

Arabia Steamboat

4 Days / 3 Nights

Departure Date: May 17-21

Tour Code: ARAB91

DAY ONE

Settle into the coach and get ready for adventure. Early afternoon we'll pause at the awesome Potosi Brewery Museum right here in southwestern Wisconsin. This world-class brewery museum showcases fine collections of beer bottles, cans, glasses, trays and all kinds of advertising materials. We'll save time to enjoy a meal to in the unique old-world setting of the in-house restaurant. Our journey continues towards the 19th century and the start of the pioneer west. With the boom to move west well underway supplies needed to be transported to the area and the most efficient way was by steamboat. We make our way a similar path and rest our heads in much more comfort than our predecessors, at the Drury Inn & Suites in Des Moines, IA

DAY TWO — CB, D

As we hit the highway today, the main attraction we've come to view is close. Navigating the mighty Missouri River could be a dangerous undertaking. Weighed down with over 200 tons of cargo, the Arabia Steamboat hit a snag and sank to the riverbed in 1856 just outside of Kansas City, MO. After 132 years, its recovery in the middle of a farmer's field was like finding lost Egyptian treasure. From clothing, fine china and carpentry tools to guns, children's toys and the world's oldest pickles, the collection of goods, in a complete museum of its own, is sure to mesmerize us all. Later today we check into the Drury Inn, Overland Park, MO to freshen up prior to enjoying dinner and live show at the New Theatre.

DAY THREE — CB, L

Today brings more adventure as travel to nearby Independence, MO and the Truman Home & Visitor Center. Learn more about our 33rd U.S. President and tour the beautiful and prestigious Victorian home that he shared with his wife Bess and her extended family. Kansas City is world-renowned for BBQ so while we're here let's enjoy it at one of the best – Arthur Bryant. After lunch it's on to St. Joseph, MO and the intriguing Pony Express Museum. The museum explores the legend and legacy of the short-lived Pony Express Mail Service and is a testament to its enduring memory. Staying in the wild-west for a little longer, we head to the home of gunman, Jesse James in St. Joseph, MO. It was here where Bob Ford ended the notorious outlaw's life in 1882. Our full day of touring is over for the day so time to relax and unwind at the Drury Inn & Suites right here in St. Joe.

DAY FOUR — CB, L

Staying in the same century but notably not so wild, we turn back east to experience the Amana Colonies in central Iowa. Enjoy a family-style luncheon at the delightful Ox Yoke Inn before a local tour guide joins us to take us through the seven distinct villages which make up the colonies. There will be time for shopping in several resident shops displaying many handcrafted items. Tonight's overnight will be quite unique. The Hotel Millwright is a full service hotel in a reclaimed textile mill. Time to refresh before heading to the nearby Old Creamery Theatre for a live performance.

DAY FIVE — B

Before leaving the quaint Amana Colonies we depart our hotel for to enjoy breakfast at a local restaurant. We turn our sights toward home already thinking about where we will go next.

PER PERSON PRICING:

\$997 Double | \$933 Triple | \$901 Quad | \$1,224 Single

Deposit: \$200 per person within 7 days of making reservation. Final payment is due 60 days prior to departure. Luggage handling is included for one suitcase.