

Meadowlarks and Mozart



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A Special Departure for The Nature Conservancy's Legacy Club

Dates: June 13 - 20, 2009
Estimated Cost: \$2868 per person

Day 1

Saturday, June 13th

The tour officially begins at noon at the Hotel Phillips in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Later we arrive at the Hotel Phillips in downtown Bartlesville and to check in and relax before the evening events. At 5:30 pm there will be a welcoming reception followed by dinner before the opening concert of the OK Mozart Festival.

Lodging: Hotel Phillips

Music: The Sorcerer, the Wizard of Love by Gilbert and Sullivan

Day 2

Sunday, June 14th

Following breakfast, we will depart from the Hotel Phillips and drive west for our first view of The Nature Conservancy's Tallgrass Prairie Preserve. At the preserve we will slowly wander the quiet backroads on the lookout for scissor-tailed flycatchers, wandering bison, grumpy badgers, and other species of wildlife. We may walk some short trails or along the roads so be prepared with suitable shoes (sneakers will do). In the afternoon we will tour the beautiful Flint Hills landscape and visit the historic four door town of Sedan, Kansas. We will return to Bartlesville in the late afternoon.

Lodging: Hotel Phillips

Music: Piano recital, Joyce Yang, Van Cliburn silver medalist

Day 3

Monday, June 15th

This morning we will travel a short distance into the surrounding hills to the Woolaroc Museum to view the eclectic collections of Frank Phillips, the founder of Phillips Petroleum. The Native American art and artifact collection is considered to be one of the finest in the world. After lunch we will travel back to Bartlesville for our first Chamber Music Concert of the week.

Lodging: Hotel Phillips

Music: 2 pm. Chamber concert, 8 pm. David Taylor Dance Theater, Rain Forest, multi-media theater/dance



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Day 4

Tuesday, June 16th

This morning is a groaner. We will stumble out of our hotel in the morning darkness and travel to the Tallgrass Preserve to enjoy the natural sunrise serenade and the awakening of a new day. Following a simple continental breakfast on the prairie, we will do a little prairie meandering and then visit the historic town of Pawhuska. Later we will return to Bartlesville for our afternoon concert.

Meals: B L D

Lodging: Hotel Phillips

Music: 2 pm. Chamber concert, 8 pm. Chamberfest Concert

Day 5

Wednesday, June 17th

This morning we are going to enjoy another aspect of the art world as we travel to Tulsa and visit the famous Gilcrease Museum with its outstanding collection of western and Native American Art. We will return to Bartlesville in time for the afternoon concert. Following the concert we will have a short visit to an area that is a transition between the prairie and the eastern forest at nearby Osage State Park. This park with its stream and small waterfalls is a perfect place to experience the diversity of plants and animals that inhabit the both the prairies and the forests. We will return to Bartlesville in the late afternoon.

Lodging: Hotel Phillips

Music: 2 pm. Chamber concert, 8 pm. Orchestra concert

Day 6

Thursday, June 18th

This is a morning free to follow your own whims. Late in the afternoon we will travel to the Tallgrass Preserve for a Native American Picnic followed by a sunset watching party and a night tour of the prairie.

Lodging: Hotel Phillips

Music: 2 pm. Chamber concert, 8 pm. Bluegrass Concert (optional)

Day 7

Friday, June 19th

This is an in-town nature morning and we will walk to a local park with large trees and excellent birds and enjoy some of the trails that have been developed along the river. After lunch we will attend an afternoon concert and then retire to the hotel in preparation for tonight's outdoor picnic and concert at Wooloroc. We will depart for the concert site in the late afternoon and return to the hotel after 11:00 pm.

Lodging: Hotel Phillips

Music: 2 pm. Chamber Concert, 8 pm. Woolaroc Outdoor Concert



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Day 8

Saturday, June 20th

We will have a late morning departure for our final visit to the Tallgrass Prairie Preserve and the town of Pawhuska. We will visit the Osage Museum then have lunch at “Bad Brads” and a chance to explore some of the small stores in Pawhuska. Later we will have a finale tour of the prairie and return to our hotel in the late afternoon. We will have our finale dinner together and then enjoy the Grande Finale.

Lodging: Hotel Phillips

Music: 8 pm. Grand Finale Concert

Day 9

Sunday, June 21st

Day 10. Sun. June 18. Alas, Meadowlarks and Mozart comes to an end and we will check out of the hotel in the late morning and transfer to the Tulsa Airport for our flights home. Thank you.

Lodging: Home-perhaps.

Music: In your memory



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