



Grand Missouri Mystery

Day 1 – Jefferson City, MO

9:00 am – Begin in Jefferson City with a tour of the **Missouri State Penitentiary**

Take your group “Inside the Walls” of this Penitentiary built 100 years before Alcatraz. Decommissioned in 2004, the history inside the walls is quite interesting and colorful. Among the infamous inmates over the years were Pretty Boy Floyd, Sonny Liston, and James Earl Ray. Your group will learn what life was like for the inmates and see artifacts from the prison factories with a tour of this historic prison.

11:00 am – **Lunch on own**

12:30 pm – **Native Stone Winery & Bull Rock Brewery**

After lunch enjoy a tour and wine tasting at the Native Stone Winery or some brew at the Bull Rock Brewery. The winery and brewery sit on a bluff overlooking the Missouri River where Lewis & Clark noted a projecting rock in their journal. This location was later named “Bull Rock” by riverboat captains that traveled the Missouri River.

2:00 pm – **Capitol Tour**

A tour of the Missouri Capitol which was built in 1917 features the art of Thomas Hart Benton, commissioned in 1935 to paint a mural in the House Lounge. Benton is known for his vibrant paintings depicting the people of the region. The mural covers four walls and brought a lot of controversy among the legislators at the time Benton was working on it.

3:45 pm – **Central Dairy**

Take an afternoon break at Central Dairy for ice cream. Central Dairy has been serving ice cream since 1932 and has been a favorite of locals from generation to generation.

4:30 pm – **Check into one of Jefferson City’s hotels**

6:00 pm – **Dinner on your own at one of Jefferson City’s many restaurants**

Day 2 – Jefferson City, MO – Fulton, MO - Hermann, MO

8:00 am – **Depart Jefferson City for Fulton**

9:00 am – **National Churchill Museum**

Make special arrangements for you group to have tea at the National Churchill Museum located on the campus of Westminster College in Fulton, where Churchill gave his famous “Iron Curtain” speech. The National Churchill Museum presents the impact

Churchill had during World War II as he led the British military. Not only will your group hear the sights and sounds of a London air raid, but can listen to the wit and humor of Churchill as they tour the museum housed in a 12th century church that was brought from London to Fulton.

10:45 am – Depart

11:45 am – **Hermann City Tour**

Enjoy the old world charm of Germany as you begin the group's time in Hermann with a guided city tour. On the banks of the Missouri River with spectacular views and over 100 historic buildings, you may find that the area symbolizes Germany's Rhine River Valley.

12:30 pm – **Lunch on own Hermann**

2:00 pm – **Historic Hermann's Museum at the Old German School**

After lunch, the group will learn more of Hermann's German heritage as they visit the museum's exhibits that include items from the school which dates back to 1871, as well as artifacts that present the history of the riverboats of the Missouri River.

3:30 pm – **Tin Mill Brewing Company**

Tour Tin Mill, where their beer is crafted and brewed as it was in old world Germany. Your guide will explain the process as you tour the facility and cellars before enjoying some sampling of their smooth tasting beer.

5:00 pm – **Stone Hill Winery Tour & Dinner**

Stone Hill offers a spectacular view of Hermann as it sits on a hill overlooking the city. Start with a guided tour of the winery and its cellars before an included dinner at Stone Hills Vintage 1847 Restaurant.

7:00 pm – **Check into one of Hermann's hotels**

Day 3 – Hermann, MO – Florida MO – Hannibal, MO

8:30 am – **Depart Hannibal for Florida, MO**

10:00 am – **Mark Twain Birthplace**

This morning your group will enjoy the natural beauty of Missouri at the Mark Twain State Park near Florida, MO. It is here where Samuel Clemens was born in 1835 in a two room cabin. Visit the cabin and see many personal items of Clemens including a handwritten manuscript of *Tom Sawyer*.

11:00 am – **Depart for Hannibal, MO**

11:45 am – **Arrive Hannibal to be welcomed by Tom & Becky**

Each year the youth of Hannibal compete for the title of "Tom & Becky" from Mark Twain's "*Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*" and the privilege of being Ambassadors for Hannibal. Tom and Becky will meet the bus and welcome your travelers to Hannibal.

12:00 pm – **Lunch at Ole Planters Café**

Include lunch or let them dine on their own at Old Planters Café known for their homemade pie.

1:15 am – **Mark Twain Clapper**

Get an introduction to Hannibal with a narrated horse drawn wagon tour of the historic district.

2:00 pm – **Mark Twain Boyhood Home & Museum Properties**

Spend the afternoon exploring the area that was the inspiration of many of Samuel Clemens writings as a self guided tour takes the group through the Boyhood Home of Mark Twain, the Huck Finn House, Grant's Drug Store, and Becky Thatcher's House.

3:30 pm – **Mark Twain Dinette**

Take a break this afternoon at the Mark Twain Dinette for a float made with their homemade Root Beer

4:30 pm – **Check into one of Hannibal's hotels**

6:30 pm – **Mark Twain Riverboat Dinner Cruise**

Enjoy a relaxing evening with a dinner cruise on the Mississippi River aboard a paddleboat similar to those that traveled the river during the days of Huck Finn.

Day 4 – Hannibal, MO – Marceline, MO

8 am – **Depart Hannibal for Marceline, MO**

9:30 am – **Arrive Marceline, MO “Home of Walt Disney”**

Begin with a tour of Marceline where a local guide will show the group where Disney lived during his childhood and the town that was the model for Disneyland's Main Street USA.

10:00 am – **Walt Disney Hometown Museum, Barn and Dreaming Tree**

Learn more about Disney as the group visits the Walt Disney Museum, the barn when Disney and his sister played as children and the Dreaming Tree where he spend many afternoons pondering on daydreams and thoughts.