

# Louisville, KY Excursion

# Thursday, October 23 – Saturday, October 25, 2025



Please join us in October as we explore some of the many attractions in the Louisville, KY area. Because we need to book tours and pay fees in advance of the actual trip, please RSVP and mail your checks as soon as possible.

## Click this link to RSVP for the Louisville Outing (Deadline September 10):

RSVP-October@OVEB.org

After submitting your RSVP, please also send a check (\$52/person, \$104/couple) to OVEB treasurer Bill Curtis:

**Bill Curtis** 

5791 Summit View Court, Cincinnati, OH 45247

Make checks payable to the Ohio Valley Early Birds. Checks must arrive by September 15. If you plan to attend the optional brunch at the Brown Hotel on Saturday, please note this in the comments field of the RSVP form. A complete trip itinerary plus activity and lodging information can be found on the following pages.

# **Itinerary:**

#### **Thursday, October 23**

11:00 am Arrive at the Seasoned Pub and Grill in LaGrange, KY for lunch

1:20 pm Arrive at the Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory

1:40 pm Louisville Slugger Museum tour begins. Cost 19.08 including tax.

4:00 pm Arrive at Hampton Inn & Suites and check-in (approximate time)

6:00 pm Dinner at Ditto's Grill

#### Friday, October 24

8:00 am-9:00 am Breakfast at the Hampton Inn

10:00 am Kentucky Derby Museum at Churchill Downs. General Admission

includes the shop, museum, movie and exhibits. Cost is \$17.00 per

person.

12:00 pm Lunch at the Churchill Downs Café

2:00 pm Mock Horse Racing Event. Spend \$5,000 worth of "Horsey Bucks,"

to share in the fun & excitement of wagering and learn about handicapping the horses. We supply the race programs, horsey bucks, betting windows, live tellers, and prizes to give us the feel

of real racing action! Cost is \$15 per person.

6:00 pm Dinner at Bristol East

#### Saturday, October 25

8:00 am-9:00 am Breakfast at Hampton Inn and head home

or

8:00 am-3:00pm Optional Brunch at the Brown Hotel

335 W. Broadway, Louisville, KY. 40202

502-583-1234

An elaborate buffet brunch is served. The cost is \$39.95 plus tax. The famous Hot Brown is available a la carte during every meal service, but it is not included in the buffet. Omelets can be made from the buffet for a separate charge. A Hot Brown is \$31.00 and will serve two. A petite brown is also available for \$22.00. Guests enjoy two-hour complimentary valet parking while dining. Self-parking is also available in the attached city garage for a fee.

## Lodging:



## **Hampton Inn & Suites Louisville East**

1451 Alliant Avenue Louisville, KY 49029

Phone: 402-800-5645

The special OVEB rate is \$114.00 per night plus tax for a room with either a king or two queen beds. This rate includes breakfast, internet, an outdoor pool and free parking!

We are only guaranteed 10 rooms at this special rate, so to ensure that you don't have to pay more for your room, please RSVP for the trip and reserve your room(s) as soon as possible. The special rate cannot be booked after September 15.

Please click on this link to book your room at the special OVEB rate:

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# **Dining:**

## Lunch at the Seasoned Pub and Grill - Thursday @ 11:00 am

2820 S. Hwy 53, Suite 2 LaGrange, KY 40031 502-265-7030

https://seasonedpubandgrill.com/menu/

Located in the clubhouse of Eagle Creek Golf Course, Seasoned Pub and Grill is open to the public and happy to serve you. Family-owned and operated, the owners and staff all live in LaGrange and are proud to carry on a rich family tradition of hospitality.



## Dinner at Ditto's Grill - Thursday @ 6:00 pm

1114 Bardstown Rd Louisville, KY 40204 502-581-9129

https://dittosgrill.com/menu/



From steaks to salads, American to Asian, Ditto's restaurant does it all. Some of Ditto's most popular dishes are the famous Thai Wings, Kentucky Pork Burger, Asian Lettuce Wraps, and the Citrus Atlantic Cod.

The founders of Ditto's Grill met while working as chefs in an upscale

restaurant in Providence, Rhode Island. By a chain of lucky events, they both ended up in Louisville and decided to do their own thing. That thing turned out to be Ditto's Grill.

## Lunch at the Derby Café and Bourbon Bar - Friday @ 12:00 pm

704 Central Avenue Louisville, KY 40208 502-637-1111

https://www.derbymuseum.org/res/uploads/media/2025-Menu-MarchUpdateV3.pdf

The Derby Café is located at the KY Derby Museum. Their team is up early chopping herbs and preparing Kentucky-inspired dishes. They use a "scratch kitchen" model, creating all their food from raw ingredients that are sourced locally. The Derby Café offers a modern take on some of Kentucky's signature dishes, including a Hot Brown Panini, Burgoo, and Bourbon Bread Pudding. The bourbon bar offers



Mint Juleps, bourbon flights, and other drinks at the full bar. You can enjoy eating inside the café, or on a covered outdoor terrace, right next to historic Churchill Downs.

## Dinner at the Bristoll Bar and Grill East - Friday @ 6:00 pm

300 N. Hurstbourne Parkway Louisville, KY 40299 502-426-0627

https://bristolbarandgrille.com/menus



The Bristoll Bar and Grill menu items include something for everyone. You will find original selections like the Bristol Burger or aged, charbroiled New York Strip steak. They serve dishes that have grown into classics like Pork Dijonnaise and Theresa's Sweet Chili Linguine. All their menu items feature ingredients sourced from their local farming partners who regularly provide products grown, raised and produced in Kentucky and Indiana.

Bristoll's Master Sommelier, Scott Harper, has crafted an extensive wine menu to pair with each dish. They employ more than two dozen Certified Bourbon Stewards who are on hand to answer any questions about Kentucky's native spirit.

## Optional Brunch at the Brown Hotel - Saturday from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

335 W. Broadway Louisville, KY. 40202 502-583-1234

https://www.brownhotel.com/dining/j-grahams-cafe



If you would like to spend a few more hours in Louisville, consider having Saturday brunch at the renowned Brown Hotel. J. Graham's Café at the Brown Hotel has delighted generations of Louisvillians with its warm, light-filled atmosphere and casual a la carte dining. Attentive service and consistently delicious food have earned TripAdvisor's Certificate of Excellence and OpenTable's Diners' Choice Award.

On Saturdays, an elaborate buffet brunch is served. The cost is \$39.95 plus tax. The famous Hot Brown is available a la carte during every meal service, but it is not included in the buffet. Omelets can be made from the buffet for a separate charge. A Hot Brown is \$31.00 and will serve two. A petite brown is also available for \$22.00.

Guests enjoy two-hour complimentary valet parking while dining. Self-parking is also available in the attached city garage for a fee.

If you intend to participate in brunch at the Brown Hotel, please be sure to note this in the comments field of the RSVP form. We need to notify the restaurant how many diners will be coming. We'll also need to pick a specific time for brunch.

#### Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory – Thursday @ 1:20 pm

800 West Main St. Louisville, KY 40202 (877) 775-8443

https://www.sluggermuseum.com/



Your ticket admission price includes all the museum exhibit areas, a 35-minute guided tour through the factory with a tour guide, a trip into the bat vault and a 13-minute film called *the Heart of the Game*. Most guests spend about 1-1/2 to 2 hours for the whole experience.

Our guided factory tour will depart at 1:40 pm. We can visit the museum while waiting for our tour to start. Guests will see bats being made on every tour, every day.

Everyone receives an 18-inch souvenir bat at the end of the tour. Personalized bats can also be purchased in the museum store. If you order them when you arrive, you can pick them up after your tour.







#### The Kentucky Derby Museum – Friday @ 10:00 am

704 Central Avenue Louisville, KY 40208 (502) 637-1111

https://www.derbymuseum.org/



The Kentucky Derby Museum is one of the region's premier attractions, celebrating the tradition, history, hospitality and pride of the world-renowned event that is the Kentucky Derby. The museum is located next to Churchill Downs® Racetrack. Free parking is available year-round. Each year, the Museum welcomes over 240,000 visitors from across the U.S. and around the world. With a general admission ticket, visitors can enjoy two floors of interactive exhibits, a 30-minute guided historic walking tour at Churchill Downs Racetrack and get their heart racing and emotions soaring watching the Museum's signature 18-minute movie, "The Greatest Race" on a 360°, 4K high-resolution screen.

The Museum's exhibits tell the story of how the Kentucky Derby got its start, going back to the first Derby in 1875. Displayed are unique artifacts ranging from early fashion pieces to winning Hall of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas' trophies and artwork entrusted to the Museum in 2017. Visitors can call a race, play Derby trivia and learn about what it takes to be a jockey.

In addition to the Historic Walking Tour of Churchill Downs that comes with General Admission, guests can upgrade to other tour options that include some of the most exclusive spots inside Churchill Downs.







## KY Derby Museum Race Activity - Friday @ 2 pm

704 Central Avenue Louisville, KY 40208 (502) 637-1111

https://www.derbymuseum.org/group/ajaopackage.html



With \$5,000 worth of "Horsey Bucks," everyone is a high roller! This mock racing event allows your group to share in the fun & excitement of wagering and learn about handicapping the horses. The Derby Museum supplies the race programs, horsey bucks, betting windows, live tellers, and prizes to give groups a feel of real racing action! This is one fun, exciting, and a bit competitive group experience! The cost is \$15 per person.

# **Map of Churchill Downs**



#### **ICON LEGEND**

- **CONCESSIONS**
- **♣** FIRST AID
- MERCHANDISE
- NURSING ROOM
- # RESTROOMS
- ▼ TICKETING
- GUEST SERVICES

#### **GRANDSTAND**

- GRANDSTAND SEATING
- WICKER GARDEN
- ③ GRANDSTAND TERRACE
- STARTING GATE SUITES & DINING
- **(5)** JOCKEY CLUB SUITES & DINING
- **6** TRIPLE CROWN BALCONY
- O HOMESTRETCH CLUB

#### **PADDOCK**

- WOODFORD RESERVE PADDOCK CLUB & ENCLOSURE
- ② PLAZA BALCONY & LOGE
- ③ SILKS BALCONY & LOGE
- 4 PADDOCK TERRACE
- SPIRES TERRACE & SUITES
- **6** CLUB SI & ENCLOSURE
- WINNER'S CIRCLE SUITES

#### **CLUBHOUSE**

- 1 CHAMPIONS BALCONY & LOGE
- ② TURF CLUB, BALCONY, TERRACE, ROSES LOUNGE
- **3** GOLD ROOM
- 4 STAKES ROOM
- **(5) MILLIONAIRES ROW**
- **6** FINISH LINE SUITES & BALCONY
- 7 TROPHY ROOM
- MATT WINN'S STEAKHOUSE
- ARISTIDES LOUNGE & LOFT
- (i) SKYE TERRACE 4, 5, 6
- ① CHURCHILL DOWNS LOUNGE
- (2) HORSEMEN'S SERVICE CENTER, RACING OFFICE