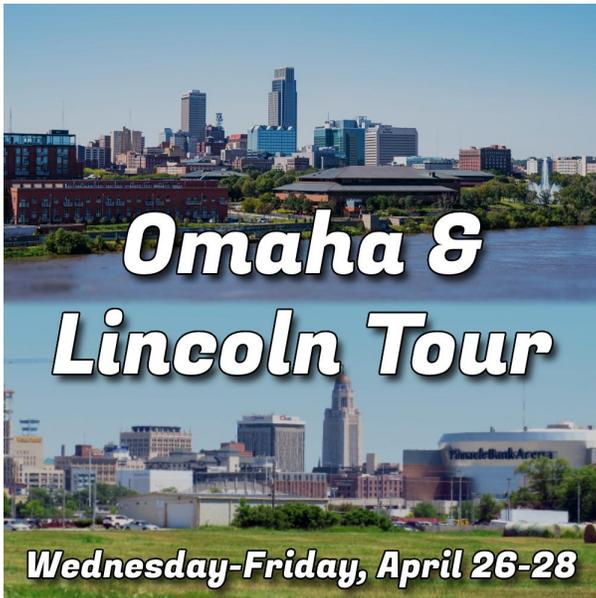


Omaha & Lincoln Tour

Wednesday-Friday, April 26-28



Since our visit to **Omaha** this past April, many have asked when we're returning. This tour may fill fast, and it clearly includes something for everyone. Our visit includes **100% new attractions**, five of seven included meals, and we're spending our second day in **Lincoln, NE**. Once again, we'll stay at the **Comfort Inn & Suites** in Omaha. Beyond that, the only familiar sites should be Norb and me. I do suggest that you bring a bag of some sort to package your purchases.

Wednesday, April 26

Our first stop will be an early fast food lunch in Orange City, IA. After lunch we'll visit **Palmer's Olde Tyme Candy Shop** (home of the Twin Bing) in Sioux City. Discover bulk goodies like chocolate covered peanuts, peppermint twists, roasted nuts, homemade brittle and sea salt caramels. The shoppe also includes a small museum that showcases historic candy making equipment and vintage photos.

After a brief drive we'll visit the **1865 Steamboat Bertrand Artifacts Museum** in Missouri Valley, IA. The Bertrand sank in the Missouri River in 1865 en route to Montana. Half of its cargo was recovered in 1968. The display makes up the largest intact collection of Civil War-era artifacts in the United States. We'll then travel to the actual location of where the Bertrand sank over 150 years ago.

We're ready to check into the **Comfort Inn & Suites**, our home for the next two evenings. After time to settle in, we'll enjoy an included **Evening Dinner Buffet**. Check out the lounge or relax in your rooms.

Thursday, April 27

After an **included hot breakfast** we're on our way to the **Fontenelle Forest Nature Center** in Bellevue, NE for a **Live Hawk & Owl Presentation**. Bring your questions and cameras for a wonderful experience. The Refuge houses 16 non-releasable raptors including some of the largest of the world in their species.

Our next stop will be **Baker's Candy Factory**, Nebraska's Largest Candy Outlet. Known for their famous chocolate meltaway, Baker's Candies started in 1987 and immediately became a staple in the sweet tooth of all Nebraskans.

Lunch and shopping will be on your own at the **Historic Haymarket District**. The name originated from the 1867 market square where hay and other items were sold. Today the warehouses have been converted to restaurants and shops. Eating establishments include Leadbelly, Lazio's Grill, Mellow Mushroom and HopCat Lincoln. If you like licorice, be sure to check out the **Licorice International Shop** which features the largest selection of licorice in the United States, including sugar-free and gluten-free items.

We'll then have a guided tour of the **International Quilt Museum**. (Not all quilts will be displayed during the annual transition period, but the museum has the world's largest publicly held quilt collection dating from the early 1700's and representing more than 60 countries.)

Our final visit in Lincoln will be the **Museum of American Speed**, voted #1 Car Attraction in the USA by USA Today. This is a fantastic collection of vehicles and auto history. There is so much to see here, whether you're really into cars or just like looking at old cars. Learn about the families of racing. The third floor contains toys the racing industry spurred and a wall of retro lunch boxes.

We'll return to the **Comfort Inn & Suites** to enjoy an included **Evening Dinner Buffet**. Check out the lounge or relax in your rooms.

Friday, April 28

Once again, we'll begin with an **included hot breakfast**. We'll be heading northeast early today to shorten the final leg of the trip home.

After we check out of the **Comfort Inn & Suites**, we'll head for the **Oscar Carl Vineyard** in Sioux City, IA where we'll taste a variety of wines produced at the vineyard. We'll learn how winery owners Roy and Melanie Olsen decided to plant 1,500 Frontenac blanc grapevines in their backyard and start their business. After the tasting we'll enjoy an included catered lunch by **Sneaky's Chicken**. Founded in 1979, Sneaky's Chicken was developed into a popular family dining establishment in the Sioux City area. The famous chicken is crispy on the outside and moist in the inside.

Our final stop is **Wells Blue Bunny Ice Cream** in Le Mars, IA. This small community of 10,000 people makes more ice cream at the Le Mars factory than any other location on earth. We'll visit the center and sample (two scoops) of their famous ice cream.

Are you ready for a nap? It's time to go home after an experience I don't think you'll forget anytime soon. I don't think anyone will be overly hungry... except for Norb.

Quad: \$389.00 • Triple: \$404.00 • Double: \$429.00 • Single: \$509.00

Departure/return times Wednesday and Friday: Cokato: 6:30 AM-7:00 PM • Howard Lake: 6:45 AM-6:45 PM • Winsted: 7:00 AM-6:30 PM • Lester Prairie: 7:15 AM-6:15 PM • Plato: 7:30 AM-6:00 PM • NYA: 7:45 AM-5:45 PM • Gaylord: 8:15 AM-5:15 PM • Winthrop: 8:30 AM-5:00 PM

To register:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone number(s): _____

Please circle: Single Double Triple Quad... Please circle: 1 bed 2 beds

Room Partner(s): _____

Special Needs: Please contact me if you have any questions pertaining to use of wheelchairs, walkers, etc. You are welcome to bring them along. However, the driver and tour director are not responsible to assist you throughout the day. You must bring a friend if you need assistance with mobility.

Deposit and Payment: A \$100.00 pp deposit is due with your registration. Final payment is due Saturday, April 1, 2023.

Cancellations: Any cancellations made prior to April 1 are fully refundable minus \$10.00 service charge. Any cancellations after April 1 are subject to penalty for any payments that have been made and \$10.00 service charge. If you are sharing a room and your partner cancels, you will be required to pay the difference for motel accommodations.

Make payment to: Community Club Tours P O Box 607 Lester Prairie, MN 55354

Chuck Thiel: 320-395-2746 (landline) 320-224-3462 (cell phone)

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