



Opryland Country Christmas

Day 1 (L)

Step aboard our deluxe motor coach and enjoy the company of friends old and new as we make our way to **Paducah, KY** where we will take a short tour of this famous river town before enjoying lunch at the **Whaler's Catch**.

Later this afternoon we arrive in *Music City*, **Nashville, TN**. Our elegant home for the next three nights will be the beautiful **Opryland Hotel**. During the Christmas season something enchanting and delightful happens at the Opryland Hotel – the hotel, in all its magnificence, is transformed by the sparkle and spirit of Christmas past. You can't help but catch the Christmas spirit amidst the magnificent decorations, displays and entertainment surrounding you at every turn.

Also in the hotel are the Conservatory and Cascades lobbies, tropical wonderlands featuring more than 8,200 plants representing 449 species. Picture yourself walking through a 60-foot mountain where three waterfalls, ranging up to 35 feet tall, rumble from the top of the Cascades Mountain into a lake below.

Enjoy dinner at one of the many wonderful restaurants at the hotel before we make our way to the famous **Grand Ole Opry** for an evening of lively country music entertainment.

Day 2 (D)

Today we start the day with a **guided tour of Nashville**. Highlights of the tour include the Ryman Auditorium, former home of the Grand Ole Opry; downtown Nashville; the capitol and the Parthenon, the world's only full-size replica of the beautiful Athenian Temple. We'll also see the homes of famous artists such as Webb Pierce, Ronnie Milsap, Tammy Wynette and Waylon Jennings.

This afternoon you will have time to have lunch and shop along Nashville's historic **Second Avenue**. Here you will find the popular **Wildhorse Saloon**, which features a full lunch menu and complimentary dance lessons! Then we're off to experience **ICE!** Each year at the Gaylord Opryland, visitors enjoy an extravagant exhibit of carvings, sculptures and three-dimensional holiday-themed displays all made of ice! You'll also be able to browse through the magnificent **Hall of Trees** with more than 25 beautifully decorated Christmas trees. Tonight our group will enjoy an elaborate dinner at the hotel followed by exciting entertainment by **Louise Mandrell**.

Day 3 (L, D)

Spend your morning at the hotel enjoying **Treasures for the Holidays**. You're sure to find the perfect gift at this expansive craft show. Then we're on our way to the beautiful **General Jackson Showboat**. We'll have lunch and be treated to lively musical entertainment and comedy as we cruise along the Cumberland River. There will be time to rest and explore at the hotel before we depart for a wonderful evening. We begin with a delicious dinner at the **Santa Fe Cattle Company**. Then we'll take our seats for a performance of the **Radio City Christmas Spectacular**, featuring the world famous **Rockettes**.

Day 4 (L)

Enjoy a leisurely morning exploring the holiday wonders to be found at the Opryland Hotel before we begin our drive home. We'll be stopping along the way in **Grand Rivers, KY** at the award-winning **Patti's 1880's Settlement** for a great lunch and time to browse through the shops that will be brimming with holiday gifts. Late this afternoon we will return home filled with the spirit of the holiday season!

