

MYRTLE BEACH *Fun in the Sun*

April 23 – 29, 2023

You belong at the beach! Myrtle Beach. Leave the driving to a professional while you sit back and relax, read a book, watch a movie, visit with your neighbor, nap, snack, heck, you can even plug in your laptop and work if you really have to. There's Wi-Fi on the deluxe motorcoach, charging stations, and a restroom too. This is the way to treat yourself after a long central New York winter. Miles of beach, ocean front condo, bright sunshine, warm breezes, toes in the water......

Sunday, April 23

Deluxe motorcoach from Hale Transportation will depart from Clinton this morning. Park your car here for the week with no worries. If requested we will also pick up passengers in Utica at the DOT Commuter Lot and/or Rome at Freedom Plaza. We assume no risk for vehicles left in these locations.

Appropriate stops will be made en route to Virginia where we will overnight at the **Hampton Inn, Fredericksburg**. Dinner on your own.

Monday, April 24

Breakfast included at the hotel before we roll on down the highway seeking sun!

It's a late afternoon arrival in the area known as **The Grand Strand**, comprised of 60 miles of beaches and 14 communities. Welcome to the beautiful **Avista Resort** in North Myrtle Beach. Your spacious 1-bedroom oceanfront suite has a private balcony, full kitchen with refrigerator, stove, oven, washer/dryer, and dishwasher. There's a full-service restaurant, 2 beachfront pools, 1 indoor pool, lazy river, hot tubs, fitness center, lounge and more.

A group **dinner** is included at the resort tonight giving you plenty of time to explore your new surroundings and maybe an evening stroll on the beach. **(B,D)**

Tuesday, April 25

Breakfast included at the resort then enjoy relaxing however you choose. This afternoon we'll take you to **Barefoot Landing**, set along the Intracoastal Waterway. You'll find unique shopping and dining; Carolina Vineyards Winery, Kentucky Mist Distillery, Lucy Buffett's LuLu's, PURPLEologist (where everything is purple!), candy stores, a general store, beach novelties and more. The fun really begins at **Crooked Hammock Brewery** where you'll find outdoor games, a Backyard Hangout, the Island Bar, and our **dinner** is included. Tonight you're in for a treat at the award-winning **Carolina Opry**. The show features music, comedy, and dance with state-of-the-art lighting and sound. **(B,D)**

Wednesday, April 26

Breakfast included at the resort. This morning we'll make our way south to the community of Murrells Inlet, once the hiding spot of the infamous pirate, Blackbeard. Enter **Brookgreen Gardens**, a unique mix of art, nature, and history. Stroll the incredible gardens, explore the Lowcountry Zoo, see the world's largest outdoor collection of American figurative sculpture, and take a creek excursion boat ride with an interpreter to hear about the tidal creeks and history of the area. Lunch on your own at one of the restaurants or cafes on site.

This afternoon enjoy leisure time at the Resort as you choose. **Dinner** is included tonight at the **Original Benjamin's Calabash Seafood**. Pretty sure you won't go hungry at this 170 item all-you-can-eat buffet. There's also a large antique nautical collection and model ships on display from the Master Model Shipbuilder. By the way, Benjamin's is famous for its crab legs! **(B,D)**

Thursday, April 27

Breakfast included at the resort. This morning we'll head over to **Ripley's Aquarium**, located in **Broadway at the Beach**, an entertainment, dining and shopping area. The Aquarium has sea rays and sea turtles, barracudas, jellies, and eels, and the Penguin Playhouse (yes, that's our favorite!) where you can waddle through the clear tunnel to go nose-to-beak with one of these adorable creatures!

After the aquarium you can explore Broadway at the Beach for a little while before we return to the Resort. Tonight, there will be swashbuckling fun at the **Pirates Voyage Dinner and Show**. Join Blackbeard and his quartermaster, Calico Jack, as they lead the Crimson and Sapphire crews in a battle on land, on deck, in water and high above full-sized pirate ships in an indoor hideaway lagoon. See beautiful mermaids, tropical birds, and much more while you enjoy a four-course feast! **(B,D)**

Friday, April 28

Breakfast included at the resort. Sadly, it's time to say goodbye to the beach, for now. We begin the journey north and will overnight at the **Holiday Inn**, **Greenbelt**, **Maryland**. Dinner on your own at a nearby restaurant. **(B)**

Saturday, April 29

Breakfast included at the hotel before we make the final leg of the trip back to central New York filled with wonderful memories of fun in the sun. **(B)**

*A timed itinerary will be provided closer to departure.

COST PER PERSON:

TWIN OCCUPANCY \$1629.00 QUAD OCCUPANCY \$1524.00

TRIPLE OCCUPANCY \$1554.00 SINGLE OCCUPANCY \$2074.00

NOTE: Our accommodations at the Avista Resort are held as one-bedroom suites with two x-long double beds in the bedroom and a Murphy bed in the living room.

<u>TOUR INCLUDES:</u> Round trip transportation via deluxe motorcoach from Hale Transportation, tour escort, six nights accommodations including four at Avista Resort, including taxes and resort fees, six breakfasts, three dinners and one dinner show, 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 DEADLINE: \$100.00 deposit (or full payment) per person is required within two weeks of making reservation. Balance/full payment no later than March 20. Checks or money order payable to *Tours By Design.* \$25.00 fee for returned checks. (*Credit cards not accepted*). There are no refunds for individual cancellations made after March 20; Travel insurance is encouraged. Find a link to Allianz Global Assistance on our website, or call Allianz at 1-800-284-8300 and provide ACCAM# F032835, or you can purchase insurance wherever you choose. *All cancellations prior to March 20 are subject to a \$5.00 service fee once any payment is made.* *Reservation requests made after March 20 are subject to availability, and may be at a higher cost.

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