



## MARYLAND PUBLIC TELEVISION RIDE THE RAILS IN WEST VIRGINIA & THE GREENBRIER RESORT

Monday, October 4 – Friday, October 8, 2021

**Day One** – Departing from Owings Mills this morning, you will travel deep into the heart of West Virginia to the historic town of Elkins. A morning rest stop and a lunch stop (at your own expense), will be made en route. Arriving in Elkins later this afternoon, you will check into the Hampton Inn. After a chance to freshen up, you will be transferred downtown to enjoy the festivities of the annual Mountain Forest Festival. A long-standing tradition of over 80 years, the festival celebrates the beauty and splendor of the West Virginia's mountain and valleys. There is something for everyone to enjoy from concerts and music shows, lumberjack competitions, forestry exhibits, juried art show, quilt show, arts and crafts and a variety of local food. Dinner is on your own this evening.

**Day Two** – After breakfast this morning, you will depart for a day of sightseeing and riding the rails. This morning you will board the Cheat Mountain Salamander's climate-controlled passenger cars for a ride through the wild, high-mountain wilderness of West Virginia. Your excursion route includes many interesting features such as a long tunnel built with an "S" curve far underneath Cheat Mountain, numerous long mountain vistas, and many opportunities to view exotic wildlife including bald eagle and black bear sightings. A photo stop is made at the High Falls of the Cheat River. At 18 feet tall and 150 feet across, the High Falls is a beautiful location, five (5) miles from the closest road. After High Falls your train follows the tumbling Cheat River through another 21 miles of scenic wilderness. This is unspoiled and uninhabited forest, with gorgeous tree topped mountain vistas, where hardwoods and evergreens grow to the edge of boulder strewn white water rivers. A boxed lunch is included with the train ride. This one-way train ride ends at remote Cheat Bridge where your bus will be waiting to transport you to the eastern side of Cheat Mountain and the town of Durbin.

This afternoon the coal fired Durbin Rocket is bellowing smoke and anxious to start another exciting mountain rail expedition. Built in 1910, this steam locomotive pulls an authentic 1920's era coach car and vintage wooden cabooses along the free-flowing Greenbrier River. This is a scenic 10½ mile ride through the Monongahela National Forest. Following the train ride, you will return to the hotel to freshen up before dinner.



**Day Two (cont'd)** – This evening you will visit Elkin's newest theater: The Gandy Dancer. Enjoy a plated dinner in the beautiful new dining room followed by the *Tribute to Musical Legends Show* where the Gandy Dancer performers pay their tribute to such musical legends as Dolly Parton, Kenny Rogers, John and June Cash, Elvis and many more. It's an unforgettable evening at West Virginia's hottest new theater. Following the show, the motorcoach will return you to the hotel. **(BREAKFAST, LUNCH, DINNER)**

**Day Three** – After breakfast, you'll head out for another day of sightseeing in wild and wonderful West Virginia. Today you will travel through a remote valley and find it filled with giant satellite dishes. This is the Green Bank Radio Astronomy Observatory intentionally located in one of America's most quiet spots. Here scientists are listening for sounds from space. You will tour the facility, learn what makes this location so unique and drive through the campus to see the giant satellite dishes up close.

Following your visit to the Observatory, you will head for Cass, WV. Today, you will ride the Cass Scenic Railroad, the same line built in 1901 to haul lumber to the mill in Cass. Once you board the train, the real excitement begins. The great pistons of the carefully restored Shay locomotive will start pulsing, driven by hundreds of pounds of steam pressure. As the train rounds the curve up Leatherbark Creek, you'll pass the Cass Shop, where the locomotives are serviced. You travel up the mountain toward the two (2) switchbacks, which allow the train to reverse the steep grade. Finally, the view opens to fields and Whittaker Station. A boxed lunch is included on the train ride today.

Following the train ride, you will return to your hotel to freshen up before dinner. Dinner is included this evening at Smoke on the Water BBQ, a local favorite established in 2011 by native Jon Magee, a longtime resident of the river and avid trout angler, to provide unique and delicious food prepared in the laid-back style that embodies river living. **(BREAKFAST, LUNCH, DINNER)**

**Day Four** – After breakfast and check out, you'll travel south over the Highland Scenic Highway and other mountain roads. Along the way you will stop at Cranberry Glades Botanical Garden and stroll the boardwalk as you explore the unique plant species that surround this mountain park. The flora here was relocated to this site during the last ice age and is similar to bogs located in areas of the Northern Tundra. Following your visit here, you will continue on to White Sulphur Springs, WV and check into the historic and luxurious Greenbrier Resort. Located amid the breathtaking Allegheny Mountains of West Virginia, The Greenbrier is a National Historic Landmark and an award-winning resort welcoming guests since 1778. The Greenbrier has hosted over the years 26 presidents, foreign heads of state and many celebrities. Enjoy the many amenities of The Greenbrier including Afternoon Tea.

One of the highlights of your stay will be a tour of The Greenbrier's Cold War Era Bunker. Built by the Eisenhower Administration, it was a fall-out shelter for Congress in the event of a nuclear attack, this top-secret facility existed for 30 years, hidden from both hotel employees and guests. It was decommissioned in 1992, after word of its existence was leaked by the Washington Post. On the tour, you will hear the fascinating story of the bunker and how its pantries were stocked and replenished with fresh produce and supplies. At any moment there was enough fresh water and food here to support the entire House of Representatives and Senate for 60 days.

Dinner is included this evening in the Greenbrier's Main Dining Room. Following dinner, we have arranged for a private and exclusive cocktail reception for Maryland Public Television guests. **(BREAKFAST, DINNER)**

**Day Five** – After breakfast in the Main Dining Room and check-out, you will depart for home with rest and meal stops (at your own expense) en route. **(BREAKFAST)**

## YOUR RIDE THE RAILS OF WEST VIRGINIA & GREENBRIER RESORT TOUR INCLUDES

- Round trip transportation via private motorcoach, equipped with reclining seats and restroom.
- Four (4) nights' hotel accommodations (three (3) nights in Elkins, WV; one (1) night at the Greenbrier Resort, White Sulphur Springs, WV). Baggage handling for one (1) bag per person included.
- Nine (9) included meals: four (4) breakfasts, two (2) lunches, three (3) dinners.
- Ride aboard the Cheat Mountain Salamander – This rail trip includes unspoiled mountain scenery with a stop at the inspirational High Falls before descending through the heart of the Cheat Mountain Wilderness Area.
- Ride aboard the Durbin Rocket – Ride along the Greenbrier River through the Monongahela National Forest aboard this vintage train.
- Ride aboard the Cass Scenic Railroad – This steam powered vintage train will take you from town of Cass through open fields to the town in Whitaker.
- Evening performance at the Gandy Dancer Dinner Theatre.
- Bunker Tour at The Greenbrier Resort – Tour the Cold War Era Bunker built to house the U.S. Congress in the event of a nuclear attack.
- Private cocktail reception at the Greenbrier for guests of Maryland Public Television.
- Services of a Boscov's Travel Tour Escort.
- All taxes and gratuities for included features.
- Gratuities for your Tour Escort and Motorcoach Driver.

**Dress Code:** While the first part of your tour in Elkins, WV is very casual, The Greenbrier resort does have a dress code to which they ask all guests to adhere. During the day, "resort casual" clothing is appropriate. They define "resort casual" as sport shirts or polo shirts with collars, sweaters, blouses, slacks or skirts, walking or Bermuda shorts. If you choose to wear denim, it must be well kept and dark colored. In the evening, for dinner in the Main Dining Room, a jacket and tie are required for men and dresses or evening suits for women. The Greenbrier does NOT consider the following items to be acceptable or appropriate resort wear and asks that guests NOT wear: T-shirts or tank tops, cut-off shorts, sweatpants or sweatshirts, hats or baseball caps.

Depart Owings Mills, MD at 9:00 am  
Approximate return to Owings Mills, MD by 8:00 pm

### COST PER PERSON\*

Double Occupancy	Triple Occupancy	Single Occupancy
\$1,979	\$1,867	\$2,427



#### OPTIONAL: GROUP DELUXE & GROUP DELUXE CANCEL FOR ANY REASON TRAVEL PROTECTION.

Extensive plans to help protect your trip. Boscov's Travel offers Group Deluxe Cancel For Any Reason and Group Deluxe travel protection options. These plans have time sensitive benefits; please purchase a plan at the time of deposit.

#### GROUP DELUXE CANCEL FOR ANY REASON RATES\*\*:

\$207 per person, double or triple occupancy.  
\$261 per person, single occupancy.

\*\*Cancel for Any Reason coverage is up to 75% of the nonrefundable trip cost (subject to \$20,000 maximum).

#### GROUP DELUXE RATES:

\$138 per person, double or triple occupancy.  
\$174 per person, single occupancy.

Should anything additional be added to your booking to increase your per person cost, your travel protection plan rates may increase in order to provide complete coverage of your package. Travel Protection Plan becomes NON-REFUNDABLE 14 days from the date you receive your plan document.

## GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** All rates are based on a minimum of 35 participants. Should the numbers be less, the cost per person is subject to increase. Rates do not include any changes in government taxes or fuel surcharges that may be imposed at the discretion of the motorcoach company.

**PAYMENT INFORMATION:** A deposit of \$500.00 per person, along with the reservation coupon, is required to confirm a reservation. **Deadline for final payment is August 20, 2021.** You may charge any portion or the entire amount to your Boscov's Charge, MasterCard or Visa. If paying by check, please make it payable to Boscov's Travel.

**CANCELLATIONS:** Regardless of reason, cancellations are a costly process. To offset these expenses, an administrative fee of \$25.00 per person will apply, as well as any non-recoverable costs. In addition, the following assessments will be incurred: from September 1 to September 16, 2021 - \$150 per person plus any non-recoverable costs; from September 17 to September 27, 2021 - 50% per person plus any non-recoverable costs; from September 28, 2021 to date of departure – **NO REFUND.**

**OPTIONAL TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN:** Group Deluxe Cancel For Any Reason Travel Protection or Group Deluxe Travel Protection is **OPTIONAL** and **NOT** included in the price. If you decide to purchase a Travel Protection Plan, it is encouraged at the time of initial trip deposit. Plans help provide coverage for Trip Cancellation/Interruption, Baggage Delay/Loss, Missed Connection, Emergency Accident and Sickness Medical Expense, Emergency Evacuation/Repatriation of Remains, and more! These are only the highlights of the plan so please refer to your Plan Document for benefit limits and specifications. Travel Protection Plan becomes **NON-REFUNDABLE** 14 days from the date you receive your plan document. **VERY IMPORTANT: Optional Travel Protection Plan rates are based on the rates as listed on this flyer. Should anything additional be added to your booking to increase your per person cost, your travel protection plan rates may increase in order to provide complete coverage of your package.**

**TOUR COSTS:** It is assumed that each individual will use all portions of the tour; there is no refund for unused sightseeing, meals, transportation, hotels or admissions.

**CHANGES IN ITINERARY:** None are anticipated, but we reserve the right to make such changes, if they are for the comfort of our guests or due to conditions beyond our control.

**GRATUITIES:** Your tour includes all necessary gratuities for included meals, guides, driver and tour escort.

**PROTOCOLS:** Travel protocols are put in place for the safety and well-being of all clients. The protocols may make things look different and some activities or attractions may have restrictions. These protocols are subject to change and additional protocols may be added at any time.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Boscov's Travel, Inc. acts solely in the capacity of agent on behalf of its patrons, arranging transportation, accommodations, sightseeing, and other services, and, as such is not responsible for damage, loss, delay, injury, accidents, epidemics, pandemics, the spread of infectious diseases, quarantines or any other circumstances beyond our control or any act or default on the part of any company or person engaged in providing transportation, accommodations, sightseeing, or other services which are part of this tour.

**LIABILITIES:** Boscov's Travel expressly reserves the right to withdraw any tour or make any change in the tour, with or without notice that may become necessary. No carrier with whom transportation shall be arranged in connection with the tour shall have or incur any responsibility to any person taking the tour except its liability as a common carrier. Neither the motorcoach company nor Boscov's Travel shall be held liable for the loss of any property or valuables left onboard. Furthermore, anything left onboard shall be considered left at the owner's risk. No employee of the motorcoach company or Boscov's Travel may say anything to alter the liability of the foregoing for the motorcoach company or Boscov's Travel.

12/11/20 am



### GENERAL LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

**Insurance benefits are not payable for any loss due to, arising or resulting from:** 1. suicide, attempted suicide or any intentionally self-inflicted injury of You, a Traveling Companion, Family Member or Business Partner booked to travel with You, while sane or insane; 2. an act of declared or undeclared war; 3. participating in maneuvers or training exercises of an armed service, except while participating in weekend or summer training for the reserve forces of the United States, including the National Guard; 4. riding or driving in races, or speed or endurance competitions or events; 5. mountaineering (engaging in the sport of scaling mountains generally requiring the use of picks, ropes, or other special equipment); 6. participating as a member of a team in an organized sporting competition; 7. participating in bodily contact sports, skydiving or parachuting, hang gliding or bungee cord jumping; 8. piloting or learning to pilot or acting as a member of the crew of any aircraft; 9. being Intoxicated, or under the influence of any controlled substance unless as administered or prescribed by a Legally Qualified Physician; 10. the commission of or attempt to commit a felony or being engaged in an illegal occupation; 11. normal childbirth or pregnancy (except Complications of Pregnancy) or voluntarily induced abortion; 12. dental treatment (except as coverage is otherwise specifically provided); 13. amounts which exceed the Maximum Benefit Amount for each coverage as shown in the Schedule of Benefits of the Plan; 14. due to a Pre-Existing Condition, as defined in the Plan. The Pre-Existing Condition Limitation does not apply to the Emergency Medical Evacuation or return of remains coverage; 15. medical treatment during or arising from a Trip undertaken for the purpose or intent of securing medical treatment; 16. a mental or nervous condition, unless hospitalized for that condition while the Plan is in effect for You; 17. due to loss or damage (including death or injury) and any associated cost or expense resulting directly from the discharge, explosion or use of any device, weapon or material employing or involving chemical, biological, radiological or similar agents, whether in time of peace or war, and regardless of who commits the act and regardless of any other sequence thereto.

**The following limitation applies to Trip Cancellation:** All cancellations must be reported to the Travel Supplier within 72 hours of the event causing the need to cancel. If the event delays the reporting of the cancellation beyond the 72 hours, the event should be reported as soon as possible. All other delays of reporting beyond 72 hours will result in reduced benefit payments.

**Additional Limitations and Exclusions Specific to Baggage and Personal Effects:** Benefits are not payable for any loss caused by or resulting from: breakage of brittle or fragile articles; wear and tear or gradual deterioration; confiscation or appropriation by order of any government or custom's rule; theft or pilferage while left in any unlocked or unattended vehicle; property illegally acquired, kept, stored or transported; Your negligent acts or omissions; or property shipped as freight or shipped prior to the Scheduled Departure Date; or electrical current, including electric arcing that damages or destroys electrical devices or appliances.

#### Pre-Existing Conditions Exclusion

Your plan contains a Pre-Existing Conditions provision which may have an impact on your insurance coverage. Pre-existing Condition means an injury, sickness or condition of you or your traveling companion, family member or your business partner scheduled or booked to travel with you within the 180-day period prior to the Effective Date of Your Trip Cancellation coverage under the plan. Please refer to the Plan Document for the complete definition of a pre-existing condition.

**Purchase Up to Final Trip Payment Due Date for Pre-Existing Condition Waiver!** The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion will be waived if the protection plan is purchased at or before final trip payment due date for the trip, for the full non-refundable cost of the trip and you are not disabled from travel at the time you pay the plan cost.

#### PLEASE REFER TO THE PLAN DOCUMENTS FOR A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF COVERAGE.

This document contains highlights of the plans, which includes travel insurance coverages underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company under form series T210 et. al. and TP-401 et. al. The plans also contain non-insurance Travel Assistance Services provided by C&F Services through Active Claims Management (2018) Inc., operating as Active Care Management. The Crum & Forster group of companies is rated A (Excellent) by AM Best 2019. C&F and Crum & Forster are registered trademarks of United States Fire Insurance Company. Coverages may vary and not all coverage is available in all jurisdictions. In most states, your travel retailer is not a licensed insurance producer/agent, and is not qualified or authorized to answer technical questions about the terms, benefits, exclusions, and conditions of the insurance offered or to evaluate the adequacy of your existing insurance coverage. Your travel retailer may provide general information about the plans offered, including a description of the coverage and price. The purchase of travel insurance is not required in order to purchase any other product or service from your travel retailer. CA DOI toll free number: 800-927-4357. MD Insurance Administration: 800-492-6116 or 410-468-2340. AH-1965T

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RETURN TO: Boscov's Travel, 121 Palmer Park Mall, Easton, PA 18045. For more information contact your MPT Travel Advisor at 1.833.282.8738 or email MPTtravel@boscovs.com.

I want to join Maryland Public Television for the Ride the Rails of WV & Greenbrier Tour on October 4 – 8, 2021.

My deposit of \$500 per person is enclosed for # of person(s) sharing # room(s).

I wish to add the OPTIONAL \*GROUP DELUXE CANCEL FOR ANY REASON TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN \$207 per person double or triple occupancy \$261 per person single occupancy

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Street Address City State Zip

Daytime phone ( ) Cell phone ( ) Email Address

Special requests: (including but not limited to a CPAP machine, refrigerated medication, epi pen, mobility assistance devices, oxygen, dietary restrictions, special services, etc.)

Emergency Contact Phone Number ( ) Relationship to Traveler

#2 First Name Middle Name Last Name

Street Address City State Zip

Daytime phone ( ) Cell phone ( ) Email Address

Special requests: (including but not limited to a CPAP machine, refrigerated medication, epi pen, mobility assistance devices, oxygen, dietary restrictions, special services, etc.)

I/We are celebrating a SPECIAL OCCASION (Birthday, Anniversary, etc.):

Emergency Contact Phone Number ( ) Relationship to Traveler

IMPORTANT: I have read and agree to the above terms and conditions of the operator participant agreement and I authorize the use of my credit card if indicated as form of payment.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT

DATE

I wish to use my BOSCOV'S CHARGE\*\*\* Please contact your MPT Travel Advisor for details.

I would like 12 Months No Interest\*\*\* (on purchases of \$299 or more)

I wish to use my MASTERCARD/VISA # EXP: Security Code:

I wish to pay by CHECK – please make your check payable to BOSCOV'S TRAVEL CHECK #

