

KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS & RAILROADS

Featuring Train Rides, Bourbon, & History

4 Days - 3 Nights

The sample itinerary described below is approximately like the itinerary your group will be following during your stay with WHITE STAR TOURS. However, the exact times, days, and destinations may vary for your group.

Day 1 - A morning departure has you traveling to **Berea, KY** where you will check into your hotel for a three-night stay. **Dinner** has been arranged for you this evening.

Day 2 - After breakfast, you will travel to nearby **Stearns, KY** to board the **Big South Fork Scenic Railroad** into the deep rugged Appalachians with an included "**Coal Miner's Lunch Bag**". The 16-mile round trip takes you into the **Daniel Boone National Forest** and **Big South Fork National River & Recreation Area** with spectacular scenic vistas, lush vegetation and mountain streams as it descends 600 feet into the gorge. After the train ride, depart on an afternoon **guided tour of Cumberland Falls State Park**. Meet the Park's Step-on Guide for a tour of the park to include a short walk to the Falls. The Falls are the largest in the state, one of the largest in the region, and often called the "Niagara of the South." After your day of touring, return to Berea where **dinner** has been arranged for you.

Day 3 - Enjoy breakfast, then depart for **Lexington, KY** to visit the **Kentucky Horse Park**, 1,200 acres of 40 breeds of horses, museums, galleries, shows, and demonstrations. Most places can only tell you stories about legends, but at the Kentucky Horse Park, they may just trot right by you. This immersive experience includes a hands-on visit where you can touch the horses, smell the hay, and see first-hand the majesty of the horse. This is a place for all of your senses! Be sure to enjoy the **Hall of Champions Show**, the **Museum of the Horse**, **American Saddlebred Museum**, **Horse Drawn Tour**, the **Big Barn** and more. A **Bluegrass Luncheon** is included while at Kentucky Horse Park. This afternoon you will depart for another train ride on the **Bluegrass Scenic Railroad** which travels westwardly through the typical Kentucky countryside. You will pass cattle and fields of corn, soybean, and tobacco and two thoroughbred horse farms where you may see mares and foals in the fields. The train then descends through deep limestone cuts to the palisades of the Kentucky River where you may disembark and photograph **Young's High Bridge**, built in 1889, and see the **Wild Turkey Distillery**. Later, you will visit the **Bluegrass Distillers for a Tour & Tasting**. This expert-led tour begins with an informative and interactive complimentary tasting of their current Bourbons. You will learn the rules for making Bourbon, and some interesting Kentucky Bourbon History. You will continue your tour through the production area to view the Grain Mashing, Fermentation, Distilling, and Barreling of their Bourbons. Your day will end with another delicious **dinner** at an area restaurant.

Day 4 - Following breakfast, check out depart for a visit to the **Kentucky Artisan Center**, where everything is made in Kentucky. The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea features a wide range of Kentucky's outstanding artisan products in its on-site gallery exhibit and shopping areas. Whether on display in a themed exhibit or in a shop setting, you'll find great artisan works and information about artisans themselves and the materials they use to create their work. After your visit, depart for home with lasting memories of Kentucky Bluegrass.

THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING WHITE STAR TOURS TO BE A PART OF YOUR TRAVEL PLANS!

TRIP CANCELLATION PROTECTION

*Cancellation protection is encouraged for medical emergencies that may occur. The **Enhanced option must be paid within 14 days** from the day the first deposit for the trip is paid to the organization and/or group leader. There is an additional Enhanced upgrade - **Cancel for Any Reason**. Cancellation must be made no later than 48 hours prior to your scheduled departure, conditions, limitations, and exclusions do apply. These plans are only valid for trips booked through White Star Tours. To purchase the protection, please contact NTA/AON Insurance via their website at <https://nta.aontravelprotect.com> and provide the **Tour Operator Location #386097**.*