



Kentucky Ag, Bourbon, Equine and Cultural Tour August 4-8, 2021

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Day 1 (Wednesday, August 4) - In the morning, fly from your preferred destination to Louisville (SDF). **Please arrive by early afternoon.** Louisville is Kentucky's largest city and home to the Kentucky Derby and Muhammad Ali Museum (optional visits on your own). Depart See how they process the official bat of Major League Baseball from scratch. Travel to your hotel for some downtime. Tonight, have a welcome dinner at a downtown Louisville restaurant.

(Overnight Louisville)

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Day 2 (Thursday, August 5) - In the morning, take a short tour of Churchill Downs, home of the world famous Kentucky Derby, known as the fastest two minutes in sports. This iconic racetrack opened its doors in 1875. Enjoy a tour before departing for Loretto, KY to visit a farm that produces corn and wheat for local distilleries. Next, enjoy a private lunch at Maker's Mark distillery followed by a tour and tasting. Learn about this family's history in creating this bourbon and how the unique wax dipped bottle ensures that no two bottles are alike. Continue your journey to the heart of the bluegrass stopping by KY Cooperage to see how the bourbon barrel is made from scratch. Next, travel to the beautiful city of Lexington for dinner at/near your hotel this evening.

(Overnight Lexington)

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Day 3 (Friday, August 6) - After breakfast, depart for a retirement home for thoroughbreds. See up close some of the memorable derby winners and learn about this unique farm. Next, visit an active thoroughbred farm en-route to Midway, KY. The quaint town of Midway is known for its shops, small town appeal and great restaurants. Enjoy some free time before continuing your journey to the Buffalo Trace Distillery,

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located in the capital, Frankfort, KY. Enjoy a catered lunch at the Elmer T. Lee Clubhouse on site and a possible guest speaker on the KY Ag industry. Follow with a tour and tasting. In the afternoon, travel back to Lexington for some free time and enjoy time to explore the area and find some bluegrass music in a local setting (TBD).

(Overnight Lexington)

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Day 4 (Saturday, August 7) - Morning travel to the picturesque Keeneland Racecourse which is a National Historic Landmark. This beautiful thoroughbred park includes a race course and a horse auction complex. Have a one hour tour and see horses working out in the morning. Visit a family owned tobacco farm in Lawrenceburg to learn about the history and hard work that goes into this hand labor intensive process. Enjoy lunch on the farm before traveling back to Lexington. Farewell dinner this evening at a Lexington steakhouse!

(Overnight Lexington)

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Day 5 (Sunday, August 8) - After breakfast, say farewell to your guide as you depart to Louisville airport (SDF) for your return flight home.

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Estimated per person arrival by air in Louisville and departing from Louisville by air

<u># of travelers</u>	<u>Price per person based on double occupancy</u>
10 (40 seat bus)	\$1,875
20 (40 seat bus)	\$1,425
30+ (54 seat bus)	\$1,300

Single supplement - \$275

KARL donation single - \$300

KARL donation couple - \$500

Payment Schedule:

June 15, 2021 - Balance due

Included:

Accommodations

Bus transportation (throughout your time in Kentucky, starting and ending in Louisville)

Tour Guide starting in Louisville and ending in Lexington

Tours/Technical Visits

Gratuities for guide/driver

Entrance fees that are included are noted in the above itinerary

Meals as indicated on the itinerary (includes one soft drink per meal)

B= Breakfast

L= Lunch

D= Dinner

Not Included:

*Roundtrip airfare to Louisville (SDF) from your home airport **or** roundtrip bus transportation to/from Manhattan-Louisville*

Travel insurance coverage (highly recommended)

Alcoholic beverages with meals

Souvenirs

Leisure activities on free days

Hotel charges for incidentals, including telephone calls, pay per view movies, mini bars, and snack trays, personal laundry, room service, and hotel penalties for smoking in hotel rooms.