

Mighty Mississippi #5 October 24-26, 2018

Wednesday, October 24, 2018

This is our fifth Mighty Mississippi adventure and we have a lot of fun planned for you! After picking up all of our friends from around the area, we travel south to Janesville, WI. Our first stop is to the **Wisconsin Wagon Company**. This company makes about 13 different handmade wooden products. It will be very interesting tour to see how these master craftsmen build things like sleds, wheelbarrows and wagons. Afterward we will have our **included lunch** in the Janesville area



and then continue on our tour. We travel south to Starved Rock State Park near Utica, IL. We are in for a real treat as we board the **Starved Rock Trolley**. It will take us to the Starved Rock Visitors Center where we will watch a short video telling us about the area and then on to the Illinois Waterway Visitor Center where we will check out Starved Rock from across the river and watch as cargo barges pass through the locks. I sure hope those captains know how to steer their boats well! Once back on board the trolley we finish our ride with a tour of Utica. After the tour we will have our **included dinner** back at the Starved Rock Lodge Conference Center. Do you like scavenger hunts? After dinner we have a fun little game planned for you. Before you know it, it will be time to board the motorcoach and head to our hotel in Moline, IL.



Thursday, October 25, 2016

Rise and shine to a beautiful day! And what a day we have planned. We will have time to enjoy a wonderful **included breakfast** at our hotel before we depart for the docks. We are cruising late morning with the Celebration Belle on their 'Kickin It



Country Cruise'. Don't forget to wear your dancing shoes because this **included cruise** will have you dancing, clapping and singing to all of your country favorites. We will also enjoy our hot **included buffet lunch** aboard the riverboat as well. What a great way to enjoy the lovely scenery! After we are back on dry land, our next stop will be at the **Family Museum** in Bettendorf, IA. Inspired by the friendly people who live here, we have a lot of hands on

activities at our included stop that will keep us plenty busy. Visit Fox Hollow and play the role of veterinarian, fireman or pizza man or stop by Lil 'Ssippi River Valley to explore the river and the workings of a crane. Where ever you look there will something fun and interesting to do. Before we head back to our hotel for an early evening arrival we will have an **included dinner** in the area. The evening will be free to enjoy the heated indoor pool, hot tub, or sit around and visit with friends.



Friday, October 26, 2018

After our **included breakfast** at the hotel we will load up the coach and make our way back home. But first, we are stopping in Rock Falls, IL, to visit **Selmi's Greenhouse and Farm Market**. Our **included** visit here is just in time to help celebrate the harvest season. They have plenty of fun activities for us to enjoy including a corn maze, petting farm and a hay wagon ride to name a few. I wonder if we will be able to spot any animals on our wagon ride?



And for lunch we are having pizza delivered right to Selmi's for our group. Just before we are ready to leave we will be able to pick out our own special little pumpkin to take home. It is now time to say good bye to the wonderful people here and continue on our way home. We will make a rest stop and dinner stop along the way before arriving back home for an evening arrival.

Activity Level: High

Tour Includes:

All Attractions

All Meals

Lodging for Two Nights

Motorcoach Transportation

Refreshments & Snacks

Tour Director and Chaperones

Cost: \$705.00 per person; Double Occupancy

Pick-up Areas: Spencer, Marshfield, Wausau and Plover