# Salem Haunted Happenings & The Great Jack O'Lantern Blaze



October 22-26, 2021



# **INCLUDED FEATURES**

- Free parking with roundtrip motorcoach transportation
- Four night hotel accommodations
- Baggage handling (1 bag per person)
- Meals: 4 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners
- All tours and admissions as listed per itinerary
- Local Guide Service
- All taxes and gratuities
- Services of a Discoveries Journey Manager

#### **PRICING**

Occupancy	Rate Per Person
Double	\$1,569
Single	\$2,089
Triple	\$1,419
Quad	\$1,339

All the pricing and included features are based on a minimum of 25 full paying passengers. Rates are subject to change.



# **HIGHLIGHTS**

- House of Seven Gables Spirit of the Gables
- Dinner at the Hawthorn Hotel
- Guided tour of Salem
- Salem Witch Museum
- Performance of *Cry Innocent*
- Salem Haunted Happenings
- Old Dutch Church performance "Legend of Sleepy Hollow"
- Sleepy Hollow Cemetery Tour
- Washington Irving's Sunnyside Home
- Lyndhurst Castle
- Great Jack O' Lantern Blaze

#### ITINERARY

# Friday, October 22: Travel to Salem, House of Seven Gables/Spirit of the Gables and Hawthorne Hotel Dinner

**6:30AM:** Motorcoach will depart from Lancaster, AC Moore store located in Lancaster Shopping Center on the Oregon Pike/ Route 272 side of the store.

**7:30AM:** Depart from Harrisburg, AAA Central Penn, 2301 Paxton Church Rd; travel to Massachusetts with appropriate rest and meal stops en route.

An early evening arrival to the hotel with time to relax and freshen up before venturing into Salem to visit the House of Seven Gables for the Spirit of The Gables. Get swept into Hawthorne's tale of guilt, greed and revenge as the characters from The House of the Seven Gables (1851), come to life and recount their stories while you walk through the very house that inspired Hawthorne's timeless novel. Tonight enjoy dinner at the Hawthorne Hotel. Hotel: *Doubletree by Hilton Boston North Shore, Danvers, MA.* (Dinner)

# Saturday, October 23: Salem's Haunted Happenings

This morning, enjoy breakfast before departing for Salem for a full day and evening of Salem Haunted Happenings, where Halloween is a month long celebration! Upon arrival, enjoy a guided tour of Salem and then visit the Salem Witch Museum. Step back in time to 1692 for a dramatic history lesson using stage sets with life size figures, lighting and narration to experience this dramatic witch hunt that struck fear and terror into the hearts of the Salem townspeople and ultimately lead to the court trials and executions of many men and women!

Then enjoy a performance of "Cry Innocent: The People vs. Bridget Bishop." The year is 1692, Bridget Bishop has been accused of witchcraft and the audience sits on the Puritan jury. They hear the historical testimonies, cross-examination of the witnesses and decide the verdict! Then gather for a Haunted Footsteps & Ghost Tour, enjoy a spooky walking tour by cemeteries, witch trial sites, famous places of folklore and legend. The remainder of the evening is at your leisure for dinner on your own and to enjoy and explore the variety of events the Salem Haunted Happenings has to offer such as spell castings, ghostly walking tours, the annual Psychic Fair and Witchcraft Expo, tarot card and rune reading demonstrations and many other fun events. (Breakfast)

# Sunday, October 24: Old Dutch Church "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow"

After breakfast depart for Upstate New York. Mid-afternoon arrival at the hotel with time to freshen up before embarking on a ghoulishly fun evening. Tonight enjoy dinner before we gather at the Old Dutch Church, where we'll be captivated by a master storyteller as he offers a dramatic presentation of Washington Irving's classic tale, "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow", featuring the Headless Horseman, Ichabod Crane, Brom Bones and Katrina Van Tassel. Hotel: Sheraton Tarrytown Hotel, Tarrytown, NY. (Breakfast, Dinner)

# Monday, October 25: Sleepy Hollow and the Great Jack O'Lantern Blaze

After breakfast, meet our local guide for a spooktacularly fun filled day! Begin the day with a walking tour of Sleepy Hollow Cemetery where we'll hear tales of Washington Irving, author of "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow", and Revolutionary War veterans, wealthy industrialists, and others. Here, we can appreciate the remarkable cemetery art, architecture, and symbols on the cemetery grounds, and step into the cemetery's 113 year-old underground receiving vault! Then enjoy viewing many of the attractions linked to Ichabod Crane and Sleepy Hollow as we are transported to sites such as: The Van Tassel Homestead where Schoolmaster Ichabod Crane began his famous flight from the headless horseman, Patriots Park and the André Captors' Monument, where Ichabod first encountered the headless horseman, and Philipsburg Manor, a 17th century Dutch manor where Ichabod strolled with the local girls.

Later, it's on to the Legend behind the "Legend," for a visit to Sunnyside, Washington Irving's fascinating home. Filled with a colorful blend of architectural styles, it showcases many fascinating objects related to Irving's famous stories and tales. Then tour Lyndhurst Castle which is beautifully adorned for the autumn and Halloween season. Here you'll discover how current fascination with macabre developed out of customs that originated in the 19th century. After this evening's delightful dinner, you'll experience the area's biggest Halloween event, the wildly popular Great Jack O' Lantern Blaze! The event features over 6,000 hand-carved, illuminated pumpkins set against the mysterious backdrop of Van Cortland Manor's 18th century buildings and riverside landscape. This elaborate walkthrough experience, perfect for the Halloween season, will truly amaze! (Breakfast, Dinner)

# Tuesday, October 26: Depart for Central Pennsylvania

After breakfast depart for Central Pennsylvania with appropriate rest and meal stops en route. (Breakfast)

Hotel and itinerary are subject to change at any time without notification and/or compensation.

#### Tour Activity Level: 3

This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs, or on uneven walking surfaces, should be expected.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

# **Payment**

\$300 per person deposit due at the time of booking to confirm your reservation. Final payment is due to AAA by **September 5, 2021**.

Solo Travelers Rewards Club maximum voucher redemption: \$100

#### Cancellation/Penalties

A \$25 per person cancellation fee will be charged by Discoveries in addition to any other supplier's fees. From **September 5, 2021** to day of departure no refunds.

#### Insurance

For your protection AAA recommends travel insurance. Pre-existing medical conditions may be waived with proper coverage if travel insurance is purchased within 14 days of initial deposit only. Other conditions may apply; ask your travel agent. AAA recommends Allianz.

# Clothing/Climate

Temperatures for Massachusetts and New York in October average in the 50s. Casual clothes and comfortable walking shoes are recommended; be prepared for potential inclement weather, a small umbrella is recommended.

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