

Ed & Ted's Excellent Adventures presents:

NEW ORLEANS & BILOXI

ALSO FEATURING THE U.S. SPACE & ROCKET CENTER

October 22/31, 2022

10 Days / 9 Nights

\$2,099.00 per person

Double Occupancy



Your Excellent Adventure includes:

- ☞ Round Trip Deluxe Motor Coach Transportation
- ☞ One night accommodations at the **Drury Plaza Hotel** in Franklin, TN
- ☞ Two nights accommodations at the **Beau Rivage Casino Resort** in Biloxi, MS
- ☞ Three nights accommodations at the **Wyndham French Quarter** in New Orleans
- ☞ Two nights accommodations at the **Drury Inn** in Huntsville, Alabama
- ☞ One Night accommodations at the **Holiday Inn Express & Suites** in Louisville, KY
- ☞ **A Jazz Lunch Cruise** aboard the **Steamboat Natchez**
- ☞ A demonstration and dinner at the **New Orleans School of Cooking**
- ☞ **A Horse Drawn Carriage tour of the French Quarter** in New Orleans
- ☞ **Tour of Mardi Gras World**
- ☞ Tour of the **National World War II Museum**
- ☞ Admission to the **Cabildo and St. Louis Cathedral** in Jackson Square
- ☞ **Tour and lunch** at the **Houmas House Plantation**
- ☞ Admission to and tour of the **Jefferson Davis home and Library**
- ☞ **City tour of Biloxi**
- ☞ **A Shrimp Boat Tour in Biloxi**
- ☞ **Guided tour of the U.S. Space and Rocket Center** in Huntsville, AL
- ☞ **Tour of the Huntsville Botanical Gardens**
- ☞ **Tour of Burritt on the Mountain** with Spectacular views of Huntsville
- ☞ **16 Meals-5 Dinners, 2 Lunches, 9 Breakfasts**
- ☞ **An Ed & Ted's Excellent Adventures Tour Director**
- ☞ **Baggage Handling, taxes, and tips on items included**



\$50.00 Due with Registration

Final Payment Due 9/10/2022



Send Deposit and Registration to:
Portage Senior Center
320 Library Lane
Portage MI 49002
269-324-9239

RATES: \$2,099.00 Double Occupancy / \$2,799.00 Single / \$2,019.00 Triple

REGISTRATION FORM (Please print) Single__ Double__ Triple__ New Orleans-

Name _____ **Name Tag** _____

Address _____ **City** _____ **State/Zip** _____

Phone _____ **Enclosed is my deposit of \$50.00 per person for** _____ **person[s]**

Share room with _____ **Portage Senior Center** _____ **Special Needs** _____

Make checks payable to:

Day 1-Today's journey will take us to Nashville, TN and the Drury Inn & Suites.

Day 2-This morning we are headed to Biloxi and the **Beau Rivage Casino Resort**. This resort has 1740 Luxuriously Appointed guest rooms, 11 incredible restaurants, Deluxe shopping, a Tropical Outdoor Pool, Spa, Health Club and Salon, as well as the casino. You are sure to enjoy your stay here. BD

Day 3-After breakfast today we are headed **Beauvoir**. The **Beauvoir** estate is notable as the historic post-war home (1876-1889) of the former **President of the Confederate States of America, Jefferson Davis**. We will tour the home this morning as well as the **Jefferson Davis Presidential Library** located on the grounds of the Estate. This afternoon we board a Shrimping Boat for a tour in the Gulf to show us how shrimp are caught. We also have a city tour of Biloxi today. BD

Day 4-This morning after breakfast we are headed to New Orleans to board the **Natchez Riverboat** for a Jazz Brunch Cruise. This beautifully appointed 4 deck paddle wheeler will take us on a relaxing Mississippi River cruise before we head over to **Mardi Gras World** for our tour there. When you begin your Mardi Gras World tour, you'll get an overview of the history of Mardi Gras in New Orleans before their guides take us through their float den, where their artists work year-round to build spectacular floats and props. You never get this close to the floats while they're rolling in Mardi Gras parades, and this is certainly the only place to see how these amazing pieces come to life each year. Dinner this evening will be at the **New Orleans School of Cooking**. Fun is the primary ingredient at this dinner. Our dinner here this evening will be seasoned with history, trivia, and tall tales!! Our hotel for the next 3 nights is the **Wyndham French Quarter**. Located just one block from **Bourbon St.** and has an indoor pool, restaurant and bar, as well as free wifi and a fitness room. BLD

Day 5-Today we visit the **National WWII Museum**. The National WWII Museum tells the story of the American experience in *the war that changed the world*—why it was fought, how it was won, and what it means today—so that all generations will understand the price of freedom and be inspired by what they learn. Your self-guided tour here also includes the movie "**Beyond all Boundaries**" in the Solomon Victory Theatre. This afternoon will include a **Horse Drawn Carriage ride** through the French Quarter as well as a tour of the **St. Louis Cathedral** and the Cabildo. **The Cabildo** was the seat of Spanish colonial city hall of New Orleans, Louisiana, and is now the Louisiana State Museum Cabildo. It is located along Jackson Square, adjacent to St. Louis Cathedral. Dinner is on your own this evening. B

Day 6-After leaving New Orleans this morning we are headed to the Houma House Plantation for a tour and an included lunch. **Houmas House Plantation and Gardens**, between Baton Rouge and New Orleans, allows visitors to experience the life of a wealthy Sugar Baron in the 1800s. 38 acres of lush gardens also surround this Crown Jewel of the Louisiana River Rd. We will return to the hotel by mid afternoon today and you will have the rest of the day on your own to explore New Orleans. BL

Day 7-This morning we head to Huntsville, Alabama and the new Drury Inn & Suites. B

Day 8-After breakfast today, we're off to visit the **U.S. Space & Rocket Center**. Sometimes billed as "Earth's largest space museum", astronaut **Owen Garriott** described the place as, "a great way to learn about space in a town that has embraced the space program from the very beginning". The Space Center showcases rockets, achievements, and artifacts of the U.S. space program. This tour also includes a presentation in the planetarium. Today will also include a tour of the **Huntsville Botanical Gardens** as well as a visit to **Burritt on the Mountain**. Burritt on the Mountain is an open-air museum in Huntsville, Alabama. The museum grounds on Round Top Mountain, a plateau connected to Monte Sano Mountain, were the estate of local physician William Burritt, who willed his house and land to the city for use as a museum upon his death in 1955. The views of Huntsville from up here are spectacular. BD

Day 9-We start out the day today on our way to Louisville, KY and the Holiday Inn & Suites Downtown. Dinner will be at the Bristol Restaurant on Main St. and is included this evening. BD

Day 10-Homeward Bound with our new found friends and memories from another Excellent Adventure!!