Are We There Yet? 2019 and 2020 Tours

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The question isn’t “Where do you want to go?”
It’s “Where do you want to go first?”

Stay on Inishbofin!
Backroads of Ireland
April 25-May 5, 2020

Free Airfare til 7/15!
Spain and Portugal Douro Cruise
Oct 7-17, 2020

First Dates Sold Out!
Oberammergau Passion Play
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Limited Event!
ABQ Balloon Fiesta
October 4-8, 2019

Stay on the Riverwalk!
San Antonio Christmas
December 14, 2019

Fun in the Sun!
Key West Escape
Jan 20-24, 2019

Ride on Amtrak!
Kansas City Christmas
December 14-16, 2019

Chicago Christmas Express
Nov 22-24, 2019

3 Nights on the Island!
Mackinac Island Escape
July 5-11, 2019

Australia and New Zealand
Nov 8-22, 2020

Plus Normandy Beach
Highlights of Paris
Jun 16-24, 2020

Plus Victoria Falls!
South African Photo Safari
July 11-23, 2020
A Note from Dea...

How quickly time has passed! Now that your calendar is clear of spring commitments like graduations, proms, Mother’s Day, and weddings, you can focus on what YOU want to do for the rest of the year, like travel! We’ve added some great new tours, from vacation days to domestic and international destinations, and would love for you to join us. And remember, you earn AWTY Bucks if you refer a friend!

We just got back from our first big international tour this year, the Galapagos Islands. It was an indescribable experience, getting up close and personal with the animals in their pristine habitats! We hiked and snorkeled morning and afternoon and saw so many amazing and unusual creatures. We have posted many of the photos and videos on Facebook and YouTube, which many of you have already visited, liked, and shared. If you haven’t seen the videos, go to our website and click on YouTube or Facebook.

And while our other big tours of 2019 such as Scotland and Rhine River Cruise have waitlists, we have some amazing tours in 2020 that you can sign up for, like our Safari in South Africa and Botswana, Australia and New Zealand, Paris, Spain and Portugal Douro River Cruise (with free airfare if you book by 7/31), or our biannual favorite, The Backroads of Ireland. Keep an eye out for the AWTY Select Tag, which means we limit the number of travelers that we will take on the tour. The total number will never be more than 30, and in many cases will be under 20. On our safari tours, we will only take 8 people! We have found that people enjoy the smaller size of our tours as it allows for flexibility in our schedule and the ability to visit smaller venues and no standing in line at every stop. Try one of our Are We There Yet? Select tours and experience the difference.

We are going to offer a very special Travel Show & Lecture on Sunday, November 10 at 1:30pm. In addition to us telling you all about the wonderful tours we have planned this year and next, we are bringing in a special guest: Brent Nixon from Seattle, a naturalist and conservationist we met on our Alaska cruise last year. An avid nature photographer and videographer, Brent has worked with Lloyd Bridges filming the Golden Globe winning Whales Alive documentary and Jacque Costeau on site during filming of their oceanic adventures. He is both inspirational and entertaining when he shares about the wildlife and sea animals that share this earth with us. Please invite your friends and family to join us. There is no cost for the ticket, but you do need to RSVP with our office to attend. We will contact you with exact location as we want to have the best audio visual experience for his stunning photos and videos. Anyone who has been with us knows we love sharing nature and animal experiences. One of our most memorable domestic tours was to see Jack Hanna at the Columbus Zoo.

Create new memories with us in places you only dreamed of visiting. Enjoy your summer and we cannot wait to see you, on the road!

Yours in tours,

Dea!!

P.S. If you need a speaker for your next meeting, I am always willing to share the programs I have created for the St. Louis Community College, such as packing tips and how to avoid travel scams. Call Maggie to check my availability!

P.P.S. Our Galapagos Trip marked our 6th inhabited continent visited. Many of you have asked if we are going to go for all 7, and we have been talking to our friend who works for a small ship cruise company who is planning on traveling to Antarctica soon. If this tour would be of interest to you, let us know and we will let you know the details as soon as we have them.
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Spain & Portugal Douro River Cruise - Book by 7/31 for Free Airfare! - Oct 7-17, 2020
Visit Spain and Portugal on this wonderful tour! * Tour Lisbon, Porto and more in Portugal * Visit Salamanca, Spain * Included shore excursions at every port with English-speaking local guides * All gratuities included * All meals included onboard with a variety of international cuisine * Complimentary regional wines, beer & soft drinks accompany onboard lunches and dinners * Evening entertainment * 23 Meals! * $5,154 credit/$4,999 check

Mackinac Island Escape - Spend 3 nights on the Island! July 5-11, 2019
Our most popular trip spends 3 nights on this magical island, far away from noisy cars, where the waves of the Great Lakes lull you to sleep. * Optional tour to the Grand Hotel for their famous buffet & carriage tour of the island! * Spend the day at the Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, with exclusive events only available to groups! $1,432 credit/$1,389 check

Scottish Military Tattoo & Highland Highlights - SOLD OUT! - Aug 4-11, 2019
The Royal Military Tattoo is a magical event with hundreds of kilted drummers & bagpipers joined by acts from around the world! * We explore the Highlands, including the Isle of Skye * Loch Ness cruise! * Distillery tour, Edinburgh City Tour, & more! * $5,596 credit/$5,429 check

Romantic Rhine and Mosel Cruise - SOLD OUT! CALL FOR WAITLIST! Sept 11-21, 2019
Lucerne, Switzerland * Strasbourg, France * Rüdesheim, Cologne & Koblenz * Reichsburg Castle * Amsterdam * Included shore excursions at each port * Call for Waitlist!

Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta * SPECIAL EVENT! - Book Now! * Oct 4-8, 2019
Hundreds of hot air balloons rise high into the New Mexico sky * See the Mass Ascension & Special Shapes Glowdeo, where the balloons are lit up at night! * Stay at the Drury, with their famous Happy Hour each night! * Dine in a private home in Santa Fe! * Traverse the Turquoise Trail * Tickets are limited, book today! * $2,576 credit/$2,499 check

Chicago Christkindl & Parade - plus Teatro Zinzanni Acrobatic Circus! - Nov 22-24, 2019
Lavish yourself in luxury this holiday season! * Stay in the Loop at the new Cambria Hotel * Lunch at Lawry’s * American Writer’s Museum * Art Institute with guided tour including the Neapolitan Creche and the Thorne Miniature Rooms * Lincoln Park Conservatory’s Poinsettia Show * Teatro Zinzanni - featuring acrobatics, cabaret, spectacle, music, comedy and brunch all in one show! Round Trip airfare and all transportation. * $999 credit/$969 check

San Antonio Christmas - See over 6000 Luminarias on the Riverwalk! - Dec 1-4, 2019
Everything is bigger in Texas, including their decorations on the riverwalk! * Visit the Missions that dot the countryside around the city. * Enjoy lunch at the Tower of the Americas * Cruise on the San Antonio River and see all the lights and luminarias! * Stay at Drury Hotel on the Riverwalk, with their famous Happy Hour! * $1,195 credit/$1,159 check

Kansas City Christmas - Round-trip on Amtrak! - Dec 14-16, 2019
Ride the rails west to KC! * Christmas lights of Country Club Plaza & enjoy strolling through the shops * See Union Station decorated in Christmas splendor * Lunch & shopping at the Webster House * Tour The Kauffman Center * Dinner at a KC Favorite* $504 credit/$489 check

REMEMBER - ALL PRICES INCLUDE TRANSPORTATION, INCLUDING AIRFARE ON FLIGHT TOURS!

Pricing for overnight tours is per person, double occ. Refer to full itinerary for Single/Triple/Quad pricing.
And in 2020...

Key West Escape - Jan 20-24, 2020
Escape the dreary days of January and head to the Conch Republic for some sun! * Stay at the luxurious Southernmost Resort, right on the water with its own beach! * Includes choice of excursion to the Dry Tortugas or the Dolphin Research Center * Sunset Cruise with drinks and appetizers included! * Includes breakfast every day! $3,566 credit/$3,459 check

Thunder Over Louisville - April 16-20, 2020
Enjoy the largest Fireworks display in North America! * Over 8 barges plus an entire bridge full of fireworks launch 60,000 fireworks into the night sky over Louisville! ($3,566 credit/$3,459 check)

Backroads of Ireland - April 25-May 5, 2020
Our beloved tour returns! * Head off the beaten path as we explore the Backroads less traveled * Enjoy scenic drives along the rugged Wild Atlantic Way * Stay on the Island of Inishbofin, a cozy respite that evokes the Ireland of the past * Enjoy visiting with the locals as we stay in quaint little towns * Blarney Castle for time to kiss the stone or to shop at the Woolen Mills. ($3,566 credit/$3,459 check)

Oberammergau Passion Play - Only performed once a decade! - May 20-29, 2020
Enjoy premium seats to this one of a kind performance! * Tour Munich * Visit Neuschwanstein * Visit Salzburg & Mondsee * Tour the Benedictine Melk Abbey * Cruise on the Danube River * City tour of Vienna and visit Schonbrunn Palace * 11 meals * As in all our tours, Airfare & Airport transfers included! * Don't wait - First Dates Sold Out! $5,989 Credit/$5,809 Check

Delaware Debutantes and Mansions - Jun 7-11, 2020
Our tour last year was so much fun, we're visiting the First State a second time! * Visit the Mansions & Gardens of the DuPont Family, one of the wealthiest families on the East Coast! * Stay at the Hotel du pont, a Gilded Age historic hotel * Nemours, the American Versailles, with French inspired gardens and a 12-foot, 23-karat gold leaf statue! * Winterthur Museum & Garden, home to artifacts such as Washington's China set! * $1,989 credit / $1,929 check

Highlights of Paris - plus Normandy Beach, Giverny and Versailles - June 16-24, 2020
Travel to the City of Lights as we enjoy an amazing tour of France * Normandy Beach and American landing sites * Tour Monet's home and gardens of Giverny, the inspiration for Water Lilies* Explore the extravagance of Versailles * $4,255 credit / $4,126 check

South African Photo Safari - Plus a visit to Victoria Falls! - July 11-23, 2020
Head to South Africa for an amazing photo safari! * See Elephants, Zebra, Lions and more! * Fly to Botswana to see Victoria Falls & Chobe National Park * City tours of Cape Town & Johannesburg * South African winery tour *$12,267 credit/$11,899 check (Based on 2019 airfare)

Columbia and Snake River Cruise - July 31 - Aug 8, 2020
Cruise down the scenic Columbia and Snake Rivers, the gems of the Pacific Northwest! * Multnomah Falls * Tour Mount Saint Helen Experience * Cascade Cliffs Winery Tour and Tasting * Columbia Gorge Discovery Center * Columbia River Maritime Museum * Portland "City of Roses" Tour * Featuring an All American Crew * Starting at $6,984 per person

Such a fun group. Had the BEST planned stops, side tours, hotels, step on guides, meals and most of all Dea, Declan and Maggie were so personable. Loved the 3 days on Mackinac Island. - Barbara P

Private Tours and Other Travel Services
Are you the person responsible for planning your family's vacation? Do you want to go somewhere that we are not offering this year? We can help! From booking airline tickets to private tours to complete packages at resorts like Disney or the Caribbean, we can help make your trip planning less stressful. Call our office to see what assistance we can offer.

Pricing for overnight tours is per person, double occ. Refer to full itinerary for Single/Triple/Quad pricing
2020 Tours, continued

 Alaska in the Fall - Sept. 2020
 Enjoy the spectacular beauty of the Last Frontier in the fall! * See the highlights of the 49th state, from Fairbanks to Anchorage * Visit Denali National Park * And much more!

 Pilgrims & Poets - Plymouth's 400th anniversary - Stay at one hotel! - Sept 27 - Oct 1, 2020
 Louisa May Alcott home * Boston Literary Tour * Sleepy Hollow Cemetery's Author's Row * Cape Cod & Salt Marsh Eco tour* Wampanoag Village * Plymouth Harbor tour * Tour the Mayflower II!

 Portugal's Douro River Cruise - Book by 7/31 for Free Airfare! - Oct 7-17, 2020
 See the 2019 page for more details! * $5,154 credit/$4,999 check

 All Over Down Under! - Australia and New Zealand - Nov 8-22, 2020
 Experience Uluru (Ayers Rock) Camel Ride at Sunset * Kata Tjuta at Sunrise * Visit Alice Springs, the largest city in the Outback! * Maori Village Tour * Sheep Station Visit * Sydney Harbour Cruise * Glow Worm Caves * Te Puia Geo-Thermal Reserve * Marlborough Sound Wine Cruise * Great Barrier Reef Snorkeling on our private vessel * Koala Country & Birdworld!

 Newport, RI - A Gilded Age Christmas - Dec 2-6, 2020
 Tour the Marble House and The Elms, two of the magnificent "cottages" of the wealthy! * Holiday Evening at The Breakers with a live symphony * Blithewold Mansion * Holiday Lantern Tour * Smith's Castle Tour * Rhode Island State Capital Tour * $2,597 credit/$2,519 check

 Costa Rica Adventure - Coming in 2021
 An amazing Rainforest experience you will not want to miss! * Crocodile Safari * Hike at base of Arenal Volcano * Coffee Estate Visit * Caño Negro Wildlife Refuge * Frio River & Tarcoles River Boat Rides * $3,566 credit/$3,459 check

 Bank Club Tours
 We have been fortunate to partner with two amazing Bank Clubs - Montgomery Bank in Missouri and First National Bank of Waterloo in Illinois. Here are some of the tours we are running with them. For more information such as pick-up locations or to sign up, contact us today!

 Gettysburg, Colonial Williamsburg & DC - with Montgomery Bank - Sept 24 - Oct 2, 2019
 Tour the battlefields of Gettysburg with a Certified Guide * See the Cyclorama experience and the redesigned museum * History comes alive at Colonial Williamsburg, with live reenactors engaging in their trades * Guided DC City Tour* White House visit (if available) * Visit the National Cathedral, Arlington Cemetery, & Anderson House * Nighttime Monument tour * Smithsonian & Holocaust Museums *Jefferson's Monticello * $2,607 Credit/$2,529 Check

 Do you prefer the phone to e-mail? Join our Calling Post!
 We have created call lists for vacation days, overnight motorcoach, domestic flight tours and international tours! When we have a new itinerary, a special deal, a tour date has changed or an additional pick up location added, we send a message recorded by Dea to your home phone or cell phone - it's how many of you found out about our incredible Douro River Cruise offer. If you do not answer, a message is left on your answering machine or voice mail. You can request to be on the list for 1 or more of the following categories listed below. Place an X by the types of tours you wish to be informed of and fill out your name, the phone number on which you wish to be called, and sign so we know we have your permission. Thanks!

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 Name:________________________________________Phone:____________________________________
 Vacation Days          Domestic Air Tours
 Overnight Motorcoach       International Tours
 I wish to be placed on the call list for the above types of tours as indicated.

 Signature:________________________________________
2019 Vacation Days

Historic Arrow Rock - Tour a Private Antebellum Home! - Wed, June 26, 2019
Explore the history of this small village, from its settlement and decline to its rebirth and revitalization in recent times. * Guided tour of Arrow Rock * Visit the historic gun shop of John P Sites * Tour Prairie Park, a private antebellum home * Lunch at local favorite * With STL Community College * $119pp - includes lunch!

All Shook Up at the Lyceum Theatre - Sold Out! - Sun, June 30, 2019
Enjoy a matinee performance of this great musical set to the hits of Elvis! * In 1955, a guitar-playing man named Chad stops in a small town, and changes everything and everyone he meets * Plus, enjoy a great meal at a local favorite * $119pp - includes lunch!

Tour of the St. Louis Libraries - Thursday, July 18, 2019
Tour & lecture at the St. Louis Mercantile Library UMSL * Show & Tell experience at the Missouri History Library & Research Center * Lunch at Whittnower House & tour of the Washington University Library including hands-on set of the Declaration of Independence! * With STL Community College * $99pp - includes lunch!

9 to 5 at the Lyceum Theatre - Sun, July 28, 2019
Enjoy a matinee performance of this wonderful musical based on the 1980 hit movie about friendship and revenge, with all new songs by Dolly Parton! * Three women get even with their boss and give their workplace a dream makeover. $119pp - includes lunch!

Discover Pompeii in STL! - with guided tour and special guest lecture! - Sept 23, 2019
Pompeii comes to life in this amazing exhibit * Learn about Pompeii's rediscovery with nearly 200 artifacts & interactives * Enjoy a guided exhibit tour & special guest lecture just for us onsite * Lunch at Bartolino's Osteria * With STL Community College * $109pp - includes lunch!

Beautiful Historic Belleville - Thursday, Oct 17
Enjoy a guided walking tour of Belleville * Belleville Labor and Industrial Museum * Lunch at the new Hofbrauhaus, with the same food and beer as the one in Munich! * Tour of Cathedral of St. Peter * Note: The walking tour will be around 1.5 miles! * With STL Community College * Meramec & Flo Valley Pick-Ups * $119pp - includes lunch!

Exploring Historic Edwardsville - Tour the Wildey Theater! - Wed, Oct 30, 2019
Enjoy a tour of the historic town of Edwardsville! * Tour the Colonel Benjamin Stephenson House with costumed docents * Lunch at Bella Milano * Tour the Wildey Theater with special treat * With STL Community College * Meramec & Flo Valley Pick-Ups * $119pp - includes lunch!

Hermann Christmas Concert via Amtrak - Fri, Dec 6, 2019
Ride the rails to Hermann, MO * Lunch at Harvest Table * Special guest appearance by Pelze Nichol * View the tablescapes in the Rotunda Building * Spirit of Christmas concert * Visit the Country Store at Valentine Hall * With STL Community College * Meramec & Flo Valley Pick-Ups * $119pp - includes lunch!

Every Christmas Story Ever Told at Maples Theater - plus lunch at A.J.'s - Tues, Dec 10, 2019
From the traditional to pop culture, this madcap romp through the holiday season retells nearly every Christmas story and song ever. Lunch at A.J.'s with choice of prime rib, shrimp or chicken piccata * Add pick up in Bowling Green * $119pp - includes lunch!

Mercy Holiday Gala Night with the St. Louis Symphony - Fri, Dec 13, 2019
A perennial favorite! * Enjoy a matinee performance at Powell Hall * Enjoy a great meal before the show at a local favorite! * $119pp - includes lunch!

All Vacation Days Include Transportation, Meal and Gratuity to Waitstaff, Drivers and Guides

Just got back from Chicago with Dea and Maggie. Wonderful trip. Have been on many trips with Are We There Yet?, and I can truly say, “Give them a try, they are the best!” Thank you for all you do and provide for us. - Mary H
Join us for our Travel Show and Lecture!
With Special Guest Brent Nixon
Sunday, November 10, 2019

Learn about some of the great tours we have planned for 2020, including some of the most pristine places on Earth like Alaska, Australia and New Zealand, Costa Rica, South Africa and Botswana. In addition to hearing us talk about these amazing destinations, we are bringing Brent Nixon from Seattle to talk about some of the most incredible places on earth and the animals that call them home.

The Show is free, but we have a limited number of tickets available. Please contact us to RSVP for the event!

Brent Nixon is a naturalist who has contributed to documentaries for NatGeo, Animal Planet, NOVA, and Discovery. Brent served as a junior research assistant aboard the Cousteau vessel “Halcyon,” as well as a natural history specialist in the Grand Canyon, Denali, Tongass, Yukon Delta as well as Hawaii's Marine Mammal Sanctuary and Washington State's Lime Kiln Whale Watch Park. In his spare time, he has directed, produced and starred in four wildlife and destination educational DVDs.

Sneaker Rating
What the ( pedestals)’s mean

The sneaker rating is based on the tour’s *MOST* difficult activity. A high rating may be due to a single activity, such as a home tour with no elevator, or a constant level of activity, such as a walking tour. If possible we will advise you of transportation alternatives, such as taxis, which would be at an additional cost to the traveler.

( ⬆️) = Easy pace, dropped off near the door, mostly ramps or less than a flight of stairs
(⬆) = Moderate pace, walking less than a city block, 1-2 flights of stairs, a few inclines
(⬆⬆) = Steady pace, walking several city blocks, more than 2 flights of stairs, some inclines
(⬆⬆⬆) = Periods of intense pace, walking tour of up to a mile, uneven terrain, some inclines.
(⬆⬆⬆⬆) = Periods of strenuous pace, walking tours of over a mile, rough terrain, steep incline

Most vacation days are 1 to 2 sneakers. Domestic overnights typically are 3 to 4 sneakers, but can be up to a 5 depending on the location. International tours usually range from 4 to 5 sneakers, with cruises on the lower end of the scale, while tours to undeveloped areas, like our African Safari, will be 5 sneakers. If you are unsure about the activity level of a tour, please call or email us.

First class trip, all the way! Incredibly well organized and orchestrated; everything went VERY smoothly! Dea Hoover is so very knowledgeable about her topic and knows all the little interesting side stories that keep you involved... The perfect mix of entertainment, additional information or great side stories! You need look no further for your next trip! - Karen B
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