

Riverboat Ramblin' to Blennerhassett Island August 8-10, 2024

3 DAYS * 4 MEALS Join Shenandoah Tours for this journey to Parkersburg, West Virginia....enjoy a stern-wheeler ride to Blennerhassett Island, tour the Mansion, and take a horse drawn wagon ride. Spend two nights at the historic Blennerhassett Hotel, and visit the Smoot Theatre for a "dessert" tour. In addition, enjoy a tour of Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine. Discover all of this and more on our August tour.

Day 1 - Thursday - August 8 Travel to Parkersburg, West Virginia Blennerhassett Hotel

All aboard! We're off to Parkersburg, West Virginia, stopping en route for rest stops and lunch on our own. Upon arrival we'll check into the historic Blennerhassett Hotel, a grand showplace built in 1889 and now fully restored to its original ambiance. It's a treasure chest filled with antiques and is registered as a national historic landmark. Enjoy dinner at the hotel and a free evening. (D)

Day 2 - Friday - August 9 Blennerhassett Museum Cruise to Blennerhassett Island

Our day begins with an included breakfast at the hotel followed by a visit to the Blennerhassett Museum, a showcase of priceless relics and objects of art from the Ohio Valley's past. Afterwards we board the *Island Belle Sternwheeler* for a visit to Blennerhassett Island, an area of quiet natural beauty and the scene of the alleged Burr-Blennerhassett plot. Enjoy a box lunch and a horse drawn wagon ride around the island before returning to the mainland. This evening have dinner on our own followed by a "dessert tour" on the stage of the historic Smoot Theatre, a restored vaudeville house. (B,BL)

Day 3 - Saturday - August 10 Travel to Beckley, West Virginia Exhibition Coal Mine / Tamarack Travel Home

Departing Parkersburg we travel to Beckley to visit the Exhibition Coal Mine, traveling underground in authentic mining cars. The guides are veteran miners who provide firsthand knowledge of past and present day mining. Then, visit Tamarack Marketplace featuring quilts, pottery, and artwork made by local artisans throughout West Virginia. Afterwards we return to our own Shenandoah Valley. (B)



DEPART		RETURN
7:00 AM	CHARLOTTESVILLE	6:30 PM
7:30 AM	WAYNESBORO	6:00 PM
8:00 AM	STAUNTON	5:30 PM
7:30 AM	HARRISONBURG	6:00 PM
6:00 AM	WINCHESTER	7:30 PM

Tour Highlights:

- * 2 Nights at Blennerhassett Hotel
- * Blennerhassett Museum
- * Cruise on the *Island Belle* Sternwheeler
- * Horse drawn wagon ride
- * "Dessert Tour" at historic Smoot Theatre
- * Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine
- * Tamarack Marketplace
- * Also included:
 Motorcoach Transportation,
 Shenandoah Tours Escort,
 & Luggage Handling.
- * 4 Meals = 2B, 1BL, 1D

Tour # 24024 Cost of Tour - Per Person Twin \$759 Single \$949

Optional Travel Protection Plan Available \$66 Per Person (Rates subject to change)

Deposit & Final Payment:

A deposit of \$100 per person is due when reservations are made. Balance is due by May 1, 2024.