# Wine Sips, Cherry Blossoms, & Tulips

Grand Rapids, Holland, and Traverse City, Michigan

Embark on your Michigan odyssey, blending luxury and culture. Enjoy history, art, nature, cuisine, and hands-on experiences. From the scenic wonders of Tulip Time and Sleeping Bear Dunes, to cherry pie making and wine tasting, take in all Michigan has to offer!

### SAMPLE ITINERARY

#### **DAY ONE-**

Arrive in Michigan and check-in to your Grand Rapids area hotel.

Begin with a mouth-watering Welcome Dinner at a popular bistro, a unique dining venue offering an array of authentic European, Mediterranean, & Latin American delights.

#### DAY TWO -

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel.

Explore the Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park, a haven of art & nature.

Enjoy lunch on your own and free time at The Grand Rapids Downtown Market, a culinary collective of butchers, bakers, and fishmongers—the Market Hall is filled with artisan cuisine, local grocery items, and specialty food products.

Delight in a hands-on candle-making class at Wax Poetic Candle Bar, followed by a savory dinner at a famous restaurant, where made-from-scratch comfort fare meets authentic global classics.

#### **DAY THREE-**

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel.

Embark on a scenic journey to Holland for the famous Tulip Time Festival. With over 5 million tulips blooming throughout the city and hundreds of klompen dancers, Tulip Time has been heralded as the nation's Best Flower Festival and America's Best Small-Town Festival. From Dutch traditional garb and dance to the nationally renowned entertainment, Tulip Time celebrates both culture and community.

Discover Dutch traditions at Evergreen Commons with an included lunch and style show.

Explore the Tulip Immersion Garden and spend time at Windmill Island Gar-

dens, home to the last working windmill allowed to leave the Netherlands in 1964.

Sail away on a charming 2-hour cruise aboard the Holland Princess, an old-fashioned Victorian-style paddlewheel boat with an included "Captain's Feast" dinner, relaxing music, and a cash bar.

#### DAY FOUR -

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel prior to checking out.

Explore the majestic Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore with a guided tour offering breathtaking views of Lake Michigan.

Enjoy lunch on own and free time in Glen Arbor concluding with a lovely Wine Tasting.

Embark on a guided tour of Black Star Farms. Witness the picturesque 160-acre estate, and participate in a fun & interactive Charcuterie Board Workshop at Bistro Polaris.

This evening will include a delightful, Chef presented dinner with wine pairings.

Check-in to your Traverse City hotel.

#### **DAY FIVE -**

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel.

This morning, discover history & culture at the Village at Grand Traverse Commons for a bit of shopping and history.

See the former laundry building housing the Left Foot Charley Winery & enjoy a "Barrel Room" experience.

Visit Higher Grounds Coffee & learn about coffee from the ground to the

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cup with a behind the scenes tour. Enjoy lunch on own while visiting.

Experience the Dennos Museum Center for a behind-the-scenes tour led by the Executive Director and Chief Curator. The museum's permanent collection is stunning & features Inuit Art of the Canadian Arctic.

Arrive at Northwestern Michigan College to participate in a Cherry Pie Making or demonstration class before enjoying dinner on your own at your leisure.

#### DAY SIX -

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel.

Venture to the Old Mission Peninsula to dive into the cherry-growing process at Wunsch Farms.

Tour the historic Lighthouse and the Dougherty House, both of which give you a full range of how not only Old Mission came to be, but also Traverse City.

Explore Seven Hills for an artistic experience with local artists and shop the local art scene in a casual setting in the woods.

Experience Chateau Chantal with a Wine-making Facilities Tour & Tasting culminating with a scrumptious wine paired dinner overlooking both East and West Grand Traverse Bays from the window lined dining room. A special Chef's presentation will be included with dinner tonight.

#### **DAY SEVEN-**

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel this morning prior to checking out and departing for home.

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