# 2018 New Year Countdown 7 days Tour from Chicago

## Tour Code: CN27-7

## Departure Date: Wednesday (12/27/2017)

#### **Price List:**

Standard price per person is based on double-bed room.

1st & 2nd Person	<b>3rd Person</b>	Person 4th Person Single		Share
\$689/person	\$499	\$499	\$959	\$769

## **Itinerary Highlights:**

- 1) Six Historical Cities, 3 Nights stay in New York Metropolitan Area
- 2) Celebrate the New Year at Times Square Countdown with 3 choices: The traditional way to experience the Countdown zone, the luxury way to have unlimited access to Countdown zone with Applebee, the unique way to spend the night and count down on Cruise!
- 3) Free hand warmer for all guests on the day of New Year countdown.

## Visiting: Chicago, Washington D.C, New York

#### **Departure & Return Information**:

Location	Address	Departure Time	
Chicago, IL	207 W Cermak Rd. Chicago, IL 60616 (Chicago Chinatown)	8:00AM	

# Itinerary

## Day 1: Chicago – Detroit (12/27 Wednesday)

In the morning, we are heading to the capital of automobiles, Detroit. We will stop at the headquarters of the General Motors Company and take pictures. We will then visit Henry Ford Museum, which is sponsored by the Ford Motor Company. It is the second– largest carmaker in the United States. It's said that where cars exist, there is a Ford. The exhibitions not only show the history of Ford but also reveal the process of American Industrial Revolution. The collection contains many rare exhibits including John F. Kennedy's presidential limousine, Abraham Lincoln's chair from Ford's Theatre, Thomas Edison's laboratory, the Wright Brothers' bicycle shop, and the Rosa Parks bus.

Hotel: Quality Inn & Suites North Youngstown or equivalent

## Day 2: Detroit – Pittsburgh – Washington, D.C. (12/28 Thursday)

In the morning, we will leave for Pittsburgh, "the Steel City" which is famous for its more than 300 steel– related businesses and "the City of Bridges" for its 446 bridges. The Point State Park, at the confluence of three rivers, gives you a fabulous view of Pittsburgh. Then we will head to Washington D.C. and visit the Lincoln Memorial, the Reflecting Pool, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, and the Korean War Memorial. Besides, we can take photos of the White House and the U.S. Capitol from outside due to the limitation of visit time for the public. Furthermore, you surely don't want to miss the opportunity to take a cruise for sightseeing of the town on the Potomac River! Along the way, you will see and pass by the Washington Monument, the World War II Memorial, the Thomas Jefferson Memorial, and etc.

Hotel: Comfort Inn Capital Beltway or equivalent

## Day 3: Washington, D.C. – Baltimore – Philadelphia – New Jersey (12/29 Friday)

Baltimore, the colorful and diverse town, Maryland's largest city and economic hub, is recognized by its beautiful inner harbor where sits the Fort McHenry, birthplace of the U.S. national anthem, "The Star–Spangled Banner". The waterfront, Baltimore's hub for tobacco trade with England in its earliest days, is surrounding by shops, restaurants and attractions that lure tourists and residents today. Later on, drive north to Philadelphia where is known as the birthplace of American democracy. At the Independence National Historical Park, tour guide will arrange a free time for guests to walk around. Inside the Independence Hall, you will have a special moment of standing exactly where the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution were signed. You also won't miss the Liberty Bell, the Statue of Washington, Congress Hall, and other great attractions! Take pictures, and even better, add a smile! Then we will be heading to Lancaster to visit the Amish Cottage. Despite the development of the contemporary technologies in the 21st century, the Amish still live a rural way of life. They enjoy their simple and strict life and keep away from light, phone, and TV. Amish life is always remarkable in the trip with such a huge contrast with the modern social values. Lastly return the hotel in the New Jersey at night.

#### Hotel: Hotel Somerset, Holiday Inn Somerset or equivalent

## Day 4: New York City (12/30 Saturday)

At a first glance, travelling around the entire of New York City seems like the mission impossible; however, our highly organized tour is an especially designed for you: by visiting amounts of famous landmarks, you will learn more about the city's unique history, culture, and the core spirit of the New Yorkers! By stepping up to the Empire State Building Observation deck, guests could overlook the beautiful view of the central park and the entire of New York City. Empire State Building stood as the world's tallest building for nearly 40 years, and has surpassed in late 1970. Its name has derived from the nickname of New York, the Empire State. Nowadays it is still the most famed landmark of the city. In addition, Guests will take a sightseeing cruise tour on the Hudson River to enjoy the city view from a completely different angle, as well as take pictures with the backdrops of Statue of Liberty and Brooklyn Bridge. Furthermore, visit U.S.S INTREPID, the national heritage that costs \$120 million, which is reopen for visitors. Concorde supersonic airliner and a variety of aircrafts will be in the exhibition. In addition, wandering around the world's famous financial and securities trading center – Wall Street, taking pictures with the New York Stock Exchange and its signature sculpture Charging Bull, and visiting Trinity Church, Times Square, Madame Tussauds', and Ripley's Believe It or Not - all of them will be made up into our tour later. Of course, we cannot miss the renowned Metropolitan Museum of Art. The

Metropolitan Museum of Art is the largest art museum in the United States with more than 2 million works of art collection. In the end of the day, our tour bus will pass by the Fifth Avenue, Rockefeller Center, United Nations Headquarters, Ground Zero and the new "Freedom tower", One World Trade Center. Certainly, Broadway musicals are one of the most celebrated symbols of the city. You will have a chance to watch the world class Broadway shows of opening after 7:00PM upon your request. (Note: the admission is on your own expense, and you can book tickets from tour guide in advance owing to seats are limited.) (If you book the Broadway show tickets with us, we will provide \$100 drop-off service for free!)

#### Hotel: Hotel Somerset, Holiday Inn Somerset or equivalent

## Day 5: New Year Times Square Countdown (12/31/2017 Sunday)

In the morning, we will visit the Central Park of New York and the 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. You may enjoy Lady M or Luke's Lobster for brunch. We will pass by Trump Tower, Apple Flagship store, and much more highend brands on 5<sup>th</sup> Ave(There would be no space for storage shopping bags so please do not purchase any goods on that day). Next we are heading to the Times Square countdown area, and celebrating New Year with thousands of visitors. You will have 3 options for the countdown:

1. You may walk to Times Square and watch performances before the countdown. At the same time, the countdown zone will be closed for pedestrians only; you may experience the world-famous New Year street celebrations to witness the historic moment. (Free of charge)

2. Buy an Applebee Party Pass! Be in the center of it all – and feel the electricity & excitement of a "real" Times Square New Year's Eve experience! Enjoy an All-Inclusive Evening of a Lifetime at The World's Largest Applebee's: Premium Chef's selection buffet, Premium Open Bar, Party Favors, House DJ / Live Entertainment, Dance Floor, Champagne Toast at Midnight (\$375 for adults, \$250 for kids)

3. New York Sightseeing Countdown Cruise. Cruise into the New Year in style aboard our New Year's Eve Fireworks Cruise! Your majestic evening on the ferry features stunning views of the New York City skyline and 3 hours of first-rate entertainment. In the climate-controlled interior of the cruise boat, dance the night away as the DJ spins the greatest hits of the year! Enjoy a little bubbly or pick your poison at the open bar as you countdown the final hours of 2017. When the clock strikes midnight, make a toast and turn your head to the sky for a brilliant fireworks display that illuminates iconic landmarks and adds splashes of color to the skyline. (Must be over 21 to enter, \$199 including transfer service to the pier)

#### Hotel: Hotel Somerset, Holiday Inn Somerset or equivalent

#### Exclusive countdown service details:

- 1. Indoor waiting area:
  - located between fifth Avenue and Sixth Avenue West 48th Street
- 2. Arrangement for the hotel shuttle bus (guests can choose to go back to the hotel in advance):
  - Shuttle bus schedules: 6:00pm, 9:00pm, 1:30am (January 1st in the morning).
- 3. All guests will be provided a pack of hand-warmer to keep warm in countdown zone.

#### Day 6 New York – Niagara Falls (01/01/2017 Monday)

Driving through the hilly Pennsylvania and New York State, the several hours of ride becomes a perfect time to enjoy the rural scenes. We will arrive at Niagara Falls in the afternoon. You will be amazed by the deafening roar of the American, the Horseshoe Falls and the Bridal Veil Fall when you are strolling in the State Park with the mist from both falls spraying up in your face. You can also have an in– depth tour at the Whirlpool state park and the Old Fort Niagara. (Tour fee: \$25/person, including the admission ticket of \$13.) Nobody other than the Native Americans knows better about the strategic importance of Niagara Falls' location, and how the Europeans learned it in the hard way! The Old Fort Niagara will give you an insight that you would never discover outside. When night falls, we will watch an amazing Native American show with the marvelous native singing and traditional dancing.

Hotel: Days Inn Erie, Comfort Inn Erie or equivalent

## Day 7 Cleveland – Chicago – Homeland (01/02/2018 Tuesday)

Cleveland, the Holly of Rock, is the biggest city along the Erie Lake in the State of Ohio. Here, we will visit the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum, which is designed by the famous designer I. M. Pei. This is the heaven for Rock and Roll fans. The museum has 4 theaters, multiple interactive stations and 7 floors of exhibits that exactly tell the story of the world's most powerful music. In the evening, we will return to Chicago. (If you need to leave at any other places on the way back to Chicago, please confirm it with your tour guide in advance.)

# **Terms & Conditions**

#### **Scenic Spots Notes:**

- (1) Itinerary will be subject to traffic and weather. The sequence of the attractions might be changed according to actual and practical situation for better service.
- (2) In case of attraction closures (due to holidays or construction etc.), tour guide may make some necessary changes to the itinerary accordingly.
- (3) This tour doesn't accept any City Pass or your own tickets for the attractions. Guests must purchase admission tickets from tour guides.

#### **Refund Policy:**

- (1) If the weather condition, war, general strikes and other unforeseen circumstances interrupt the journey, our company reserve the right to rearrange the journey without refunding the tour fee.
- (2) If visitors cannot join the tour because of personal reason, the fee for hotels and transportation is not refundable.

**Tour fee exclude:** the meals, attractions tickets, service fee (\$8 per person per day), and any private costs (such as hotel telephone charges, laundry etc.).

Attraction Admission List	Adult	Senior (65+)	Children (3-12)
Henry Ford Museum	\$22.00	\$20.00	\$16.50(3-11)
Amish Village Tour	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$13.00

DC Cruise	\$26.00	\$23.00	\$18.00
Metropolitan Museum	\$25.00	\$17.00	Free (Under 12)
Empire State Building	\$34.00	\$31.00(62+)	\$27.00(5-12)
Liberty Cruise	\$29.00	\$24.00	\$17.00
Madame Tussauds Wax Museum	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$23.00
U.S.S. Intrepid	\$33.00	\$31.00	\$24.00(5-12)
Native American Show	\$21.00	\$21.00	\$14.00
Niagara In-depth Tour	\$25.00	\$22.00	\$15.00
Rock N Roll Hall of Fame	\$23.50	\$21.25	\$13.75
Service Fee Per Day Per Person	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$8.00

\*Price and schedule are subject to seasonal change without notice.