

# HOOSIER HOSPITALITY

TRAVEL WITH R & J TO THE CHARMING & BEAUTIFUL SOUTHERN INDIANA COUNTRY!



*Your rocker is ready!*

MAY  
13 - 19, 2013  
7 DAYS



## HIGHLIGHTS

*Two night stay at the world famous luxurious  
West Baden Spring Resort for two nights!*

*Parke County Indiana – The Covered Bridge  
Capital of the World*

*Turkey Run Resort*

*Bridgeton Mill & Bridge*

*Billie Creek Village*

*Gasthof Amish Village*

*Historic French Lick Indiana*

*Patoka Lake Cruise*

*French Lick Rail Road*

*Madison, Indiana on the Ohio river*

*Hill Forest Victorian Mansion*

*Drury Lane Dinner Theatre*

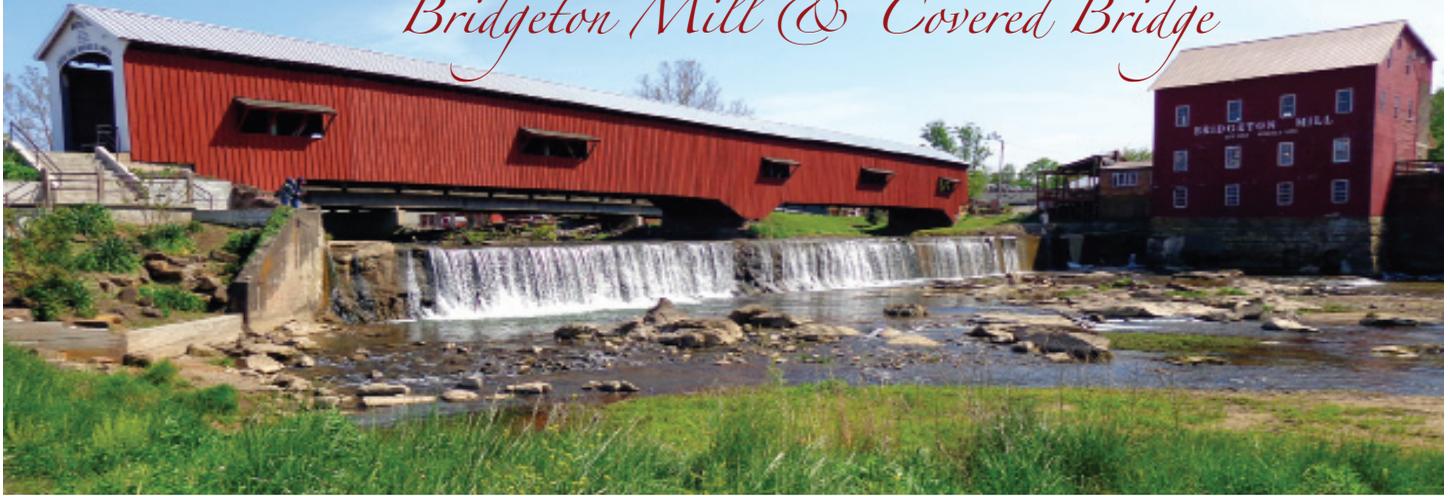
*Beautiful, fantastic, and classic accommodations*

*15 Included meals*

## MAP AT A GLANCE



# Bridgeton Mill & Covered Bridge



## Day 1 - Home to Bloomington, IL

We start our journey from Minneapolis/St. Paul to Bloomington, IL with rest stops and lunch along the way before getting to our destination for the evening. Lunch and dinner will be on your own today.

**Hotel:** Hawthorn Suites

## Day 2 - Bloomington to Parke County, IN

After our included hot breakfast we travel on to Rockville, IN, a very historic town with brick streets, an old jail, and great photo opportunities at the majestic old courthouse on town square. You will have a chance to shop the 5 & 10 dime store where you can find anything and everything. This place is totally incredible. We will check out the tourist information building at the old 1883 train depot. Included lunch is a feel-at-home experience at a local favorite, Rock Run Café & Bakery. After we are sufficiently fed we travel the back roads to Bridgeton. We are honored to be given a tour of the oldest & longest continuously working mill from the family that started it in 1823 and rebuilt it in 1870. The mill sits beside the most famous and most visited covered bridge in the USA - breathtaking! Bridgeton has the distinction of being the "covered bridge capital of the world" located in Parke County, Indiana. Parke County is home to 31 covered bridges of which we will visit several of them before our travels take us to the Turkey Run State Park. Our home tonight will be Turkey Run Inn. We dine this evening in their warm and cozy dining room and have time to explore and enjoy the area before turning in.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Hotel:** Turkey Run Inn

## Day 3 - Parke County to West Baden Springs, IN

After enjoying a great hot breakfast at Turkey Run Inn we journey to Billie Creek, a small village settled years ago but still kept in relatively good shape. We enter across a covered bridge and enjoy what lies ahead; a village settled in 1880 and a mansion built in 1923. Our next stop is Gasthof, a neat little Amish Village where we will feast at an included Amish noon lunch buffet. We spend some time at the flea market and just strolling this beautiful area. Departing Gasthof, we will be eagerly awaiting our next stop: The West Baden Springs Hotel! This world famous resort will be our home for the next two evenings. You will be in awe at what you see! Considered to be the 8th wonder of the world, it was built in 1902 and is on the National Register of Historic Landmarks. Its atrium was the largest free span dome until the Houston Astrodome was built. There is no other word to adequately describe it but: AWESOME! Our evening dinner will be a treat as we dine in splendor and grandeur at the restaurant in the resort. You will have time on your own to scout out this lavish resort.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

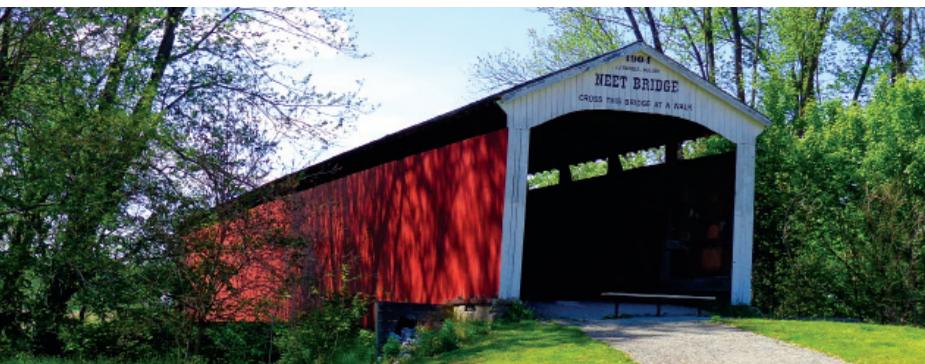
**Hotel:** West Baden Springs Resort (2 Nights)

## Day 4 - West Baden Springs & French Lick, IN

After another great breakfast in our grandiose setting, we are off for the day to explore and tour the sights & sounds of the French Lick area. This includes cruising beautiful Patoka Lake and a great ride on the French Lick Railroad. Once again we'll enjoy dinner at the Resort, relaxing in the beauty of our surroundings.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Hotel:** West Baden Springs Resort



1904 & 1895 COVERED BRIDGES

## STAY 2 NIGHTS AT THE MAGNIFICENT WEST BADEN SPRINGS



### Day 5 - West Baden Springs to Madison, IN

We board our coach feeling like kings & queens after our included hot breakfast. We journey through the rolling and wooded green hills of springtime in Southern Indiana to Madison, a great little town filled with old architecture and store fronts filled with history. Madison is located on the beautiful Ohio River and is billed as "the most beautiful small town in the midwest." The Broadway Fountain is one of only four remaining of its ornate style in the world and is located right in downtown Madison, as we'll witness & learn about during our guided city tour. Lunch today will be on your own with ample options in this classic main street setting. Included dinner is at the Falls Restaurant, the "best in southern Indiana!" Our beautiful home for the night is at Clifty Inn overlooking the Ohio River.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

**Hotel: Clifty Inn**

### Day 6 - Madison to Oakbrook, IL

After our included breakfast we travel to Thomas Gaff's stately Hillforest Victorian Mansion in Aurora, Indiana. The mansion reflects Italian Renaissance as well as steamboat-influenced architecture and was designed in 1853 by Isaiah Rogers. Gaff was a prominent citizen known for his wide range of interests, remarkable executive abilities, keen observations, and generosity to religious & charitable objects. We will tour the home and enjoy an included brunch before leaving the mansion to begin our journey back home. We spend this evening enjoying the Drury Lane Dinner Theatre and our overnight stay in comfort at the Hilton Garden Inn.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Brunch, Dinner**

**Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn, Oakbrook Terrace, IL**

### Day 7 - Oakbrook to Home

Our final travel day that will take us back to home sweet home with fond memories of Hoosier Hospitality!

**Included Meal: Breakfast**



## SOUTHERN INDIANA COUNTRYSIDE

### 2013 DATES & PRICES:

<b>DATES:</b>	<b>May 13 - 19, 2013 (7 Days)</b>	
<b>PRICE PER PERSON:</b>	<b>\$1,699 Double</b>	<b>\$2,549 Single</b>
	<b>\$1,599 Triple</b>	<b>\$1,499 Quad</b>
<b>PRICE INCLUDES:</b>	<b>15 Meals, Hotels &amp; Activities as stated in brochure, Luxury Motorcoach</b>	
<b>DEPOSIT DUE PER PERSON:</b>	<b>\$100 pp deposit at time of reservation, Full payment due 30 days prior to departure.</b>	
<b>OPTIONAL TRAVEL PROTECTION PP:</b>	<b>\$116 double (per person) / \$156 single</b>	
<b>TOUR PACE:</b>	<b>Moderate Walking</b>	
<b>R&amp;J TRAVEL BUCKS</b>	<b>\$30 Travel Bucks Earned With This Tour</b>	

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