARE IS NOT INCLUDED AND MUST BE BOOKED INDIVIDUALLY BY EACH GUEST. ANY PRE OR POST HOTEL ROOMS (IF COMING EARLY OR STAYING AFTER TOUR) MUST ALSO BE BOOKED BY EACH GUEST.

We're headed to Tennessee - land of beautiful rolling hills, rivers, history and MUSIC!!!

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

The 2015 Mill Tour will start in Nashville, TN. There are ample flights into Nashville International Airport (BNA) and it's extremely easy to navigate. There will be a complimentary shuttle service to our base hotel a few miles away. Fly in on Sunday or choose to come in earlier that weekend to explore Nashville on your own.

Our hotel, DoubleTree Suites by Hilton located at 2424 Atrium Way, is where we will have a welcome dinner (beginning at 5:00 pm) to meet each other and cover the basic details of the tour. Afterwards, listen to a brief demonstration from a representative of the <a href="Tennessee Department of Agriculture Division of Forestry">Tennessee Department of Agriculture Division of Forestry</a> as he starts our tour off with some facts about the area's forest and timber industry.

#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 5TH

Bright and early on Monday morning, the bus will pick us up at the hotel (don't check out...we're staying here again on Monday night!) and carry us the short drive northeast to Hendersonville. Once there, we'll stop at the MGM Industries facility for a tour of their painted vinyl window and door manufacturing process. Their windows have twice the product life-cycle of the average wood, aluminum-clad wood, or vinyl-clad wood windows and you'll see first hand how they're made.

After our first tour, the afternoon is ours to play in Nashville. The bus will take everyone over to the **Gaylord Opryland Hotel**, which features an indoor river, gardens and an extraordinary selection of dining, shopping and recreational activities all underneath their signature glass atriums. Make sure to grab a late lunch at one of the 17 onsite restaurants. Although we won't be staying over at this resort, it is a Nashville icon that can't be missed!

Later that afternoon, we'll return back to our hotel for a brief refresh and rest before embarking out on the town for the <u>Nashville Nights</u> and <u>Lights Tour!</u> We'll take a five-hour fully-guided and professional tour of Nashville that evening which includes a BBQ dinner and honky tonkin' in historic downtown. There will be a <u>drive by of the Ryman Auditorium</u>, the Country Music Hall of Fame, Music Row, LP Field, the Parthenon in Centennial Park and more.

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6TH

On Tuesday, we'll check out of our Nashville hotel and head southeast down to Antioch where our first stop will be to visit Metal Sales

Manufacturing Corporation - the nation's largest manufacturer of metal roofing, wall and building systems. We'll take a 90 minute tour of their facility before grabbing a quick lunch and jumping back on the bus to head out on the interstate towards McKenzie.

Once in McKenzie, we'll see one of the nation's leading manufacturers of commercial steel doors and frames - Republic Doors and Frames. Republic's manufacturing and office facility occupies 240,000 square feet on 33 acres, where they produce products with modern stainless steel appearances, vibrant colored finishes or even a faux finish!

From here, we'll end the evening down in Jackson and rest up for a busy Wednesday.



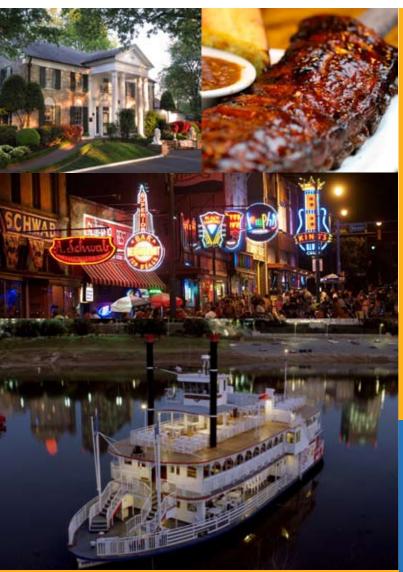








The 2015 Mill Tour will run over the dates of Sunday, October 4th to Friday, October 9th.



### \*\*IMPORTANT NOTES\*\*

Schedule, route, and stops are subject to change throughout the planning process. Attendees will be updated of all major route changes if they are made.

In order for the Mill Tour to take place, we must have a minimum number of people signed up to move forward. If you are interested in attending, please sign up by Tuesday, June 30th so that we can make our decision to move forward with the fall trip or not. If the trip is cancelled due to low attendance, you will receive a full refund.

Folders with more detailed information will be sent to all registrations later this summer. Please make sure to read through them thoroughly and send back all required forms as soon as you're able.

Although everyone is welcome and accommodated on our tours, you'll enjoy the Mill Tour even more if you're of decent health and mobility to move throughout the manufacturing facilities and recreational activities within the tour.

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7TH

On Wednesday, we'll make the short trip up to Ripley for a tour of Marvin Windows and Doors' state-of-the art door facility. Built on a heritage of quality and innovation, Marvin is continuously leading the industry in product design and function. On this tour, we'll see how each of their custom, made-to-order wooden doors are produced to meet the customer's exact specifications. There are some absolutely amazing products to see in this enormous facility!

After spending the morning with Marvin Windows and Doors, we'll grab lunch and drive down into Memphis, where we'll enjoy our last two days of the tour. We'll make a stop at the brand new Bass Pro Shop Pyramid (the third largest pyramid in the world!) as we wait for our rooms to be ready at the hotel. After checking into our hotel, you'll have Wednesday afternoon to walk around and explore the area. Check out Main Street, a beautiful, tree lined street closed to traffic and bordered by dozens and dozens of restaurants and stores. Walk the six blocks down to Beale Street, home of the blues, and soak in all you can with blocks of bars, restaurants, and music. There's also Mud Island to explore or perhaps you'd like to walk a couple blocks over to the Peabody Hotel and watch the famous marching of the ducks!

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

Thursday is a FUN day...with our industry tours behind us, we'll spend the morning down at <u>Graceland</u> - a MUST SEE attraction. After all, what's a visit to Memphis without seeing where the King of Rock and Roll lived?

Thursday afternoon will be spent floating on the "Mighty Mississippi". We'll climb aboard a classic paddlewheel boat for this 90-minute sightseeing cruise, where we'll take a step back into Tennessee history. The historical commentary on this tour will give us a comprehensive and interesting narrative of past and present Mississippi River life. Once complete, we'll check into our hotel for the evening and you're on your own to explore the many attractions that Memphis has to offer...many within a short shuttle ride or moderate walk from the hotel.

Finally, on our last night together, we will be spending the evening at the famous <u>Carlos Vergos Rendezvous BBQ restaurant</u> in downtown Memphis. You can't visit Memphis without tasting their BBQ and we aren't messing around...we're going to one of the most popular joints in town!

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

Friday is when we'll say goodbye to each other and you may choose to head home or have an extended stay in Tennessee. You'll have a choice at this point to stay in Memphis on your own (to either explore Memphis more or fly out of the Memphis airport) or you may return on the bus Friday morning to Nashville where you'll have the same option - get dropped off at their airport to fly out or you may choose to stay in Nashville longer.

The choice is yours, but the bus will only be stopping at the Memphis airport around 8:00 am Friday morning for drop offs or at the Nashville International Airport around 12:00 pm on Friday. All attendees must depart at one of the two airports!



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