

# SCENIC SAMPLER

4 nights; activities listed are suggestions only

## DAY ONE

Arrive and check into your hotel. **Explore Asheville** can offer **free and helpful assistance** with blocking your group accommodations. Use our lead service to find and compare the best group room rates! As part of our service, we can also provide a free **welcome gift** for each member of your group upon check-in.

Head to dinner at **Tupelo Honey Café South**, an iconic Asheville restaurant serving up southern fare with a twist. Preselected group menus can be arranged at this location, just a few miles south of Biltmore.

Or, for a unique dinner experience, head out to Mills River for a brewhouse tour and casual dinner at **Sierra Nevada** brewery.

## DAY TWO

Spend the day visiting **Biltmore**, America's largest privately-owned home. Tour the impressive 250-room chateau, a wonder of architecture and hospitality, and stroll acres of formal and informal gardens designed by America's foremost landscape architect, Frederick Law Olmsted. Enjoy lunch at Stable Café before visiting **Antler Hill Village** and the award-winning **Biltmore Winery**, or, allow the group to dine on their own in the Village.

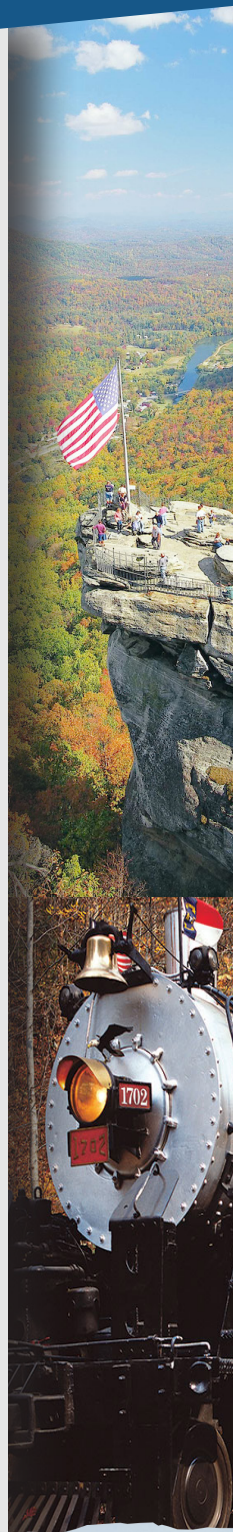
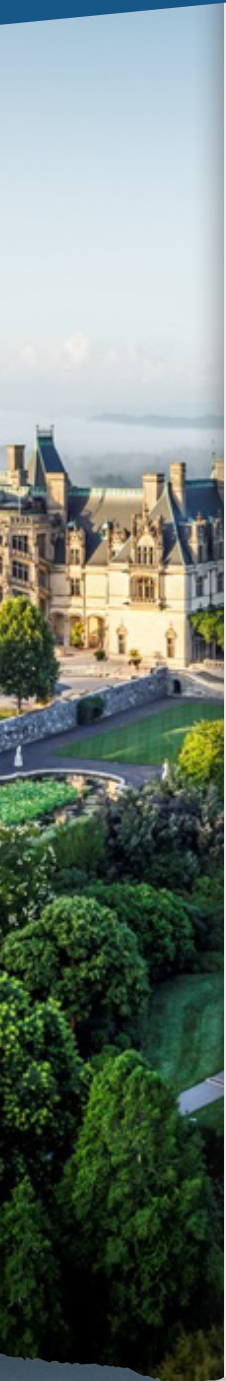
Enjoy the toe-tapping fun of the **Blue Ridge Mountain Opry** "Bluegrass and BBQ" dinner show, featuring a variety of Appalachian songs and jigs. Sit back and enjoy the live band or grab a partner and head out on the dance floor!

## DAY THREE

Provide hop-on, hop-off tickets for the **Gray Line Trolley** to your group members so they can enjoy the city of Asheville at their leisure. This fully narrated experience provides fun and informative facts about Asheville. Stops include:

**Asheville Visitor Center | The Omni Grove Park Inn | Thomas Wolfe District | Pack Square / Asheville Art Museum | Haywood Street, Wall Street, and Battery Park | Grove Arcade | River Arts District | Biltmore Village (3 stops)**

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Polish off the day with dinner at **Pack's Tavern**, a lively downtown restaurant that caters to groups with customized menus of American classic cuisine.

## DAY FOUR

Drive along the beautiful **Blue Ridge Parkway**! Allow for stops at the **Blue Ridge Parkway Visitor Center** (milepost 384) and **Folk Art Center** (milepost 382) to admire this national wonder and the Appalachian arts and crafts that tells its story.

Continue on a short journey to **Chimney Rock State Park** where you'll enjoy lunch at the **Old Rock Café** followed by an easy and fun elevator ride up to Chimney Rock. This 315-foot high vantage point brings you 75-mile views overlooking Lake Lure and the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Take in even more mountainous beauty while sipping a glass of award winning wine at **Burntshirt Vineyards** in Hendersonville. Then, stop for dinner at one of charming Hendersonville's group friendly dining establishments.

Conclude your day with a professional theatrical performance at **Flat Rock Playhouse**, the state theater of North Carolina. Patrons and performers alike flock to the special place to revel in the performing arts.

## DAY FIVE

Travel to Bryson City, NC to hop aboard the **Great Smoky Mountain Railroad** (10:30 departure) for a 4 ½ hour scenic train ride along the Nantahala River. Eat lunch as a group in the comfort of your train car.

Stop in for a visit at the **Wheels Through Time** museum, home to the world's premier collection of rare American motorcycles, memorabilia, and one-off automobiles. Featured on the hit show American Restoration, private collector Dale Walksler's museum is a true gem in the mountains.

Return to Asheville in time to experience a farm-to-table feast at **The Farm, A Gathering Place**. This picturesque mountain venue provides a glimpse into Asheville's Foodtopian lifestyle with a garden tour, chef demonstration and hearty family-style meal.

Or, spend the day discovering the history and traditions of the Cherokee Indian with a visit to **Oconaluftee Indian Village**, **Museum of the Cherokee Indian**, and **Qualla Arts and Crafts Center** in Cherokee, NC. End your visit with the dramatic presentation of "**Unto These Hills**" or some time at Harrah's Cherokee Casino. one of charming Hendersonville's group friendly dining establishments.

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