GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NASHVILLE & BRANSON 11Days/10 Nights October 12 - 23, 2026 Monday- Friday

The Great Smoky
Mountains, and the
majestic climax of the
Appalachian
Highland, is

incomparably the most



magnificent wilderness in the nation. Our journey will be a wonder of **fantastic scenery** and great entertainment. Come spend your vacation with **Judy's Leisure Tours**.

This morning we board our motorcoach anticipating the excitement of the holiday. As we travel there will be stops en route for your comfort. Our travels today take us across Wisconsin, to our night's lodging in Rockford, IL with an included dinner.

We depart this morning after our breakfast and travel across the state of Indiana on our way to the Creation Museum. With beautiful dioramas of reenactments from the Old Testament and other parts of the bible, as well as scenes such as Adam naming the animals and the "catastrophe" of the Great Flood. With animatronic figures, movies and interactive exhibitions plus planetarium, you will be enthralled.

This morning we are on our way to a mesmerizing visit at the **Ark Encounter**. This incredible structure is over 500 feet

long and has 132 "bays" which are used to show models and dioramas of the different animals

and life that would have been found on the original Noah's Ark. Each of the 3 decks of the Ark has



a different theme and you leave feeling amazed at the scope and depth of this unique attraction. View the beautiful countryside as we travel through **Daniel Boone National Forest** and the **Cumberland Mountains** as we make our way to **Pigeon Forge, Tennessee**, where we find our lodging for the next **two evenings**.

After enjoying breakfast we are joined by a local guide who will tell you about the history, life, and the legends of the mountains. entertaining manner, as we take in the beautiful views that only the Great Smoky Mountain National Park can offer. Divided between North Carolina and Tennessee, a blue, smoke-like haze almost always hangs over the mountains; hence the name. A stop for lunch before we head over to Dollywood.

This afternoon we take in **Dollywood**, a special place where folks go to enjoy the Smoky



Mountains and the people and way of life.

The park is full of food and fun for the whole

group. Like its namesake, Dolly Parton, Dollywood delivers the best in **live entertainment**. Enjoy country, bluegrass, Southern gospel, classic rock and 50's music presented in our live stage shows. Following this busy day we head back to the hotel .

Series Breakfast is included at our hotel before we depart. We bid farewell to the Smoky Mountains as we continue on our way to Nashville - Music City USA. Our first stop

will be an included **lunch and entertainment** at Ole Red (Blake Shelton). We will then check into our hotel for the next 2 nights.

This evening we have reserved seats for the **World Famous Grand Ole Opry** at Opry House. No visit to Nashville would be complete without catching a performance of the longest continuously broadcast radio program in the nation (since 1925), featuring the legendary to the new young stars.

Today following **breakfast** we will have a **local step** on guide to show us Nashville with a **tour of the Ryman**. After lunch we head over to the Historic RCA Studio B. not only Nashville's oldest surviving recording studio, its one of the most historic recording centers in the world, which turned out more than 35,000 songs. Many of country music's biggest stars recorded here. Then on to the Country Music Hall of Fame Museum downtown. Shaped in the form of a musical note, this museum has many hands on exhibits, historic music and films, and of course more than one million pieces of country music history for you to view. You will enjoy the special tributes to the 74 country music stars that takes you from the early days of the Grand Ole Opry to the Legends and superstars, while capturing spirit and energy of "America's Music."

This evening we will enjoy a **Luxurious Dinner Cruise** aboard the **General Jackson Showboat**, a \$12 million dollar, four-deck paddle-wheeler, for a cruise

down the beautiful Cumberland River. The Nashville skyline is the backdrop as the orchestra begins to warm up. You will



see the fabulous Country Music USA

entertainers. This is a great show featuring music from the Oldies to the current country stars.

This morning we bid farewell to this charming community that has warmed us with their music and hospitality. As we make our way to Memphis, another city rich in music. We stop at **Loretta Lynn's Ranch for a tour**. Loretta has lived in this 14-room pre-Civil War mansion for more than 20 years. A replica of Butcher Holler Home place, where she grew up, and a simulated mine reflecting the heritage of "the Coal Miner's Daughter, is also on the property.

Upon arrival in Memphis we will visit the famous **Graceland Mansion**, the home of Elvis

Presley, the King of Rock and Roll. The tour will show you several of the rooms in the mansion, the racquetball building, the trophy room which houses many of Elvis' awards, gold records, jewelry and personal mementos, plus his **Auto Museum featuring**



his legendary 1955 Pink Cadillac, and his Harley Davidson motorcycles. A visit to Memphis wouldn't be complete without visiting Beale St.

Recontinue on arriving at the Hotel Grand Victorian Inn in Branson, Missouri for some more great entertainment. We will enjoy an included dinner and Show.

Folling breakfast this morning we are off to another amazing morning show. To top off the day with an included dinner and then enjoy another show.

After enjoying another breakfast we begin our journey home. We find our lodging at Country Inn & Suites Council Bluffs. Across the street you can take your chances with lady luck or relax on your last evening of the trip.

As we make our way home, the memories of our time spent together warm our hearts and will remain with us for years to come.

A \$300 deposit will reserve your seat.

Book with deposit by July 15th and

SAVE \$30

Final payment is due 30 days in

advance. Call today!

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Rates Per Person:

\$3695.00	Double
\$3665.00	Triple
\$3635.00	Quad
\$4645.00	Single

Shows in Branson subject to change.

Inclusions:

- ♦ Quality Accommodations
- **♦** Motorcoach Transportation
- ♦ Baggage Handling
- **♦** Tour Director
- ♦ Creation Museum
- ♦ Ark Encounter
- **♦** Country Tonite
- ♦ Great Smoky Mountain Tour
- ♦ Dollywood
- ♦ Studio B Tour
- ♦ Country Music Hall of Fame
- ♦ Grand Ole Opry
- ♦ Nashville City Tour/ Ryman
- ♦ General Jackson Dinner Cruise
- ♦ Loretta Lynn's Ranch
- ♦ Graceland
- ♦ 3 Shows in Branson
- ♦ 10 Breakfasts/1 Lunch/4 Dinners

Insurance available & recommended.
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