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ALL SHOOK UP WITH ELVIS IN MEMPHIS!

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Come get "All Shook Up" with us as we travel to Memphis, Home of the Blues and the Birthplace of Rock 'n' Roll! From Elvis Presley's Graceland Mansion to Beale Street to Sun Records to the Rock 'n' Soul Museum, this tour covers a variety of the essential attractions to experience while in Memphis, plus an overnight stay at the famous Opryland Resort in Nashville. "Don't Be Cruel" and miss out on this trip guaranteed to be a rockin' good time!

Departure/return times and pickup locations are as follows:

	<u>DEPART</u>	<u>RETURN</u>
Kohl's, Westminster Rt. 140 & Market St. (Rear of parking lot)	6:30 A.M.	5:00 P.M.
Vanessa's Corner Pub (VCP), Taylorsville at Rts. 26 & 27 (Drop-off/pick-up only)	6:45 A.M.	4:45 P.M.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20: We will travel to Tennessee today making breakfast and lunch stops en route. Late this afternoon, we will check into our overnight accommodations at:

BEST WESTERN PLUS (423)587-2400
 130 Cracker Road
 Morristown, Tennessee 37815



Dinner will be at your leisure this evening at Cracker Barrel with a gift card included towards your meal.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21: Following breakfast at the hotel, we will depart for Nashville. Have lunch on your own in the vibrant downtown area. Then, enjoy a self-guided visit at the **Country Music Hall of Fame**, the definitive home of America's music, safeguarding more than 2.5 million priceless artifacts, including countless recordings and photographs, numerous stage costumes, musical instruments, and more. We will check into our beautiful accommodations this afternoon at the amazing:

GAYLORD OPRYLAND RESORT (615) 889-1000
 2800 Opryland Drive
 Nashville, Tennessee 37214

Expect an extraordinary experience at the Opryland Hotel during your stay. Explore the vast property featuring 17 unique eateries, shopping, indoor/outdoor pools, and an impressive nine acres of lush, indoor gardens and cascading waterfalls. Dinner will be on your own at one of the restaurants on property, before we attend the famous **Grand Ole Opry**, the show that made country music



famous! What began as a simple radio broadcast in 1925 is today a live entertainment phenomenon. Unlike a typical concert, the Opry features a dynamic lineup of eight or more artists on each show, which gives the audience a sample of several artists' musical style.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22: After breakfast at the hotel, we will depart for Tupelo, Mississippi, making a lunch stop en route, where we will visit **Elvis Presley's Boyhood Home & Museum**. The Elvis Presley Birthplace offers a uniquely human perspective on the life of the man who changed American music and inspired generations of performers and artists. In addition to the house, the memorial complex features a museum, a statue of Elvis Presley during childhood and other interpretive displays. We will then head to Memphis where we will check into our luxurious accommodations for the next three nights at:

GUEST HOUSE HOTEL AT GRACELAND (901) 443-3000
3600 Elvis Presley Blvd.
Memphis, Tennessee 38116

Opened in late 2016, the Guest House Hotel is an unprecedented resort experience inspired by Elvis Presley, located just a few steps from the gates of the iconic Graceland Mansion. This world-class resort reflects Elvis' personal style and the unique charm of Graceland, and is inspired by the warm hospitality that Elvis always showed his guests. The Southern hospitality, royal treatment and luxurious amenities offered by the hotel would make the king proud! Dinner will be on your own this evening at one of the restaurants on property.

MONDAY, AUGUST 23: After breakfast at the hotel, we will depart with a local guide for a **city sightseeing tour of Memphis**, the Bluff City. Along the tour, we will make a stop at the **Peabody Hotel** to see the famous Duck March which began back in the 1930s and has since become an internationally famous Peabody tradition. Another highlight of the tour will be a stop at the Danny Thomas/ALSAC Pavilion, located on the campus of **St. Jude Children's Research Hospital**, which commemorates the life of Danny Thomas and the history of ALSAC and St. Jude's, learn the history surrounding the founding of St. Jude, and the institution's accomplishments in the fight against catastrophic childhood diseases. Lunch will be on your own at **Crosstown Concourse**, the 1.5 million square-foot former home of the 1927 Sears distribution center. It has been newly redeveloped into a vertical urban village anchored in arts, education and healthcare, featuring numerous eateries with fresh, handcrafted, & locally sourced food, in addition to numerous retail establishments. Afterwards, we will tour **Sun Records Recording Studio**, the birthplace of rock 'n roll. The most famous recording studio in the world, built of blend-right-in brick and tucked into an intersection, was opened by Sam Phillips in 1950. Hear stories and music of some of the legendary artists who recorded here including Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and many more. We will then tour the **Rock & Soul Museum** which will have you tapping your toes as you discover Memphis' history of blues, rock and soul music. More than 100 songs will bring liveliness to the displays as you learn about the pioneers like BB King and Muddy Waters who put Memphis on the map. We will stop at the **Memphis Pyramid**, initially known as the Great American Pyramid, originally built as a 20,142-seat arena which opened in 1991. The expansive 535,000-square-foot Pyramid now offers a new, immersive retail experience with a Bass Pro Shops mega-store featuring many experiences and features that offer something for everyone including The Lookout at the Pyramid & 28-Story Freestanding Elevator & Glass Observation Deck, the new Ducks



Unlimited Waterfowling Heritage Center, an aquarium and fish feeding, archery range & pistol range, a full-service hotel, and a nautical-themed restaurant. This evening, we will have dinner at **King's Palace Cafe** on famous **Beale Street** complete with live Blues entertainment. On **Beale Street**, Tennessee's most visited attraction and America's most iconic street, you will hear music streaming from every open door, tributes to music legends along its cobblestone walkways, and reminders of the city's rich heritage everywhere you look.



TUESDAY, AUGUST 24: This morning after breakfast at the hotel, we will visit the **National Civil Rights Museum**, which first opened in 1991 with a focus on education of the history of the American civil rights movement. The museum offers 260 artifacts, more than 40 films, oral histories, and interactive media that guide visitors through five centuries of history — from the beginning of the resistance during slavery, through the Civil War and Reconstruction, the rise of Jim Crow, and the seminal events of the late 20th century that inspired people around the world to stand up for equality. Then, it's off to experience **Elvis Presley's Graceland!** In the **mansion**, you will explore the personal side of Elvis Presley with an audio-guided tour which includes the living room, his parents' bedroom, the kitchen, TV room, pool room, the famous Jungle Room, his father's office, the newly-enhanced Trophy Building, the Racquetball Building – newly-restored to how it looked in 1977, and Meditation Garden. Enjoy full access to the all-new **Elvis Presley's Memphis**, a state-of-the-art entertainment and exhibit complex over 200,000-square-foot in size, which enables you to follow the life path that Elvis took, surround yourself with the things that he loved, and experience the sights and sounds of the city that inspired him. Experience Elvis' life and career like never before – his roots, his influences and his artistry. The Elvis Presley's Memphis experience includes the **Elvis the Entertainer Career Museum** featuring hundreds of artifacts and photos from significant events in his life, the extensive Graceland Archives, including Elvis' amazing collection of gold and platinum records, his stunning jumpsuits, and other clothing, memorabilia from his movies, and more; **Presley Motors Automobile Museum**, where you can walk among some of Elvis' favorite automobiles, including his iconic Pink Cadillac, Stutz Blackhawk, 1956 Cadillac Eldorado, Dino Ferrari, Mercedes Benz limousine, Rolls Royce sedans and more; and the **Elvis Discovery Exhibits** showcasing Elvis' influences, important facets of his incredible life, and his role in launching a music and pop culture revolution. Enjoy a self-guided tour of **Elvis' Airplanes** as you step aboard Elvis' customized airplanes to see how he traveled in luxury. The *Lisa Marie* includes a living room, conference room, private bedroom and features gold-plated seatbelts, leather-covered tables and 24-karat gold-flecked sinks. Plus, you can take a glimpse at Elvis' smaller Lockheed Jetstar, the *Hound Dog II*. Dinner will be at your leisure this evening.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25: Following breakfast and check-out, we will depart Memphis for a day of travel to Abingdon, Virginia making lunch & rest stops en route. Upon arrival, we will check into our historic overnight accommodations which combine Southern charm with modern elegance at: **THE MARTHA WASHINGTON INN** (276)628-3161
150 West Main Street
Abingdon, Virginia 24210
Dinner this evening will be included at the hotel.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26: After breakfast, we will depart our hotel making lunch & rest stops en route as we travel home with fond memories of our rockin' good time in Tennessee!

PRICE PER PERSON:

SINGLE	\$2,290.00	(PRICE INCLUDES: motorcoach transportation,
DOUBLE	\$1,850.00	lodging, luggage handling, 6 breakfasts, 3 dinners,
TRIPLE	\$1,740.00	tax & gratuities on meals included, admissions,
QUAD	\$1,690.00	show, guided tour & guide gratuity)

A DEPOSIT OF \$400 PER PERSON IS REQUIRED WITHIN TWO WEEKS OF BOOKING. ALL RESERVATIONS AND FINAL PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY JULY 7, 2021. Payment can be made by cash, check or money order and mailed to our office at above address. Luggage tags and final itineraries are mailed about 2 weeks prior to the trip. Bills are not mailed for balances due, however, courtesy calls as a reminder will be made in case payment is not received by due date.

In the event of a cancellation, any non-refundable expenses for package inclusions such as reserved seat tickets, admissions, meals, or lodging may be forfeited. Rills will guarantee full refund only if the cancelled reservations can be resold to another customer. In the event where travel companions sharing the same room should need to cancel one or more persons in that room, the remaining passengers will be responsible for paying the supplemental charge to change occupancy.

We strongly suggest purchasing trip cancellation insurance which is available through Travel Guard Insurance. For specific questions regarding cancellation insurance, call Travel Guard at (800)826-1300. You will need to refer to Agency #50810 (Rill's Bus Service as agent). All policies will need to be quoted and/or purchased electronically, or by calling the 24-hour service center (paper applications are no longer accepted). Insurance coverage information will be mailed to you upon request to Rill's Bus Service.

Our motorcoach is equipped with restroom, reclining seats, air-conditioning/heating as needed, luggage compartments, and electrical outlets. Smoking of any kind is strictly prohibited onboard the motorcoach. The consumption of alcoholic beverages by any tour member while onboard our coach is also strictly prohibited. While every reasonable effort will be made to handle your luggage carefully, Rill's Bus Service will not assume any liability for lost or damaged luggage, due to breakage, theft, hotel or carrier handling, fair wear and tear, etc.

CASUAL CLOTHING is appropriate for the entire tour. Comfortable walking shoes are highly recommended.

Rill's Bus Service reserves the right to change itineraries and reservations at their discretion, with or without notice, if in the best interest of the customer and to improve the quality of the tour, which could be necessary for a variety of reasons including, but not limited to, local weather conditions, cancellations/substitutions for trip inclusions made by outside vendors, and/or any other circumstances beyond their control. Rill's Bus Service acts only as an

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