Arnold Seniors, Inc. 2022 Trips 44 Church Road, Arnold, MD 21122 Ph. 410-222-1923

## "Come Ride With Us!" 2023 Multi-Day Trips

- Beaufort, Savannah, & Charleston South Carolina & Georgia
   May 6-11 (Saturday-Thursday)
- Cape Cod & Nantucket, Provincetown & Hyannis, Massachusetts

  June 11-15 (Sunday-Thursday)
- The Opryland Hotel in Nashville & Music City USA in Nashville. TN August 6-11 (Sunday-Friday)
- Nantucket Island, MA Christmas Stroll & Festive Newport, RI Mansions
   December 1-4 (Friday-Monday)

(2023 ASI Multi-Day Trips are joining already scheduled Gunther trips & departing from the Gunther Charters Lot 7443 Shipley Ave. Harmans, MD 21077—off Dorsey Rd. near BWI).)

#### Dear Travelers.

Welcome back to Multi-Day Trips sponsored by the Arnold Seniors, Inc. and provided by Gunther Charters! All Reservations and Payments are to be made <u>by Credit Card only</u> at the Arnold Senior Activities Trip Office during its new hours of 10 AM-12 Noon Monday through Friday. Trip Insurance is strongly encouraged for all Multi-Day Trips.

All passengers must follow all national, state, local, & Gunther Covid-19 mandates for vaccinations and masking, and show proof. These include requirements for individual venues, and are subject to change at any time.

Included in this packet are descriptions of the trips including dates, pricing and departure points. Also included are the general expectations, guidelines & rules that all travelers are expected to follow during ASI sponsored trips. Please consider the physical demands & challenges of the trips such as cobblestone walkways and stairways in historic homes when registering. Talk to the Trip Office Volunteers about any questions you may have in advance.

We look forward to a fun and enjoyable travel, exploration & entertainment season! Codes: Meals that are provided are indicated in Bold: B-Breakfast; L-Lunch; & D-dinner.

May 6-11 (Saturday-Thursday) **Beaufort, Savannah & Charleston South Carolina & Georgia** 

Day 1: Welcome Aboard! Travel in comfort aboard our deluxe motor coach towards "The Palmetto State," South Carolina. Our first destination is the Ava Gardner Museum located in Smithfield, North Carolina. A self-guided tour of the museum walks you through the remarkable life, loves, and legacy of one of Hollywood's legendary actresses as told to you by some of her close friends and family. View an extensive collection of Ava Gardner memorabilia that includes costumes, jewelry, movie posters and awards that represent Ava's 50-year career as a leading Hollywood actress. Also, see a short biographical film of the actress featuring information about her personal and professional life. Before checking into our hotel in Florence, South Carolina for the night, we are treated to a delicious dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 2: After breakfast we travel south along the coast through South Carolina's Low Country to the charming town of Beaufort, South Carolina, the "Queen of the Carolina Sea Islands". Beaufort is South Carolina's second oldest city. Upon our arrival, we meet our driver/guide and climb aboard Sea Island Carriage Company for a 55-minute narrated horse-drawn carriage tour. Let the clippity-clop of the horses take you back to a simpler time as you tour historic Beaufort. Learn about Antebellum and Victorian architecture, as well as local Hollywood movie sites, including "The Big Chill," "Forrest Gump," "The Great Santini," and "The Prince of Tides". Our accommodations for the next three nights are at the Best Western Plus Sea Island Inn. The Inn is in the heart of the historic district with amazing views of the Beaufort River and Antebellum Homes. Conveniently located, the Inn is just a short walking distance from attractions, entertainment, casual and gourmet dining, local stores, shops, art galleries, Beaufort's waterfront park, the downtown marina and 18th-century homes. Tonight, a delicious buffet dinner is served at the Inn. (B, D)

**Day 3:** After **breakfast** we depart for **Savannah**, **Georgia**. Upon our arrival, we will visit the **Savannah History Museum**. A **self-guided tour** of the museum walks you through Savannah's history from 1733 to the present day. Here we will see Forrest Gump's Bench, historic fashions from bygone days, vehicles that rumbled down the port city's streets decades ago, and much more! A delicious **lunch** will be served after the tour at **The River House Seafood Restaurant**. Experience genuine Savannah flavor while dining in a restored 1820's King Cotton Warehouse while watching the merchant ships float by. Following lunch, we meet our **step-on guide** for a **tour of historic Savannah** that will highlight Savannah's many historical attractions. After our tour enjoy some leisure time strolling along the cobblestone-paved **Factors Walk** and **River Street**, where old cotton warehouses have been converted into trendy shops, taverns and restaurants. Before returning to our Inn in Beaufort, enjoy dinner **on your own** at one of Savannah's well-known restaurants. **(B, L)** 

Day 4: After breakfast we meet our step-on guide, and travel back in time to explore the Gullah and Geechee Heritage of South Carolina's Sea Islands. On this tour we'll visit several areas of Beaufort County and discover its unique history and culture. The Gullah Geechee people are the descendants of West and Central Africans who were enslaved and brought to the lower Atlantic states to work on the coastal rice, Sea Island cotton and indigo plantations. Because their enslavement was on isolated coastal plantations, sea and barrier islands, the Gullah Geechee people were able to retain many of their indigenous African traditions. The traditions are reflected in their eating habits and culinary practices, arts and crafts, and spiritual traditions. Also, they created a new language, Gullah, a creole language spoken nowhere else in the world. On this 3-hour tour, get ready to soak up some history and take in the sights: Discover Lady's Island, St. Helena, Hunting Island and more. See the site of one of the country's first schools for freed slaves – a local treasure and National Historic Landmark. Marvel at the ruins of island churches and learn the stories and songs that are part of their rich history. We conclude our tour with a visit to a historic plantation house. Upon returning to the Inn you are free to design the rest of your day and do as you wish! Experience the attractions, entertainment, restaurants, local stores, shops,

art galleries, Beaufort's waterfront park, the downtown marina, and 18<sup>th</sup>-century homes all conveniently located within walking distance of the Inn. Tonight, enjoy dinner *on your own* at a restaurant conveniently located within walking distance of the Inn. **(B)** 

Day 5: After breakfast we depart for Wadmalaw Island, South Carolina. Upon our arrival, we will visit the Charleston Tea Plantation. The sandy soils, sub-tropical climate and average rainfall of 52 inches per year found on Wadmalaw Island possess idyllic conditions for the Camellia Sinensis tea plant! That's where you'll find Bigelow Tea's Charleston Tea Plantation, America's largest working tea garden. This plant is currently used to produce both black and green teas and exists in over 320 varieties on the 127-acre grounds of the Charleston Tea Garden. Enjoy a tour of the factory, followed by a narrated trolley ride through the plantation fields, and a stop at the state-of-the-art greenhouse. Lastly, visit the Gift Shop, home of a wide variety of tea related gifts. A box lunch is included at the Tea Garden. Next, we depart for Charleston, South Carolina where we meet our step-on guide for a tour of historic Charleston. Points of interest on our tour will include the old historic city of Charleston, the famous Battery Waterfront district, and a drive through the Citadel - The Military College of South Carolina. Following our tour, we visit the **Old City Market**. Established in the 1790s, the Old City Market stretches for four city blocks, and is one of the nation's oldest public markets and the cultural heart of Charleston. Featuring more than 300 vibrant entrepreneurs selling everything from local foods to exceptional regional artisan crafts, there is something to see, do, taste, and take home as a souvenir from the Charleston City Market! Later you are treated to dinner at a Cracker Barrel Old Country Store in Florence, South Carolina before checking into our hotel for the night. (B, L, D)

Day 6: After breakfast we depart for home taking with us fond memories of Beaufort's Antebellum and Victorian architecture, the rich and amazing history of Savannah and Charleston's southern hospitality! (B)

#### **Included:**

- Fully escorted Gunther Motor Coach transportation
- 5 nights hotel accommodations, including:
  - 3 night at BW Plus Sea Island Inn
- 5 breakfasts
- 2 lunches (including 1 box lunch)
- 3 dinners
- Guided Tours, including:
  - Beaufort Horse-drawn Carriage Tour
  - Savannah, Georgia
  - Gullah and Geechee Heritage Tour
  - Charleston Tea Plantation Trolley Tour
  - Charleston, South Carolina
- Attractions and admissions per itinerary, including:
  - Ava Gardner Museum
  - Savannah History Museum
  - Historic Plantation House
  - Charleston Tea Plantation
  - Old City Market
- Baggage handling (1) per person
- Driver, Tour Manager & Step-on Guide Gratuities

**Price:** 

\$1,249.00 Double/PP \$1,139.00 Triple/PP \$1,089.00 Quad/PP \$1,609.00 Single

**Deposit:** \$125.00/PP

Balance Due: March 23, 2023

	Depart	Return
Carney	6:00 AM	5:45 PM
Gunther	6:45 AM	5:00 PM
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June 11-15 (Sunday-Thursday) Cape Cod & Nantucket Island Plus, Provincetown & Hyannis Cape Cod, Massachusetts

Day 1: Welcome Aboard! Travel in comfort aboard our deluxe motor coach to the sunny shores, spectacular beaches, and breathtaking sunsets of Cape Cod, Massachusetts. After checking into the Blue Water Resort for the next four nights, we conclude our travel day with a delicious dinner in the Pavilion at the Blue Water Resort. The Blue Water Resort is an oceanfront resort hotel located only steps from the sandy beaches and your own private ocean beach on the Nantucket Sound. (D)

Day 2: After breakfast we meet our step-on guide, and depart for Hyannis, Massachusetts where we will travel by ferry to the island of Nantucket. Upon our arrival, you may choose to spend some leisure time strolling along the waterfront, or you can browse the shops along the cobblestone Main Street. This afternoon we enjoy a narrated driving tour of Nantucket, (by school bus), that will take you past beautiful cottages, cranberry bogs, rolling farmland, quiet villages, beaches, lighthouses, and pounding surf. Following our tour, we re-board the ferry and cruise back to the Cape Cod mainland. After returning to the mainland, we visit Main Street in downtown Hyannis, an interesting and eclectic all-American Main Street that is a wonderful place to visit to shop, dine and be entertained. With specialty shops, boutiques, galleries, restaurants and fun attractions, there is something for everyone on Main Street. Enjoy dinner on your own at one of over twenty restaurants; choose from fast food restaurants to sit down dining establishments. (B)

Day 3: After breakfast we meet our step-on guide, and depart for a tour that takes us from Hyannis to "Land's End" Provincetown, which is located at the tip of the Cape. As we travel the length of the Cape you will hear about the Pilgrim landing in 1620 before reaching Plymouth, and the visionary establishment of the Cape Cod National Seashore by John F. Kennedy's administration. We will stop at the Salt Pond Visitors Center. View a film on the geological formation of Cape Cod "The Sands of Time", explore exhibits on the Cape's natural and cultural history, shop in the gift store and enjoy beautiful views across Salt Pond. Next, we climb inside an enclosed, 4-wheel drive vehicle for a fun and informative driving tour across the sand dunes of the National Seashore Park. Learn about the history of life saving stations, see dune shacks where artists live during the summer months and enjoy the endless mountains of sand! In the afternoon, you will have some leisure time to enjoy the lively street scene in this diverse community, with its unique and eclectic gift shops, boutiques, galleries and restaurants. Following lunch on your own we join the Dolphin Fleet for our narrated whale watching cruise as we head for the Stellwagen feeding bank in search of these remarkable marine mammals. Witness the power, energy and majesty of humpback and fin whales as they play and jump in the food-rich environment. Before returning to South Yarmouth for a good night's rest, enjoy some additional free time in Provincetown for browsing, shopping and dinner on your own. (B)

Day 4: After breakfast we meet our step-on guide, and depart for a tour of Hyannis. Our tour includes a photo-stop at the John F. Kennedy Memorial overlooking Lewis Bay, a drive past the Kennedy Family Compound (limited views) and St. Francis Xavier Church, where the Kennedy Family worships, and more. Following our tour, we return to the Blue Water Resort where you'll find a spectacular beach, soft Cape Cod ocean breezes, and a picture-perfect view right outside your hotel door! A heated outdoor pool lies just steps from the Nantucket Sound and a row of lounge chairs offer rest and relaxation while overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. Bring your bathing suit and take advantage of the beautiful heated indoor/outdoor pools or swim at our private ocean beach. To wrap up our stay at the Blue Water Resort, tonight we experience the gracious hospitality of our resort staff when they host a delicious dinner in Caper's Restaurant at the Blue Water Resort for your enjoyment! (B, D)

**Day 5:** After **breakfast** we depart for home taking with us fond memories of Cape Cod. The Cape's rich connection to New England's unique nautical history and industry, the diverse communities found on mainland and offshore, the amazing coastal scenery and beaches, and the adventure and charm experienced on the island of Nantucket combine to make this Cape Cod get-away unforgettable! **(B)** 

#### **Included:**

- Fully escorted Gunther Motor Coach transportation
- 4 nights at Blue Water Resort
- 4 breakfasts
- 2 dinners
- Guided Tours of Massachusetts, including:
  - Nantucket Island
  - Cape Cod to Provincetown
  - Hyannis
- Attractions and admissions per itinerary, including:
  - Hy-Line Ferry to Nantucket Island
  - Hyannis, Massachusetts
  - Salt Pond Visitors Center
  - National Seashore Park Sand Dunes Tour
  - Provincetown, Massachusetts
  - Dolphin Fleet Whale Watching Cruise
  - Photo-stop at John F. Kennedy Memorial
- An Afternoon at the Blue Water Resort
- Baggage handling (1) per person
- Driver, Tour Manager & Step-on Guide Gratuities

#### Price:

\$1,349.00 Double/PP \$1,219.00 Triple/PP \$1,159.00 Quad/PP \$1,769.00 Single

**Deposit:** \$125.00/PP

Balance Due: April 28, 2023

	Depart	Return
Gunther	6:00 AM	7:00 PM
Carney	6:45 AM	6:15 PM
Abingdon	7:15 AM	5:45 PM

August 6-11 (Sunday-Friday)
The Opryland Hotel in Nashville
& "Music City, U.S.A."
Nashville, Tennessee

**Day 1:** Welcome Aboard! Travel in comfort aboard our deluxe motor coach towards "**The Volunteer State**," **Tennessee**. Soon you will discover for yourself why **Nashville**, is fittingly called "**Music City, U.S.A.**". Meanwhile relax, enjoy the changing scenery and have fun with onboard activities as we travel west. After checking into our hotel in **Knoxville**, **Tennessee** for the night, enjoy **dinner** at a local restaurant. **(D)** 

Day 2: After breakfast we depart for Nashville, Tennessee. Upon our arrival we meet our step-on guide, and depart for a tour of Nashville. We will learn about Nashville's colorful history and beautiful architecture, drive by the Tennessee State Capitol, world famous Music Row, and through Centennial Park where we'll make a photo-stop at the Parthenon. The Parthenon in Centennial Park is a full-scale replica of the original Parthenon in Athens, Greece. It was designed by Confederate veteran William Crawford Smith, and built in 1897 as part of the Tennessee Centennial Exposition. Today the Parthenon, which functions as an art museum, stands as the centerpiece of Centennial Park, a large public park just west of downtown Nashville. Following our tour, we'll visit Nashville's Broadway Historic District. Explore and experience the entertainment of Broadway's vibrant musical honky-tonks, including world famous Tootsie's Orchid Lounge, restaurants, local stores, shops, and boutiques, all conveniently located within walking distance of each other. See the street where musical legends were made, and discover how the Broadway Historic District came to be known as "Honky-Tonk Highway". You will find Ernest Tubb's Record Store, Betty Boots and several Western Shops, plus, attractions like the George Jones, the Johnny Cash and the Patsy Cline Museums. Later, we check into the world-famous **Opryland** Hotel and our Atrium Garden View accommodations for the next three nights. The Opryland Hotel is more than just a hotel – it is an experience! From the moment you arrive, you will discover a unique blend of southern hospitality and sophisticated style that has established the Opryland Hotel as a world-class resort! Our rooms overlook one of the three stunning gardens, featuring tropical plants, sparkling waterfalls and indoor rivers. Enjoy the beautiful view from your private balcony! Tonight, dinner is on your own. For your convenience, there are several restaurants located within the Opryland Resort. (B)

Day 3: After breakfast we will get to see and walk in the footsteps where country superstars perform and amazing music is made every week for a national audience, when we are treated to a guided backstage tour of the Grand Ole Opry. Our backstage tour guide will share an insider's stories of the Opry House, it's place in country music, the stars, and the stage that's home to the unbroken Circle. So, enjoy a peek behind the curtain of Nashville's premier country music stage, hang out backstage, view the dressing rooms, and even stand in the famous center stage circle! Following our tour, we climb aboard the General Jackson Showboat, an authentic paddle wheel riverboat, for a 2-hour lunch cruise down the Cumberland River that includes an entertaining country music variety show. Later, we return to our hotel where you will have time to sit, relax and freshen up before going for dinner and a show. We begin with a visit to Opry Mills, Tennessee's largest outlet mall where you will find a diverse collection of great dining options to choose from for dinner on your own. Finally, we end the day on a musical note by taking our reserved seats for an evening of entertainment at the Grand Ole Opry. Don't be surprised if you see one of your favorite Grand Ole Opry members such as Connie Smith, Marty Stuart, Jeannie Seely, Bill Anderson, Pam Tillis, or Lorrie Morgan, performing tonight. (B, L)

Day 4: After breakfast you are free to design the rest of your day and do as you wish! The Opryland Resort offers you a wide variety of attractions for you to enjoy and create a day of adventure and exploration on your own. Find fun in the sun at SoundWaves (tickets are not included), Opryland's exclusive, four-acre oasis filled with indoor and outdoor play structures, slides, lazy and rapid rivers, and even the city's only double FlowRider. Take a pleasurable Delta River Flatboat ride on the scenic indoor river, which is included. Be amazed and

delighted while taking a *self-guided* tour leisurely exploring this Nashville landmark featuring majestic, climate-controlled glass atriums, surrounded by nine acres of lush indoor gardens, winding rivers and pathways, and sparkling waterfalls. Experience charming southern hospitality and marvel at the many wonders of this extraordinary hotel and the elaborate décor surrounding you. Or, you may simply wish to sit, relax and experience the serenity of this spectacular resort from your balcony room. For the convenience of those passengers who do not wish to spend the whole day at the hotel, we will offer transportation to downtown Nashville to enjoy Broadway's vibrant musical honky-tonks and live country music. Tonight, enjoy dinner *on your own* at any of the Opryland Resort's restaurants conveniently located within the resort. (B)

Day 5: After breakfast settle back, and relax in comfort aboard our deluxe motor coach and enjoy the scenery on our drive across eastern Tennessee through the Great Smoky Mountains, to reach Sevierville, Tennessee. We'll stop for lunch at Applewood Farmhouse Restaurant, a delightful complex surrounded by orchards in a serene setting in the heart of Sevierville. Located in a historic farmhouse on a working apple orchard, the restaurant serves up delicious, hearty authentic farm-style southern cuisine, with a country flare, while you relax and enjoy the serenity and beauty of the grounds. Following lunch enjoy some free time browsing and shopping at the Apple Barn Cider Mill & General Store, the candy factory, winery, creamery, and bakery all located at the farm complex. Later, we continue traveling on to our hotel accommodations in Wytheville, Virginia. A dinner stop will be made en route to Wytheville. Dinner is on your own. (B, L)

**Day 6:** After **breakfast** we depart for home taking with us amazing memories of America's "**Music City**, **U.S.A.**", its remarkable history, incredible hand-clappin', toe-tappin' contributions to the diverse American music scene, the thrill of Nashville's fun and entertaining attractions, and a beautiful architectural wonder – the Opryland Hotel! **(B)** 

#### **Included:**

- Fully escorted Gunther Motor Coach transportation
- 5 nights hotel accommodations, including:
  - 3 nights at Opryland with Atrium Garden View
- 5 breakfasts
- 2 lunches (including 1 lunch cruise)
- 1 dinner
- 2 shows, including:
  - General Jackson Showboat
  - Grand Ole Opry Show
- Guided Tour of Nashville, Tennessee
- Attractions and admissions per itinerary, including:
  - Nashville's Broadway Historic District
  - Grand Ole Opry Backstage Tour
  - Opry Mills
  - Delta River Flatboat Ride at Opryland
  - Apple Barn Cider Mill & General Store
- A Free Day at the Opryland Hotel
- Baggage handling (1) per person
- Driver, Tour Manager & Step-on Guide Gratuities

#### **Price:**

\$1,449.00 Double/PP \$1,299.00 Triple/PP \$1,219.00 Quad/PP \$1,959.00 Single

**Deposit:** \$125.00/PP

Balance Due: June 23, 2023

Depart	Return	
Gunther	6:00 AM	5:45 PM
Carney	6:45 AM	5:00 PM
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December 1-4 (Friday-Monday)

Nantucket Island Christmas Stroll & Festive Newport Mansions
Massachusetts & Rhode Island

Day 1: Welcome Aboard! Join Gunther Tours for an exciting get-away filled with holiday cheer and yuletide spirit, set against the spectacular backdrop of "The Bay State," Massachusetts and the "The Ocean State," Rhode Island. Settle back, relax and enjoy a holiday themed movie on our drive to the seaside town of West Yarmouth, Massachusetts and our accommodations at the Hampton Inn for the next two nights. After checking into our hotel, enjoy your comfortable and spacious room before departing for a delicious dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

**Day 2:** After **breakfast** we meet our **step-on guide**, and depart for a **tour of Hyannis**. Our tour includes a **photo-stop** at the **John F. Kennedy Memorial** overlooking Lewis Bay, a drive past the Kennedy Family Compound (limited views) and St. Francis Xavier Church, where the Kennedy Family worships, and more. Following our tour, we climb aboard **Steamship Authority's High-Speed Ferry** and depart for the island of **Nantucket**. Upon our arrival, you are free to enjoy your day, and do as you wish at the **49<sup>th</sup> Annual Nantucket Island Christmas Stroll**. Stroll the cobblestone streets lined with more than 160 glittering, decorated trees; listen to strolling carolers dressed in Victorian garb; enjoy the scent of wood smoke wafting through a bustling, European-style marketplace; take in the Festival of Trees at the historic whaling museum (*ticket not included*); stop by and see Santa and Mrs. Claus greeting children beside a glowing hearth. This picture-perfect backdrop makes Nantucket's annual Christmas Stroll weekend a truly enchanting experience! Enjoy lunch *on your own* at one of the many restaurants to choose from located on the island. Later we cruise back to the mainland for a delicious **dinner** at a local restaurant before returning to the hotel for a good night's sleep. **(B, D)** 

Day 3: After breakfast we depart for Newport, Rhode Island to experience the splendor of Christmas at the Mansions of Newport. The elegance of the Gilded Age is recreated as you tour three magnificent mansions – Marble House, The Elms Mansion, and The Breakers. The mansions will be beautifully decorated for the holidays with thousands of poinsettia plants, spectacular evergreens, trees, wreaths, and fresh flowers! We begin with Christmas at the Marble House. Built by Mr. William K. Vanderbilt as a birthday gift for his dynamic wife Alva, a leading hostess in Newport society who envisioned Marble House as her "temple to the arts" in America. The house contains 500,000 cubic feet of marble and a Chinese Tea House built on the seaside cliffs, where Alva hosted rallies for women's right to vote. Next enjoy a visit to the **Brick Market Place** and **Bowen's** Wharf for lunch on your own and some holiday shopping. Containing over 25 unique shops and eateries, Brick Market Place includes three parallel rows of businesses offering everything you could dream of from Fashion to Shoes to handmade Gifts and Souvenirs. Bowen's Wharf is the Anchor of the Newport Waterfront, and premiere shopping and dining destination! Along brick walks and granite quays are redeveloped 18th-century sailmaker's shops, sail-drying lofts, and a variety of commercial wharf buildings that were essential for a busy maritime wharf and the establishing of Newport as a thriving seaport in one of the finest natural harbors in New England. Here you will find fragrant soaps and body lotions, unique jewelry, the perfect Christmas gift, the latest fashions for women and men, and a diverse selection of tasty eateries and great restaurants. Later, we will add a new sparkle to your holiday tradition with a visit to The Breakers Mansion. Sparkling Lights at The Breakers features The Breakers façade bathed in color and its landscape aglow with tens of thousands of festive colored lights illuminating the paths and trees. The gardens will be decorated in different themes as holiday music fills the air. Your ticket includes admission to **The Breakers Mansion**, all decked out in yuletide finery for the holidays. The grandest mansion in all of Newport is a symbol of the Vanderbilt family's social and financial preeminence during the Gilded Age of the late 19<sup>th</sup>-century in America. Before checking into the **Holiday Inn Express** for the night, we are treated to a delicious **dinner** at a local restaurant that serves up great local flavors. **(B, D)** 

Day 4: After breakfast we visit The Elms Mansion, a French-style chateau decorated in lavish Christmas holiday splendor. The summer retreat of coal magnate Charles Berwind of Philadelphia, The Elms contained every technological marvel of its time when constructed, and features monumental Venetian wall paintings and great tapestries. The elaborate Classical Revival gardens were recently restored and display marble and bronze sculptures. Later we depart for home taking with us wonderful holiday memories of Nantucket Island's enchanting Christmas Stroll, and the magnificent glitter and sparkle of yuletide finery on display experienced at Newport's imposing stately mansions. Happy Holidays! (B)

#### **Included:**

- Fully escorted Gunther Motor Coach transportation
- 3 nights hotel accommodations
- 3 breakfasts
- 3 dinners
- Guided Tour of Hyannis, including
  - Photo-stop at John F. Kennedy Memorial
- Christmas at Mansions of Newport, including:
  - Marble House
  - The Breakers Mansion
  - The Elms Mansion
- Attractions and admissions per itinerary, including:
  - High-Speed Ferry to Nantucket Island
  - 49th Nantucket Island Christmas Stroll
  - Brick Market Place
  - Bowen's Wharf
  - Sparkling Lights at The Breakers
- Baggage handling (1) per person
- Driver, Tour Manager & Step-on Guide Gratuities

#### **Price:**

\$889.00 Double/PP \$849.00 Triple/PP \$829.00 Quad/PP \$1,069.00 Single

**Deposit:** \$125.00/PP

Balance Due: October 18, 2023

	Depart	Return
Gunther	6:00 AM	7:45 PM
Carney	6:45 AM	7:00 PM
Abingdon	7:15 AM	6:30 PM

# ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGING & DISABILITIES TRIP RULES

- All trips are open to Anne Arundel County Senior Activity Center Members. Key tags must be shown when registering for a trip.
- The Trip Leader and the Bus Driver are in charge during all trips, and their directions are to be followed by all travelers. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action including removal from the bus, and exclusion from future trips.
- Participants must be self-sufficient to go on trips. The Center Director may require a physicians' certification to approve travel.
- Anyone who exhibits inappropriate behavior must be approved by the Center Director before traveling again.
- Registration will commence upon receipt of the required deposit.
- All monies are non-refundable unless a replacement can be found from the waiting list.
- Participants must furnish their own transportation to and from meeting points.
- Seating on the Multi-Day Trips is assigned Those with mobility needs may request priority seating when making their reservations. Your seat will remain the same for the duration of the trip.
- Absolutely no smoking or alcoholic beverages on the buses.
- Trip participants will sign a Release of Liability form complete with their cell phone number before the trip departs.
- BUSES WILL NOT WAIT FOR ANYONE. Participants must adhere to scheduled arrival and departure times. Should you become disconnected from the group while on a trip, call your Trip Leader at the phone number given at the beginning of the trip.
- Due to COVID-19, face masks that cover the nose & mouth are to be worn by all travelers on the Motor Coach & inside Venues where required. Proof of full vaccination may be required by some venues or on particular trips.
  - Participants should: (1) avoid contaminating others on trip day by staying at home when suffering from communicable illnesses (e.g., flu, colds, etc.); (2) avoid causing allergic or other adverse reactions by not using strong or excessive fragrances; (3) be flexible, and; (4) under special circumstances, be prepared to accommodate room/and seatmates as assigned.

## TRIP OFFICE HOURS & RESERVATIONS

- TRIP OFFICE HOURS ARE MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 12:00 NOON. These days and hours are subject to change and any changes will be posted on the Center's website and newsletter.
- Seats will be reserved **upon receipt of the initial deposit**. PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN PERSON. Bring your key tag with you when signing up for trips.
- PAYMENTS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED DURING OFFICE HOURS UNLESS SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE IN ADVANCE.
- All trip participants, including companions for passengers needing assistance, must have a completed center membership form prior to the trip.
- If any special accommodations are needed, such as special seat assignments on the bus, or dietary restrictions, IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE TRAVELER TO INFORM THE COMMITTEE AT TIME OF PAYMENT.

## **PAYMENTS/DEPOSITS**

- It is **NOT** the responsibility of the Bus Trip and Tour Committee to notify you of final payment due dates. **PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**
- Payments for Overnight Trips must be made by Credit Card.
- Please bring name and phone number of one emergency contact (of someone not going on the trip with you) at the time of payment.
- All trips include gratuity for drivers, wait staff, etc.
- If a final payment is not received by the due date, THE GUNTHER TOURS HAS THE AUTHORITY TO CANCEL YOUR RESERVATION.
- Contact the Trip Committee if you are unable to make a payment by the due date.

## **CANCELLATION POLICY AND REFUNDS**

- ALL MONIES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE UNLESS A REPLACEMENT IS FOUND FROM THE WAITING LIST PRIOR TO THE FINAL PAYMENT DATE ON MULTI-DAY TRIPS.
- Refunds will take place after a replacement is found.
- Trips may be cancelled for lack of sufficient interest and/or by the bus company. Refunds will be made promptly.
- Trip insurance is not provided, but is highly recommended for travelers.

### **DEPARTURE PLACE / PARKING**

- PLEASE ARRIVE AT LEAST THIRTY MINUTES BEFORE DEPARTURE TIME TO CHECK-IN.
- It is your responsibility to be on time for the scheduled departures. THE MOTOR COACH WILL NOT WAIT FOR ANYONE.
- Unless otherwise noted, departures and arrivals for Multi-Day trips will be from the Gunther Charters lot "C" 7443 Shipley Ave., Harmans, MD 21077 (off Dorsey Rd. near BWI.

## **WAITING LIST**

- When a trip is full, a waiting list will be formed.
- Please add your name, phone number, and key tag number to the waiting list. The waiting list is formed on a first-come, first-served basis. When there is a cancellation, names on the waiting list will be called to try to fill that space.
- Persons on the waiting list do not pay unless they are called. When they are called to be notified of an available seat for them, then they must pay in full, by coming in person to the Trip Office.

Arnold Senior Activity Center Trip Committee A sub-committee of Arnold Seniors Inc. (ASI)

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