HAUNTED HISTORY TOUR - Legends, Folklore and Myths
October 16 – 30, 2015

15 Days * 14 Nights * 13 Breakfasts * 6 Dinners
Travel Type: Motorcoach

Featuring:

- Carl & Mary Koehler History Center
- Brucemore Mansion
- Ghosts of Old Louisville Tour
- Sprits! Scandals! Sordid Secrets! Tour
- Ghosts of Guyandotte Tour
- Spring Hill Cemetery and Park
- Craik-Patton House
- The Greenbrier Resort
- Bunker Tour
- Shadows of Shockoe Tour
- Church Hill Chillers Tour
- Historic and Haunted Footsteps of Raleigh Tour
- Ghost Walk of Old Wilmington Tour
- Pyler Park on Myrtle Beach
- Trot and Walk Historic Tour
- History and Ghosts Trolley Tour
- Davenport House Museum
- Stranger Than Fiction Tour
- Augusta Ghost Trolley
- Heritage and Golf Trolley Tour
- Marrieta Historic Trolley Tour
- Ghosts of Marietta Walking Tour
- Haunted Side of Memphis Tour
- Historic Tour of Memphis
- Big Mojo Musical Tour
- Sun Studios
- Blues and BBQ Tour
- B.B. Kings Club
- State Capital of Jefferson City
- Missouri State Penitentiary Tour
- Salisbury House

Day 1
We make our way to Cedar Rapids, IA today and begin by meeting our historian/guide at the Carl & Mary Koehler History Center, located in an 1897 funeral home! Traveling through the area we hear all the interesting and intriguing stories of this areas history. We then have a private tour of Brucemore Mansion. Built in 1884 by Caroline Sinclair after her husband’s tragic death. Hear how the second owners of this massive mansion had a family member who survived the sinking of the Titanic! 

Evening Accommodations at Best Western Cooper’s Mill

Day 2
Today is a travel day with Louisville, KY being our evening destination.

Evening Accommodations at Drury Inn
Day 3  Our first tour, *Ghosts of Old Louisville*, is based on David Domine’s bestselling books “Ghosts of Old Louisville” and “Phantoms of Old Louisville”. We wind through this Victorian district with gas-lit alleys and splendid 19th-century architecture making it the perfect backdrop for entertaining tales of a bygone era. Included are beautiful Saint James and Belgravia Courts, the mansions of Millionaire’s Row and a trip to the Bishop’s Hat House. In Lexington, KY, our evening destination, we enjoy a walking tour, *Spirits! Scandals! Sordid Secrets!* Learn of duelists, gamblers and other colorful citizens who once walked these streets and uncover why Lexington was called “the wicked city.”

*Evening Accommodations at Hilton Garden Inn Lexington * Breakfast Included

Day 4  We’re off to Charleston, WV! In Huntington, our morning tour will be *Ghosts of Guyandotte*. Included in the tour is the Andrew Keenan House which was temporarily used as a jail during the Civil War; the Fuetel-Hennen Home where you learn how the local butcher made his fortune in a most unusual way; and learn of the very colorful history of the Madie Carroll House, the oldest standing home in Guyandotte. Upon arriving in Charleston we have a guided tour of the Spring Hill Cemetery and Park, listed on the National Historic Register and provides us an amazing view of the capital city. After dinner at the Fifth Quarter, we enjoy a private tour of the Craik-Patton House. This once was the home of Confederate Army Colonel George Patton, grandfather to the well-known George S. Patton, III of WWII fame. 

*Evening Accommodations at Holiday Inn Express Charleston * Breakfast and Dinner Included

Day 5  Moving east to Richmond, VA, we make a morning stop at The Greenbrier Resort surrounded by the Allegheny Mountains. On *The Bunker Tour*, we go beneath the West Virginia Wing that was used as a fallout shelter during the Cold War and once a top secret U.S. government relocation facility for Congress. In Richmond, VA, we enjoy dinner at The Hard Shell, located in Richmond’s historic Shockoe Slip, and known to locals as one of the best seafood restaurants in town! Our evening tour, *Shadows of Shockoe*, takes us to Shockoe Bottom. With 400 years of history, this area has produced shocking stories of mystery and tragedy. The tour includes Civil War hospitals, the Church Hill tunnel collapse, The Old Stone House and more.

*Evening Accommodations at Four Points by Sheraton Richmond Airport * Breakfast and Dinner Included
Day 6  Our morning tour will be *Church Hill Chillers*. Church Hill is the birthplace of the American Revolution and home to a notorious Civil War spy. Church Hill’s colorful past has produced a cadre of restless spirits and colorful stories! Once in Raleigh, NC, we experience an authentic southern tradition at Cooper’s Barbecue, named as one of the 20 Best Barbecue Restaurants in America! Following dinner, the *Historic and Haunted Footsteps of Raleigh* walking tour will round out our day. This tour combines local folklore and history mixed with a few ghostly stories. One of the included locations is the Mordecai House, built in 1785 by the city’s founding family, the Lanes. The home was designed in part by Moses Mordecai, who also oversaw the remodeling of the State Capital in the early 1800’s, as well as being married to two of the Lane daughters! *Evening Accommodations at Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Raleigh/Cary * Breakfast and Dinner Included

Day 7  Our first tour of the day is the *Ghost Walk of Old Wilmington*, in Wilmington, NC. The tour will move us through 275-year old alleyways littered with stories of privateers and cutthroats. We will stroll beneath a canopy of centuries old oaks and hear tales of murder and mayhem and the dismal accounts behind the historic cities most unfortunate. After our tour we’re off to Charleston, SC. In route we stop at Pyler Park on Myrtle Beach. You will have ample time to stroll the beach, shop and enjoy the local cuisine. *Evening Accommodations at Town & Country Inn & Suites * Breakfast Included

Day 8  Our morning tour of Charleston will be a combination tour – carriage ride and walking tour. The *Trot and Walk Historic Tour* gives us the unique ability to enjoy an hour-long carriage tour of the city covering 25-30 blocks of Charleston’s historic downtown district including Rainbow Row and the Battery. After a break we resume the tour with the walking portion where we learn about the buildings, history and the people of the “Holy City”. Later, arriving in Savannah, GA, our evening tour will be the *History and Ghosts Trolley Tour of Savannah*. Travel back to another era as you see some of the most historic sites and beautiful treasures the city has to offer. This tour will mix some of Savannah’s history and darker side with a good dose of humor! *Evening Accommodations at Embassy Suites Hotel * Breakfast Included
Day 9  Before departing Savannah, we are off to the Davenport House Museum for a morning tea in the garden complete with delectable goodies and the Stranger Than Fiction Tour. We then have free time in the Historic District of Savannah to shop, see more of the city on the free trolley and dine on local delicacies for lunch. In Augusta, GA we check in to the Partridge Inn, the “Grand Hotel of the Classic South”. This legendary hotel, host to several Presidents and numerous dignitaries, has been meticulously restored and will offer you a glimpse into Augusta’s rich past. Our last tour of the day is the Augusta Ghost Trolley featuring author Michael Wolff. This fun and informative tour is a step-on-step-off trolley tour where we hear the eerie tales of body snatchers and the legend of the cursed stone pillar. Our day concludes with Creole and Cajun inspired cuisine at the French Market Grille, voted best restaurant in Augusta for 17 years.  
Evening Accommodations at Partridge Inn * Breakfast and Dinner Included

Day 10  This morning we stay in Augusta for the Heritage and Golf Trolley Tour. We’ll join author, speaker and documentary film producer, Stan Byrdy, on this unforgettable trolley tour of Augusta history. From Revolutionary and Civil War battlegrounds to the grounds of the Masters! We will be staying in Marietta, GA this evening where our first tour, Marietta Historic Trolley Tour fills our afternoon with the Ghosts of Marietta Walking Tour finishing out the day. Both tours will take us through Marietta, “the gem of the south”, which has a past deep in tradition, history and a quality of life that is peppered with stories of intrigue, mystery and unexplained occurrences.  
Evening Accommodations at Drury Inn & Suites * Breakfast Included

Day 11  We’re Memphis bound today for a two-evening stay. In Memphis, we stay right on Beale Street, the heartbeat of Memphis. This evening the Haunted Side of Memphis is our walking tour. Hear stories of the darker side of Memphis and tales of the city’s haunted heritage as told by professional storytellers. The tour includes the Orpheum Theater home of “Mary” who has haunted performances since 1921, the John Alexander Austin House and Grawmeyer’s.  
Evening Accommodations at Hampton Inn & Suites on Beale Street * Breakfast Included
Day 13  Getting a little closer to home, we spend the night in Jefferson City, MO. In Jefferson, we take a guided tour of the State Capitol built in 1918. The Capitol features a dome rising 238 feet above ground level and a 30-foot wide grand stairway. It is known as an architectural masterpiece. We end the day with an excellent meal at Prison Brews. Located in the old Landwehr Dairy building built in 1895, it provides a nostalgic, relaxed atmosphere. You may want to try one of their many handcrafted ales. Evening Accommodations Best Western Plus Capital Inn * Breakfast and Dinner Included

Day 14  Our last tour in Jefferson City is the Missouri State Penitentiary, named as “the bloodiest 47 acres in America”! Opened in 1836, and at its peak housed more than 5,200 inmates, it was once the largest prison in the U.S. Our tour tells of the 168-year history of the Penitentiary and includes a walk through Housing Unit 1 (control center) and A-Hall, the oldest building still standing on the site. In addition we see the dungeon cells, the upper yard, Housing Unit 3 and the Gas Chamber (optional). Hear about the infamous inmates housed here, the Riot of 1954, escape attempts and more. Des Moines, IA will be our final evening destination. Evening Accommodations at Drury Inn & Suites on Beale Street * Breakfast Included
Day 15  This morning, we tour the Salisbury House and Gardens, built by Carl Weeks in the early ‘20’s. The home was fashioned after the Kings House, which the family adored after a visit to England. This grand home took five years before fully constructed and cost around $1.5 million to construct and another $1.5 million for furnishings! Upon completion of this tour we continue homeward.  *Breakfast Included*

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**Prices**

**Early Bird Price if Paid in Full By 07/18/15**
- Cash or Check Price:  
  - Singles: $3,902  
  - Doubles: $2,792  
  - Triple: $2,502  
  - Quad: $2,322
- Credit Card Price:  
  - Singles: $3,982  
  - Doubles: $2,852  
  - Triple: $2,562  
  - Quad: $2,372

**Price if Paid After 07/18/15**
- Cash or Check Price:  
  - Singles: $3,959  
  - Doubles: $2,849  
  - Triple: $2,559  
  - Quad: $2,379
- Credit Card Price:  
  - Singles: $4,039  
  - Doubles: $2,909  
  - Triple: $2,619  
  - Quad: $2,429

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