## **EASTERN SHORE (Maryland) MOTORCOACH SUGGESTIONS 2019**

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Since 1990 we have hosted some 90,000+ motor coach guests onto Maryland's Eastern Shore: We have also included nearby Harford County and Delaware. The Eastern Shore covers all of the nine counties that border The Chesapeake Bay & the Atlantic Ocean. We offer day and overnight tours in Cecil, Kent, Caroline, Queen Anne's, Talbot, Dorchester, Harford and New Castle/Kent (Dover Air Force Base Museum) Counties. This amazing, rural, water-oriented area, offers fascinating tours and unique experiences for any type of motor coach passenger. Please take a look at the itineraries below and see if one would be right for your group(s). We have made every attempt to make these itineraries very cost effective; and can mix n' match almost any half day tour with another. Full, professional planning and guide service is \$6.00pp. on every tour; and luncheon menus are all-inclusive (entrees, veggies, dessert, beverages, tips, taxes). We also offer three Progressive Dining Programs: Chesapeake City...Chestertown & Rock Hall &North East. +

Cecil County- Chesapeake City (arrive at 930am & meet your guide for orientation and a short walking tour of the Historic District, followed by a narrated tour of the Chesapeake & Delaware Canal Museum before Lunch at The Chesapeake Inn (\$22-24pp),\*). In the afternoon some time to shop, and a tour around the area Thoroughbred Horse Farms. If you would like to spend the morning in Chesapeake City and the afternoon in North East, we could offer expanded shopping, a tour of The Upper Bay Museum (\$2.00pp), and/or St. Mary Anne's Historic church (c1699) and the day can end at Kilby Cream for homemade ice cream (\$4.25pp two scoops).///////Port Deposit, Md. Take the tour of the narrowest town in the Western Hemisphere, see the Conowingo Dam, and visit two or three of the most beautiful architectural properties around: The US Naval Training Center Bainbridge Museum (\$1), The Presbyterian Church, and Tomes Memorial Methodist Church.....Then have lunch at Lee's Landing in Port Deposit (\$24pp) or The Wellwood Club (\$36pp) (Crab Feast) in nearby Charlestown, MD. Also, in Port Deposit: The Conowingo Dam Visit and the Extreme Makeover House/Freedom Hills Therapeutic Riding Center. Ask about our Cecil County Farm Tours, & Lee's Landing Restaurant on the banks of the Susquehanna River. Great food and view!

**Harford County:** Nearby Havre de Grace, MD, offers an array of sightseeing from The Susquehanna Lock House Museum (\$2.00pp) to The Concord Point Lighthouse. In addition to our Havre de Grace City Tour, we also offer a "Wine & Roses Tour featuring Ladew Topiary Gardens (Mansion & Garden Tour \$16.00pp) .....and Dove Valley, for a tasting experience. We also stop and visit Bomboy's in Havre de Grace for homemade candy and ice cream. We also do a special Tea n' Tour at the Spencer Silver Mansion (\$10pp)

in Havre de Grace. Also, Ladew Topiary Gardens (one of the top ten in the USA) offers an amazing Mansion tour and a Self-Guided tour of seven amazing gardens, as well as a Butterfly House; and you can enjoy a light lunch at the Ladew Café...... Senior Group admission is \$16pp\* and lunch is approx. \$11pp

KENT COUNTY-Welcome to historic Chestertown: Emmanuel Church, The Sultana Pier, and a short tour of Washington College founded in 1782 by Dr. William Smith. ... Then we are off to Have lunch at The "wonderful" Bay Wolf (\$18.00pp inclusive); see the "Three Bridges Beach," Tour Eastern Neck National Wildlife Refuge and then return to Rock Hall (a 300-year-old waterman's community on The Chesapeake Bay) for ice cream at Get The Scoop (\$3-4.00pp). Also available in Kent County is a lovely Wine Tasting at Crow Farm (\$11pp).

**TALBOT COUNTY**: Easton (Cathedral visit), Tilghman Island Tour, or Bay Cruise on the Patriot (\$24pp), and lunch at The Crab Claw (\$25.00pp) Crabbing & Oystering demonstrations available-\$2pp.

We also offer a tour of Oxford with optional walk-on Bellevue Ferry crossing/and-Scottish Highlands Creamery (\$7pp). You could also have a lovely lunch at the historic Robert Morris Inn. Yes, we certainly provide plenty of time in St. Michaels to shop or in nearby historic Easton.

DORCHESTER COUNTY-Take a town tour of Cambridge and see FDR's secret, The Nathan, Annie Oakley's house and much more. Lunch at nearby Suicide Bridge Restaurant (\$24), and you can turn it into a luncheon cruise for approx. \$15.00 additional—or use Old Salty's Restaurant at the tip of Hooper's island (\$24pp Inc.) for the BEST Eastern Shore Buffet you have ever had. Fantastic! You can also tour a Crab Factory on Hooper's Island (\$5.00) before lunch at Old Salty's, and/or take a wonderful guided coach tour of Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge-nearby (\$25 per coach). ), a wine tasting/vineyard tour at Layton's Chance in Vienna, MD-\$5.00pp. And SB Bison farm tour - \$10.00pp. NOTE: The new Harriett Tubman Visitors Center and it is located just next to Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge.

WICOMICO & SOMMERSET COUNTIES-We offer tours in and around Salisbury, MD. That feature venues like The Ward Museum (Eastern Shore water foul), The Riddle Farm (once home to Man of War and his Thoroughbred son, War Admiral. Tops on this areas tour list, however, is <a href="Smith Island">Smith Island</a>. This Island is a 45 minute boat ride from Crisfield, MD. And it is the remainder of a 400-year-old Waterman's' community that offers a wonderful view of the past & present. Not to mention a fabulous luncheon at The Bayside Inn...And a demonstration of the making of the historic Smith Island Cakes.

New for 2019 Historic New Castle (Delaware)....Join us in the 17 & 18<sup>th</sup> century world complete with all original buildings that Williamsburg could only dream of: We offer a wonderful tour of this eight block historical treasure (\$7.00pp) and optional lunch....Or you can couple this tour with an afternoon in nearby Chesapeake City, North East, MD and/or use Pea Patch is and (Ft. Delaware-\$10.00pp). Ft Delaware is a ten minute boat ride to this unique island (once a Confederate prisoner of war camp) in the middle of the Delaware river.

Also New for 2019: The Spencer-Silver Tea and Tour (historic home in Havre de Grace \$10pp)///
The Bainbridge Naval Museum (\$1.00pp) in Port Deposit/ The Upper Bay Museum (\$2pp) and Boat

Building demonstration in North East, MD./// We offer a special small group (i.e., mini-bus-24-28 people) on-site visit to the home of the greatest Thoroughbred horse in USA history (KELSO): Mrs. duPont's Woodstock Farm(\$10.00pp) morning or afternoon. In addition: We offer a Progressive Dining Program around Chesapeake City, North East, MD., and Kent County (Chestertown & Rock Hall) as well as a Chocoholic Tour in Harford County, a Cecil County Historic Church Tour and some Off-Season Tours so you can sell your motor coach groups all year around. Please ask us for details and note that we will be glad to

Customize any of the above to fit your group(s), and we will be most happy to do sample itineraries for your consideration. , Note: Many of our itineraries can be mixed and matched (i.e., half day here and a half day there). New this year to the Chesapeake City area is Baker's Restaurant at \$17.95 inclusive for lunch. Also new is Lee's Landing Restaurant (\$24.00pp inclusive) on the Susquehanna River in Port Deposit. MD. All rates) are subject to change. All restaurants provide one comp for 40 paying guests. In addition, "no-shows" on the tour departure day, will not be refunded.

P.S. Take a look at Tailwinds Equestrian Farm (near North East): Carriage Rides, Riding Demonstrations, Historic House tour, and a session with the author of 12 Children's books. /////In Chesapeake City we offer a Pontoon Boat tour on the C & D Canal (49 max)//////North East Shopping

Includes a special welcome bag with discount coupons (schedule Wed, Thurs. or Friday.

For any questions or proposals, just give us a call or send an email (wayne@hilltravelcentre.com)

Thanks so much, Wayne Hill (hill Travel, 5 Hillcrest Ln, North East, MD. 21901, 410-287-2290 and check our website www.hilltravelcentre.com

All rates above are approximate and are not final until booking is made and confirmation has been received by us (from the venue). All Guide Service is \$6pp. and the Guide will be with the group the full day. All Payments must be received one week prior to arrival or group will be cancelled...we have to do this because we and some venues have been stuck because of no-shows. Also, not all venues are accessible and not every restaurant can meet some food allergy requests// All groups MUST have menu selections for ALL guests (individually).