



Gladstone Parks & Recreation

50+ Travel

Land of Lincoln

August 6-9, 2019

Tuesday, August 6th

Today you travel to Springfield, Illinois, home to more Lincoln sites than anywhere else in the nation. You will visit Lincoln's New Salem where you'll step back 150 years and see the way it looked when Abraham Lincoln was a young adult. Lincoln's New Salem is a reconstruction of the village where Abraham Lincoln spent his early adulthood. During his stay, Lincoln earned a living as a shopkeeper, soldier in the Black Hawk War, general store owner, postmaster, land surveyor, and rail splitter, as well as doing odd jobs around the village. Dinner is included this evening at a Springfield, Illinois restaurant. Your hotel for the next three nights is the President Abraham Lincoln Doubletree Hotel. (*Dinner is included today*).

Wednesday, August 7th

A full day of touring is in store. You will visit the Lincoln Home National Historic Site. Constructed in 1839 and beautifully restored to its 1860 appearance, the 12-room, Greek Revival house was Abraham and Mary Lincoln's home for 17 years. The ranger-led tour looks at the Lincoln family in the seventeen years they resided in the house. You will also visit the Old State Capitol. Lincoln visited the building frequently as both a lawyer and a politician, serving in the building during his last term in the Illinois House of Representatives and delivering the famous 1858 "House Divided" speech in Representatives Hall, and using the governor's rooms as a headquarters during the 1860 presidential campaign. The building was the scene of the assassinated President's final laying-in-state on May 3-4, 1865. You will tour the Illinois Governor's Mansion. Following recent restoration, the Governor's Mansion is more beautiful than it's ever been in its 160+ years. The mansion has been occupied by every Governor since January 1856. Tonight you will have dinner a Maldaner's Restaurant and enjoy a special appearance by Abe and Mary. (*Breakfast and dinner are included today*).

Thursday, August 8th

This morning you will visit the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum. This state-of-the-art facility was carefully designed with exacting historical detail. Amazingly well-preserved artifacts tell the entire life story of our nation's 16th President.

Dedicated to the life and legacy of Abraham Lincoln, the Presidential Museum, unlike any other in the U.S., features high-tech exhibits, interactive displays, and multimedia programs, as well as a reproduction of the White House as it looked in 1861. The museum ranks as one of the most visited presidential libraries. You will visit the Lincoln Tomb State Historic Site, the final resting place of Abraham Lincoln, his wife Mary, and three of their four sons. Next, you will visit Edwards Place, built in 1833 and remodeled in 1857; it's an historic house museum that tells the story of social and domestic life in Abraham Lincoln's Springfield, Illinois. Restored to its antebellum glory, this Italianate mansion was once a center for social activity in Springfield. Prominent citizens and politicians such as Lincoln, Stephen A. Douglas, David Davis, and numerous governors, judges, lawyers, and politicians were entertained at lavish dinner parties, and the grounds played host to many summer picnics and political rallies. *(Breakfast and dinner are included today).*

Friday, August 9th

Today you journey back to Gladstone with fond memories of a wonderful trip. *(Breakfast and lunch are included today).*

**Per Person Tour Price: \$765.00 Double
 \$955.00 Single**

Price includes motor coach transportation, hotel accommodations, tours, 7 meals, and driver's gratuity. A deposit of \$50.00 per person is required to hold space, with final payment due May 31st.

A full refund will be issued in the event of a trip cancellation due to insufficient enrollment. Refunds are available up to the final payment date; a \$5.00 processing fee will be deducted. If you have to cancel after final payment has been made, we will get back for you what we can, it is at the discretion of the hotel, restaurants and attractions.

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