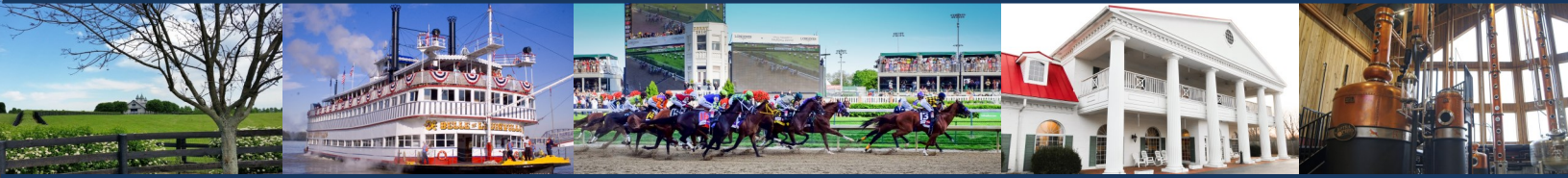


MARS & COMPANIES



Kentucky Derby

3 Nights / 4 Days

Day One - Distillery BBQ Dinner & Live Music

Arrive in **Louisville, Kentucky**, and check-in to your **local area hotel**. Enjoy an evening on the patio of a local favorite distillery with a **BBQ Welcome Dinner** and **live country music**. There will be **dancing, tours**, and a **bourbon tasting** opportunity! This is one of the most modern bourbon distilleries in Kentucky and we have a festive evening planned here for the kick-off event to the Derby. (Meals: D)

Day Two - Horse Farm & "Off to the Races Dinner Party"

This morning, enjoy **breakfast included** at the hotel, then depart for the **Louisville Slugger Museum**. You don't have to be a baseball fan to love the Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory. It's iconic, it's linked to legends, and it's one of Louisville's best known tourist attractions. Baseball is such a big part of American history & culture, even guests who don't think they're fans will find a connection here. Today, enjoy an **included lunch** at **Claudia Sanders Dinner House**. This restaurant is a replica of the elegant, old home opened by Colonel Sanders in 1959. It was from this very building *Kentucky Fried Chicken* grew into the world-wide organization it is today. After lunch, visit a **Horse Farm** where you'll learn about the business of raising competitive horses. Our next stop is a **Derby Hat Boutique**. Here you can buy hats and accessories for both men & women. Return to your hotel to rest up before tonight's "**Off to the Races Dinner Party**". You will find gift boxes, with a miniature bottle of **Evan Williams Bourbon & Chocolate Bourbon Candy**, waiting for you. It's another *Bourbon Experience* and a *Spirit to Lift* before your **included dinner**. This evening's "**Off to the Races**" Dinner is a feature event as we partner with the **Kentucky Derby Museum** at a local banquet hall. The meal is a special "**Taste of Kentucky**" menu. A plated meal of renowned Kentucky favorites complimented with Derby Pie for dessert. The Derby Museum's Master of Ceremonies takes over during dinner with **Derby Racing fun**. We have **three pre-recorded horse races** that will be projected on the big screen. Each guest will have a race program and be presented with a stack of play money with which to make a wager at the row of **Betting Windows** in the back of the room. Consider this a **warm up** to the big race tomorrow, a practice session. It's a chance to make a few bets,

cheer for a favorite, and share a few laughs. Your group will be rolling in the aisles with fun. When each race is over, there's time to cash in winnings & make fresh bets before the next race. (Meals: B, L, D)

Day Three - Riverboat Race & Kentucky Derby VIP Access

Enjoy **breakfast** at the hotel this morning. Today's first event is the **Derby Day Riverboat Race**. We've chartered both the **Mary M. Miller** and the **Belle of Louisville**. Once onboard, enjoy coffee & tea or start the festivities with a Bloody Mary or Champagne Mimosa from the cash bar. Once underway, we'll have experts providing a few insider tips on the **Derby Race**. They'll talk about the horses, how they run in different conditions, who has the post and what does that mean, plus information on the trainers, their Derby History, and more. You'll also enjoy a seminar on how to place a real bet at **Churchill Downs**. At the end of the "How to Bet" lesson, our two private Sternwheelers will turn downstream and, with those big red paddlewheels kicking up a feather trail of whitewater, they race each other back to Louisville. We encourage you to place a creative bet or two with your travel partners. Next, depart for **Churchill Downs**, enjoy your **VIP Fast Access Pass & 2nd Floor Grandstand Seats** near the **Finish Line** of the **Kentucky Derby**. You will be at The Derby all day, enjoy crowd watching, sample a mint julep, and place a few bets. This is one of the world's greatest and most celebrated sporting events, "The Fastest Two Minutes in Sports", and you'll be there to experience it all! The **Kentucky Derby** is America's most extravagant springtime sports party, and one of our most celebrated events. While the horse race is at the heart of this spectacle, there are many intriguing aspects within this Louisville tradition. It's a festival and fashion show, it's a Parade and a Race, it's Mint Juleps and Riverboats; it's about Horses and it's about time you see it! (Meals: B)

Day Four - Breakfast & Depart

Enjoy **breakfast** at the hotel this morning before **checking out**. Depart with hat boxes and suitcases loaded; your group departs for home with another event checked off the **Bucket List!** (Meals: B)

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