

SAMPLE TOUR OPTION: VISIT MERCER COUNTY PA



"Welcome to Our Neighborhood" and experience some of the local treasures that put us on the map!

Day One - Arrive in Mercer County

Wendell August Forge -Creating handcrafted metal gift-ware since 1923, Wendell August produces unique heirloom gifts for all of life's special moments. Groups will enjoy watching skilled artisans and craftsman create one of a kind made in the USA gifts. The history center and Flagship store are located in the same building.

Meet the farmer! **Apple Castle** a sixth generation family farm growing quality fruit since 1861, located in the heart of Western Pennsylvania's Amish Country. Open year round, the Apple Castle is a well-known local landmark that features home grown, quality fruits and vegetables. Fresh, sweet cider and home-made donuts are famous.

Avenue of 444 Flags and War on Terror Veterans Memorial - Join your Step-on-Guide for a tour of one of America's historical treasures. The guided tour will explain the history of the world's largest display of American Flags. You will also learn about the War on Terror Veterans Memorial that honors American Military Personnel who have given the ultimate sacrifice for the United States of America.

Thyme in Your Kitchen - Lunch - Introduce your group to the culinary arts of menu planning, chopping, mixing, baking and sautéing with hands on experience at Thyme in Your Kitchen. Your group along with a chef will create a meal from start to finish and then enjoy the savory food.

Chocolate Candy Store visit! **Daffin's Candies** and **Philadelphia Candies** - Daffin's Candies, the world's largest candy store features a wonderful selection of homemade chocolates, candies, cards, and gifts since 1949 and is home of the "Chocolate Kingdom." Taste Philadelphia Candies' fine products and you will enjoy the quality of decades of manufacturing expertise. They select the finest quality ingredients available from around the world.

Mercer shopping wouldn't be complete with out a stop at **Kraynaks- Your Store For All Seasons!**

For over 50 years, visitors from around the world have come to find the finest seasonal decorations, gifts, toys, floral arrangements, and plants for every occasion.

Downtown Sharon PA with stops at **Reyers Shoe Store** and **The Winner**. Reyers Shoe Store with over 100,000 pairs of shoes is recognized as the world's largest shoe store. You're sure to find the perfect fit. Discover three floors of savings at The Winner, the world's largest off price women's fashion store.

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Dinner and tour: **Tara – A Country Inn** - Tara-A Country Inn a 1854 Greek-Revival style mansion inspired by the movie Gone With The Wind. Tara offers you a lasting impression of Southern Hospitality and a chance to enjoy the luxuries of days gone by. Your group will have a guided tour of this 1854 mansion and enjoy a sumptuous family-style meal. Group overnight available Sunday through Thursday.

Overnight at hotel

Day two - Depart hotel

Linesville Spillway - located in the Pymatuning State Park the largest man made body of water in Pennsylvania, is the perfect location to observe ducks, geese, and carp. There are so many carp that the ducks literally walk on their backs. This is a must see attraction. We will provide bread to feed the fish!

Keystone Safari - Enjoy access to incredible encounters with our animals. You're invited to touch and experience many up-close interactions with some fascinating animals.

Lunch

Grove City Premium Outlets - western Pennsylvania's premiere shopping destination with over 120 of the hottest brand name stores including Coach, Kate Spade New York, J. Crew, The North Face, Under Armour, Michael Kors, and Nike. The open air mall is easily accessible located just off I-79, 3 miles south of I-80 serving Pittsburgh, Youngstown and Erie.

Waterfire Sharon, PA - Add this event to your "Must Do" list!

WaterFire Sharon incorporates over fifty sparkling bonfires ablaze on the Shenango River emitting the fragrant scent of aromatic cedar and pine as silhouettes of fire tenders pass by the flames. The day will be filled with enchanting music and diverse performers from around the globe engaging all the senses and emotions of those who watch. Visitors will experience interactive exhibits, art, fire performers, musical groups, professional vocalists, food and other quality entertainment. Each WaterFire event starts at 2:00 PM with the much anticipated lighting of the braziers at dusk.

Depart Mercer - we hoped you enjoyed your visit and will return soon.



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