

# LANCASTER AND LONGWOOD GARDENS (TMC1923)

# **DECEMBER 2-4, 2025**

#### **INCLUDES:**

- Roundtrip motorcoach transportation from Buffalo, Rochester, or Syracuse
- 2-nights hotel accommodations
- 4 meals: 2 breakfasts, 1 lunch, and 1 dinner
- Holiday show at Dutch Apple Theatre
- Deck the Halls holiday musical show at American Music Theatre
- Visit Longwood Gardens for a self-guided tour
- Experience the magic of A Longwood Christmas with Longwood Reimagined
- Chalk Talk at Elva's Studio
- Free time in Lititz for shopping and exploring
- Baggage handling (1 piece per person)
- Services of a AAA Group Travel Tour Host
- Services and Gratuities for a Professional Motorcoach Driver
- All applicable taxes, fees, and included meal gratuities

## **ACTIVITY LEVEL: 2**

**COMFORTABLE:** easy pace; some stairs and standing; short duration walks typically on level terrains. some physical activity required including independently boarding/disembarking motorcoach and managing one's own baggage.

# **HOTEL(S):**

Best Western - Intercourse, PA (2 nights)



## **PRICING:**

Double	\$819
Single	\$1,059
Triple	\$749
Quad	\$719
Optional Pre-Paid AAA Group Travel Tour Host Gratuity	\$12

Rates and inclusions are per person based on occupancy and include AAA Member Discount. \$350 per person deposit due at time of booking. Final payment due by October 15, 2025.

**NOTE:** This tour is booked as the above inclusions state. It is possible due to unforeseen circumstances that some inclusions may change in future months. Should that happen, AAA Group Travel will take all necessary steps to find a suitable replacement for the tour.

## **PICK-UP LOCATIONS:**

Buffalo	Rochester	Syracuse
AAA Administrative Office	RIT Inn & Conference Center	Syracuse Doubletree Hotel
100 International Dr.	5257 West Henrietta Rd.	6301 State Route 298
Williamsville	Henrietta	East Syracuse

# **CANCELLATION POLICY:**

AAA recommends the purchase of Allianz Global Assistance products to protect your trip investment. Day of Deposit to 9-1-2025 / \$150 Admin Fee Per Person 9-2-2025 to 10-15-2025 / Loss of Deposit Per Person 10-16-2025 to Day of Departure / 100% Non-Refundable Per Person



# **TENTATIVE ITINERARY**

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Tuesday, December 2 – Thursday, December 4, 2025

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Early morning boarding begins at AAA Travel & Insurance Center, 100 International Dr, Williamsville, NY.

Early morning boarding begins at RIT Inn & Conference Center, 5257 W Henrietta Rd, Henrietta, NY. A brief rest stop will be made en route.

Early morning boarding begins at a **NEW LOCATION as of March 1, 2025**: Syracuse DoubleTree Hotel, 6301 State Route 298, East Syracuse, NY (Carrier Circle). Rest/meal stops will be made en route at your own expense.

Check-in for your two-night stay at Best Western Intercourse in Intercourse, PA. Baggage handling is included.

Enjoy an included **buffet dinner** at Dutch Apple Theater in Lancaster, PA. Dinner includes a full salad bar, classic American favorite entrees, potato and vegetable side dishes, and a dessert buffet.

Enjoy *The Holiday Inn* at Dutch Apple Theater. Jim and Linda transform a farmhouse into an inn celebrating every holiday with thrilling dance numbers, laugh-out-loud comedy, and a parade of Irving Berlin hits in this heartwarming, high energy tap dance extravaganza. But what happens when Jim's best friend tries to lure Linda away with promises of being his new Hollywood dance partner? Hear favorites like "Blue Skies," "Easter Parade," "Heat Wave," "White Christmas," and more.

#### Wednesday, December 3, 2025

Enjoy an included hotel breakfast buffet at your leisure.

See the performance of **Deck the Halls** at American Music Theater in Lancaster, PA. Check in at the decked-out St. Nicholas Hotel where you'll find dashing dancers and merry musicians ready to "Deck the Halls." Bubbly bellhops and glittery guests make merriment in preparation for a visit from Old Saint Nick. This musical holiday adventure celebrates the season with awe-inspiring performances designed to capture you heart.

Enjoy an included **lunch** at Millers Smorgasbord, a family-owned tradition of good food and exceptional service since 1929. Today, their traditional smorgasbord features mouthwatering American favorites as well as their own distinctive Lancaster County heritage dishes and bakery-fresh desserts: chilled steamed shrimp, carved top sirloin and turkey breast, golden fried chicken, baked ham and fish, homemade soups, chicken potpie, creamy baked cabbage, real whipped potatoes, raisin bread pudding, creamy chocolate mousse cheesecake, shoofly pie, and more.

Arrive for a **self-guided tour of Longwood Gardens** in Kennett Square, PA. When visiting Longwood Gardens, you are immersed not only in the breathtaking surroundings, but in the rich history as well. The traditions and elegance of the gardens have evolved over time and resulted in the magnificence you see today. Step back in time and learn about the important cultural events and their contribution to today's Longwood Gardens. You'll receive an easy-to-follow guide map of the Gardens. Leave time to stop by the Gardens Shop in the Visitor Center, where you'll find a large selection of home and garden items, apparel, bath products and Longwood signature items.

Experience the magic of **A Longwood Christmas** as you never have before, made even more spectacular with the opening of Longwood Reimagined. Brand new spaces from sprawling new West Conservatory to imaginative new outdoor landscapes decked out for the holidays give way to wondrous new ways to experience the season. Revel in hundreds of thousands of lights, marvel at astonishing feats of horticulture, ingenuity, and creativity, and delight in beauty at every turn.

Enjoy dinner on your own at Longwood Gardens.

#### Thursday, December 4, 2025

Enjoy an included hotel breakfast buffet at your leisure before check-out.

Arrive for a **guided tour of Julius Sturgis Pretzel Bakery** in Lititz, PA. The Julius Sturgis Pretzel Bakery is the first commercial pretzel bakery in America. Founded in 1861, this historic location is still maintained today by the Sturgis family. Located in beautiful Lititz,



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Pennsylvania, this tour provides a fun and insightful look at the birth of pretzel baking in the region. During the tour, you will get a hands-on lesson in pretzel twisting, learn about the history of pretzel baking in America, see the original 19th-century pretzel ovens built by Julius Sturgis, watch the bakers twisting sourdough soft pretzels by hand, and receive a small sample bag of pretzels baked by America's original pretzel-baking family.

Enjoy shopping and lunch on your own in **Lititz**, **PA**. A perfect balance of historic and charming small-town appeal with upscale and sophisticated urban flair. An oasis from the box store and chain restaurant society with a myriad of eclectic and creative, independently owned shops, intimate cafes and unique and memorable fine dining. They've even given the air a scent of chocolate. Start with equal parts of hometown charm and big city sophistication, mix in lots of extremely cool and unique shops, add some warm and friendly greetings and a generous portion of places to relax and unwind. A four-star restaurant, patio and sidewalk dining, unique coffee and pastry shops, delis, and two old-time soda fountain shops provide enjoyment and relaxation. Be sure to visit Wilbur Chocolate while in town.

Depart for home. Rest/meal stops will be made en route at your expense.

Return to Syracuse in the early evening.

Return to Henrietta in the evening.

Return to Williamsville in the late evening.

Timing, itinerary, inclusions, and order of events are subject to change without notice.

Effective April 21, 2025, New York State requires any person on a charter bus in New York State to be restrained by a safety belt while in motion. Failure to comply will result in fines imposed on the person not in compliance. NY State Assembly Bill 2023-A8557.