

World of Travel

# *West Virginia Mountain Rails*

August 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
*Double Occupancy \$999*  
*Single Occupancy \$1199*



Majestic and unparalleled views await you on this tour. Take two scenic train excursions and view West Virginia from bridges, mountains, and everything in between. Spot bald eagles soaring overhead in crystal blue skies. View intense shades of green from the variety of trees on the mountainsides. Explore an original New Deal Town, railroad museum, and more! Relax in the thrilling sites and sounds of nature.

### Per Person Pricing

Double Occupancy \$999 / Single Occupancy \$1199

### Important Information

Meals: Breakfast is included daily, as well as three lunches and 2 dinners.

Entrance Fees & Gratuities: All entry fees & tips for activities & guides are included as part of your tour package.

World of Travel: A Tour Manager will travel with the group for the duration of the program.

Travel Protection: Travel Protection is not required but is highly recommended. Our preferred travel protection partner, Travel Insured, offers comprehensive coverage for domestic & international travel. Please see the Terms & Conditions page for additional information.

Deposit: A deposit of \$500 per person + optional travel protection premium is due upon booking to secure the reservation.

Final Payment: Final payment is due on/before **May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.**

### Program at a Glance (See Next Page for Full Description)

**Day 1:** Travel via motor coach to West Virginia; Arthurdale Historic District with Lunch; Gandy Dancer Dinner (Lunch, Welcome Dinner) *Overnight Elkins, WV*

**Day 2:** Cass Scenic Railroad with Lunch; Group Dinner (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner) *Overnight Elkins, WV*

**Day 3:** West Virginia Railroad Museum; New Tygart Flyer with Lunch; Return Home (Breakfast, Lunch)



## Day-by-Day in Detail

**Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>** - Today, we will travel via deluxe motor coach to Elkins, WV. En Route, we will make a stop in Arthurdale - Revisit the 1930s in Arthurdale, West Virginia. Established in 1933, by the United States government, Arthurdale is the nation's first New Deal Homestead Community. Created through President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal legislation, the community provided a new chance at life for residents of West Virginia who were suffering from the Great Depression. First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt served as the empathetic force behind the community, which became known as "Eleanor's Little Village" because of her interest. Today, Arthurdale is a National Historic District that features 160 of 165 original homesteads. After our tour, a box lunch will be provided.

Upon arrival in Elkins, we will check-in to our hotel for a 2-night stay. Tonight, we will enjoy a delicious Welcome Dinner at the Gandy Dancer Theatre.

**Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>** - Following breakfast, we will depart for Cass Scenic Railroad. Embarking on the Bald Knob route, the long haul to Bald Knob takes about 4 ½ hours for the 22-mile round trip. Panoramas of the lofty Appalachians become more beautiful as the train climbs higher and higher. Passengers suddenly realize they are entering a completely different world, mainly because of the change in trees, flowers and atmosphere. Due to the increase in altitude (climbing 2,390 feet from Cass to Bald Knob), passengers will have made the equivalent to an 800-mile trip to Canada in climate. Here are found spruce trees, snowshoe hares and other plants and animals typical in the far north. The rustic overlook affords one of the most awesome, overwhelming spectacles in the east. Dwarfed by distance and almost lost in the vastness of the panorama, is the giant Robert C. Byrd Green Bank Telescope, the world's largest fully steerable radio telescope, at the Green Bank Observatory in the valley near the foot of the mountain. A remarkable contrast between the wilderness at Bald Knob and today's space-age facilities! A "King of the Road" hobo lunch will be provided to enjoy with your ride, as well. The hobo lunch consists of a cold sandwich (lunch meat, cheese, etc. all separated in plastic wrap), chips, cookie, and bottled water. A ride on the Cass Scenic Railroad is an unforgettable experience.

Returning to Elkins this afternoon, then dinner at a local restaurant this evening will end the day.

**Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>** - This morning, enjoy breakfast before checking out of our hotel and heading to the West Virginia Railroad Museum. Peruse at your leisure during a self-guided tour of the museum. Then, we will depart aboard the New Tygart Flyer. This wilderness excursion features mountain grades, an "S" curve tunnel, a high bridge and miles of unspoiled mountain views. Vintage diesel-powered locomotives climb along the cascading Shavers Fork of the Cheat River to the High Falls of Cheat. On the trip to the Falls, enjoy a cold cut lunch, which is included. The trip culminates at the High Falls of Cheat, an 18' high, 150' wide waterfall located in one of the most remote and pristine settings in the region. If you're looking for comfort and spectacular views on a vintage train this is the ride for you! *Please Note: New Tygart Flyer is not wheelchair/handicap accessible.*

Departing for Columbus this afternoon, we will arrive this evening (meal & rest stops made en route).

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- Phone: 1-800-243-3174
- Agency # **49517**
  - To finalize the purchase of travel protection, you **MUST** provide the above agency number to Travel Insured. Without this number, World of Travel will not receive notification of coverage.
- *Travel Protection MUST be purchased within 14 days of trip deposit*

**Cancellation Schedule:** All cancellations must be received in writing. Cancellations received before **May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024** are subject to an administration fee of \$100 per person. Cancellations received after **May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024** are non-refundable.

**Travel/Health Policy:** It is required that persons needing assistance be accompanied by a companion who is capable and totally responsible for providing that assistance. Neither World of Travel nor its suppliers may assist with medications, wheelchairs, or physically lift persons onto transportation vehicles. Travelers having special needs must notify World of Travel when they make their reservations. Please note that the Americans With Disabilities Act does not apply outside the United States.

**Not Included in Your Travel Package:**

- Meals Not Included on Itinerary
- Alcoholic Beverages Not Included on Itinerary
- Incidentals at Hotels
- Items and Services of a Personal Nature
- Optional Travel Protection

**Fuel Surcharges:** The transportation industry may impose a fuel or baggage surcharge prior to the departure. Since these are not included in the original pricing, these will be billed additionally to you in the event surcharges are imposed. We certainly hope this will not occur, but want you to be aware of the possibility.

**Liability/Responsibility:** World of Travel (WOT)/Local Center (LC) acts only as an agent for tour members in making arrangements of accommodations, meals, excursions, sightseeing, transportation and other services. WOT/ LC will not be held liable for any claims for errors or default by the Vendors, Suppliers or Contractors (VSC). WOT/ LC are not responsible to any person or entity for any damage or injury arising out of the conduct or failure to act of any of the VSC. Any costs involved in delays due to "Acts of God" or weather will be the responsibility of the individual passenger, not the VSC. WOT/LC are not responsible for any loss or damages of personal property or for injuries, expenses, or damages whatsoever incurred or claimed by participants including but not limited to losses due to "Acts of God." WOT/LC reserves the right to make changes in the itinerary or cancel a tour at its discretion and a refund of money paid will release WOT/LC from any further obligation. WOT/LC reserves the right to refuse passage to any participant if it is deemed that the person's health is such that it would create a problem in how the tour is conducted.

*If you have any questions, please contact World of Travel at 614-451-4882*



# World of Travel - Trip Registration Form

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Name of Senior Center / Organization - *If applicable*

Name of Trip

Guest 1 Name & Date of Birth - *As it appears on Identification*

<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>	<i>DOB</i>
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Guest 2 Name & Date of Birth - *As it appears on Identification*

<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Last</i>	<i>DOB</i>
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Guest 1 Preferred Name (for name badge)

Guest 2 Preferred Name (for name badge)

Guest 1 Email Address

Guest 2 Email Address

Main Contact Mailing Address

Main Contact Phone Number

<i>Cell</i>	<i>Home</i>
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Emergency Contact - Name, Relationship, Phone Number

*Special Requests:*

- How did you hear about this Trip (Select All Applicable)**
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| Senior Center/Organization | <input type="checkbox"/> | Presentation | <input type="checkbox"/> | Brochure | <input type="checkbox"/> | Email | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| World of Travel Website    | <input type="checkbox"/> | Social Media | <input type="checkbox"/> | Friend   | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**Travel Protection**

*I am/We are interested in Travel Protection*    Yes     No     Initial

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|                       | <i>Double</i> \$999 <input type="checkbox"/>   |                |   |  |

**Payment**    *Check*    *Credit Card*       

Please include your \$500 per person deposit - To pay by **credit card**, please provide the required information below  
**Checks** should be made payable to World of Travel and sent to **3244 West Henderson Road Suite 2, Columbus OH 43220**

Credit Card Information

<i>Number</i>	<i>Exp</i>	<i>CVV</i>
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Signature Amount to Charge

<i>Date</i>	<i>\$</i>
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*\*Please contact amy@worldoftravel.com with any questions\**