

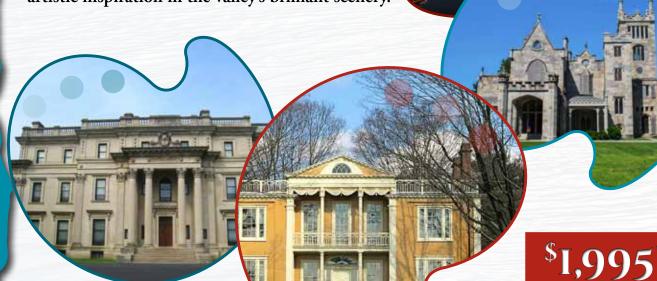
# Painlers and Palriols Hudson River Valley Tour JULY 12-20, 2019

### 9-day, 8-night tour

The Hudson River Valley offers visitors vast scenes of natural beauty, rich culture, and fascinating history. Several key battles of the American Revolutionary War took place in the region centuries ago, and in more recent history, countless painters from across the United States and around the globe have found artistic inspiration in the valley's brilliant scenery.

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To register for this tour, call (800) 692-1828 or visit hsmichigan.org/programs

\*Price is per person based on double occupancy. Includes motor coach transportation; all lodging; all dinners and breakfasts; some lunches; and all admission fees, taxes, and gratuities. Historical Society of Michigan membership required.

Few places in America—outside of Michigan, of course!—are more beautiful and historic than New York's Hudson River Valley. From the Hudson River Valley School of Art to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point to Rip Van Winkle, it's a magical place.



#### On the Road to New York

Our Hudson River Valley Tour departs the Meijer parking lot in Lansing at 8 a.m. for New York aboard Compass Coach. Compass's 56-passenger coaches boast all the comforts of home, including a restroom, DVD player, and wireless Internet.

We will delight in the Indiana and Ohio Toll Road's scenic wonders, including the Toledo and Cleveland suburbs, but will pry everyone's attention from the passing cornfields long enough to play "Bob's Useless Trivia Games," which offer prizes that stagger the imagination. At noon, we'll enjoy the culinary repasts of the toll road's fine eateries.

Dinner tonight is at Luigi's Ristorante in DuBois (locals pronounce it "Dew Boys"), Pennsylvania. Luigi's, family-owned and -operated since 1984, specializes in fine Italian foods. Lodging is at the Fairfield Inn & Suites. Like all our hotels, this one includes a complimentary breakfast. It also has an indoor pool and a fitness room.





#### Steamtown National Kistoric Site, Scranton, Pa

If you like the Age of Steam, you'll love Steamtown! Steamtown National Historic Site explores steam railroading from locomotives and rolling stock to train crews and gandy dancers. We've arranged a train ride and behind-the-scenes shop tour for our group. The three-mile-round-trip train ride will take us through the railyards; over the Lackawanna River and historic Lackawanna Station; and to the former Delaware, Lackawanna and Western

(DL&W) Railroad passenger station and offices.

Afterward, we'll meet a park ranger for a 45-minute tour to learn about maintaining and repairing steam locomotives. The historic DL&W Shop will show us the behind-the-scenes systems necessary for railroad operations. The historic roundhouse includes a

visitor center, theater, technology museum, and history museum. The history museum features

a "Life on the Railroad" exhibit focusing on the people who kept the railroad running and a railroad depot exhibit, a railway post office, and business cars. The Technology Museum includes a sectioned steam locomotive, a caboose and boxcar, and exhibits covering technical aspects of railroading.

We'll spend the afternoon at Steamtown and then head to the Lackawanna Station Restaurant. The restaurant is in the old DL&W railroad station, a gorgeous neoclassical building on the National Register of Historic Places. Lodging tonight is at the Comfort Inn & Suites in Scranton.



JULY 13, SATURDAY



JULY 14, SUNDAY



West Point dates back to the Revolutionary War, when both sides recognized the strategic importance of the plateau overlooking the Hudson River. George Washington chose Thaddeus Kosciuszko, a hero of Saratoga, to design the fortifications there in 1778 and transferred his own headquarters to West Point in 1779.

West Point is America's oldest continuously occupied military post. Its graduates, including Grant, Lee, and Sherman, dominated the highest ranks on both sides during the Civil War. In World War II, West Pointers Eisenhower, MacArthur, Bradley, Arnold, Clark, and Patton became famous. In 1976, West Point admitted its first female cadets.

At West Point, we'll tour the visitor center, West Point Museum, and West Point Cemetery. Exhibit galleries explore the history of warfare, the U.S. Army, West Point itself, and other aspects of military service. The West Point Cemetery is a final resting place for West Point graduates, cadets, and faculty. We'll take in all of those attractions and enjoy lunch at West Point's Hotel Thayer.

The Holiday Inn in Poughkeepsie will serve as our home away from home for the next few nights. No more packing and unpacking! The hotel offers a free breakfast, fitness room, indoor pool, and business center. Dinner tonight is at Amici's Ristorante in Poughkeepsie.





We'll spend the whole day at those adjacent sites! Springwood, at the home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site, was the home of America's only four-term president. Historians rank FDR among the top three U.S. presidents and for good reason: he guided the nation through two of its most crucial periods—the Great Depression and World War II.

At the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library and Museum, exhibits tell the story of the Roosevelt presidency. The 300-acre site also offers gardens and trails and the Henry A. Wallace Visitor and Education Center, where we can have lunch at Uncle Sam's Canteen and watch an introductory film.

We'll tour Top Cottage in the afternoon. Roosevelt built Top Cottage in 1937 at the east end of his estate and planned to retire there after his second term as president. After winning an unprecedented third term, he used Top Cottage as a retreat from Springwood and a place to host close friends and political allies.

We'll also visit Eleanor Roosevelt's home, Val-Kill. Eleanor developed the site (*Val-Kill* is Dutch for "waterfall-stream") for Val-Kill Industries, which employed local farming families in handcraft traditions. After Franklin died in 1945, it became Eleanor's primary home. Val-Kill was almost razed for a development project, but a public outcry saved it. In 1977, it became the Eleanor Roosevelt National Historic Site.

Dinner tonight is at the Hyde Park Brewing Company, which specializes in locally grown seasonal produce from organic farms.



JULY 15, MONDAY





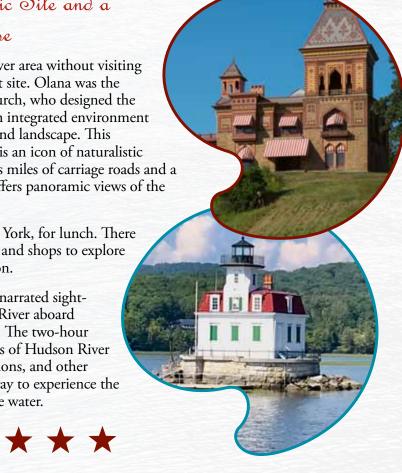
JULY 16, TUESDAY

## Olana State Kistoric Site and a Kudson River Cruise

We can't tour the Hudson River area without visiting a Hudson River School of Art site. Olana was the home of painter Frederic Church, who designed the home, studio, and estate as an integrated environment embracing architecture, art, and landscape. This National Historic Landmark is an icon of naturalistic landscape design and includes miles of carriage roads and a Persian-inspired house that offers panoramic views of the Hudson River Valley.

We'll drive to Kingston, New York, for lunch. There are plenty of little restaurants and shops to explore in the historic area of Kingston.

In the afternoon, we'll take a narrated sightseeing cruise on the Hudson River aboard the tour boat *Rip Van Winkle*. The two-hour sight-seeing cruise offers views of Hudson River lighthouses, waterfront mansions, and other historic sites. It's a splendid way to experience the Hudson River Valley from the water.





JULY 17, WEDNESDAY

#### Locust Grove & New Pallz

Today begins with a visit to Locust Grove, an Italianate villa designed in 1851 by architect Andrew Jackson Davis for Samuel Morse. We think of Morse in relation to the telegraph and Morse Code, but he actually made his living as an artist. In 1895, new owners William and Martha Young redecorated the house with art and antiques. Today, Locust Grove offers visitors landscaped grounds, historic gardens, and Hudson River views. Inside is the Young's collection of Hudson River School paintings and early nineteenth-century American furniture.

We'll find lunch and then head for New Paltz for a guided walking tour of Historic Huguenot Street. In 1678, French-speaking Huguenots founded the community of New Paltz.

The National Historic Landmark
District preserves their
charming stone houses, all
of which are open to the
public. The DuBois Fort
Visitor Center, built in
1705, houses exhibition
galleries and a museum
shop. We'll have free time to
explore that area too.

Garvan's, a fabulous restaurant in a historic house, hosts our dinner this evening.





#### JULY 18, THURSDAY

Lyndhurst Mansion & Philipsburg Manor

Forbes magazine listed Lyndhurst Mansion in Tarrytown as one of America's most beautiful mansions—and with good reason. In 1838, Andrew Jackson Davis designed Lyndhurst for William Pauldring Jr., New York City's mayor in the 1820s. This stone Gothic Revival mansion features turrets, a four-story tower, and pointed arched windows. We've arranged a guided tour of Lyndhurst as well as a boxed lunch to enjoy on-site.

After lunch, we'll drive to Philipsburg Manor in nearby Sleepy Hollow. Philipsburg Manor was part of a Dutch patroonship owned by Adriaen van der Donck and later

purchased by Frederick Philipse I. The Philipse family used enslaved African Americans to erect buildings on the property and had tenant farmers work the land. Frederick Philipse III supported the British during the American Revolution and saw his land confiscated after the war. Several original structures still stand, including the manor house and the Old Dutch Church.

We can't leave Sleepy Hollow without visiting Sunnyside, the whimsical home of America's "Founding Father of Literature," Washington Irving. At Sunnyside, we'll learn about America's first internationally famous author, who introduced the timeless characters Rip Van Winkle and the Headless Horseman.

Taormina Restaurant in Peekskill, a locally owned Italian restaurant, will host our group for dinner tonight.





**JULY 19,** 

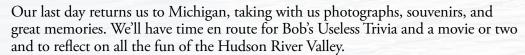
We start back for Michigan today, but first we'll visit Boscobel House & Gardens, located directly across the Hudson River from West Point. Built from 1804 to 1808, Boscobel is one of America's finest examples of Federal-style architecture. A local historian saved Boscobel from demolition in 1955 and had it dismantled, moved to its current site, and restored. We'll have a boxed lunch on-site and then depart for Clarion, Pennsylvania.











**JULY 20,** SATURDAY We hope you can join us for our Hudson River Valley Tour! Give us a call at (517) 324-1828 or e-mail us at hsm@hsmichigan.org if you have any questions.









Yes! I(we) want to join Michiganders on the Road for the Painters and Patriots Hudson River Valley Tour for \$1,995\* per person.

\*Includes motor coach transportation; all lodging; all dinners and breakfasts; some lunches; and all admission fees, taxes, and gratuities. Historical Society of Michigan \$39.95 membership required. Price is per person based on double occupancy. We encourage the purchase of travel insurance in case unforeseen events force you to cancel at the last minute. Deposits or payments made after the reservation deadline of May 31, 2019, cannot be refunded.

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