

# **Northern Kentucky**

## Featuring The Ark Encounter & Creation Museum

5 Days November 3 – 7, 2025

#### Monday, November 3

Depart Central New York aboard a **deluxe motorcoach** from Hale Transportation. Travelers can leave their vehicle parked at the bus company in Clinton. We may add a pick-up in Utica and/or Rome by request. *Tours By Design assumes no risk for vehicles left in any location.* 

Appropriate stops will be made enroute. Our overnight is at the **Comfort Inn & Suites**, Dover, Ohio. Tonight enjoy **dinner and guided tour** at **Ernest Warther Museum & Gardens**. Learn about the life and work of Mooney Warther, a world-renowned carver, featuring his steam engine carvings, his wife Frieda's button collection, and The Warther family home. **(D)** 

#### Tuesday, November 4

Breakfast included at the hotel before check-out and departure. Early afternoon arrive in Petersburg, Kentucky, home to the **Creation Museum**. This state-of-the-art 75,000-square-foot museum brings the pages of the Bible to life, casting its characters and animals in dynamic form and placing them in familiar settings. Prepare to believe! Included with admission is the museum's walk through, Special Effects Theater, Botanical Gardens and Petting Zoo.

Later, check into the **Fairfield Hotel**, Newport, KY for two nights. **Dinner** is included at the **Hofbrauhaus** for the best in authentic Bavarian food. **(B,D)** 

#### Wednesday, November 5

**Breakfast** included at the hotel before today's amazing visit to the **Ark Encounter**. The largest timber-frame structure is 510-feet long, seven stories high, and is an exact replica of Noah's Ark according to the book of Genesis. This beautiful piece of architecture is filled with state-of-the-art exhibitions to tell the true story of Noah and the flood. The visit is self-guided so you can go at your own pace. There are no steps to navigate, it's all ramps, and benches line the entire length of the structure so you can rest. But do wear comfortable shoes as this does involve a lot of walking. The Ararat Ridge Zoo, animal shows, stage shows, carousel rides, and kangaroo walkabout are all included in your Ark admission. Camel rides, Virtual Reality ride and other options are available for an additional fee. Scooters are available to rent.

After a full day at the Ark, return to the hotel for a short rest and prepare for tonight's **BB Riverboat Captain's Dinner Cruise**. Discover an enchanting evening on the Ohio River with city lights, delicious dining, and dancing for a perfect ending to a full day. **(B,D)** 

### Thursday, November 6

After checking out of the hotel we'll have a unique **Breakfast with the Penguins** at **Newport Aquarium**! There will be a Biologist presentation and then early admission to view the exhibits during a self-guided tour before the Aquarium opens to the public. You won't soon forget this experience!

As we head toward home an overnight stop will be at the **Drury Inn & Suites Cleveland/Beachwood**. Enjoy the complimentary Drury Kickback Reception
(most folks make a dinner out of this!) and if you choose, **Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurant** is adjacent to the hotel. **(B,Reception)** 

#### Friday, November 7

**Breakfast** at the hotel before check-out. Count on a **SURPRISE** stop along the way home! **(B)** 

\*A timed itinerary will be sent when departure locations are determined.

#### **COST PER PERSON:**

TWIN OCCUPANCY \$1499.00 TRIPLE/QUAD OCCUPANCY \$1400.00 SINGLE OCCUPANCY \$1739.00

**TOUR INCLUDES:** Round trip transportation via deluxe motorcoach, tour escort, 4 nights accommodations, 4 breakfasts, 3 dinners including one dinner cruise, attractions and admissions as found in bold print on the itinerary. **Not included**: Optional but customary gratuity for driver and escort, housekeeping gratuity.

RESERVATION & PAYMENT: \$100.00 deposit per person within two weeks of reservation refundable until September 3, 2025 less a \$5.00 service fee. Balance/full payment by September 3, 2025 at which time all payments become non-refundable. Payment only by check or money order to *Tours By Design*. (\$25.00 fee for returned checks). Sorry, no credit cards. Travel insurance is strongly encouraged. Find a link to Allianz Global Assistance on our website, or call Allianz at 1-800-284-8300 and provide ACCAM# F032835, or purchase insurance wherever you choose. \*Reservation requests after September 3 are subject to availability, and may incur additional charge.

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