



COMMUNITY SERVICES EDUCATION
PRESENTS...

GRAND HOTELS OF THE SHENANDOAH

FEATURING SHENANDOAH NAT'L PARK, THE GREENBRIER, MONTICELLO, APPOMATTOX, RICHMOND



MAY 24-31, 2015 ~ 8 DAY TOUR

TOUR PACE Leisurely On the Go ACTIVITY LEVEL Low High

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Memorable stays and included meals at historic first-class hotels including two nights at the *Homestead Resort* with afternoon tea
- ◆ Shenandoah Valley sightseeing with local guides including the *Patsy Cline House*, *Luray Caverns*, the *Woodrow Wilson Birthplace & Museum*, the *Virginia Military Institute*, *The Greenbrier Resort*, *Natural Bridge*, *Thomas Jefferson's Monticello* and *Poplar Forest*
- ◆ Enjoy the stunning scenery as we travel through Shenandoah National Park on Skyline Drive and along the Blue Ridge Parkway
- ◆ Visit the Museum of the Confederacy and Appomattox Court House during the 150 year anniversary of the end of the Civil War
- ◆ Tour "Old Virginia" in Winchester, Richmond and Fredericksburg with local guides

FINE HOTELS / GREAT LOCATIONS

- ◆ Night 1 **George Washington Wyndham** Winchester, VA
- ◆ Night 2 **Stonewall Jackson Hotel** Staunton, VA
- ◆ Nights 3-4 **Homestead Resort** Hot Springs VA
- ◆ Night 5 **Terry Craddock Hotel** Lynchburg, VA
- ◆ Nights 6-7 **Hilton Garden Inn Downtown** Richmond, VA

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ◆ 7 Nights deluxe hotel accommodations
- ◆ 17 Meals – 4 dinners, 6 lunches, 7 breakfasts and an afternoon tea
- ◆ Services of a professional GTT tour director
- ◆ Comprehensive sightseeing with local guides
- ◆ Roundtrip airport-hotel transfers (with purchase of group air)

PER PERSON LAND PRICES

Double \$2,899 / Single \$3,499 • Deposit \$300

*Roundtrip group airfare available from \$495 p.p.

Optional airport transfers – see reverse

Travel Protection/Cancellation Plan – see reverse

~DAY BY DAY ITINERARY~

Join us as we explore Virginia's Shenandoah Valley staying at grand hotels, dining at historic inns and visiting some of our nation's most beautiful and meaningful sites. Travel the Blue Ridge Parkway and Skyline Drive through Shenandoah National Park, tour the bunker at the Greenbrier Hotel, visit Jefferson's home at Monticello and see where the Civil War ended 150 years ago at Appomattox Court House. From the Luray Caverns to the blooming gardens and the historic cities of Winchester, Richmond and Fredericksburg, this all-inclusive tour is truly an incredible journey.



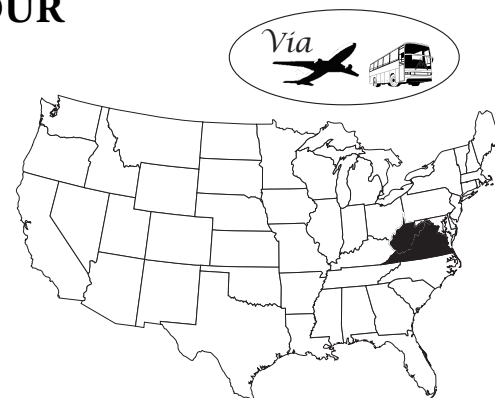
Monticello

◆DAY 1 ~ ARRIVE WINCHESTER, VA◆

Get ready for a spectacular journey! We will meet at Los Angeles International Airport for our nonstop flight arriving at Virginia's Dulles Airport this afternoon. Our deluxe coach will be waiting to transport us to historic **Winchester, Virginia** and our hotel, the *George Washington Wyndham*. With marble floors, soaring ceilings, and the original front desk, this deco stunner completed in 1924 offers old-world charm along with all the modern conveniences. Enjoy an included **Welcome Dinner** with entertainment at the hotel. (Dinner)

◆DAY 2 ~ SHENANDOAH NAT'L PARK◆

After an included breakfast we'll be joined by "Patsy Cline" who will provide a tour of her hometown. We'll see her childhood home, Radio Station WINC (where she began her career at age 14) and pay a visit to her grave site. Later we arrive in **Shenandoah National Park** with a memorable journey along the crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains via **Skyline Drive**. Spectacular views abound as we pass by rock cliffs, majestic vistas, tunnels of trees, wildflowers, ferns and possibly banks of mountain laurel and wildlife. Enjoy some "Vintage Southern Hospitality"



during an included lunch at the historic *Mimslyn Inn* in Luray, Virginia. This afternoon we'll enjoy a docent-guided tour of the **Luray Caverns** – the largest caverns on the east coast. You'll be astounded by the **Great Stalacpipe Organ**, the only instrument of its kind in the world playing concert quality music from stone formations. We'll also tour the **Car & Carriage Museum** to see Rudolph Valentino's 1925 Rolls Royce and other automobile gems. This evening we arrive in **Staunton, Virginia** to check into the *Stonewall Jackson Hotel*, a historic hotel built in 1924. (Breakfast, Lunch)



Homestead Resort

◆DAY 3 ~ LEXINGTON, HOT SPRINGS◆

Following an included breakfast we'll tour the **Woodrow Wilson Birthplace and Museum**. Among the period antiques and items from Wilson's political career exhibited is his presidential limousine. Following an included lunch at the historic *Robert E. Lee Hotel* in Lexington we'll be met by a local guide as we tour the **Virginia Military Institute (VMI)**. A visit to the **VMI Museum** to see Stonewall Jackson memorabilia (he taught here for 10 years) includes his bullet-pierced raincoat, and his war horse, *Little Sorrel*, mounted and outfitted. A visit to the **Lee Chapel and Museum** located on the grounds of **Washington & Lee University** where Robert E. Lee was President. Many of his personal and

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PAYMENT INFORMATION

◆ Deposit due at time of booking to the address above (*Good Times Travel* will contact you for the travel protection and air option)

◆ *Good Times Travel* will invoice you for the balance payment 6-8 weeks prior

TRAVEL PROTECTION / CANCELLATION

Travel protection/cancellation insurance is highly recommended for all multi-day tours. If travel protection has not been purchased, only recoverable funds less a cancellation charge of \$50 will be reimbursed once payment has been made. Amount of reimbursement depends on the date of cancellation.

If travel protection has been purchased and you must cancel prior to departure or leave the tour enroute for a reason approved by the insurance company, you will receive a full refund (or partial if enroute), minus the cost of the premium. Other benefits of travel protection include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, and lost/stolen/damaged luggage. Pre-existing medical conditions are only covered if protection is purchased at the time of deposit. See travel protection plan for full details and exclusions.

DEPARTURE INFORMATION

This tour meets and departs from LAX

SINGLE SHARE PROGRAM

Should a single traveler wish to take advantage of the double price, tell us when making your reservation that you wish to have a roommate. We will provide the contact information to others requesting a roommate and the two parties can determine if they would be a good fit and the price will be adjusted.

LAND ONLY PRICES

We've listed land only rates with the optional airfare price separately. You have the option of taking advantage of our group discount or making your own air arrangements. Generally air prices get higher as the departure date approaches so it's best to book early.

FURTHER INFORMATION / TERMS

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family artifacts are on display as his office which is preserved much as he left it in 1870. Visit the **George C. Marshall Museum and Library** containing photomurals and artifacts that depict the life and times of General of the Army, George C. Marshall. See the **Stonewall Jackson House** – the only home the famous Confederate General ever owned. This evening we check in to *The Homestead Resort* in Hot Springs, Virginia for a two-night stay with an included dinner in the Main Dining Room. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

◆ DAY 4 ~ THE GREENBRIER ◆

After an included breakfast we'll travel to the famed **Greenbrier Resort** in West Virginia's Allegheny Mountains for a **docent-guided tour of the secret Eisenhower-era underground bunker**, designed to house members of Congress and their staffs during (and after) a nuclear attack. See the cafeteria, dormitories, the decontamination chambers, a clinic with an operating room, areas designated as chambers for the House and Senate, and the power plant, which was the source of emergency generators, water storage and air filtering systems. After an **included lunch at The Greenbrier** and time to browse the shops, we return to the Homestead with an included **afternoon tea** and dinner. (Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Tea, Dinner)

◆ DAY 5 ~ BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY ◆

Following an included breakfast we'll visit **Natural Bridge**, one of the Seven Wonders of the natural world and once owned by Thomas Jefferson! As we continue along portions of the **Blue Ridge Parkway** we'll absorb the stunning scenery. After an included lunch overlooking a mountain lake, we'll tour **Poplar Forest**, Jefferson's personal retreat near Lynchburg. After visiting the **National D-Day Memorial** in Bedford, Virginia, we'll check in to the **Terry Craddock Hotel** in historic Lynchburg. (Breakfast, Lunch)

◆ DAY 6 ~ APPOMATTOX, MONTICELLO ◆

An included breakfast before we depart for Appomattox. At **Appomattox Court House National Historical Park** we'll walk the old county lanes where Lee surrendered his men to Grant on April 9, 1865. Enjoy time at leisure at the Visitor Center, the McLean home (surrender site) and other buildings within the village. Visit the **Museum of the Confederacy** containing a rich collection of artifacts and documents of the Confederate government, military, civilians, and enslaved and free African Americans. This afternoon we'll arrive in **Charlottesville** and enjoy an included lunch at historic **Michie Tavern** where costumed wait staff serve a hearty Colonial period fare in this 200-year old converted log house. Later, a docent-guided tour of **Monticello**, the mountaintop home of Thomas Jefferson. The house is a remarkable

integration of classical architecture and modern innovation designed by Jefferson and built on the mountain top where he had played as a boy. This evening we arrive in **Richmond**, the capital city of Virginia and once the Confederate capital during the Civil War, and check-in to the historic *Hilton Garden Inn Richmond Downtown* – located in the former Miller and Rhoads Department Store building. (Breakfast, Lunch)

◆ DAY 7 ~ RICHMOND ◆

Following an included breakfast we'll visit **Tuckahoe Plantation** to learn about Virginia's colonial plantation life. In the tiny schoolhouse nearby, Thomas Jefferson attended classes when his parents were at Tuckahoe. Tuckahoe Gardens is a horticultural treasure and this time of year should have a vibrant show of bulb flowers, flowering trees, wildflowers and many native plants. Later we visit the **Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden**, boasting extensive floral displays on over 24 acres, an elegant Victorian garden and mansion, exotic Asian garden, a water garden with many native species, and a three-acre lake. This afternoon we visit **St. John's Church** which became famous as a living memorial to American liberty when 120 Virginia colonial leaders, including George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Richard Henry Lee, Thomas Nelson, Jr., and Patrick Henry, met there in the spring of 1775. This is where Patrick Henry gave his fiery "Give me Liberty or Give me Death" speech. Later, a docent-guided tour of the **Virginia State Capitol**, Thomas Jefferson's neo-classical marvel which features a hidden dome, pre-historic fossils in the floor marble and the world-famous statue of George Washington. This evening enjoy a **Farewell Dinner** at a local favorite. (Breakfast, Dinner)

◆ DAY 8 ~ FREDERICKSBURG, FAREWELL ◆

Following an included breakfast we'll travel north to **Fredericksburg** where a local guide will provide a tour of the city. A docent-led tour of the **Rising Sun Tavern**, the private residence of Charles Washington (George's youngest brother) which became a tavern in 1792. A tour of **Kenmore**, the elegant plantation home of George Washington's only sister and her patriot husband Colonel Fielding Lewis, who employed a skilled plaster worker who created three of the most gloriously decorated rooms of the Colonial period. A tour of the **Mary Washington House**. George Washington bought this house for his mother in 1772 and she lived here for the last 17 years of her life. The garden remains much as it was when she lovingly attended it. An included box lunch en route to Dulles Airport and our non-stop return flight arriving into Los Angeles this evening. Memories and images of your time in the Shenandoah Valley indelibly set in our minds. (Breakfast, Lunch)