

FROG 2025 INTERNATIONAL RALLY
SYNOPSIS FOR THE SIDE TRIPS, PRICING AND SCHEDULE

All tours are on air-conditioned Cardinal tour buses with restroom facilities. We will have bottled water available on all tours. If you have mobility scooters, please indicate that so we can arrange with Cardinal for ramps to load the scooters into the storage bay.

All return times are estimated time of arrival

Tuesday August 12, 2025 tours:

1. Notre Dame Campus, Indiana Dinosaur Museum & South Bend Chocolate Factory

Enjoy a guided tour around the Notre Dame campus. Visit the Grotto, Basilica of the Sacred Heart, the Golden Dome and the Hesburgh library famous for the painting fondly known as Touch Down Jesus. After walking the campus, head to lunch at the Public House Restaurant known for their Upside Down Burger. Following lunch, explore the new South Bend Dinosaur Museum featuring 43 sculptures and 30 skeletons including a Tyrannosaurs Rex and an Apatosaurus. Learn about the South Bend chocolate company as well as the history of the company.

of tickets available – 54
Price – \$85
Departure – 8:15 AM
Return - 5:00 PM

2. A Tisket, a Tasket Let's Make a Basket!

Enjoy a day among some of the 20,000 Northern Indiana Plain People – Amish. Travel to local Amish businesses, as your local guide shares information about the area as well as the Amish traditions. Taste homemade jams and jellies made with no sugar. Try your hand at making your own Amish basket. Lunch on soup and sandwiches at Yoder's Homestyle Cooking. Go to Rise n Roll, home of the iconic cinnamon sugar donut referred to as Amish Crack. Wander through an Amish bulk store that is home to an amazing collection of pedal cars. A fun day amid the Amish!

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Departure - 8:30 AM
Return - 5:30 PM

3. Gilmore Car Museum

Wander around the museum exhibits, seeing over 400 vintage and collector vehicles and motorcycles from all eras in several buildings located on a 90-acre campus. The Gilmore claims to be the largest automobile museum in North America and has been open since 1966. You are also able to enjoy a chauffeured ride in some of the classic cars from the museum's collection, donations accepted. Fill up your tank at the Pedal Car Café or in the authentic 1941 Blue Moon Diner where you can dine inside or outdoors with a provided meal voucher.

# of tickets available -	56
Price -	\$75
Departure -	8:30 AM
Return -	5:45 PM

4. Amish Brown Bag

This year the popular Brown Bag tour will explore the Amish community in the Topeka area of LaGrange County. You will each receive a "goodie bag" to fill as you visit several Amish businesses. Learn about the area and the history, traditions, and customs of the Amish with a knowledgeable guide. You will have an opportunity to meet several Amish entrepreneurs and see firsthand how they operate their unique enterprises. Lunch will be at the Carriage House where you will enjoy an Amish Wedding Feast and hear how this important day in their life is celebrated as you enjoy the typical meal that is served to their family and friends. End your day making a pretzel at Ben's pretzels.

# of tickets available -	54
Price -	\$95
Departure -	9:00 AM
Return -	5:30 PM

Thursday August 14, 2025 tours:

5. Meet The Makers

The Heart of Amish country thrives with a rare abundance of extraordinarily talented and skilled artisans, craftsmen, woodworkers, furniture makers, specialty food crafts and a large variety of other products. Meet some of the Makers and experience their workmanship firsthand. Visit a leather shop and see a demonstration of a leather belt being made while he discusses different types of leather that are used in the products he makes. Enjoy a visit to the Hoosier Buggy shop and see how they're made. At Cherry Pickers you will see a couple that is passionate about recycling and repurposing Americana items, they are pioneers in the fusion of luxury and reclaimed products. Then head over to the Metal shop that specializes in custom metal work such as the Silver Rocket grill. Enjoy a Haystack lunch at Yoder's Homestyle cooking. End your day going to Ben's pretzels to make and take a pretzel home with you.

# of tickets available -	54
Price -	\$70
Departure -	9:00 AM
Return -	5:30 PM

6. Rollin' on the River (RV Hall of Fame, Train Museum, and lunch at the Frog Tavern)

Journey through the National New York Central Railroad Museum. Marvel at the steam engines that once powered the railways. Explore the stationmaster's office, luxurious carriages of the past, and the 5 track O gauge model train layout. Enjoy a stop at the RV Hall of Fame where you will find yourself surrounded by a fascinating array of RVs from vintage campers to modern-day motorhomes. See Mae West's motorcar, Governor Daniel's campaign bus, and many other historical RVs. Finally spend the evening cruising aboard the SS Lilypad after having dinner at the Frog Tavern. Non-alcoholic beverages and snacks will be provided if you desire. Alcoholic beverages are also available for purchase.

# of tickets available -	54
Price -	\$80
Departure -	12:00 PM
Return -	7:30 PM

7. Flour, Wine & Fried Chicken

Spend the day with a local step on guide visiting iconic businesses in and around Middlebury, Indiana. Begin your day at historic Bonneyville Mill, a nearly 200 year old grist mill that is still grinding corn today. A miller will explain the process of grinding the grain using waterpower. You'll have time to explore the mill, the grounds, and if you like, purchase some of their products. Then it is off for an afternoon wine tasting at Fruit Hills Winery. You will be treated to a sample of 5 wines as you relax on the patio overlooking the vineyards. Enjoy meat, cheese and cracker trays prepared by Old Hoosier meats. Then it is off to Das Dutchman Essenhaus for a delicious buffet dinner including a slice of their world-renowned pies. Walk off your meal as you wander the weekly Classic Car show or explore the shops. End your evening with a photo stop at the Essenhaus Quilt Garden.

# of tickets available -	54
Price -	\$75
Departure -	1:30 PM
Return -	7:45 PM

8. Boat, Bison, & BBQ

Sit back and enjoy your ride through the Amish countryside to Cook's Bison Ranch. Upon arrival you will take a wagon ride to the pasture to see the bison roaming about. You will be able to hand feed them with the buckets of food available if you like. Your guide will tell how the ranch was started, how they acquired their first bison, as well as how they continue to manage and feed the herd. After your wagon ride, you will return to the ranch house for a barbecue dinner with all the fixins'. Local musicians will provide background entertainment during dinner. A short ride from the ranch is Lake Wawasee, the largest lake within Indiana (the Great Lakes which are larger border Indiana but are not contained within the state borders). You will board the SS Lillypad for an evening cruise around the lake. Non-alcoholic beverages and snacks will be provided if you desire. Alcoholic beverages are also available for purchase.

# of tickets available -	56
Price -	\$65
Departure -	2:00 PM
Return -	7:30 PM