

# SERA Presents:

# Moonshine, Music & Mountains

## May 22-26, 2023



### May 22, 2023

7:00 AM Depart Weis Markets, Linglestown Rd, Harrisburg

7:30 AM Depart Sam's Club, Mechanicsburg

Rest and meal stops on own en route. Travel to Prestonburg, Kentucky. Welcome to the mountains. Check into hotel and freshen up. Let's kick this Appalachian adventure off right with delicious down-home cookin'! Your mouth will be watering from a delicious dinner and dessert! After dinner enjoy Music with the Bryant Family. The Bryant family are Front Porch Pickin' regulars. Randy Bryant performs with his daughters Meghan and Emily. Together, they will wow you on their string instruments! (D)

### May 23, 2023

Breakfast is served this morning. Enjoy the Starving Artist Breakfast. Talent is abound in Eastern Kentucky, and we're not designated the road to Nashville for nothin'! We dare you not to have a great day when it is started with one of our great local talents picking a few light tunes while you enjoy a delicious, warm breakfast. Next we are off for a Pontoon tour.

Tucked between the Appalachian mountains. Dewey Lake is a prime location to take in the best nature has to offer. The largest muskie ever recorded in KY was caught here! Learn about what surrounds you with your Park Naturalist guide! Visit the Samuel May House. In the early 1800s, workers gathered hand-hewn logs from the surrounding forests, molded Kentucky clay bricks on-site, and ground mussel shells into lime to erect this home. In its heyday, this home was a social and political hub surrounded by 400 acres of land. The balcony was used by May to deliver speeches. The meadow below hosted horse races on the personal racetrack. Travel to Middle Creek Battlefield for some more history. The Battle of Middle Creek, fought on January 10, 1862, effectively weakened the Confederacy's hold on Kentucky. It also launched the political career of the 20th President of the United States, James A. Garfield. Time for some Moonshine & Music! Where else can you get a how-to demonstration for making famous mountain "white lightin" moonshine? After Uncle Shine shares his secrets, local shiners will pick their favorite mountain songs before a delicious BBQ dinner to accompany the foot stompin', toe-tappin' good time. (B, L, D)

### May 24, 2023

Dueling Pianos breakfast to start the day! We don't just leave the feuding to families! Professional pianists face off in a musical showdown like you've never seen. We will visit the McCoy Well Site. Randolph McCoy, leader of the McCoy clan, lived here until New Year's Day 1888 when the Hatfields attacked their home. Live historians will bring the heartache to life to help us understand how the feud grew to this boiling point. What's all this about a pig?? The Hog Trail Cabin is the site where a trial was held after Randolph McCoy brought charges against Floyd Hatfield, accusing him of stealing his hog. This trial would continue to have a domino effect that would last generations. Don't miss the small footprints etched into the front steps from Preacher Anse's daughter! We will see the PawPaw Tree Incident, Visit the Hattfield/McCoy Museum and tour the Kentucky Mist Distillery. Dinner is included this evening with entertainment. (B,L,D)



## May 25, 2023

What is better than Eggs with Elvis! We take our eggs with a side of shake, rattle, and roll. Local artist, Troy Burchette, will have you starting your day with glee. Visit the Mayo Methodist Church, built by coal baron John C.C. Mayo. The Mayo UMC is an architectural marvel, renowned for the stained glass windows, lovely stone construction, and organ donated by Andrew Carnegie. Try your hand at playing the 1000+pipe organ! The Country Music Highway Museum is a must! The Museum features 14 exhibits displaying memorabilia from the many US country music stars who call Eastern Kentucky home. Exhibits include Loretta Lynn, Chris Stapleton, Dwight Yoakam, Billy Ray Cyrus, Ricky Skaggs, Patty Loveless, The Judds, and more. Learn the life of a miner, from tools to currency, healthcare and lifestyle. This building was originated by the Consolidation Coal Company. Icky's Snack Shop located in the bottom floor of the Coal Miners' Museum dates back to the 1940's. We will stop at Webb's Grocery, previously known as the Number 5 Store after the mine located nearby. The general store is over 100 years old and is currently owned by Loretta Lynn's family. Visit Butcher Holler which is home to the world's most famous coal miner's daughter. Explore the grounds that raised country legend, Loretta Lynn. Tours are given by Loretta's very own cousins! Dinner this evening at Billy Ray's Restaurant. After dinner enjoy "Evening with Loretta & Patsy". (B, L, D)

## May 26, 2023

We certainly won't let you leave from such a fun week hungry! See what everyone calls the breakfast at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park Music Highway Grill. Our last stop before heading home will be the Eastern Kentucky Science Center. With its huge, interactive exhibit hall, planetarium and traveling NASA exhibits, space pioneers young and old can explore galaxies beyond the Milky Way. The mind-bending 40-foot star dome plus projection system is only one of two dozen existing on planet Earth. Enjoy a laser light show set to popular music like Pink Floyd and The Beatles is out of this world. Rest and meal stops on own en route. Approximate arrival back 7:00 PM (B)

### Terms & Conditions

#### Deposit Requirements

An initial deposit of \$200 per person is required to confirm reservation.

***Travel Insurance must be purchased at the time of booking to cover pre-existing conditions.***

Full payment must be received by April 1, 2023 .

**Cancellation** ~ Deposit is refundable until March 1, 2023.

After March 1, 2023 the trip is non- refundable without travel insurance.

**Baggage** ~ Portage of baggage is included in program; it is based upon a maximum of 1 piece of standard baggage per person. You may bring a carry on onto the coach, but you will be responsible for it, in and out of each hotel.

**Items Not Included** ~ Our tours do not include items of a personal nature such as laundry, room service, telephone charges or other hotel extras. All passengers are responsible for settling any such costs incurred before checking out of each hotel or returning home.

**Gratuities** ~ tips for baggage handling and waiting staff for included meals are included. Gratuities for the motor-coach driver, maid service, local guides are not included.

**Insurance** ~ We strongly recommend that all passengers be adequately insured for medical expenses, baggage loss or damage and trip cancellation or interruption. Travel insurance must be purchased within two weeks of paying your deposit. Call Lowee's 717-657-9658 or email ckelly@lowees.com

**Hotel** ~ Comfort Inn & Suites, 51 Hal Rogers Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**Trip includes:** Motorcoach Transportation, 4 Nights of Accommodations, Round Trip Luggage Handling (One bag per person), 4 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 4 Dinners, All meal entertainment, Pontoon ride, Middle Creek Battlefield, May House, Moonshine Tour, Hatfield/McCoy Tour, Kentucky Mist Distillery, Hatfield/McCoy Museum, Mayo Church, Coal Museum, Webb Grocery, Loretta Lynn Home, Science Center, Meal Taxes & Gratuities. All attractions and entertainment included!

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**\$999pp Double Occupancy / \$1199pp Single Occupancy**

Enclosed please find a deposit in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$200 pp) to secure reservation for \_\_\_\_\_ # people

I (We) wish to purchase Travel Insurance Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Travel insurance must be purchased within two weeks of the deposit to cover pre-existing conditions for coverage please call Lowee's Group Tours 717-657-9658 or email ckelly@lowees.com

Total Payments \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**\$200 Deposit due with registration / Final balance due April 1, 2023.**