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The Greenbrier Resort Christmas Extravaganza

Five Day Tour ~ November 13-17, 2021

Highlights: Three Nights in the Luxurious, Five Diamond Greenbrier Resort • One Night in the Historic Hotel 24 South, Staunton, VA • Breakfast & Dinner Daily in The Greenbrier • Historic Hotel Tour & Slide Show • \$20 Free Slot Play • Afternoon Tea in The Greenbrier • Culinary, Blacksmith, & Glassblowing Demonstrations • Historic Bunker Tour • Nightly Champagne Toast • The Pennsylvania Capitol Building • Shopping in Lewisburg, West Virginia • Frontier Culture Museum • Four Breakfasts • Three Lunches • Three Dinners • Fully Escorted

The Greenbrier is regarded as one of the finest luxury resorts in America and is a place that should be visited at least once in a lifetime. Prepare to be spoiled with three nights of luxury, a holiday themed activity schedule along with daily delicious culinary delights. We'll be wowed at every turn by the extravagant Christmas decorations enveloping the resort and sprawling grounds. Even before we arrive, many interesting sights await. We'll tour one of the most palatial Capitol Buildings in the country, drive through scenic Shenandoah Valley, overnight in an historic town and step back in time at the Frontier Culture Museum. What a wonderful way to start the holiday season!

Day 1. And we're off! This morning we travel west to the capital city of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. After an included lunch, we tour an architectural treasure, the Pennsylvania State Capitol Building. As one of the most ornate state houses in the country, prepare to be amazed by its magnificence. A beautiful drive awaits! Our scenic drive through the Shenandoah Valley offers picturesque views of farmlands and the Blue Ridge and Massanutten Mountains, and leads us to charming Staunton, Virginia, a town steeped in history. Here we'll spend the night in the historic Hotel 24 South located in the heart of the downtown with plenty of restaurants for dinner on your own and shops to browse.

Day 2. This morning we will bring the past to life as we explore Staunton's Frontier Culture Museum. As we wander through the 17th and 18th century farms, we will see first-hand how our distinctive American folk culture was derived from a blending of European, African and indigenous peoples. Our exploration will take us through the story of how the thousands of people who migrated to colonial American created a life here for themselves and their descendants. Now onto our included lunch in an historic old mill where we can sit back and relax and enjoy the scenery. From here it's another scenic drive to our home for the next three evenings, The Greenbrier, an award-winning resort that will be fabulously decorated for the holiday season. This infamous historic resort with its classic architecture, exquisite interior design, and carefully sculpted landscape has hosted distinguished guests from around the world since 1778. Our next





The Greenbrier Resort at Christmastime

two days are occupied with absorbing all The Greenbrier has to offer. Each day we may choose from a variety of included activities, such as a cooking, blacksmith or glassblowing demonstration, afternoon tea, movie theater, historic tour or choose from over 55 indoor and outdoor additional activities with a fee. A \$20 casino credit per person is also included. Described as *Monte Carlo* meets *Gone with the Wind*, the Casino Club combines high-roller thrills and high-class style to create an unforgettable Greenbrier gaming experience with a complimentary nightly champagne toast. Enjoy live entertainment and boutique shopping in an elegant setting that revels in the warmth and charm of southern hospitality. Breakfast and dinner are included in the comfort of our resort during our stay.

- **Day 3.** Today we have the option to visit the nearby community of Lewisburg, a small West Virginia town that has been declared "A Perfect Retreat from Stress". We'll spend the afternoon in the historic surroundings wandering by the dozens of boutique shops, antique stores and art galleries that line the picturesque streets. There are plenty of cafes and cute restaurants to choose from to have lunch on your own.
- **Day 4.** This morning we are treated to an insightful tour of a secret place carved deep into the mountainside. Once a top-secret U.S. government relocation facility for Congress, bunker tours provide a unique and in-depth look behind the hidden doors and lets us explore an aspect of The Greenbrier that no other resort can claim. The declassified Bunker at The Greenbrier is a must-see experience that takes us behind the scenes as we walk through a fascinating period in the resort's history.
- **Day 5.** Our drive back to New Jersey returns us to the heart of the Shenandoah Valley where we have a stop in Old Town Winchester, Virginia for a stretch of our legs and included lunch. Many of the buildings in this historic district, still bustling with life, date back 250 years. A perfect farewell to our time spent steeped in history and elegance. © 2020 Group Tours & Travel

The Greenbrier Hotel experience includes dressing for the Casino Club and dinner in the evening. A jacket and tie for the gentlemen and dress or pants and a blouse for ladies are required after 6:30 PM. Resort casual, including shorts is appropriate during the day. Sneakers and jeans are not appropriate after 6:30 PM.

Departs from Ridgewood's Graydon Pool parking lot (corner of Linwood Ave. & Northern Parkway) at 8:00 AM and returns at approximately 7:00 PM

Departs from The Chatham Middle School at 480 Main Street, Chatham at 8:45 AM and returns at approximately 6:15 PM. Cars can be parked at both locations for the duration of the tour at your own risk.

Price per person is \$1,925 Twin & \$2,325 Single. No reservations accepted without a deposit of \$350 per person. Make checks payable to Group Tours & Travel, and mail to the included address. Final payment is due September 5, 2021. Deposits are fully refundable if cancelled on or before September 5, 2021. There are no refunds if cancellation occurs after September 5, 2021. Travel protection/cancellation coverage is available and recommended (cost is approximately 10% of the total cost of the tour), but not included. One piece of luggage per person and one small carry-on are permitted. Group Tours is not responsible for any delays, cancellations, injuries or circumstances beyond its control and reserves the right to change this itinerary. All trip components are subject to change in accordance with Government, State and Local guidelines and/or mandates. This tour will run rain or shine. Visit grouptoursandtravel.com for additional tours and photos.

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