

**Shenandoah National Park, Blue Ridge Parkway &  
The Great Smoky Mountains Autumn Adventure**

**October 1-11, 2023**



**Cost: 2569 pp / dbl**

**Single: 3819**

**Trpl/Quad: 2419 pp**

**Includes: Round Trip Transportaion**

- **11 days / 10 nights**
- **Complete Tour of Shenandoah National Parkway**
- **Museum of Shenandoah Valley**
- **Luray Caverns**
- **Monticello**
- **James Monroe Highland**
- **Complete tour of The Blue Ridge Parkway**
- **Visits to Visitor Center & Folk Art Center**
- **Historical Trolley tour of Asheville**
- **Self guided tour of The Biltmore Estates – Asheville**
- **Great Smoky Mountains and a visit to Newfound Gap**
- **2 nights in Gatlinburg TN**
- **17 Meals ( 10 breakfasts + 7 dinners)**
- **Deposit \$250 pp/non-refundable    Balance due: August 1,2023**

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**Oct 1: Depart Houghton Lake, Mt Pleasant, Ithaca & St Johns area's.**

**Travel to Somerset PA with a night stay at Holiday Inn. Dinner on your own this evening.**

**Oct 2: Enter into Virginia with a stop at the Museum of the Shenendoah Valley.**

**Enter into Shenendoah National Park and travel the skyline of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Next visit to James Monroe Highland, before checking into the Big Meadow Lodge for a 2 night stay. 2 breakfasts and dinners provided here.**

**Oct 3: Continue on the skyline with a guided tour, then visit Luray Caverns featuring the world's only Stalacpipe Organ. Relax with another great dinner at our lodge while enjoying the views of the Blue Ridge mountains and all its fall foliage. Enjoy your second night stay at the Big Meadow.**

**Oct 4: After check out, continue on the skyline with a stop at Thomas Jefferson's Monticello - his mountaintop home. Enjoy the slow travel along the skyline, through the various tunnels, and along the bluffs. Our night stay this evening at The Peaks of Otter Lodge. Will enjoy a delicious dinner upon arrival, followed by breakfast before checkout. This lodge is located along the parkway among the ancient peaks on our path. Relax this evening with entertainment during dinner, or explore the beautiful grounds and trails on site.**

**Oct 5: Continue on the parkway, over 500 miles total, with a to visit Mabry Mill , Northwest Trading Post, Grandfather Mountain - the Mile High Swinging Bridge for fantastic views, before checking into The Switzerland Inn for our nights lodging. Enjoy a delicious dinner this evening and be swept away with the panoramic views at this hotel of the skyline.**

**Oct 6: After breakfast, continue along the parkway as we enter into Asheville NC. Stops at the Folk ART Center & the Blue Ridge Parkway Visitor Center before we check into our hotel, Holiday Inn, for a 2 night stay. This afternoon, hop on the trolley for a private 90 minute tour of the Asheville area. Be dropped off in downtown for dinner and shopping on your own before we return back to our hotel.**

**Oct 7: After breakfast, we will have a full day at The Biltmore Estate, with a self guided tour. Next visit Antler Hill and enjoy wine tasting. Dinner this evening will be included in the downtown Asheville area before returning to our hotel.**

**Oct 8: After breakfast and checkout, we enter Cherokee NC before entering into The Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Travel to Newfound Gap for a awe inspiring view of the Great Smoky Mountains, before heading into Gatlinburg for our 2 night stay at The Edgewater Hotel & Convention Center in the heart of Gatlinburg. This hotel is**

situated just behind the TN aquarium, and is easily accessible to the downtown streets of Gatlinburg. Enjoy dinner with the \$25 per person allotment given as you explore the various choices on the strip.

**Oct 9: FREE DAY.** After a continental breakfast, set off to explore the Gatlinburg area on your own. Enjoy all what the town offers. Take an arial ride on either the Ober Tram, or sky lift , or take in the views on The Tower Skyline elevator. Enjoy dinner on your own this evening, before returning back to our hotel for your second night stay.

**Oct 10:** After another continental breakfast we depart to begin our journey home. Travel to Dayton OH and check into The Drury Hotel. Enjoy dinner and drinks in the Drury's kickback program.

**Oct 11:** After a full breakfast, we check out and make our way home sharing all our memories of our fall Blue Ridge Mountains adventure.